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Mayor Pro Tem Black said they've helped and protected this city and she said she didn't know what they would do without them.

Tammy Basham asked in the Robert's Rules of Order if someone stands-

Mayor Stokes said she isn't entertaining questions from the floor just yet.

Tammy Basham said when she spoke last time she was yelled at.

Mayor Stokes said she was quieting people down and no one yelled at her.

Tammy Basham said no, your husband yelled at her.

Mayor Stokes said these accusations have cost the City more than \$25,000. She understands that Mr. Basham would like to see that itemized. Mr. Leonard said we talked about that.

Mr. Leonard said he would be glad to. His paralegal said some of the items fall under the retainer which is a fixed cost and she did not charge that. Therefore, actually the cost that Mr. Basham has required them to incur in reality at least in terms of dedicated time is somewhat greater than that. He said he would be more than happy to provide chapter and verse.

Mayor Stokes said he has attempted to use City employees for political purposes and the constant accusations are disrupting and have even driven away several excellent Police officers. He constantly attempts to speak for the City without any authority to do so and has recently done this both in terms of the zoning issues which we have discussed earlier, his attempts to "bring in the FBI" to investigate what he thinks are actions against him and his constant attempts to try to create an issue with regards to contracts which only serve to benefit the City underscore his political intent and his total disregard for the welfare of the City.

Council Member Steele said this upheaval is ridiculous when there are so many things they need to be doing and they are not getting done. She said they need to get down the road and get of this mess.

Council Member Hunter said he did pose the question to TML on the terms and conditions of the contracts were read out to them and they authorized the Mayor to sign them. The representative from TML wrote him back and told him there wasn't anything wrong with that. He said he anybody would like to see that email he would provide it

Council Member Hunter said because of all the accusations and innuendo that have been made in recent times, he would like ask the Council to reiterate their understanding from last time that the Contracts were as proposed and that the Mayor was fully authorized to sign the Contracts. He said he would also like to add to this: