

**BIRMINGHAM CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 21, 2020**

**7:30 P.M.**

**VIRTUAL MEETING**

**MEETING ID: 655 079 760**

**Video Link:**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pierre Boutros, Mayor, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Alexandra Bingham, City Clerk Designee, called the roll.

Present: Mayor Boutros (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Mayor Pro Tem Longe (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Commissioner Baller (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Commissioner Hoff (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Commissioner Host (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Commissioner Nickita (location: Birmingham, MI)  
Commissioner Sherman (location: Birmingham, MI)

Absent: None

Administration: City Manager Valentine, City Clerk Designee Bingham, City Planner Brooks Cowan, Planning Director Ecker, Finance Director Gerber, City Attorney Kucharek, Consulting City Engineer Surhigh, DPS Director Wood

**III. PROCLAMATIONS, CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS, AWARDS, APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS, ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS, INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

**Announcements**

- The City has reinstated the hotline to provide residents with information about City and County COVID-19 resources. Elderly, quarantined and immuno-compromised individuals are encouraged to use the hotline to request assistance with essential functions, and obtaining necessary supplies Call 248-530-1805, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m, excluding holidays.
- The City Commission wishes to thank Cheryl Arft for her 8 years of service to the City Clerk's office and congratulate her on her retirement.
- Commissioner Hoff's Birthday.

**Proclamations**

- Recognition of City Manager Joseph A. Valentine

**Appointments**

**12-275-20 Appointment of Jim Cleary to the Cablecasting Board**

The Commission interviewed Jim Cleary for the appointment.

**MOTION:** Nomination by Commissioner Host:  
To appoint Jim Cleary to the Cablecasting Board as a regular member to serve a three-year term expiring March 30, 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Sherman  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Nickita  
Commissioner Hoff  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Baller

Nays, None

**12-276-20 Appointment of Mary-Claire Petcoff to the Advisory Parking Committee**

The Commission interviewed Mary-Claire Petcoff for the appointment.

Ms. Petcoff confirmed for Commissioner Baller that she would recuse herself from any items that could represent a potential conflict-of-interest stemming from her employment with Williams, Williams, Rattner & Plunkett, P.C, a law firm which often represents clients' interests before City Boards.

City Attorney Currier stated that while "it is not a very common thing that we have done", a disclosure of the potential conflict and a recusal from voting on such an item by Ms. Petcoff would be sufficient to ward off any conflict-of-interest issues.

**MOTION:** Nomination by Commissioner Sherman:

To appoint Mary-Claire Petcoff to the Advisory Parking Committee as an alternate to serve the remainder of a three year term to expire September 4, 2023.

Commissioner Host shared his regret over a recent appointment to the APC not because he doubted the person's credentials or capacity but because, in his estimation, the opportunity for potential conflicts-of-interest was more than he was comfortable with. He said he saw the same issue arising with Ms. Petcoff's nomination given her work with a law firm which appears so frequently before the City. He stated he had no doubt in Ms. Petcoff's abilities and said that any interaction he has had with attorneys from Williams, Williams, Rattner & Plunkett, P.C has been wonderful. He noted this to emphasize that it was only the potential for conflicts-of-interest with her place of employment that would be preventing him from supporting Ms. Petcoff's nomination.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Sherman  
Commissioner Nickita  
Commissioner Hoff  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Baller  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe

Nays, Commissioner Host

**IV. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**  
All items listed on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and approved by a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of the items unless a commissioner or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered under the last item of new business.

