

**COMBINED SPECIAL & REGULAR MEETING – CAIRO MAYOR &
COUNCIL – JUNE 18, 2019**

The June 18, 2019 Combined Special and Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room at 101-B North Broad Street by Mayor Booker T. Gainor. Present were Mayor Pro tem Lannis Thornton, Council Members Demario J. Byrden, Jerry L. Cox, and James H. Douglas. Councilman Robert L. Gwaltney joined the meeting at 6:01. Staff Members present were City Manager Chris Addleton, City Attorney Thomas L. Lehman, City Clerk Carolyn Lee, Asst. City Clerk Dana Barfield, and Mainstreet/Marketing Director Celeste Tyler. Also in attendance was Cairo Messenger Reporter, Mesha Wind.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Mayor Gainor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Councilman Byrden, seconded by Councilman Douglas, and approved unanimously by all Council Members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 10, 2019 - Regular Meeting: Motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Cox, and approved unanimously by all Council Members present.

DELEGATIONS:

SPECIAL EVENTS: (Addendum)

Special Event Request – Community Cookout for the Kids at Southern Terrace Park on July 6, 2019 from 12:00 Noon to 6:00 p.m. – Robert James and Brittany Wilson, Applicants. After review, motion to approve the event request was made by Councilman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Byrden, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Adoption of Budget Ordinance for FY 2019-2020 (\$42,629,777). After review, motion to adopt the ordinance approving the budget as presented in the amount of \$42,629,777 at the department level was made by Councilman Douglas, seconded by Councilman Thornton, and unanimously approved by all Council Members.

Audit Services Requests for Proposal. Three proposals were received: Carr, Riggs & Ingram, Mauldin & Jenkins, and Valenti, Rackley & Associates. An RFP Evaluation Committee was formed to discuss compilation of the evaluation results, recommending Valenti, Rackley & Associates. City Manager Addleton also recommended entering into a three-year engagement with the firm. After review, motion to approve Valenti, Rackley & Associates was made by Councilman Douglas, seconded by Councilman Cox, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Reports:

1.) Reports from City Manager:

- Holder Park Pool repairs started today.

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2.) Reports from Mayor and Council:

- Councilman Douglas commended Celeste Tyler for a job well-done on the special event held downtown last Friday night. He added that he had heard no complaints, only compliments; and the band was very good. He was appreciative that most businesses stayed open and allowed citizens to use their facilities. The Mayor and other members of the Council echoed his comments and considered it the kickoff for more to come.

ADJOURN: Motion was made by Councilman Douglas to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Thornton, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

CAROLYN B. LEE, CITY CLERK

BOOKER T. GAINOR, MAYOR