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Council Meeting

Agenda

February 26, 2019 6:00 PM



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AGENDA COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019 6:00 PM

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Mayor Anthony S. Ford
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Administration

Randy Knighton, City Manager
Camilla Moore, Asst. City Mngr.
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
Michael Williams, City Attorney
Randi Rainey, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS: 1/14/2019 & 1/31/2019

- 1 Draft Minutes of 1/14/2019
- 2 Draft Minutes of 1/31/2019

PUBLIC COMMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

- 3 Council Consideration to amend the 2018 CIE (Capital Improvements Element and Comprehensive Plan Update) relating to the Economic Development Section of the Report
- 4 Council Consideration to amend and extend the Moratorium on the acceptance of applications for certain businesses in the City.

NEW BUSINESS

- 5 Council Consideration to approve Citywide Furniture- State of Georgia
Contract No. 99999-SPD000010

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS (Randy Knighton)

CITY CLERK'S COMMENTS (Vanessa Holiday)

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR'S COMMENTS (Mayor Anthony Ford)

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Exemptions to the Georgia Open Meetings Acts)

ADJOURNMENT



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**SUMMARY MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING**

MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019 6:00 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

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Councilman Elton Alexander
Mayor Pro Tem John Blount
Councilwoman LaKeisha Gantt
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Mission: To provide visionary leadership and superior municipal services that enhance the quality of life for citizens while creating a welcoming business atmosphere focused on sustainability and expansion of tourism and cultural events.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Pastor Cecilia Green

Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

City Clerk, Vanessa Holiday was asked to proceed with a verbal roll call. All members of Council were present

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to amend the Agenda to remove Item #2 and add Item #8 & #9; second by Councilman Alexander. The motion passed 5-0.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to adopt the Minutes for the following meeting 11/27/2018: second by Councilman Alexander. The motion passed 5-0.

Review of Ceremonial

"Pop In" for City's New Branding Launch

Adopt a Family Volunteer Appreciation recognized by Councilman Alexander

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Proclamation read by Mayor Ford

Human Trafficking Awareness Month

H.E.R.O. Award presented to the City by Strongside Solutions

Annie Carr of the Negro Council for Women thanked the City for partnering with them on the Diabetes Education Forum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All persons wishing to speak for public comment must sign in with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. You must sign your name, address, and phone number. You will be able to address the Mayor and Council for three (3) minutes. Speakers must respect all members of the elected body, officials, and staff. Defamation, unruliness and/or swearing will not be tolerated while meetings are in session.

Mr. Greg Horton noted his confusion regarding the Stockbridge Association of Businesses (SAB) and asked that the Council meet with the businesses owners prior to a vote to establish to board as an independent entity outside of the City.

Mr. Roger Custin echoed Mr. Horton's sentiments, noted he appreciated funding from the City, and asked the Council to hold off on a vote until businesses owners had an opportunity to meet with Council.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Discussion of 2019 Voting Schedule for the City of Stockbridge
Presented by: Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk and Tina Lunsford, Henry County Elections Superintendent
Item Removed from Agenda

NEW BUSINESS

3. Delta Sigma Theta Ex-Offenders Job Fair Presentation
Presented by: Brenda Winston and Gloria Lee Hawkins
Gloria Lee Hawkins, President for Henry County Delta Sigma Theta Chapter noted the Henry County Chapter would like to partner with the City and choose a location to host an Ex-Offenders Job Fair that will be held on September 20, 2019 between the hours of 9am-3pm. Ms. Hawkins mentioned this would be the 4th annual event, which is normally held in Clayton County; but, would like to move it to Henry County in support of the community. Mayor Ford mentioned his attendance at the last event held at Clayton State University.

Mayor Pro Tem Gantt motioned to approve use of the Merle Manders Conference Center September 20, 2019 from 9am – 3pm for an Ex-Offenders Job Fair; Councilman Alexander provided the second. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Organizational Appointments: Appointment & Oath of the Municipal Court Judge

Mayor Pro Tem Gantt motioned to appoint Judge Matthew McCord as the City of Stockbridge Municipal Court Judge; second by Councilwoman Robinson. The motion passed 5-0. Oath was administered by Mayor Anthony S. Ford

Appointment of the Mayor Pro Tem

Councilman Alexander requested to talk about this appointment during Executive Session; noting his recommendation for Councilmembers to be able to serve 4-month terms.

