

City of Cayce Regular Council Meeting Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

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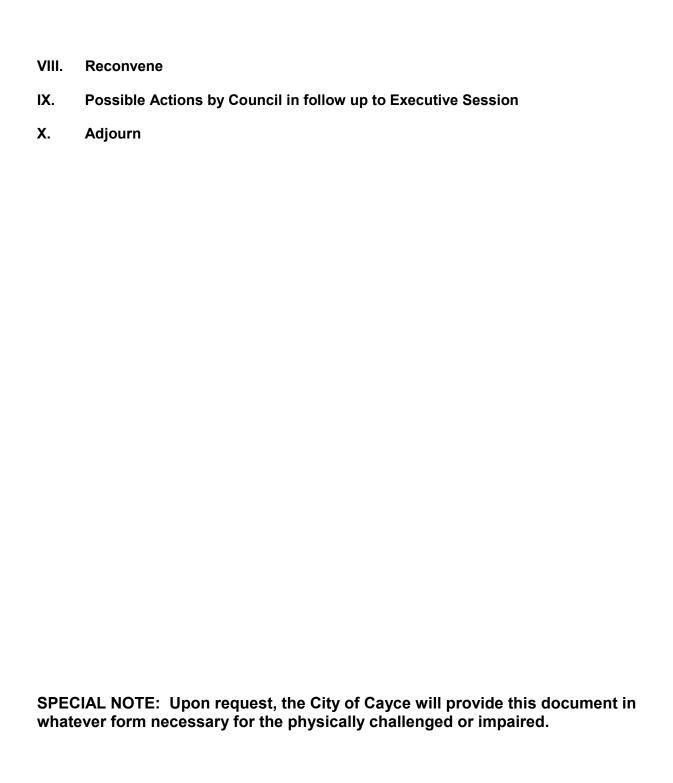
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- I. Call to Order
 - A. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Comment Regarding Items on the Agenda

Special Note: Anyone wishing to speak to Council about an item not on the agenda will need to call the City Clerk at 803-550-9557 by 12:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the Council Meeting. Anyone wishing to speak on an item on the Agenda may use the raise hand option via Zoom before the meeting starts.

- III. Presentations
 - A. Presentation by Ms. Danielle Lindley with the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission re the Commission's Services and Available Resources and Training
- IV. Items for Discussion and Possible Approval
 - A. Bid Award Engine Repair for City Sanitation Truck
 - B. Discussion and Approval of Certain Action Items Concerning the Museum Commission
- V. City Manager's Report
- VI. Council Comments
- VII. Executive Session
 - A. Receipt of legal advice relating to claims and potential claims by and against the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege



Memorandum

To: Mayor and Council

From: Tracy Hegler, City Manager

Date: January 12, 2022

Subject: Sanitation Truck Repair

Issue

The City's 2007 Mack CV713 Sanitation Truck which has 131,596 miles and 21,266 engine hours recently had a catastrophic engine failure. However the truck body and hydraulics are still in great condition and should be able to provide many more years of service.

Discussion

The City received two quotes from companies that offer a 3 year/ 350,000-mile warranty for a remanufactured engine. The following are bids from companies, who offer this service and warranty:

Vanguard Truck Center (Augusta SC) \$35,494.81
 Shealy Truck Center (Columbia) \$35,214.75

Recommendation

Staff recommends Council approve the selection of the Shealy Truck Center in Columbia for completing the engine repairs for the 2007 Mack Sanitation Truck in the amount not to exceed \$35,214.75, as they were the lowest most responsive, responsible bidder.

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Council

From: Tracy Hegler, City Manager

Date: January 12, 2022

Subject: Discussion and Approval of Action Items for the Museum Commission

Issue

Approval of action items for the Museum Commission.

Discussion

On January 10, 2022, City Council, at their request, received the results of an investigation performed by City Attorney, Danny Crowe, to investigate the incident between Museum Commissioner (a Councilappointed volunteer) Marion Hutson and a City Employee. This investigation also involved whether or not the incident reflected any broader negative racial attitudes or culture of the Museum Commission. Mr. Crowe also agreed to report any other information or conclusions about the Museum Commission that he obtained during his interviews that might be of interest to the Council.

One of Mr. Crowe's five (5) summary conclusions is that the "Museum described by some during the interviews as failing to depict, in a meaningful fashion, the history of African Americans in the City. To address this, the City may wish to consider affirmative efforts to achieve an appropriate reflection of the City's racial and cultural diversity and history in Museum exhibits and programming." Mr. Crowe further notes that he learned there have been efforts from certain Commissioners to oppose efforts by City staff to refresh or revise the Museum exhibits and rooms, but that a current Museum employee has made great strides in this area with the creation of the African American Committee, and that new Commission appointments by Council are more diverse in backgrounds and experience and are willing to play "significant positive roles on the Commission."

Another one of Mr. Crowe's summary conclusion was that the "Council may wish to create new ordinances to:

- Clarify that, in accord with the City's form of government, the City Manager, through City Administration, is responsible for operation and management of the Museum,
- Specify that the role of the Museum Commission is purely advisory in nature, and
- Address the development, management, and operation of other City historical sites or historical venues by creating a new City committee, wholly separate from the Museum Commission, to function in an advisory capacity to City Administration concerning historical sites and venues other than the Museum."

Mr. Crowe offers the above as a way to address and resolve any confusion or misperceptions regarding the Commission's roles and responsibilities. He based that conclusion on, among other things, hearing during more than one interview, that certain commissioners are "antagonistic towards purported 'interference' by City Administration" and that some held "an inappropriate view that the Commission should be 'independent' of the City (despite City creation of the Commission and City ownership, staffing and financing of the Museum)".

While there may be a number of action items Council wishes to pursue as a result of Mr. Crowe's investigation, several recommendations he made are not difficult and could have immediate positive impacts. First, Council should ask City Administration and the Commission to recommend a process for examining and addressing the inclusion of the City's racial and cultural diversity and history within the Museum and its exhibits and programs.

Second, is to update the Commission's 1987 by-laws and working to properly define roles and responsibilities is a simple way to address the above and could begin immediately. In fact, City Administration embarked on this effort with the Commission prior to COVID and new members of the Commission have started that process, as well.

Implementation of the additional report recommendations would require ordinances amending the current City Code. If desired by Council, the City Attorney could draft, for Council's consideration, one or more ordinances (1) stating specifically that the City Manager or her designee is responsible for operation and management of the Museum and other City historical sites, facilities and venues, (2) describing an advisory role for the Commission in making recommendations to the City Manager or her designee concerning the Museum and in assisting, as requested by the City Manager or her designee, in volunteer and fundraising activities for the Museum, (3) renaming the Museum Commission as the Cayce Museum Committee, and (4) creating a new Cayce Historical Committee to serve an advisory role in making recommendations to the City Manager or her designee concerning City historical sites, facilities and venues (other than the Museum), and in assisting, as requested by the City Manager or her designee, in volunteer and fundraising activities for the other City historical sites, facilities and venues.

Recommendation

Staff recommends Council approve the City Manager working with the Museum Commission to (a) recommend a process for including the City's racial and cultural diversity and history within the Museum and its exhibits and programs; and (b) update the Commission's by-laws and incorporate the related recommendations made by Mr. Crowe for their consideration and approval at a future meeting.