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**Special Called City Council Meeting**

**Minutes**

**December 5, 2023 – 6:30 pm**

**In Person**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor Carlos Williams. Members of Council: Wade Young, Tabatha Strother, Jamie Price, Danielle Hughes, and Robbie King-Boyd

**ABSENT: David Claytor**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams at 6:30 pm.

**Roll Call**

6 Present at the time of roll call.

**Approval of Agenda**

Councilwoman Strother made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was second by Councilman Young. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

**Prayer**

Councilman Price offered prayer.

**Pledge**

Council recited The Pledge of Allegiance and The Civility Pledge.

**New Business**

**ARPA Request**

Councilman Young made a motion to approve the ARPA Request – Employee Incentive totaling $64,000 for 70 employees. Councilwoman Strother second the motion. The vote was as follows: 5 in favor: (Price, Boyd-Crosby, Hughes, King-Boyd, Williams). 2 oppose: (Young and Strother).

**Approval of Bid for Fitness Park Slab**

Councilwoman Hughes made a motion to accept the bid in the amount of $19,026.84 -

*Executive Session*

Councilwoman Hughes made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Contractual Renewal and Information on HR Matter. Councilman Young second the motion. The vote was unanimous (7-0).

Open Session

Councilwoman Strother made a motion to go back into open session. Councilwoman Hughes second the motion. The vote was unanimous (7-0).

Mayor Willimas stated that while in Executive Session, Council discussed Contractual Renewal – and information on HR matter in which no action was taken.

Councilwoman King-Boyd made a motion that the City hire Boykin and Davis, LLC as attorney and counsel for the City of Chester. Councilwoman Hughes second the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Councilwoman Strother made a motion to suspend the rules for virtual Executive Session - Zoom for a period of 60 days. Councilwoman Hughes second the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0)

With no other business, Councilwoman King-Boyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was second by Councilwoman Hughes.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marquita Fair

Municipal Clerk