



**Florence City Council  
Special Meeting  
Tuesday, July 9, 2019  
7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky, met in special session on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Boulevard, Florence, Kentucky, with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding as chair.

**CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:**

Mayor Diane E. Whalen called the special meeting to order and declared the meeting open for the presentation of items on the special meeting agenda.

**ROLL CALL:**

The roll was called, and the following six (6) members of council were present: Dr. Julie Aubuchon; Mel Carroll; Duane Froelicher; J. Kelly Huff; David A. Osborne; and, Gary Winn.

Staff members present were: City Coordinator, Joshua R. Wice; City Attorney, Hugh Skees; City Clerk, Nancy Zeilman; City Engineer, Bill Viox; Assistant City Clerk, Melissa Kramer; and Main Street and Neighborhood Revitalization Program Manager, Pat Wingo.

The following were also present: River City News Reporter, Trish Scheyer; Videographers, Sean Kreke and Matt Miller; and Police Officer, Ken Osborne.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2019 Special Meeting. Councilmember Huff motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Councilmember Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Mayor Whalen then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2019 Business Meeting. Councilmember Froelicher motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Councilmember Osborne. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b): "Acquisition/sale of real property where publicity would be likely to affect the value of property to be acquired for public use or to be sold by the city."

Councilmember Winn so moved with a second from Councilmember Huff and unanimous approval of Council, the time being 7:02 p.m. After executive session, members will return to the council chamber to continue the special meeting.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to come back into session after the executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b): "Acquisition/sale of real property where publicity would be likely to affect the value of property to be acquired for public use or to be sold by the city." Councilmember Huff so moved with a second from Councilmember Winn. Council approved by unanimous vote the time being 7:24 p.m.

Mayor Whalen presented the following for council's consideration:

**ORDINANCE O-15-19 (First Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FRANCHISE FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CABLE SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF FRANCHISE AND PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND USE OF SAID SYSTEM.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance O-15-19. Councilmember Osborne motioned to approve, with a second from Councilmember Froelicher. Councilmember Huff stated that he would abstain from the vote because he is an employee of Charter Spectrum Communications. Mayor Whalen called for a roll call vote. Councilmember Carroll, yes; Councilmember Winn, yes; Councilmember Huff, abstain; Councilmember Aubuchon, yes; Councilmember Froelicher, yes; Councilmember Osborne, yes. **Roll call recognized five yes votes and one abstention approving the first reading of Ordinance O-15-19.**

Mayor Whalen presented the following for council's consideration:

**RESOLUTION NO. R-1-19**

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MARCUS CAREY, ROBERT F. GREENE, DARRYL CUMMINS, ROBERT SANDERS, TOM QUIRK, AND WESLEY WILLIAMS, AND APPOINTMENT OF BRYCE C. RHOADES AS MEMBERS OF THE NORTHERN KENTUCKY REGIONAL ETHICS AUTHORITY ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM, COMMENCING FEBRUARY 1, 2019 AND EXPIRING ON JANUARY 31, 2021.

Mayor Whalen confirmed that Northern Kentucky cities that participate in the Regional Ethics Authority Enforcement Committee are required to consider this Resolution. Councilmember Aubuchon recommended that at next appointment, the nominating committee consider a more diverse group.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to pass Resolution No. R-1-19. Councilmember Huff motioned with a second from Councilmember Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to place Municipal Order No. MO-11-19 on the agenda. Councilmember Winn motioned with a second from Councilmember Osborne. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Mayor Whalen then presented the following for council's consideration:

**MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-11-19**

A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING ASSIGNMENT, ASSUMPTION, AND THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE BASEBALL STADIUM LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY ("City"), CANTERBURY LAND DEVELOPMENT, LLC ("Assignor"), and CANTERBURY BASEBALL, LLC ("Baseball") and FREEDOM BASEBALL CLUB, LLC.

Councilmember Huff motioned to approve Municipal Order MO-11-19 with a second from Councilmember Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting. Councilmember Huff so moved, with a second from Councilmember Osborne. **Council approved by unanimous vote**, the time being 7:31 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Diane E. Whalen  
Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Nancy Zeilman  
Nancy Zeilman, City Clerk