**12-277-20 Consent Agenda**

The following items were pulled from the Consent Agenda:

- Commissioner Hoff: Item E – Intergovernmental Water Service Agreement  
Item J – WOW! Cable Franchise Renewal  
Item K – Public Artwork Call for Entry
- MPT Longe: Item D – Adams Fire Station Roof Replacement

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Host, seconded by Commissioner Hoff:  
To approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items D, E, J and K.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Nickita  
Commissioner Sherman  
Mayor Boutros  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Baller

Nays, None

- A. Resolution approving the City Commission meeting minutes of December 7, 2020.
- B. Resolution approving the warrant list, including Automated Clearing House payments, dated December 9, 2020, in the amount of \$675,477.46.
- C. Resolution approving the warrant list, including Automated Clearing House payments, dated December 16, 2020, in the amount of \$1,215,810.62.
- F. Resolution authorizing the IT department to submit the 2020-2021 payment of \$59,823.00 and to continue the 4 year payment agreement with SHI for the Darktrace security Appliance to be charged to account #636-228.000-973.0400.
- G. Resolution to adopt the Resolution of the City of Birmingham to Concur in the Rules and Regulations Concerning Industrial Pretreatment Program as Adopted by the Great Lakes Water Authority, as presented.
- H. Resolution approving the purchase of eleven (11) Dumor benches and ten (10) trash receptacles for a total purchase price of \$34,963.00 from the sole source vendor, Penchura, LLC. Further, to waive the formal bidding requirements. Funds have been budgeted in fiscal year 2020-2021 Parks Operating Supplies, Account #101-751.000-729.0000 for this equipment purchase.
- I. Resolution authorizing the IT department to purchase the License and support renewal for the Arc GIS software from ESRI Inc. Total cost not to exceed \$9,450.00. Funds are available in the Computer Maintenance fund account # 636-228.000-933.0600.

**12-278-20 (Item E) Intergovernmental Water Service Agreement**

Consulting City Engineer Surhigh explained the address in question was previously receiving water from a now-failing well on the property. All construction costs and attendant fees required to connect the home to Birmingham water will be paid by the homeowner, and all future water bills after the connection is made will be paid by the homeowner to the City of Birmingham.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Hoff, seconded by Commissioner Nickita:  
To approve the intergovernmental Water Service Agreement with Bloomfield Township and the property owners to permit construction of the water service connection for 295 Abbey Road to the City water main along Abbey Road, and also to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE:     Ayes,   Commissioner Hoff  
  Commissioner Nickita  
  Commissioner Host  
  Commissioner Sherman  
  Mayor Boutros  
  Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
  Commissioner Baller

Nays,                   None

**12-279-20 (Item J) WOW! Cable Franchise Renewal**

Commissioner Hoff noted a conflict between the letter from WOW! and the letter from City Attorney Currier in regards to PEG fees. She asked for clarification.

City Attorney Currier stated WOW! will continue to pay 5% franchise fees and 2% PEG fees. He stated WOW! had used an old form letter, hence the incorrect fee amount, and confirmed WOW! would be aware that their actual fee obligations are as delineated in the City Attorney's letter. He said he had also reached out to WOW! to let them know of their error.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Hoff, seconded by Commissioner Host:  
To approve the Michigan Uniform Video Local Franchise Agreement with WideOpen West effective December 21, 2020 and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign on behalf of the City.

Commissioner Baller stated he wanted more information about the proposal, lamenting that he was being asked to vote on an item with both less background information and a shorter notice than he was

comfortable with. He said he did not feel sure he had enough information to know if WOW!'s proposal was what was best for the City, and asked if he could abstain from voting in light of his concerns.

City Attorney Currier stated that Commissioners can only abstain from voting if they have a conflict-of-interest. He stated the Cablecasting Board, the Village of Beverly Hills and the Village of Franklin were made aware of the contract. Birmingham was only made aware of WOW!'s intention to renew their contract on November 20, 2020.

Commissioner Sherman addressed some of Commissioner Baller's concerns. He explained that the City's contract with WOW! expired in August 2020 and had been month to month since then. He explained that cable franchise agreements are governed by the Michigan Public Service Commission and that municipalities only have the options to accept a cable provider's offered fee amounts for the franchise fee and the PEG fee or to require other fee amounts for those two charges.

City Attorney Currier clarified that if the Commission does not approve a uniform franchise agreement with fee amounts specified by the City that the fee amounts will default to WOW!'s proposed amounts, which are lower.

