CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Bills called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

ROLL CALL
A roll call was taken with all commissioners in attendance with the exception of Bruner and Commissioner Dina arrived at 8:23.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
There was a motion by Commissioner Haverfield to approve the minutes of the January 15th, 2019 Special meeting. Commissioner Miller Seconded. A roll call was taken with all in favor.

Staff Communications
Robyn explained there will be a little different format with staff communication first and also that Danae from Nichols Accounting is in attendance to present the Finance report and Payables.
Staff will also have an activity report for the commissioners, so everyone will know what will be coming up.

NEW BUSINESS
Mayor Kling wanted to address the NDC and thank them for their help. She is in hopes that the NDC will pay off one of the bonds early. She also expressed the need and desire to communicate more with this commission. There was a non-smoking ordinance discussion, downtown parking, and a number of critical issues coming before the City Council. She said she is available anytime for this commission to talk to her. There is also a strategic planning that the commission members were invited to give input and participate. She looks forward to a closer working relationship.

Library square area has had some discussion for a non-smoking ordinance. Beth talked about this and what steps the City has taken thus far and the results. She also answered any questions the commissioners had. Bill Nichols also had drafted a memo for this and discussed the lease agreement. Beth was looking for any input the NDC would like to make. Gardner Company has not been contacted yet for the decision. They are still part of this conversation as well. Smoking also includes vaping as well. The City has the right to institute the ordinance. Does NDC have signage involvement? There is the question on cost and involvement. Commissioner Bills said he doesn’t see the need for this. The Vote was split at the City Council level. The police wouldn’t be able to enforce this and NDC wouldn’t be able to enforce this. Signage will need to be supported by NDC and Gardner.

Danae, with Nichols Accounting, gave a finance report. She talked about the changes in the packet and what we will be seeing moving forward. She talked about the payables as well. Commissioner Bills explained why the changes and what information will be presented moving forward. There was some talk on some of the issues that there were in the finances during this last year and Nichols Accounting gave the steps taken to correct the issues that were found. Commissioner Bills said that the excess funds in the money market and checking and revenue allocation funds accounts need to have a better return. He directed staff to come up with other options for excess funds to get a better return on these funds. Commissioner Haverfield was in support of this as well. Bill Nichols said that there are some restrictions on what can be done with these funds because they are public funds. Commissioner Haverfield moved to approve the payables and Commissioner Miller seconded. A roll call was taken with all in favor.

Staff put together a notice of parking garage top deck parking policy. This is due to damage and how the top deck is used when open. Commissioner Miller supports the idea of keeping the top deck closed and opened only when needed. The draft policy needs to be revised to allow access to the top deck only for

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special events and as staff sees fit. Bill Nichols suggested that the top deck be closed to vehicular access until the commission has a policy in place and approved by the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Haverfield to formally close off vehicular access until staff has the time to draft a policy that can be approved. This was seconded by Commissioner Miller. A roll call was taken with all in favor. There was a question on whether the garage is able to go higher if needed or adding a covering. These questions weren’t answered because no one knew the answers. Commissioner Bills expressed some thoughts on this in the future.

Bill Nichols said that the certificate of completion has been sent off for review from Gardner but we don’t have anything currently. This is to come before the Commission at the March meeting.

Commissioner Bills asked if there was any thoughts or desire to change the by-laws to allow the Vice-Chair to take the Chair’s position and get a new Vice-Chair each year. This would be rotating. The other point was to consider a resolution to move the terms to the end of the calendar year. Commissioner Haverfield asked where he sits now with the NDC with his commissioner expiring soon. Bill Nichols addressed this and with the changes in the Legislators, a new ordinance with new dates would be appropriate.

Legal – Bill Nichols

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Haverfield with all in favor.

Approved this 19th day of March, 2019

Chairman

ATTEST: Jared Bryan

Secretary