



ACTION MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019 6:00 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

Mayor Anthony S. Ford
Councilman Elton Alexander
Mayor Pro Tem John Blount
Councilwoman LaKeisha Gantt
Councilwoman Neat Robinson
Councilman Alphonso Thomas

Administration

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

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.

- I. Call to Order - Mayor Ford**
- II. Invocation – Randy Knighton**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Roll Call – All members were present**
- V. Motion to adopt the Agenda – Blount/Thomas: Passed 5-0.**
- VI. Adoption of the Minutes for the following meetings:**

- 1. 12/10/2018
- 2. 12/18/2018 Motion to approve: Blount/Alexander: Passed 5-0.

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. **There were no Public Comments.**

CEREMONIAL REVIEW

Mayor Ford presented the 2019 Proclamation for African-American History Month to Councilman Thomas and referenced the recent event.

Mayor Ford also noted the Proclamation for Coach Kevin Whitley of Stockbridge High School would be presented at the school on Wednesday, February 13th at 8:30 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

3. FY2018 Henry County Convention & Visitors Bureau DCA Report
Presented by Laura Luker, Director of Tourism
No Action.
4. Council Consideration to approve use of the Merle Manders Conference Center on March 17, 2019 for an event in partnership with the Psi Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha and their non-profit: The Southern Crescent Pearl's Foundation for the Women in Business event.
Presented by: Councilwoman Robinson and Clayton County Superior Court Judge Shana Rooks Malone
Councilwoman Robinson asked that this item be tabled until further notice.
5. Authorization for Ground-Water Services, Inc. to compete (2) Test Wells - S.P.L.O.S.T. funding in the amount not to exceed \$78,000.00.
Presented by: Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Motion to approve: Blount/Alexander: Passed 5-0.
6. Statutory requirements and expectations of transfer of Fire Prevention Services and Planning & Zoning Services Effective 4/1/2019
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
No Action.
7. Council Consideration to approve Ordinance to amend Chapter 4.08 - Fire Prevention and Protection of the Stockbridge Municipal Code- Repeal & Replace – Effective 4/1/2019
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve: Alexander/Robinson: Passed 5-0.
8. Council Consideration to approve Resolution adopting Fire Services 2019 Fee Schedule – Effective 4/1/2019
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve: Gantt/Alexander: Passed 5-0.
9. Council Consideration to approve Resolution to transfer Fire Services from the State of Georgia to the City of Stockbridge—Effective 4/1/2019
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve: Gantt/Alexander: Passed 5-0.

10. Council Consideration to approve Resolution to transfer Fire Services from Henry County to the City of Stockbridge- Effective 4/1/2019
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve: Alexander/Gantt: Passed 5-0.
11. Council Consideration to approve Resolution for 2019 Occupational Tax Fee Schedule/ Non-Regulatory.
Presented by: Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve: Gantt/Blount: Passed 5-0.
12. Council Consideration to adopt the 2018 CIE (Capital Improvements Element and Comprehensive Plan Update as approved by the ARC (Atlanta Regional Commission) January 3, 2019.
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Motion to approve document as approved by the DCA and with an amendment to task the Economic Development Director with certain items at next meeting on 2/26/2019: Gantt/Robinson: Passed 5-0.

DISCUSSION

13. Council Discussion of Impact Fees
Presented by: Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Item to be discussed at the Winter Retreat w/proposed Fee Schedule for March 11, 2019 meeting.
14. Update: On-Street Parking and Implementation.
Presented by Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr/Community Dev. Director
Public Works has completed inventory of streets to be affected; mailer will go out to citizens in March regarding the Street Parking Ordinance, Policy and Procedures; Warning notices will be issued for (3) three months prior to citations; however, HOA's currently have ability to tow (no booting); costs are still being analyzed.

Motion to amend the Agenda to discuss the creation of Development Authority for the City and to present Local Legislation to the General Assembly made by Gantt/Alexander – Passed 5-0.
15. Council Consideration to the create a Development Authority for the City and to present Local Legislation to the General Assembly.
Presented by: Councilwoman Gantt, James Touchton, Economic Development Director and Raoul Clarke, DDA Chairman
Motion to approve: Gantt/Robinson: Passed 5-0.

Motion to suspend Comments and Meeting and Announcements portion of the Agenda to be heard following Executive Session:
Blount/Thomas: Passed 4-1 (Alexander Opposed).

Motion to convene Executive Session for Personnel, Litigation and Real Estate made by Gantt/Robinson: Passed 5-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meeting will be held at City Hall unless otherwise noted. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please visit the city's website www.cityofstockbridge.com, Facebook page or contact City Hall offices at 770-389-7900 for updates and detailed information.

- Youth Council meeting, Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room.
- Downtown Development Authority meeting, Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Levi Meeting Room. **(note change in date).**
- 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

- Rural African-American History Celebration – Saturday, February 16, 2019 at the Cochran Library, Stockbridge, GA– spearheaded by Councilman Alexander 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- Quarterly Town Hall – Tuesday, February 19, 2019 7:00 p.m. at: 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 10: am – 12:00 pm Registration Required (space is limited) – 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

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 Gantt. Contact LaQuinda Jackson @ 678-833-3348 for more information.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session made by: Alexander/Gantt: Passed 5-0.

Motion to reconvene meeting made by: Alexander/Robinson: Passed 5-0.

Councilman Alexander thanked Stockbridge Youth Council Advisory Committee Chair Kenneth McFarland for his service and made a motion to accept his resignation and removal from the Stockbridge Youth Council Advisory Committee; second by Councilwoman Gantt: Mayor Ford asked for reconsideration stating this would be a mistake and rather to accept the resignation at the end of May 2019; Councilwoman Robinson thanked Mr. McFarland for his service and stated he had done an excellent job and thanked him for volunteering for the committee and agreed with the Mayor this would be a mistake and shameful and would cast a negative light upon the city. The motion passed 4-1 (Robinson opposed).

Motion to suspend Comments and Meeting and Announcements portion of the Agenda and adjourn the meeting.