Mayor Ford noted since serving as a Councilman, it has been his experience that most of the Mayor Pro Tem positions have served 2 years and the Charter states Council elects the Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilman Thomas noted the Charter stated Council elects the Mayor Pro Tem but does not state the tenure and will adhere to the code.

Councilman Blount noted Council should be careful about the things put out on one another and have the right to appoint whomever.

Councilwoman Robinson expressed how the negativity has impacted the Council and believes it is political and believes what the Mayor is stating, and will vote no.

Councilman Thomas motioned to appoint John Blount to serve as Mayor Pro Tem; second by Mayor Pro Tem. The motion passed 3-2 (Councilman Alexander and Councilwoman Robinson opposed).

Appointment of the City Auditor

Councilman Alexander motioned to appoint Mauldin & Jenkins as the City Auditor; Councilwoman Robinson provided the second. The motion passed 5-0.

Appointment of the City Attorney

Councilman Alexander requested to discuss in Executive Session. There was no second to the request.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to appoint Michael Williams as the City Attorney; second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion passed 4-1 (Councilman Alexander opposed).

NEW BUSINESS

5. Council Consideration to approve a Resolution authorizing the City of Stockbridge to join the *Henry County Complete Count Committee*.

Presented by: Randy Knighton, City Manager

Randy Knighton, City Manager noted the Resolution is to have the City run a complete count of citizens for the 2020 census. Mr. Knighton included the County is organizing to assemble a committee to insure all citizens are reached as the census count is made. Mr. Knighton included each Mayor of each City in Henry County will have 2 citizen appointees assuring the census reaches every organization and neighborhood and would like to have them appointed by the end of this month. Mr. Knighton noted funding will be excluded and will be shared by the County and Cities.

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to approve Resolution omitting funding; Councilwoman Robinson provided the second. The motion passed 5-0.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to move Item #7 to Item #6; Councilman Alexander provided the second. The motion passed 5-0.

6. Council Consideration to approve use of the Merle Manders Conference Center March 22-24, 2019 for the GMA Youth Summit.
Presented by: Councilwoman Robinson

Councilwoman Robinson requested approval to use the Merle Manders Conference Center March 22-24, 2019 for the GMA (Georgia Municipal Association) Youth Summit.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to approve use of the Merle Manders Conference Center March 22-24, 2019 for the GMA Youth Summit; second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion passed 5-0.

7. Council Consideration to approve an Ordinance to establish the SAB (Stockbridge Association of Businesses) Option 1 City-Created Entity or Option 2 Business-Created Entity
Presented by Camilla Moore, Asst. City Mgr./Community Dev. Dir.
Ms. Moore noted in 2017 the acting City Manager instructed staff to create an organization that would not compete with the County Chamber Chambers, and to create an entity that was the liaison with city businesses, with 11 months to create. Ms. Moore referenced the previous administration created an SBA entity, which did not go well; and, with the newly elected officials, other instructions was given to staff to complete. Ms. Moore also noted staff would prefer the entity

to be a part of the City because it gives credibility, and there will be an election in a few months. Ms. Cato, Facilitator of the SAB expressed how she was under the impression the SAB would be a city entity.

Councilwoman Robinson noted there seemed to be a lack of communication and asked for clarification from the City Attorney on the issue.

Attorney Williams stated this is more of a policy issue rather than a legal opinion, and if it does become an outside entity, the City could still partner with the SAB.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount noted he had attended a few meetings and believes a process should be put into place before voting.

Councilman Alexander expressed he believes the businesses should make the decision and vote on how to proceed.

Mrs. Holiday noted Council approved the establishment of and SAB and read Section 4.1.1- Boards and Committees from the Charter and noted the Clerk's Office received a notice stating members had been appointed to the SAB; in which she replied and expressed that the applicants had not been submitted to the Council as required by Section 4.1.1 of the City Charter. Attorney Williams agreed and further noted that was the case only if the SAB was going to be a City entity; and, noted the City must decide on what level it wants to partner with the SAB.

Councilwoman Gantt recommended the item be tabled and does not want to do a dis-service to the community by making it an entity.

