



City Commission Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

City of Paducah Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Ordinance

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved an ordinance to adopt the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 City of Paducah Budget, a balanced budget. The City's fiscal year runs from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. In addition to meetings among the City Manager, Department Directors, and the Finance Department, the Paducah Board of Commissioners participated in a budget workshop on May 15.

The majority of the operating expenses for the City of Paducah are funded through the General Fund which is outlined to have \$35,973,950 in expenditures during the upcoming fiscal year. This is a 1.8 percent increase as compared to Fiscal Year 2018-2019's General Fund expenditures of \$35,343,845. The budget ordinance also outlines the City's 22 funds which cover operations, capital outlays, and the State-mandated 12 percent increase in pension contributions. The Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Book will be placed on the City of Paducah website within the next few weeks. To view the current year's budget and budget information dating back to 2005, visit <http://paducahky.gov/city-budget>.

Budget Amendment for Floodwall Project

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved an ordinance to transfer \$750,000 from the General Fund Reserve for the Ohio River Shoreline Reconstruction Project (the floodwall project). The City and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have an agreement on this more than \$32 million project with the City responsible for 35 percent of the cost through a combination of in-kind and cash contributions. The cash contribution must be 5 percent of the total authorized project cost. This \$750,000 is a portion of the required cash match which will be paid to the Corps.

Joint Resolution Supporting BUILD Grant Application

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved a joint resolution supporting and upholding the partnership between the City and McCracken County in support of the City's application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for a Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant. The City is partnering with the Paducah-McCracken County Riverport Authority for the grant. The project includes the construction of a riverport container transfer yard, riverboat excursion pier and plaza, bike/pedestrian/broadband linkages from the Convention Center to the riverfront, and improvements to Paducah Landing, the area once occupied by the Executive Inn hotel. Commissioner Sandra Wilson said, "The grant's very, very competitive. But you can't get it if you don't ask for it."

Seamen's Church Institute Sublease Ordinances

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved two ordinances related to the sublease agreements for Seamen's Church Institute of New York and New Jersey, Inc. Seamen's Church leases the property located at 129 South Water Street from the City of Paducah and operates its Center for Maritime Education, a maritime training school and simulator facility. The first ordinance is for Seamen's Church to sublease a portion of its unused space to The Waterways Journal. The second ordinance is for Seamen's Church to sublease unused space to the American Bureau of Shipping.

Quick Highlights:

- Mayor Harless presented a proclamation to Lucas Bremer with the Alzheimer's Association proclaiming June as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month.
- Suzanne Clinton and Susan Baier recognized and provided graduation certificates to the youth who participated in Lemonade Academy, a series of educational workshops to teach kids how to start, own, and operate a lemonade stand business.
- Boards and Commissions:
 - Reappointments to the Paducah Civic Beautification Board: Henry Barbour, Paul Grumley, Mary Hammond, Trish Hines, Cindy Jones, Debbie Long, Rita McKeel, Jackie Smith, and Chuck Wahl
 - Reappointment of Chuck Walter to Paducah-McCracken County Senior Citizens Board.



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- Municipal Order approved for the contract to employ Lindsay Parish as City Clerk & Director of Customer Experience.
- Municipal Order approved authorizing the \$40,112.20 payment to Clean Earth, Inc. for the disposal of household hazardous waste and electronic waste collected during the 2019 City-County Spring Clean Up Day. The annual event is funded in part by a Kentucky Division of Waste Management grant.
- Municipal Order approved authorizing the grant application to FM Global Fire Prevention. The Fire Department is requesting \$7,128.51 which would be used to purchase computers to aid in fire investigations.
- Municipal Order approved authorizing a repair agreement with Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 1 (KYTC) due to the construction project at the Interstate-24 Exit 4 interchange. The interchange will be closed for a period this year for the construction which will lead to detours on Charter Oaks Drive and Coleman Road, roads that are owned by the city. This agreement outlines that KYTC will repair any damage to those roads as a result of the detour.
- Ordinance approved amending Paducah Code of Ordinances Section 2-660 related to the Small Purchase Plan. This amendment is to match the change in KRS 45A.385 approved this year through House Bill 26 which increases the cap from \$20,000 to \$30,000 for which the City may use its small purchases procedures.
- Ordinance introduced (vote July 9) to amend Paducah Code of Ordinances Section 2-211 regarding City departments. This ordinance creates a new department called Customer Experience; separates the City Clerk's office from the General Government Department; and renames General Government as the Administration Department.
- City Manager Jim Arndt held a discussion with the Paducah Board of Commissioners regarding operating guidelines that would address topics such as Commission requests for information, placing items on the meeting agenda, and contact by employees.

REMINDER ABOUT NEW DAY EVENT ON FRIDAY

Everyone is invited to attend a networking event to celebrate the launch of the Customer Experience Department and the New Day Initiatives. The event will be Friday, June 28 starting at 2:30 p.m. at City Hall. After a brief presentation at 2:45 p.m. explaining the development of the Customer Experience Department and the New Day Initiatives, everyone is encouraged to enjoy an afternoon at City Hall with ice cream, music, mini golf, and giveaway prizes.

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