ROLL CALL VOTE:     Ayes,   Commissioner Host  
  Commissioner Hoff  
  Commissioner Nickita  
  Mayor Boutros  
  Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
  Commissioner Sherman

Nays,   Commissioner Baller

**12-280-20                    (Item K) Public Artwork Call for Entry**

Commissioner Hoff commended the Public Arts Board for the excellent package they submitted.

In order to ensure that the details of the call for entry were clear, City Planner Cowan gave a brief review of the item.

**MOTION:**                    Motion by Commissioner Hoff, seconded by Commissioner Host:  
To approve a call for entry for artwork with the following terms for fiscal year 2020-2021: 1.) Timeframe options include a loan with a minimum 3-year term, or an accepted donation to the City. 2.) The five locations indicated on the call-for-entry map are prioritized, however the Public Arts Board may recommend other sites more suitable within the City; 3.) Each artist will coordinate with the relevant City Departments for requirements related to installation; 4.) Each artist is to be provided a stipend of \$2,000 for approved artwork, for a total amount not to exceed \$10,000 from the General Administration Budget, account #101-299-000-811-0000.

Commissioner Baller stated he was not in favor of the proposal for location #3 in the call-for-entry. Citing the historic location, he said it would be his preference to try and visually fade the electrical box into the background as much as possible instead of highlighting it with art. He noted there are a number of other locations in Birmingham where public art would be more appropriate, and that he would be in favor of exploring those other options in lieu of location #3.

Mayor Pro Tem Longe largely concurred with Commissioner Baller, saying she was not aware of the Commission having accepted all of the recommendations in the Terminating Vista Report, specifically noting her disagreement with the report's proposals for location #3. She expressed concern that it would be misleading to the artistic community to solicit art for location #3 when not all of the Commissioners expressed enthusiasm for that proposal.

Commissioner Nickita opined that it is unfortunate that the electrical box at W. Maple and Henrietta was placed at such a centrally-located terminating vista. He said seeking some kind of context-sensitive art or design for that location could help elevate that view from functional to aesthetic, and consequently said he would support the Public Arts Board considering options for location #3 towards that end.

Mayor Boutros expressed his concurrence with Commissioner Nickita's perspective.

Commissioner Hoff also reminded her colleagues that any public art piece would have to receive the Commission's support before installation, meaning there was little risk in at least allowing the Public Arts Board to explore what the possibilities could be for location #3.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**12-281-20 (Item D) Adams Fire Station Roof Replacement**

Mayor Pro Tem Longe said that while this particular project should move ahead because the bidder responded appropriately to the City's RFP, the City should include environmental sustainability as one of the factors considered along with cost when crafting RFPs for work in the future.

**MOTION:** Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Longe, seconded by Commissioner Hoff:  
To approve the contract with Royal-West Roofing & Sheet Metal, LLC. in an amount not to exceed \$71,300.00 to perform City of Birmingham Adams Fire Station Roof Replacement from account #101-336-000-977-0000; and to direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**12-282-20 Public Hearing – 34350 Woodward & 907-911 Haynes – Lot Combo**

1. Resolution to deny the proposed lot combination of 34350 Woodward and 907-911 Haynes, parcel # 19-36- 281-022 and parcel #19-36-281-030, as the resulting parcel would not be consistent with the requirements for the MU-5 and MU-7 Zones, nor consistent with the recommendations in the Triangle District Plan.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 8:20 p.m.

Jason Canvasser, representing the applicant, asked that the item be postponed to January 25, 2021 and that the City Manager schedule time to meet with the applicant regarding the proposed lot combination before then.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Host, seconded by Commissioner Sherman:  
To postpone the Public Hearing for 34350 Woodward & 907-911 Haynes – Lot Combo to January 25, 2021.

