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REGULAR MEETING
MAY 14, 2019

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The regular meeting of the Council for the City of Covington was held on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 333 W. Locust Street, Covington, Virginia.

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thomas H. Sibold, Jr.. The Invocation was given by Rev. Bill Gilliland followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Roll Call of Council showed all members present as follows: Mayor Sibold, Vice Mayor David S. Crosier, Councilman Claiborne "C.J." Entsminger, Jr., Councilman Raymond C. Hunter and Councilman S. Allan Tucker.

Interim City Manager: Clay Goodman
City Attorney Mark Popovich

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CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted to approve the following minutes as presented: Called Meeting April 2, 2019; Work Session April 2, 2019; Called Meeting April 9, 2019; Regular Meeting April 9, 2019; Called Meeting April 15, 2019; Called Meeting April 16, 2019; Called Meeting April 23, 2019 and Called Meeting April 30, 2019.

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

David Bryant, Director of Finance and HR, presented the monthly financial report. He began by recognizing Susan Walton for her hard work and a job well done. The soft billing revenue is increasing and Mr. Bryant expressed appreciation to the paid staff and volunteers for making it work. CSA had increased by \$300,000 and there have been unexpected expenditures due to recent emergencies.

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PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held to receive nominations for 2 appointments to the Covington City School Board. The following individuals were nominated: Mr. Eddie Clemons, Mr. Bert Baker, Mr. Temple Kessinger, Jr., Mrs. Stephanie Clark and Mr. Jonathan Arritt. Interviews will be conducted at a called meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Appointments will be made at a called meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

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REQUESTS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the following individuals will be submitted to the Court for appointment to the Board of Equalization: Katy Lytle; James Crawford, Temple Kessinger, Jr. and Darlene Taylor as an alternate. Motion carried 5 to 0. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to set the rate of compensation for the Board members at \$10 per hour. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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Appointments to the Redevelopment and Housing Authority and the Social Services Board were moved to the June meeting of Council.

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REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

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Mr. Goodman had no additional report.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve, on first reading, Ordinance O-19-03 regarding Amending and Reenacting Appendix B, Zoning, Article XIII, Conservation District CN. (This is to allow for camping at the Jackson

River Sports Complex.) Motion carried 5 to 0. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve, on first reading of Ordinance O-19-04 regarding rezoning of the Jackson River Sports Complex from R-2, C-2 and M-2 to CN. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve the Special Exception request for the City of Covington for the Jackson River Sports Complex to allow camping, contingent upon second reading approval of Ordinances O-19-03 and O-19-04. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Resolution R-19-35 regarding Adoption of the Five Year Comprehensive Plan. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Resolution R-19-36 regarding signature authorization for VDOT Rt. 220 S. Alleghany Ave. paving project. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-37 regarding Emergency Repairs to Rt. 18 (Carpenter Drive/Ashland) in the amount of \$100,000. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-38 regarding funding the City's Weed and Grass Ordinance in the amount of \$5,000. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-39 regarding funding request of "Bridges Out of Poverty" in the amount of \$500. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-40 regarding Covington City Schools in the amount of \$389,592. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

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Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted 5 to 0 to approve Appropriation Resolution R-19-41 regarding demolition of collapsed building (known as the former skating rink) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Mayor Sibold, FOR; Vice Mayor Crosier, FOR; Mr. Entsminger, FOR; Mr. Hunter, FOR; Mr. Tucker, FOR.

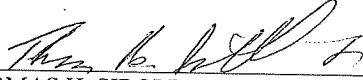
NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

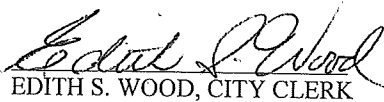
Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Crosier, seconded by Mr. Tucker, Council voted to move into closed session pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act Sec. 2.2-3711 A. 7 for consultation with legal counsel regarding shared services agreement. Following the closed session, Council reconvened and voted to certify that only the item stated was discussed. No action taken at this time.

No further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.



THOMAS H. SIBOLD, JR., MAYOR
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND, AS SUCH,
EX-OFFICIO OFFICER OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON,
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