Councilman Thomas noted he wants the entity to be created the right way and does not care if it is a part of the city or not; he wants to see the businesses be successful and thrive.

Councilman Alexander motioned to Table the approval of an Ordinance to establish the SAB; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. The motion passed 5-0.

DISCUSSION

8. Council Consideration to approve membership with Welcoming America in the amount of \$1,500.00
Presented by: Councilwoman Robinson

Councilwoman Robinson noted she wanted to be transparent and mentioned suggestions were made after the budget was completed; and, would like to include a membership with Welcoming America. Councilwoman Gantt mentioned there is already a budget for memberships and asked for legal clarification. Attorney Williams noted the City Manager has the power to authorize anything under \$25,000 without Council's approval, however, it's prudent to seek further guidance from Council.

Councilwoman Gantt noted she used Council Initiative Funds last year to obtain a membership with Welcoming America and seeing the dues went up to \$1,500, she did not see why Council needed to vote on it.

Councilwoman Robinson noted dues were paid in the amount of \$500 in 2018 as a Council Initiative and if the city became a sponsor, it would become a City event; however, she would still support as a Council Initiative, and wanted to inform the public where monies were being spent.

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to approve a membership with Welcoming America in the amount of \$1,500.00; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. The motion passed 5-0.

9. Council Consideration to approve 1-year membership with Aerotropolis Atlanta in the amount of \$500.00
Presented by: Councilwoman Robinson
Mr. Knighton noted this is a 26-member board whom seeks to come together, plan and implement strategies that helps revitalize businesses around the Hartsfield-Jackson Airport and surrounding communities and noted the 1- year membership fee equal \$500.00 for entry-level.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to approve the 1-year membership with Aerotropolis Atlanta in the amount of \$500.00; second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion passed 5-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Knighton thanked the citizens who came out to participate in the City's unveiling of the City's new brand "Where Community Connects".

COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE

Wished everyone a Happy New Year!

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilman Thomas invited everyone out to the 8th Annual African-American Heritage Celebration taking place Saturday, February 9th at the Merle Manders Conference Center at 4:00 p.m. with Bishop Michael A. Strickland as the Keynote Speaker and featuring the 90+ member Henry County Community Senior Choir; and noted this event is free to the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount thanked everyone for coming out to the City's Brand Launch and for remaining for the meeting; thanked colleagues for the Mayor Pro Tem appointment; stated his greatest prayer is that every councilmember be successful, even as you agree to disagree; noted the upcoming Bingo Bash taking place on Wednesday, January 23rd from 10:00 a.m. – noon at the Ted Strickland Community Center.

Councilwoman Gantt wished everyone a Happy New Year! Thanked all of the business owners who have been involved with the SAB, along with staff and sees a great opportunity for businesses in the City; stated that citizens should start to see things happening in the City that they have asked for, as there are wheels in motion; thanked Main Street for their leadership with the City's branding efforts and thanked the citizens who participated in the surveys online and at the Food Truck events and focus groups; noted that while you can't satisfy all, the City hears your concerns and will do what is in the best interest of the City; asked everyone to sign up to participate in the Welcoming Stockbridge initiative where there will be a quarterly roundtable of diverse and all-inclusive group friends and neighbors of the Stockbridge community having a discussion and to visit the City's website for more information.

Councilman Alexander thanked everyone for attending and participating today; referenced the wonderful Adopt-A-Family event where there were numerous partnerships who distributed over 2200 toys to families and noted how the idea started as a gesture he had along with another empty-nester who were both blessed, and bestowed blessing upon others; referred to the City's new tagline "Where Community Connects"; noted the upcoming event of picking up litter on January 19th during the King Week celebration to take a day on/not a day off, and noted Henry County has approved the upcoming beautification project; noted the Eagle's Landing Community Association was not part of the Eagle's Landing Cityhood movement and thanked those residents for participating with the \$75 association fee to keep the roadway maintained; refuted claims where he is perceived as negative and referenced several city accomplishments; stated he did not take his seat to get re-elected; will do what is right and is guided by God.

