



City Commission Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Dogwood Trail Awards

Paducah Civic Beautification Board member Dabney Haugh presented the awards for the 2016 Dogwood Trail. A reception for the winners was held prior to the Commission meeting. This is the 52nd anniversary for the Dogwood Trail. For more information including the list of award winners, visit <http://paducahky.gov/dogwood-trail>.

Applying for 2016 Port Security Grant Program - Partnership with Cape Girardeau

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved a municipal order to apply for a 2016 Port Security Grant for equipment for the Paducah Police and Fire Departments. The Paducah Police Department is requesting grant funds in the amount of \$11,008.50 which would require a \$3,669.50 match from the City. If awarded, these funds would be used to purchase three security cameras to monitor the floodwall. The Paducah Fire Department is requesting \$531,675.60 in grant funds to purchase radiation/nuclear detection equipment and a fire rescue boat. The Fire Department will budget a cash match of \$88,705.40 and an in-kind match of \$57,644.80. Regarding the radiation/nuclear detection equipment, the City of Paducah is partnering with the City of Cape Girardeau in this grant application so that the equipment will be distributed between the two cities. Cape will provide either an in-kind or cash match totaling an estimated \$32,000.

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grant Award (vote April 19)

The Paducah Board of Commissioners introduced an ordinance to accept the award from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation. The Foundation is awarding the Paducah Fire Department \$15,125 for the purchase of safety equipment including breathing hoses, an air card, and carbon cylinders. No matching funds are required.

Project Updates from Engineering Public Works Department

City Engineer and Public Works Director Rick Murphy provided a quick update on several projects. The dome is inflated and fully functional. There is paving left to be done on N. 6th Street in addition to sodding around the dome. Regarding the Riverfront Project, piles are being driven into the riverbed in the transient dock location. These piles will be the guides for the dock as it rises and falls with the river. Murphy also explained that work will be done this week to repair the extreme dip in the road on the west side of Market Square. That stretch of roadway will be closed from 6 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. for the next few days to remove the bricks, bring the road up to grade, and replace the bricks. The road will reopen each day in time for the business activity. Murphy also met today with the contractor working on the Holiday Inn Paducah Riverfront to make sure that the crews are aware of the upcoming Quilt Show activity.

Quick Highlights

- Paducah Police Chief Brandon Barnhill introduced the Department's newest officers: Eric Abbott and Zane White. Circuit Judge Craig Clymer conducted the swearing-in ceremony for the officers on March 31.
- Ordinance approved to formally accept the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$500,000 for the 432 Broadway Demolition Project. This grant requires a match from the City of \$125,000. The City received notification of preliminary grant approval in November 2015. After an audit of the project files a couple of weeks ago, the granting authority is prepared to issue the grant agreement. A municipal order also was approved as required by the CDBG adopting a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan and the project-specific procurement code.
- Ordinance approved for a contract with the Greater Paducah Economic Development Council with the City providing GPEDC \$300,000 for the current fiscal year. GPEDC has absorbed the responsibilities of EntrePaducah.
- Ordinance introduced (vote April 19) to approve change order #1 with Mott Electric, LLC for the Police Station Emergency Generator Project. This project involves the installation of a 150 KW diesel-powered emergency generator at the Paducah Police Department. This change order increases by project by \$2,450 for a total of \$117,700 and increases the time for completion by 60 days. The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security is funding \$75,000 of the project with the remaining funds coming from the City budget.

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