

CITY OF WHITE HOUSE
Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting
Agenda
October 19, 2023
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order by the Mayor

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

2. Prayer by Community Pastor

Prayer was led by White House Fire Chaplain Andreus Boyle.

3. Pledge by Aldermen

The Pledge to the American Flag was led by Mayor Corbitt.

4. Roll Call

Mayor Corbitt – Present; Ald. Matthews - Present; Ald. Silver – Present; Ald. Spicer– Present; Ald. Wall – Present;
Quorum – Present.

5. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Wall to adopt the agenda. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

6. Approval of the Minutes from the September 21st Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.

Motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Wall to approve the minutes. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **The September 21st Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting minutes were approved.**

7. Welcome Visitors

Mayor Corbitt welcomed all visitors.

8. Proclamation

Mayor Corbitt read aloud and signed a proclamation reverting the name of the park located at 420 Hwy 76 to its original name of White House Municipal Park.

9. Public Comment

No one signed up to speak.

10. Public Hearings

- a. **Ordinance 23-14:** An ordinance amending the Municipal Code Title 12, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Chapter 6 International Energy Code.

No one spoke for or against.

- b. **Ordinance 23-15:** An ordinance to amend the Zoning Map and re-subdivide land from R-20 Low Density Residential and C-1 Central Business to CPUD Commercial Planned Unit Development on Raymond Hirsch Parkway.

No one spoke for or against.

- c. **Ordinance 23-16:** An ordinance amending the fiscal budget for the period ending June 30, 2024.

No one spoke for or against.

11. Communication from Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney, and City Administrator

City Attorney Valerie Webb discussed that the legal matters concerning Days Inn has been resolved in court. Mrs. Webb continued that the property owners will be requesting permission to have access to remove personal items and for potential buyers to inspect the property. Mrs. Webb mentioned that the City is abiding by the court order to have the property vacated.

City Administrator Gerald Herman thanked the Board members and public that attending his State of the City presentation at the Chamber luncheon. Mr. Herman noted that the live-stream of the presentation is available on the City’s Facebook page. Mayor Corbitt thanked Mr. Herman for him stepping up to give the presentation on his behalf, and that Mr. Herman did a great job with the presentation.

City Administrator Gerald Herman stated that the City’s MS4 permit for stormwater was approved by the State. Mr. Herman mentioned that the permit must be completed annually in September with several requirements needed to be met throughout the year.

12. Acknowledge Reports

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| A. General Government | E. Fire | I. Library |
| B. Finance | F. Public Services | J. Municipal Court |
| C. Human Resources | G. Planning & Codes | |
| D. Police | H. Parks & Recreation | |

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Matthews to acknowledge reports and order them filed. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

13. Consideration of the Following Resolutions:

- a. None

14. Consideration of the Following Ordinances:

- a. **Ordinance 23-14:** An ordinance amending the Municipal Code Title 12, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Chapter 6 International Energy Code. *Second Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Wall to discuss. After discussion, motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Matthews to approve. A roll call vote was requested by Mayor Corbitt; Ald. Matthews – aye; Ald. Silver – aye; Ald. Spicer – aye; Ald. Wall – aye; Mayor Corbitt - aye. Motion passed. **Ordinance 23-14 was approved on Second Reading.**

- b. **Ordinance 23-15:** An ordinance to amend the Zoning Map and re-subdivide land from R-20 Low Density Residential and C-1 Central Business to CPUD Commercial Planned Unit Development on Raymond Hirsch Parkway. *Second Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Matthews, second by Ald. Silver to discuss. After discussion, motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Spicer to approve. A roll call vote was requested by Mayor Corbitt; Ald. Matthews – aye; Ald. Silver – aye; Ald. Spicer – aye; Ald. Wall – aye; Mayor Corbitt - aye. Motion passed. **Ordinance 23-15 was approved on Second Reading.**

- c. **Ordinance 23-16:** An ordinance amending the fiscal budget for the period ending June 30, 2024. *Second Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Wall to discuss. After discussion, motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Wall to approve. A roll call vote was requested by Mayor Corbitt; Ald. Matthews – aye; Ald. Silver – aye; Ald. Spicer – aye; Ald. Wall – aye; Mayor Corbitt - aye. Motion passed. **Ordinance 23-16 was approved on Second Reading.**