Councilwoman Robinson thanked everyone for coming out; referenced the success of the DDA's 2-day Retreat and thanked Mr. Touchton for his planning efforts and also thanked staff for work; noted all members of the Council were elected and deserve to be heard; asked that you always show yourself friendly

because if you don't you will always have a negative halo surrounding you; invited everyone to come out to the MLK, Jr. Parade on Monday, January 21st where the Stockbridge Youth Council will be participating; and stated we are Better Together, cited the City's new tagline "Where Community Connects" and asked that everyone connect to love.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford wished everyone a Happy New Year; referenced the City's new tagline "Where Community Connects"; referenced the DDA's 2-day Retreat and gave a special thanks to James Touchton and is looking forward things highlighted; referenced the upcoming Superbowl taking place in Atlanta and asked that everyone enjoy friends and family; kept the faith and hopefully some of the money being spent over the Superbowl weekend will make its way to Stockbridge.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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- Planning Commission meeting, Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chamber.
- Work Session meeting, Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chamber.

UPCOMING EVENT(S) & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Job Fair – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Meile Manders Conference Center 111 Davis Rd. Stockbridge, GA
- Keep Stockbridge Beautiful – Saturday, January 19, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Walmart Hudson Bridge location – spearheaded by Councilman Alexander
- All City offices will be closed Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday celebration.
- Monthly Bingo Bash – Wednesday, January 23, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – noon at the Ted Strickland Community Center 130 ML King, Sr. Heritage Trail, Stockbridge, GA

ONGOING INITIATIVES

- Don't Trash Stockbridge No Litter Campaign – Ongoing – spearheaded by Councilman Thomas. Contact: LaQuinda Jackson @ 678-833-3348 for more information.
- Monthly Bingo Bash at the Ted Strickland Community Center – spearheaded by Councilman Blount. Visit the City's website or Facebook page for dates and information.
- Quarterly Town Hall – Ongoing – spearheaded by Councilman Alexander. Visit the City's website or Facebook page for dates and information.

- Keep Stockbridge Beautiful – Ongoing – spearheaded by Councilman Alexander. Contact LaQuinda Jackson @ 678-833-3348 for more information.
- Quarterly Clergy RoundTable – spearheaded by Councilwoman Robinson. Contact LaQuinda Jackson @ 678-833-3348 for more information.
- Quarterly Welcoming Stockbridge RoundTable – spearheaded by Mayor Pro Tem LaKeisha Gannt. Contact LaQuinda Jackson @ 678-833-3348 for more information.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to convene into Executive Session for Personnel; Councilman Alexander provided the second. The motion failed 3-2 (Blount, Gannt and Thomas opposed).

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk CMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



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**SUMMARY MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2019 3:30 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

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Mayor Pro Tem John Blount
Councilwoman LaKeisha Gantt
Councilwoman Neat Robinson
Councilman Alphonso Thomas

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Vanessa Holiday

Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

City Clerk, Vanessa Holiday was asked to proceed with a verbal roll call. All members of Council were present except Mayor Pro Tem Gantt who was attending a two-day training conference.

Councilman Alexander motioned to adopt the Agenda as printed: second by Councilwoman Robinson. The motion passed 4-0.

Review of the Minutes for the following meetings:

1. 12/10/2018 2. 12/18/2018
- No Action taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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No Public Comments

NEW BUSINESS

3. Council Consideration for funding of the *Leader in Me Program*
Presented by: Steve Cash, Executive Director - Henry Council for Quality Growth

Mr. Steve Cash asked the Council to consider continuing participation with Cotton Indian Elementary and the Council for Quality Leadership in support of the Leader in Me program. Mr. Cash noted Cotton Indian Elementary had raised its Georgia report card score 27% in just two years, as well as dropping its disciplinary occurrences 35%. Mr. Cash added Cotton Indian Elementary has progressed from dead last to 12th best out of 28 elementary schools in its district. Mr. Cash also noted his disappointment that the Henry County Board of Education has not publicly recognized Cotton Indian and expressed he would like for Council to demand the program in each City in the County.

Councilman Thomas commended Mr. Cash on the program and believes Council should look at the resources and encouraged Council to look making improvements at all schools inside the city limits.

Councilman Alexander noted he had previously asked Mr. Cash for tangible results and noted the improvements. He further suggested trying to include other elementary schools like Stockbridge and Smith Barnes Elementary to the list and was given an estimated cost of approximately \$12,000 per school.

Attorney Williams recommended the City meet with the Henry County School Board prior to funding other schools.

