



City Commission Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Accept Bid for Noble Park Tennis Shelter/Restroom Facility

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved an ordinance authorizing a contract with M.P. Lawson Construction, LLC of Paducah for the construction of the Noble Park Tennis Shelter/Restroom facility. Bids were opened August 23 with five bids received. The lowest, responsive bid was from M.P. Lawson in the amount of \$152,936. The City also is moving forward with Change Order #1 to the contract which allows the City to purchase the modular restroom facility, which costs more than \$91,000, from the company outlined in the contract with M.P. Lawson. With the City directly purchasing the restroom facility, there will be a cost savings of more than \$5000 due to the City not paying the 6 percent state sales tax. With the Change Order, the final contract with M.P. Lawson will be \$61,250.06.

For the past several years, the Paducah Tennis Association (PTA) and the City have been working on the development of a shelter/restroom facility adjacent to the Noble Park Tennis Courts. The PTA has coordinated \$55,000 for the project which includes a contribution and agreement from the St. Mary School System for the use of the courts.

Amendment to Chapter 14 of the Paducah Code of Ordinances Regarding the Muzzling of Dogs (vote Sept 27)

The Paducah Board of Commissioners introduced an ordinance to amend Chapter 14, Section 32 of the Paducah Code of Ordinances to remove the line requiring dogs to be muzzled when in attendance at special community events. The Mayor and Commissioners, City Manager, Police Chief, and Lower Town resident and dog owner Patience Renzulli brought up several topics related to the dog ordinance and associated with the bringing of animals to special events. Topics of discussion included the difficulty in uniform enforcement of the muzzle requirement and the need for pet owners to be aware of how bringing their pet (dogs, cats, snakes, rabbits, etc.) to a special event may be quite stressful to the animal and the public. In addition to the muzzle requirement that is under discussion for removal, dogs that attend special community events are required to be licensed by either McCracken County Animal Control or by another state or county and restrained by a leash or lead that is no longer than three feet.

Quick Highlights

- Mayor Kaler presented a proclamation to members of the Paducah River City Business and Professional Women chapter proclaiming October 17-21 as Professional Women's Week.
- Municipal order approved to apply for a Kentucky Transportation Alternatives Program grant in the amount of \$736,646. If awarded, the funds would be used to improve the sidewalks, curbs, and gutters in the Fountain Avenue neighborhood. These funds also would be used to make the sidewalks handicap accessible at various intersections. The total project is expected to cost more than \$920,000.
- Ordinance approved extending the due date to June 30, 2020 for two loans that the City provided to the Greater Paducah Economic Development Council (GPEDC). The two loans total \$911,375 with the funds used to purchase property in the Riverport West Industrial Park.
- Ordinance approved accepting the proposal of Wilson Office Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$42,127.13 for the purchase of furniture for the police department annex building. Six proposals were received for this project. The annex building, located at 1410 Broadway adjacent to the Department headquarters, will house the Criminal Investigation and Drug and Vice Enforcement units.
- Ordinance introduced (vote Sept. 27) to accept the Assistance to Firefighter Grant through the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$87,455. The local match is \$8,745. The funds would be used for Paducah to be a host site for the Fire Ground Survival training program including the purchase of training materials and equipment. This is a train-the-trainer program. The Fire Ground Survival program trains firefighters to perform potentially life-saving actions if they become lost, disoriented, injured, low on air, or trapped.
- Ordinance introduced (vote Sept. 27) to approve the purchase of one front loading refuse truck in the amount of \$233,119 from McBride Mack, Inc. Two bids were received for this purchase.



- Ordinance introduced (vote Sept. 27) to authorize a contract in the amount of \$74,787 with M.P. Lawson Construction, LLC for the complete renovation of the restroom facilities and plumbing at Fire Station #2 located at 2802 Wayne Sullivan Drive. Two bids were received for this project.
- Video taken by a drone of the progress of the Paducah Riverfront Redevelopment was played at the meeting. The video showed that the footprint of the park is nearly complete with earthwork in its final stages. It also showed the sections of the revetment and sidewalks that have been finished. The gangway, platforms, and transient dock are expected to be delivered in mid-November. Then, utilities will be connected. Bacon, Farmer, Workman Engineering and Testing provided the video.

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