- d. **Ordinance 23-17:** An ordinance amending the fiscal budget for the period ending June 30, 2024. *First Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Silver to discuss. After discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Wall to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. Motion passed. **Ordinance 23-17 was approved on First Reading.**

- e. **Ordinance 23-18:** An ordinance amending the Municipal Code Title 16, Chapter 2 Street, Sidewalk and Drainage Design Standards Section 16-220. *First Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Silver to discuss. After discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Wall, second by Ald. Matthews to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. Motion passed. **Ordinance 23-18 was approved on First Reading.**

15. Purchasing:

- a. To approve or reject the proposal from Clarke Power Services and allow City Administrator Gerald Herman to enter into a three-year agreement with an optional two-year extension for preventative maintenance services of all City generators. The Administrative Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Matthews to discuss. After discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Wall to approve. A voice vote was called for by Mayor Corbitt with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- b. To approve or reject the purchase of a vac-trailer from Ditch Witch of Tennessee off the Sourcewell cooperative contract #110421-CMW in the amount of \$107,681.51. The Public Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Silver, second by Ald. Spicer to discuss. After discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Matthews, second by Ald. Spicer to approve. A voice vote was called for by Mayor Corbitt with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- c. To approve or reject the purchase of four (4) 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles from Lonnie Cobb Ford off the State contract #80355 in the total amount of \$178,404. The Police Chief recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Silver to discuss. After discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Spicer, second by Ald. Matthews to approve. A voice vote was called for by Mayor Corbitt with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

16. Other Business:

- a. None

17. Discussion Items:

- a. Adjusting/discontinuing late-night flash operations at signalized intersections.

Ald. Wall stated that he requested this discussion item be added to the agenda. Ald. Wall discussed that the intersection of Hwy 76 and Hwy 31W has a line-of-sight issue when trying to turn left onto Hwy 31W from Hwy 76. Ald. Wall continued that several residents reached out to him about this issue and the topic needed to be discussed with the increase of residents moving into the City. Ald. Wall mentioned that the Hwy 76 and Hwy 31W intersection is his major concern but wanted to mention other busy intersections like Hester and Hwy 76 and Raymond Hirsch and Hwy 76 that should not have flashing lights late at night.

City Administrator Gerald Herman discussed the history of why the decision was made to have the traffic signal lights go into flash mode. Mr Herman mentioned that it was around 2012 when the City ran fiber to all intersections and connected them through a computerized system. Mr. Herman continued that City Engineer Jason Reynolds and him talked about how police officers had to sit at intersections with no traffic on the roads. Mr. Herman noted that another issue that came up was vehicles that did not have enough weight, like motorcyclists, did not activate the light to change which ended up the motorist running a red light. Mr. Herman stated he has not heard any complaints from citizens about this issue, but he pulled a team together that consisted of Public Services Director Andy Cieslak, Public Works Manager Isaiah Manfredi, Police Sergeant Erinn Martin, Fire Chief Patrick McLaughlin, and City Engineer Jason Reynolds to discuss the issue. Mr. Herman discussed that they did investigate traffic flows and counts throughout the day at several intersections. Mr. Herman stated that the traffic was consistent throughout the day except between 10pm and 4am. Mr. Herman noted that between these times traffic counts were minimal. Mr. Herman mentioned that times for the flash mode could be adjusted a little bit but did not recommend discontinuing it. Mr. Herman discussed that a study session could be called for to have staff and the Board sit down and review the data reports to see if the times can be adjusted.

Ald. Wall reiterated that his biggest concern was the intersection at Hwy 76 and Hwy 31W. Ald. Wall mentioned that the interstate could be shut down in the middle of the night and cause traffic issues. Mr. Herman said back in 2012 there was a different system in place than what we have now with the GridSmart system which caused traffic signals not to change. Mr. Herman stated that it may be worthwhile to have a study session and gather more data in the meantime. Ald. Wall mentioned that he is worried about future safety with all the growth the City has had. Mr. Herman said staff could schedule a study session in the community room so it is more of a round table discussion. The Board agreed to have a study session prior to the November 16th meeting.

18. Other Information:


- a. None

19. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.


 John Corbitt, Mayor

ATTEST:


 Derek Watson, City Recorder