Councilwoman Robinson expressed her disappointment noting funding for the school programs should be a priority.

Councilman Thomas motioned to properly align funding in the budget for such programs and to establish relationships with the current 4th and 5th District School Board Representatives to determine the needs at each of the schools in the City of Stockbridge where students reside and where improvements can be made to improve scores; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. Councilman Alexander and Councilwoman Robinson opposed. Mayor Ford voted in favor. The motion passed 3-2.

4. Council Consideration to approve use of the Merle Manders Conference Center February 20, 2019 for a musical event.
Presented by: Mayor Ford and Jerry Hesselink

Mr. Jerry Hesselink noted he serves on the board of the Henry County Arts Alliance and would like to host a musical event at the Merle Manders Conference Center on February 20, 2019 at 6:00pm for a one (1) hour musical event. Mr. Hesselink noted the event would be free admission for the community.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to approve the use of the Merle Manders Conference Center on February 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm for a one (1) hour musical event; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. The motion passed 3-0. (Councilman Alexander was not present for the discussion and was not present for the vote).

5. Council Consideration to accept the bid from Coggins Construction Company LLC in the amount of \$237,017.71 for replacement of the Central Line Water Main. Funding is SPLOST IV.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Mr. Aaron introduced new staff members Donnie Mullis, Water Superintendent and Gary Smith, Facility Supervisor.

Mr. Aaron then asked for approval to accept the bid from Coggins Construction Company, LLC. In the amount of \$237,017.71 for replacement of the Central Line Water Main using SPLOST IV funds.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount motioned to approve and accept the bid from Coggins Construction Company, LLC. In the amount of \$237,017.71 for replacement of the Central Line Water Main using SPLOST IV funds; second by Councilman Thomas. The motion passed 4-0.

6. Council Consideration to authorize bids for a Public Works Facility in the amount of \$3,000,000.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Mr. noted the funds for the Public Works Facility had been identified in SPLOST IV with plans already in place and asked Council for permission to move forward with the construction of the Public Works Facility.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount asked if the plan is to still in place to have the only one level for the new facility.

Mr. Aaron noted adding a second level would cost an additional \$1 million dollars.

Mr. Knighton noted the soil in the proposed area would not allow a second level.

Councilman Alexander expressed his concerns for potential growth and being able to service the needs of a growing population and housing additional employees over the next decade or so.

Councilwoman Robinson motioned to authorize a bid for the Public Works Facility in the amount of \$3,000,000; second by Councilman Thomas. The motion passed 3-1 (Councilman Alexander opposed).

7. Council Consideration to approve 2018 Budget Amendments
Presented by: John Wiggins, Interim Treasurer
Contract Treasure, John Wiggins introduced new staff member Lindell Miller, Procurement Supervisor.
Mr. Wiggins introduced new staff member Lindell Miller, Procurement Supervisor.

Mr. Wiggins referenced Budget Amendment No. 2018-007 in the amount of \$1,746,789.21 included the cost of the De-Annexation, City wide project Fund and finishing up the contract for the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilman Alexander asked for a breakdown of funds for legal fees and lobbyist fees. Mr. Wiggins noted \$931,584.79 was used for legal fees with some lobbyist fees included with legal fees.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount motioned to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment No. 2018-007 in the amount of \$1,746,789.21; second by Councilman Thomas. The motion passed 3-0-1 (Councilman Alexander abstained).

8. Council Consideration to approve Budget Amendment 2019-001 to transfer Salary & Benefits from Stormwater to Events
Presented by: John Wiggins, Interim Treasurer
Mr. Wiggins noted there has been a need for additional help in the Events Department and staff would like to move one position from the Stormwater Department to the Events Department in the amount of \$43,029.70, this includes salary and benefits. Mr. Knighton noted staff looked at the many events being held at the Merle Manders Conference Center with only one dedicated staff member and having to use public works staff members and decided to pull one staff member from public work to events for better assistance.

Councilman Thomas motioned to approve Budget Amendment No. 2019-001 to transfer Salary & Benefits from Stormwater to Events in the amount of \$43,029.70; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. The motion passed 3-1 (Councilman Alexander opposed).

