



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
AUGUST 23RD, 2023
21 N. AVONDALE PLAZE
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR MEETING**

MINUTES

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor
Brian Fisher, Mayor Pro Tem
Lisa Shortell, Commissioner
Lionel Laratte, Commissioner
Dee Merriam, Commissioner

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant, City Manager
Shannon Powell, Asst. City Manager
Ellen Powell, Communications Manager
Gina Hill, City Clerk
Stephen Quinn, City Attorney
Lori Leland, Permitting Coordinator
Helen Menefee, Admin Coordinator
Harry Hess, Police Chief
Kristen Moretz, Capital Projects Mgr.

Item #1 Meeting Called to Order

Item #2 Adoption of Agenda
Commissioner Laratte moved to adopt. Commissioner Merriam seconded. All ayes.

Item #3 **Amendment to the 2023 Operating Budget**
City Manager Bryant explained that the 2023 capital budget would also be amended once the SPLOST funds are sorted out. He described what is shown on the documents provided to the BOMC, including changes in projected and actual income and expenditures. He answered some questions from the BOMC and said, because this is an ordinance, it will be brought back for the first reading at the next regular meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher said this makes sense to him and Commissioner Shortell felt this was timely since the budget process was about to begin.

Item #4 Public Comment
Bill Hover had a budgetary question and City Manager Bryant clarified. Members of the BOMC also made points to clarify. Paul Dorroh had several questions and comments about the budget. He provided a handout related to Downtown Development Authority reimbursement.

Item #5

Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moved to adjourn. Commissioner Merriam seconded. All ayes.

APPROVED SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2023



Gina Hill, City Clerk