



City Commission Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Note: Mayor Brandi Harless was unable to attend this meeting.

Approve City of Paducah's Fiscal Year 2018 Budget

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved an ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2018 City of Paducah Budget. The City's fiscal year begins July 1. The City operates its finances through several funds including the general fund, investment fund, police and fire pension fund, solid waste fund, fleet lease trust fund, and health insurance trust fund. The majority of the City's budget is in the General Fund, the City's main operating fund. The four main sources of revenue for the General Fund are payroll tax, insurance premium tax, business license tax, and property tax. The City is projecting an increase in revenue for this upcoming fiscal year. General Fund revenue for Fiscal Year 2018 is projected at \$34.4 million. This is a 2.7 percent increase (approximately \$918,000) as compared to the current year's revenue. The increase comes from a variety of sources including the property tax and business license tax with the payroll tax forecast to be nearly half of the increase. Projects that will be funded for this upcoming fiscal year include the first phase of the City Hall renovation project, the first phase of the E911 equipment replacement project, and the renovation of the Noble Park tennis courts.

Mayor's Award of Merit to Marty and Cheryl Bendick

Mayor Pro Tem Sandra Wilson presented the Mayor's Award of Merit, the highest award from the Mayor's office, to Paducah Ambassadors Marty and Cheryl Bendick who have for years greeted citizens and helped keep the meetings of the Paducah Board of Commissioners running smoothly. Furthermore, Marty has served as President of the Ambassadors. Dozens of Ambassadors attended the meeting in support of Marty and Cheryl.



Quick Highlights

- Boards and Commissions:
 - Candice Griffin, Wayne Armbruster, and Laura Kauffman reappointed to the Paducah Civic Beautification Board.
 - William Cox, Mark Davis, and Brian Carner reappointed to the Paducah Area Transit Board.
 - Bill Bone appointed to and Melody LeCornu and Sherline Holland Cooper reappointed to the Paducah-McCracken County Senior Citizens Board.
- Municipal order approved for apply for a Bark for Your Park grant through PetSafe brand in the amount of \$10,000. This is a maintenance grant that if awarded would be used to implement irrigation and improve drainage at the Paducah Dog Park at Stuart Nelson Park. No local match is required.
- Municipal order approved to accept the National Endowment for the Arts Our Town grant in the amount of \$75,000 on behalf of Market House Theatre (MHT). The funds will be used for the Theatre's Next Stage Campaign. This grant requires a match which will be funded by donations to the Theatre. MHT Executive Director Michael Cochran says the funds will be used for engineering and design as the Theatre will be renovating and preserving ten buildings totaling 44,000 square feet in downtown Paducah.
- Municipal orders approved authorizing the FY2018 Pay Grade Schedule and amending the Position & Pay Schedule. As outlined in the FOP, IAFF, and AFSCME contracts, bargaining unit employees will receive cost of living increases of 1.5%. Non-bargaining employees will receive cost of living increases of 2.0%.
- Municipal order approved accepting the proposed premiums from the Kentucky League of Cities for Workers' Compensation, Liability, and Property Insurance coverage. The total cost of all premiums is \$1,129,118.37. The Convention Center Corporation will reimburse the City \$38,464.81 for property coverage of the Convention Centers.



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- Ordinance approved amending sections 2-644 and 2-660 of the Paducah Code of Ordinances regarding procurement procedures for purchases less than \$20,000.
- Ordinance approved amending Chapter 42 of the Paducah Code of Ordinances regarding code enforcement to comply with HB422 which was passed in 2016.
- For each of the following ordinances, the Paducah Planning Commission held public hearings and made positive recommendations to the City Commission. All of the alley closures were initiated by the adjacent property owners. Ordinances introduced (vote July 11) for the following alley closures:
 - Closure of the bricked paved portion of the alley from Kentucky Avenue to the alley that originates at Marine Way.
 - Closure of the 15-foot alley located between 2054 and 2062 Broad Street.
 - Closure of the 16-foot alley between Ohio Street to the 16.5-foot alley between South 11th Street to South 12th Street.
 - Closure of a 16-foot and a 12-foot alley between Bridge Street, Locust Drive, Maggie Street, and Irvin Cobb Drive.
- Representatives of the local chapter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans requested clarification regarding the resolution adopted at the May 16 meeting of the Paducah Board of Commissioners in support of the Veterans Day Committee. Commissioner Sarah Holland suggested that the group first meet with the Veterans Day Parade Committee to determine their intent for the resolution. Plus, the City Manager will be drafting a clarification response. The resolution affirmed and accepted the position of the Paducah Veterans Day Committee that participants in the Veterans Day Parade be limited to those that represent the flag of the United States and the Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

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