9. Council Consideration to approve bid selection of RFP18ITB103018-DRR for Broker Services from MSI Benefits Services.

Presented by Renee Wheeler, Human Resources Manager

Ms. Wheeler noted an RFP was conducted for new broker services, with the City receiving 10 proposals. Ms. Wheeler expressed staff has recommended MSI Benefits as the new broker services.

Councilman Alexander motioned to approve MSI Benefits as the City's New Broker Services; second by Councilwoman Robinson. The motion passed 4-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Randy Knighton announced the completion of certifications for: Randi Rainey - Municipal Clerk Certification, Shannon Maddox – Code Enforcement Certification and Renee Wheeler – Human Resources Certification.

COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE

Vanessa Holiday thanked the Council for all they do and congratulated fellow staff members of their recent certifications.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilman Thomas invited everyone to the 8th Annual African-American Heritage Celebration; read the City's Mission Statement; and noted his support of the SAB (Stockbridge Association of Businesses) with a focus on the three "p's" – Protocol, Process and Procedure.

Mayor Pro Tem Blount noted the Council is working diligently to make Stockbridge great and believes we are Better Together; noted citizens want to see progress; and noted while there may be differences, turn the negatives into positives, and asked that those differences be hashed out behind closed doors.

Councilman Alexander thanked everyone for tuning in, and is working towards moving the City forward; noted there will always be a process, but it is up to the Council to act, noting to act takes courage, vision and leadership; commended the GMA Mayor's Day Conference and speakers, and gained a wealth of knowledge and information on best practices; referenced the Leader in Me Program which demonstrated results as the low school scores are unacceptable and wants to find funding resources to replicate the program and other successes, noting funds were found for other activities and students and education should be a priority.

Councilwoman Robinson congratulated staff members on their certifications; recited a quote: "actions speak louder than words, something that is told to our students, and until your actions change, no progress will be visible" and asked that everyone remember that.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford congratulated staff on their certifications; referenced the Mayor's Day Conference and specifically the Legislative Breakfast where officials noted Georgia being the 8th largest state population wise, and for (6) six consecutive years, Georgia is #1 for businesses, which started under Governor Deal; and referenced the upcoming Super Bowl taking place in Atlanta and to be aware of Human Trafficking during this very busy weekend and asked everyone to report suspected activities and enjoy the game.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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- Main Street Advisory Board meeting, Friday, February 8, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room.
- City Council meeting, Monday, February 11, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chamber.
- Youth Council meeting, Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room.
- Downtown Development Authority meeting, Monday, February 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room. – Meeting changed to Tuesday, February 19, 2019.
- Youth Council Advisory Committee, Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room.
- Planning Commission meeting, Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chamber.
- Work Session meeting, Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chamber.
- Council Retreat – February 28 & March 1, 2019 Kennesaw, GA

UPCOMING EVENT(S) & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Seniors Painting Event Thursday, February 7th at the Ted Strickland Community Center 130 ML King, Sr. Heritage Trail, Stockbridge, GA spearheaded by Councilwoman Gantt
- 8th Annual African-American Heritage Celebration – Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Merle Manders Conference – spearheaded by Councilman Thomas
- Rural African-American History Celebration – Saturday, February 16, 2019 at the Cochran Library, Stockbridge, GA– spearheaded by Councilman Alexander
- Quarterly Town Hall – Tuesday, February 19, 2019 Location: Red Oak UMC 3894 Walt Stephens Rd. Stockbridge, GA – spearheaded by Councilman Alexander

- Stockbridge Active – location: Pamela Bennett Fitness 272 E Atlanta Rd Suite 1D, Stockbridge, GA– Saturday, February 23, 2019 – spearheaded by Councilman Alexander
- Monthly Bingo Bash – Wednesday, February 27, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – noon at the Ted Strickland Community Center 130 ML King, Sr. Heritage Trail, Stockbridge, GA spearheaded by Mayor Pro Tem Blount

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Attorney Williams noted while there were no items for Executive Session Discussion, he had been made aware of the following item for Council Consideration.

10. Council Consideration to amend current moratorium on businesses to accept applications for the same type of business with a changed in ownership.

Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr./Community Dev. Director City Attorney, Michael Williams noted the state is requiring certain businesses (barber shop and beauty salons) to register locally; however, the moratorium has directed staff to no accept any applications for any of the businesses. Mr. Williams noted clarification needs to be made to allow existing businesses to change ownership, and not the number or location of businesses, which would be a net neutral impact by the City. Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr./Community Dev. Director stated the clarification was to address over saturation and wanted clarification on not to exceed a certain number of shops or sustain a certain number of shops. Mayor Ford noted to sustain the businesses.

Councilman Alexander motioned to approve Consideration to amend current moratorium on businesses to accept applications for the same type

of business with a changed in ownership; Mayor Pro Tem Blount provided the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Code Enforcement Office T. D. Johnson announced his retirement from the City, thanked the Mayor & Council for their support and noted it has been a pleasure working for the City.

Mayor Ford and Council Members expressed their thanks and appreciation and wished Mr. Johnson well in his retirement.

Councilman Alexander motioned to adjourn the meeting; second by Mayor Pro Tem Blount. The motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk CMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



Stockbridge *Georgia*

Short-Term Work Program & CIE Update 2018-2023 CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE, GEORGIA

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Economic Development						
Item	Activity	Years	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source	Status
18.	Establish Stockbridge Assoc. of Business	2017-2023	Community Development	\$50,000	General Funds	Underway
19.	Create Economic Development Marketing Plan	2017-2023	Community Development	\$100,000	Hotel/ Motel	In Progress
20.	Opportunity Zone Designation Study	2017-2023	Community Development	\$25,000	General Fund	In Progress
21.	Create a Citywide Marketing Plan (Rebranding)	2016-2023	Community Development	\$75,000	Hotel/ Motel	On-going
Subtotal				\$250,000.		

Council Consideration to
amend and extend the
Moratorium on the
acceptance of
applications for certain
businesses in the City.

Presented by:
Michael Williams,
City Attorney



Meeting Date

February 26, 2018

City of Stockbridge

Staff Recommendation Form For Council Approval/Review

- ☒ Action requested by City Council
- ☐ For informational purposes only
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Budget Amendment Required
- ☐ Presentation

FUNDING SOURCE

- ☐ GENERAL FUND
- ☐ FUND BALANCE
- ☐ SPLOST
- ☐ CDBG
- ☐ GRANT FUNDING
- ☐ COUNCIL INITIATIVE
- ☐ SPONSORSHIP
- ☐ DEPT. FUND BALANCE

FROM ACCOUNT: N/A

TO ACCOUNT:

PRESENTER: Lindell Y. Miller

DEPARTMENT: Finance/Procurement

ITEM/PROJECT/EVENT: Citywide Furniture -

DESCRIPTION:

The City Departments request approval to purchase furniture from the State of Georgia Contract Number 99999-SPD0000100-0091, City of Stockbridge contract number RFP2019 - 0002, awarded February 3, 2015, to a list of furniture Manufacturers, including The Hon Company, for Furniture, Office Computer and Educational Furniture. The contract is valid through February 2, 2020. The purpose of this agenda is to request approval for City staff to purchase new office furniture for the Public Works Department, Economic Development and Community Development Department, and authorize the City Manager to renew the City contract, as renewed by the State of Georgia. The total overall cost of the current furniture order is \$10,844.70.

On February 12, 2019, the City Manager approved piggybacking the State of Georgia contract number 99999-SPD0000100-0091 for an amount not to exceed of \$ 19,123.07, as authorized by the Code of Ordinances. Purchases made from, one of the awarded vendors, The Hon Company, are processed by their authorized dealer.

APPROVED BY:

FINANCE _____

CITY MANAGER _____

CITY ATTORNEY _____

Annual Contract Amount

\$ 40,000.00

ATTACHMENT(S:)

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Office, Computer and EducationType: Mandatory Statewide
Contract

Supplier: The HON Company

Dates: 2/3/2015 - 2/2/2020

Version: Renewal 0

[▶ My Lifetime Spend \(USD\)](#)[▶ Lifetime Member Spend \(USD\)](#)**Summary****Contract Summary****Contract Information**Contract Name ★
Office,
Computer and
EducationContract Type ★
Mandatory
Statewide
ContractSupplier Name
The HON
CompanySummary
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Summary](#)**Contract Dates**

Begin Date 2/3/2015 12:00 AM EDT

Expire Date 2/2/2020 11:59 PM EDT

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