Commissioners Sherman, Baller, Hoff, and Nickita all expressed doubts that a consensus between the City and the applicant would be reached in advance of a January 25, 2021 meeting. They agreed that the City could attempt to hold a meeting between the City Manager and the applicant in January 2021, noting it would only be a first step in the conversation. Among the reasons cited for the Commissioners' doubts that a consensus would be reached in January 2021 were the fact that the new City Manager will still be onboarding during that time, that the master plan remains in flux, that the applicant's proposal is inconsistent with the Triangle District Plan, and that the applicant's proposals have not been sufficiently reviewed or approved by other City boards.

The possibility of moving the public hearing to the first Commission meeting in February 2021 was discussed, but Mr. Canvasser stressed the applicant's desire to have it at the January 25, 2021 meeting since the applicant is trying to navigate a potential capital outlay in February 2021 that will hinge on the Commission's decision.

Commissioner Baller said he was comfortable with the public hearing being held on January 25, 2021 with the understanding that the matter could be continued to the following meeting if necessary.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Host  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros

Nays, Commissioner Sherman

**12-283-20 The Pearl - Parking Assessment District Request**

Gayle MacGregor, attorney for the applicant, requested that the matter be adjourned to January 11, 2021 to allow the applicant sufficient time to gather the information necessary for a presentation to the Commission.

Citing both new Commissioners and turnover in City staff, Commissioner Baller said it would be useful for the City Attorney to provide the Commission a review of the history and legal framework of the Parking Assessment District sometime in the near future.

After a bit more discussion among the Commissioners, it was agreed that the applicant should have their request considered at the January 11, 2021 meeting and not later since their ability to lease to certain business tenants hinges on the resolution of these parking matters.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Baller, seconded by Commissioner Host:  
To set a public hearing for January 11, 2021 to consider the request to be included in the Parking Assessment District by The Pearl.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Host  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**12-284-20 Greenwood Cemetery Grave Release**

City Clerk Designee Bingham presented the item.

Cheri Arcome, Creative Collaborations, explained:

- The contractor does not keep track of how many graves are authorized for sale by the City Commission;
- She did not know any of her sales were unauthorized until a conversation with Museum Director Pielack and City Clerk Designee Bingham;
- She has temporarily halted all sales of graves per Museum Director Pielack's and City Clerk Designee Bingham's instruction until more sales are authorized by the City Commission;
- Ground penetrating radar (GPR) and a three-month field survey were performed at the Cemetery. Unless trees or monuments are removed from the cemetery, the map shows all remaining graves for sale;
- Her recommendation would be to allow for the sale of all remaining grave spaces in order to achieve a self-sustaining perpetual care fund for the Cemetery; and,
- It would be her suggestion to release ten graves from Sections B and C, instead of just from C, to be available for sale while the Commission waits on more information from the GCAB.

Some Commissioners expressed concern about past and present miscommunications regarding the Cemetery. They noted that such miscommunications were likely the result of frequent historic turnover in the City staff serving as liaisons to the GCAB, but said they would like to see Staff figure out how to make sure accurate, up-to-date information is conveyed to all relevant parties moving forward.

In response to a question from Commissioner Hoff, CM Valentine said the GCAB and the City Commission should determine whether the ultimate goal for the Cemetery is still to maintain a self-sustaining perpetual care fund, and if so, whether to release all the graves at once to achieve that or to release them incrementally.

Commissioner Hoff said she would also like the GCAB to ascertain whether GPR was done throughout the entire Cemetery. If it was, she would like the GCAB to just confirm that the graves shown on the map are the only ones left.

Commissioner Baller noted that Linda Buchanan, chair of the GCAB, submitted a letter to the Commission as a private citizen regarding what she thinks should be done vis-a-vis the Cemetery. He said he would appreciate some insight regarding how the recommendations made in her letter interact with the goal of creating a financially self-sustaining cemetery.

