

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF
SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD
ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION BY: JACKIE PENNEY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:
VICE-MAYOR COTHRAN

MEMBERS PRESENT:
VICE-MAYOR COTHRAN
COMMISSIONER COLEMAN
COMMISSIONER EVERETT
COMMISSIONER SHIPLEY
CITY MANAGER JOHNSON
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT
ASSISTANT RECORDER DOLBERRY

MEMBER ABSENT:
MAYOR NUNLEY

The minutes of the regular meeting held September 14, 2022 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, ADOPTING
AND ENACTING A CODIFICATION AND REVISION OF THE ORDINANCES OF
THE CITY. PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.**

City Attorney Elliott stated that on occasion the City updates the Municipal Code with the ordinances that have been passed. He said the City uses the University of Tennessee Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) to complete the revisions. He said the Commission then adopts that codification. City Manager Johnson stated that the pandemic delayed this codification which began in 2018.

1st - Commissioner Shipley
2nd - Commissioner Coleman
Ayes - Unanimous

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF SHORT-TERM RENTAL APPLICATIONS FOR NONOWNER-OCCUPIED RENTAL PROPERTIES THAT ARE NOT THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE OF THE APPLICANT, FOR A PERIOD ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE, UP TO AND INCLUDING MARCH 15, 2023. PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.

City Attorney Elliott stated that Commissioner Shipley had requested that the Short-Term Rental Ordinance be reviewed. He said that this Ordinance will place a moratorium on Short-Term Rental Applications while the review is made. He said that the City of Chattanooga is currently studying their Short-Term Rentals in a broader sense and he would like to have time to review their findings. He said Commissioner Shipley noted there is a neighborhood in Sale Creek where 7 to 8 homes are held as Short-Term Rentals. He said there are public policy reasons as to why that is not desirable. He said the moratorium will allow for fine tuning of the Ordinance. Mrs. Evelyn Penney questioned what constitutes a short-term rental. City Attorney Elliott stated they are basically an Airbnb, where you post your house for rent on the internet for a period of less than 30 days. There was no opposition present.

1st - Commissioner Shipley
2nd - Commissioner Everett
Ayes - Unanimous

Citizen's Participation:

Jim Stewart, Emerald Bay Drive and Keep Soddy-Daisy Beautiful, stated that 40 volunteers had assisted with the cleanup in the Big Soddy Creek Gulf. He said the mural at Wimpy's Restaurant is in process and everyone should stop by to see it. He said the Fall Festival is scheduled for October 15th and there are over 100 tent vendors signed up to participate. He said EPB will be installing Wi-Fi across the park for the event. He said the Great Pumpkin

Chase race has 260 participants registered, ranging in age from 1 year to 79 years of age. Mr. Stewart further stated that the Army National Guard was to assist with the event, but have been dispatched to Florida to aid the Hurricane victims. He said that 12 additional volunteers are needed. He said students could volunteer for community service hours. Vice-Mayor Cothran questioned if the JROTC at Soddy-Daisy and Sale Creek had been contacted. Mr. Stewart said they did contact them, but it is Fall Break for the schools. He said they want the race to be fun and safe. Commissioner Shipley said that the Fire and Police Departments have the basic safety covered. Mr. Stewart thanked the City of Soddy-Daisy for all their hard work and support.

City Manager Johnson said that Steve Smith, Soddy-Daisy Montlake Historical Association and Museum, had requested to reserve Poe's Tavern on November 5th for the annual Pioneer Days celebration. He said although this is not a City sponsored event, the City is insured for it. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the date.

City Manager Johnson stated that approximately 2 weeks ago one of the Police Department vehicles was involved in a head on collision. The officer was not at fault and was not seriously injured. He said the police vehicle involved was one of the new Dodge Durangos and it was totaled. He said the State Contract price for the vehicle has increased by \$8,000. He requested permission to purchase a 2023 Dodge Durango for \$39,592.00 On State Contract. City Manager Johnson noted that the City has received \$31,495.00 from the City's insurance provider. He said the lighting and some of the items on the inside were salvaged.

- 1st - Commissioner Everett
- 2nd - Commissioner Coleman
- Ayes - Unanimous

City Manager Johnson requested approval for the Mayor's signature on a Preliminary Design Agreement with Allen & Hoshall. He said the cost would be one percent (1%) of the estimated construction cost. He said bids would be taken in 9 months to one year. He further stated that if the bids were for 2 million then the agreement amount would be \$20,000.00.

- 1st - Commissioner Coleman
- 2nd - Commissioner Everett

Commissioner Shipley asked if that is the total. City Manager Johnson said no this is for the preliminary plan. He said they will determine the estimated cost and we will pay AIA standards.

City Attorney Elliott said this is typical for architects.

Ayes - Unanimous

City Manager Johnson announced that as of September 16th Dusty Morgan is the City's permanent Fire Chief. He said that Fire Chief Morgan has served as the interim for the past six months.

Public Works Director Steve Grant stated that the holes are being dug for the bridge piers in the Gulf.

Commissioner Coleman said that he was contacted by a senior citizen requesting use of the park for a once-a-month retirees' flea market on a Saturday morning. She requested use of the ballfield parking lot on Durham Street. City Manager Johnson stated that there would need to be restrictions so that it does not become a "free for all". He said he would discuss this with the City Attorney to see what could legally be allowed and would report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Everett stated that the September Building Permit Report totaled over 3 million dollars due to the construction of the townhomes on Ducktown Street. He said that he

has worked with several concerning trash/litter on the roadways. He suggested checking into using individuals who have unpaid fines to pickup litter. He said they could help themselves as well as the City. He said that he had questioned the City Attorney at the last meeting relative to the City's liability insurance for this. He the City Judge would also have to be on board with this. He said the City parks look good and expressed his appreciation to the Public Works Department for this.

Commissioner Shipley said that he had spoken with Hamilton County Sherriff Austin Garrett earlier in the day regarding trash/litter pickup County wide. He said this had been done in previous years and was operated out of the Police Annex on Dayton Boulevard funded by the State. He said they would be discussing this further over the next few days.

Commissioner Shipley said the first concert at the Lake was held last week. He said there were no issues and it appeared that everyone did a good job of picking up trash in the park afterwards.

Commissioner Shipley said the Parkridge Emergency Center proposed on Harrison Lane will be considered in Nashville on October 26th. He suggested that opinions regarding this be posted on the Chattanooga.com. He said this center would help with ambulance and EMS calls in this end of the county. Fire Chief Dusty Morgan said that he had written an opinion regarding how much this facility is needed in this end of the County.

Vice-Mayor Cothran announced the Grand Reopening of the Wal-Mart this Saturday at 8 a.m. He said the new manager is fantastic and is doing a lot for the community. He said there are 3 candidates for the Commission and wished them well in the election.

Commissioner Everett noted that the 24/7 Emergency Center is not for Parkridge Hospital to get customers. He said should you require hospitalization they will transport you to

the hospital of your choosing.

Adjourned 7:29 p.m.

Recorder Burt Johnson