

CITY OF HENDERSON – RECORD BOOK

Record of Minutes of A Called Town Hall Work Session *Meeting on* May 6, 2019

A special called town hall work session of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Henderson, Kentucky, was held on Monday, May 6, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., prevailing time, in the training room of the Municipal Service Center located at 1449 Corporate Court, Henderson, Kentucky.

There were present Mayor Steve Austin presiding.

PRESENT:

Commissioner Patti Bugg
Commissioner X R. Royster, III
Commissioner Bradley S. Staton

ABSENT:

Commissioner Austin P. Vowels

CITY STAFF MEMBERS included William L. “Buzzy” Newman, Jr., City Manager; Dawn Kelsey, City Attorney; Maree Collins, City Clerk; Donna Stinnett, Public Information Officer; Theresa Richey, Development Liaison; Sam Lingerfelt, Sanitation Superintendent; and Mike Richardson, Reserve Police Officer.

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Stevens, Moderator; Richard Nelson, Commonwealth Policy Center; Josh Hershberger, Attorney; Chris Hartman, Kentucky Fairness; Enid Trucious-Haynes, American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky; Nancy Boyett, Henderson-Henderson County Human Rights Commission; many concerned citizens; News 14; News 25; and Douglas White, *The Gleaner*

THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

1. Review of Ordinance
 - ✓ Dawn Kelsey, City Attorney, gave an overview presentation of the ordinance.
2. Panel Debate/Discussion
 - ✓ Moderator Bill Stevens asked panelist several questions relating to ‘fairness ordinances’ in general and specific to this proposed ordinance.
3. Henderson-Henderson County Human Rights Commission Statement
 - ✓ Nancy Boyett read a statement prepared by the HCHR Commission
4. Public Comments
 - ✓ Thirty-five people signed up to speak with each speaker allotted three minutes. Thirty-two people spoke with twenty-three (16 Henderson residents, 1 County resident, 5 from Owensboro and 1 from Evansville) in favor of an ordinance and nine (8 Henderson residents and 1 County resident) in opposition of an ordinance

NO FORMAL ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

MEETING ADJOURN:

MOTION by Commissioner Staton, seconded by Commissioner Bugg to adjourn.

The vote was called. On roll call, the vote stood:

Commissioner Vowels --- Absent:
Commissioner Bugg ----- Aye:
Commissioner Royster -- Aye:
Commissioner Staton ---- Aye:
Mayor Austin ----- Aye:

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WHEREUPON Mayor Austin declared the work session adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Steve Austin, Mayor
May 28, 2019

Maree Collins, CKMC
City Clerk,