There was consensus among the Commissioners that the oversold graves should be authorized, any grave sales currently in progress should be authorized, and that ten additional graves should also be made available so there is inventory while the Commission is waiting for clarification from the GCAB.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Host, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Longe:  
To authorize the 10 plots sold but not authorized in Sections B, e.g.: B, Row 9-A, Plots 7, 14, 19 and 20; B, Row 10-A, Plot 17; B, Row 11-A, Plots 19, 20, and 24; B, Row 13-A, Plot 1; and B, Row 15-C, Plot 6.

AND

To release 10 plots in Section C<sup>1</sup> Row 19-A for sale.

AND

To authorize the sale of one additional grave in Section B, Row Lot<sup>2</sup> 12a, Space 17 or 18.

Public Comment

Laura Shriner, GCAB member, asked the Commission to consider authorization of one additional grave in Section B to accommodate a particular family with a recent death who wanted to bury their loved one near family in that section.

Ms. Arcome said if the Commission authorized the sale of one grave in Section B, Lot 12a, Space 17 or 18 that would accommodate the family Ms. Shriner referenced.

Commissioner Host and Mayor Pro Tem Longe amended their motion to reflect the authorization of the additional requested grave.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**12-285-20 Unimproved Streets Committee Final Report**

AHUSSC Chairman Scott Moore introduced the item. Mayor Boutros thanked AHUSSC Chairman Moore and all the members of the AHUSSC for their work on the committee.

CM Valentine, DPS Director Wood, Consulting City Engineer Surhigh, and Finance Director Gerber provided an overview of the report.

<sup>1</sup> As corrected at the January 11, 2021 Commission meeting.

<sup>2</sup> As corrected at the January 11, 2021 Commission meeting.

Commissioner Host asked if revenue bonding for individual streets was considered as a possible funding option.

FD Gerber explained the interest rates on revenue bonds tend to be higher and also require the City to put funds in escrow both of which would cause this option to be more prohibitive than the funding options proposed in the report.

Commissioner Sherman noted that each bond issue comes with a cost and that it would raise the cost of the project unnecessarily.

After discussion, there was consensus that it would be best to accept the report and to hold off on approving the recommendations until there has been more time to study the recommendations at the Commission level. A number of Commissioners also stated that they wanted incoming City Manager Markus to have the opportunity to review the report's recommendations before accepting them. It was determined that further discussion of the recommendations would occur at the City's long-range planning meeting scheduled for the end of January 2021.

Commissioner Baller said he also wanted members of the public to have more opportunity to weigh in at the Commission level, noting that there were very few members of the public in attendance at the present meeting.

A number of Commissioners expressed their thanks to the members of the AHUSSC for their dedicated work on this project.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Nickita, seconded by Commissioner Hoff:  
To accept the Ad Hoc Unimproved Streets Study Committee's Final Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Longe asked for clarification as to whether the City could mandate that a street be improved if the residents of the street were overwhelmingly not in favor of the improvement.

City Attorney Currier said the City did have that ability but has never used it.

#### Public Comment

AHUSSC Chairman Moore said the AHUSSC members generally agreed that if a street declined improvements it should be moved to the end of improvement ranking list. He stated this was not an official AHUSSC recommendation, but just a general consensus among the members. He also spoke in favor of the Commission approving the report and moving forward with study of the recommendations at the long-range planning meeting.

Janelle Whipple-Boyce, AHUSSC member, suggested that the public was not present at the current meeting because the AHUSSC held open meetings during its 2.5 year tenure and that numerous residents asked questions and provided feedback over that extended period of time. She said she was present currently in the hopes of answering any questions the Commission might have, and to advocate for implementation of the report's recommendations. She stated the AHUSSC had been extraordinarily thorough in its research and recommendations.

Matthew Carmona, a resident of an unimproved street, thanked the AHUSSC for its work. He said he was concerned about the possibility that residents of a street could be required to pay for improvements they may not be in favor of, and that the wording in the report is too vague regarding whether that could occur. He thanked Mayor Pro Tem Longe for raising that potential issue, and Commissioner Baller for requesting more time to discuss the recommendations before adopting them. He said residents may be under the impression that this report just recommends a change in how street improvements are initiated, when in reality it is a change to the entire process. He thought that fact should be further publicized. He said knowing that residents would have more say about how their street is improved would be reassuring. For an example, he stated that his street could not be improved to the standard width without losing a number of trees on both sides of the street, which would be a terribly disappointing outcome for the residents.

Rob Lavoie, resident of Lakeview, said residents' preference between asphalt or concrete should be factored into the Engineering Department's recommendations since residents pay 85% of the improvement costs. Mr. Lavoie also thanked AHUSSC Chairman Moore for his work on the committee.

David Bloom thanked the AHUSSC for its work and Commissioner Baller for advocating for further review of the recommendations at the Commission level and by incoming City Manager Markus. He responded to Mr. Carmona's concern about trees, confirming that when Stanley was improved many



trees were removed even though the City endeavored to maintain as many as possible. As far as financing the improvements, Mr. Bloom recommended the City consider bidding them out in seven to nine mile portions to contractors. He suggested that while it would result in more upfront costs, it could ultimately lower costs for residents since it would be more competitive. He said it would have the additional benefit of concluding the project in a much shorter time.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Baller  
Commissioner Host  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**12-286-20 2021 Annual Review of Fee Schedule**

City Clerk Designee Bingham reviewed the item.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Host, seconded by Commissioner Baller:  
To amend the Schedule of Fees, Charges, Bonds and Insurance, in the following sections, as stated in this report: Engineering and Fire Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Baller  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**12-287-20 Expenditure for One-Time COVID-Related Employee Personal Leave Allocation**

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Hoff, seconded by Commissioner Baller:  
To approve the expenditure of funds in a not-to-exceed amount of \$56,500 to award an additional eight (8) additional hours of personal leave for full-time employees and four (4) additional hours of personal leave for benefits-eligible part-time employees, effective January 1, 2021. Further, to approve the appropriation and amendment to the Fiscal Year 2020-21 General Fund Budget as follows: General Fund Revenues: 101-000.000-400.0000 Draw from Fund Balance \$56,500 Total Revenues \$56,500 Expenditures: 101-299.000-709.0000 Wage Adjustment Expense \$56,500 Total Expenditures \$56,500

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Baller  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**Commission Discussion on items from prior meeting.**

None.

**Commission Items for Future Discussion.** A motion is required to bring up the item for future discussion at the next reasonable agenda, no discussion on the topic will happen tonight.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Baller, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Longe:  
To request a report from City staff on the Parking Assessment District that includes the history, legal framework, funding and fees, and any other potentially pertinent information.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes, Commissioner Baller  
Mayor Pro-Tem Longe  
Commissioner Hoff  
Commissioner Host  
Commissioner Nickita  
Mayor Boutros  
Commissioner Sherman

Nays, None

**VIII. REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

**IX. COMMUNICATIONS**

**X. REPORTS**

- A. Commissioner Reports
- B. Commissioner Comments
- C. Advisory Boards, Committees, Commissions' Reports and Agendas
- D. Legislation
- E. City Staff
  - 1. Ad Hoc Joint Senior Services Update

For the AHJSS update, CM Valentine stated Beverly Hills and Franklin were the other two communities involved.

City Attorney Currier explained that the agreement would be reviewed by both Beverly Hills and Franklin and then either approved or returned to Birmingham with questions or edits in January 2021. The Commission would then review the approvals or edits and could then further edit or approve the agreement.

CM Valentine said in order to change the amounts contributed by each municipality the agreement would have to be amended. He explained that this agreement merely formalizes what already exists, and does not change anything in terms of how senior services are presently organized or administered among the three communities.

In reply to Commissioner Baller, CM Valentine stated that each municipality's contribution is based on number of residents and not on more specific demographic breakdowns.

**INFORMATION ONLY**

**XI. ADJOURN**

Mayor Boutros adjourned the meeting at 11:35 p.m.



Alexandria Bingham, City Clerk  
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