



Where Community Connects

ACTION MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING (VIA ZOOM)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020 6:00 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

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

Administration

Randy Knighton, City Manager
Camilla Moore Asst. City Mgr./
Community Dev. Director
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
Randi Rainey, Deputy City Clerk
Michael Williams, City Attorney
John Wiggins, Treasurer

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- V. Motion to amend the Agenda to add a Consent Agenda for Item #4, 5, 8, 9 12 made by Thomas/Gantt (motion withdrawn)
- VI. Motion to adopt the Agenda as printed: Alexander/Gantt Passed 5-0.
- VII. Review of the Minutes for the following meetings:
 1. 7/13/2020
 2. 7/28/2020 No Action

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. Rod Jackson, HOA member of the Pine Grove subdivision spoke in favor of Council approval of street lighting (Item #5 on the Agenda); asked for assistance with regulations in their community where the developer has destroyed and abandoned the property.

DISCUSSION

3. Council Consideration to approve a Resolution for City/Municipal and County Polling Locations
Presented by Vanessa Holiday - City Clerk, Michael Williams - City Attorney, Ameika Pitts, Elections Superintendent, Patrick Jaugstetter - County Attorney and Donna McBride - H C Board of Elections Chair.
Brook Schreiner – Polling Coordinator
Consensus of the Council to increase voting space at the MMCC by incorporating the upstairs ballroom and based on Henry County availability of election staff and voting machine equipment availability for the November 2020 election; tasked the City Attorney and County Attorney to review election law relating to polling locations in/out of city limits and move forward with adding additional precincts where allowable and submit to the Justice Department and/or prepare legislative action.

OLD BUSINESS

4. Council Consideration to approve the purchase of a 19,500 GVW Chassis w/Rugby Box Dump International (CV Dump Bed Truck) from Rush Truck Center of Georgia, Inc. - RFP No. 2019-0007P- State Contract 99999-001-SPD00000155 in the amount of \$69,673.84.
Funding Source: Water Department Budget.
Presented by Lindell Miller – Procurement Manager and Decius Aaron – Public Works Director
Motion to approve Alexander/Gantt Passed 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS.

5. Council Consideration to approve the Pine Grove Subdivision Phase II and Phase III streetlights petition with an annual cost of \$4,835.54.
Funding Source: General Fund.
Presented by Decius Aaron – Public Works Director
Motion to approve Alexander/Barber Passed 5-0.
6. Council Consideration to approve a Resolution to Authorize the Execution of the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Terms and Conditions Agreement; to Authorize Acceptance of Grant Payments, Including all Understandings and Assurances Contained Within such Agreement; to Direct and Authorize the Person Identified as the Official Representative of the City, or the Designee of the City to Act in Connection with the Grant Application; and to Provide such Additional Information as may be Required.
Presented by Michael Williams - City Attorney & Joseph Henning, Henry County Chamber of Commerce
Motion to approve the Resolution to accept the funds and tasked the City Manager to establish a review committee with a combination of staff and Council to disburse the funds using the Henry County Chamber - Thomas/Gantt (motion withdrawn)

No amount was determined.

Motion to approve the Resolution to receive the Coronavirus Relief Act Funding: Thomas/Gantt Passed 5-0.

Motion to approve a Resolution to authorize an Agreement with the Henry County Chamber of Commerce to implement the City's CRF funding for distribution as set forth in the terms of the agreement and as recommended by the Stockbridge Review Committee established by the City for businesses and residents. Thomas/Alexander Passed 5-0.

7. Council Consideration to rescind Resolution R17-889 - Information Policy with Respect to Certain Economic Development Matters. Presented by Michael Williams - City Attorney
Motion to amend the Resolution whereas staff shall notify the Governing Body upon receipt of applications and permits submitted for developments in the City Gantt/Alexander Passed 5-0.
8. Council Consideration to amend the City's Social Media Policy. Presented by Michael Williams - City Attorney
Motion to revise the City's Social Media Policy to allow for Post Event Press Releases and coverage Alexander/Barber Passed 3-2 (Blount/Gantt Opposed).
9. Council Consideration to approve use of the Ted Strickland Community Center for Community Blood Drives. Presented by Councilwoman Barber
Motion to approve Barber/Alexander Passed 5-0.
10. Council Consideration to approve an increase of the contract for Geotechnical Engineering Services in the amount of \$74,380.00 for Unsuitable Soils for the Amphitheater Project. Funding Source: Presented by Randy Knighton - City Manager, Carl Trevathan and Eric Pitts of Keck & Wood, Camilla Moore - Assistant City Manager / Community Development Director
Motion to approve Blount/Barber Passed 4-1 (Thomas Opposed).
11. Council Consideration to award a bid for RFQ No. 2020-0006 - Unified Development Code to the Collaborative Firm in the amount of \$100,000.00. Funding Source: P&Z Budget Presented by Lindell Miller, Procurement Manager and Camilla Moore - Asst. City Mgr./Community Development Director
Motion to approve Blount/Gantt Passed 3-1-1 (Barber Opposed, Alexander Abstained).
12. Council Consideration to approve the Carter & Sloope Task Order No. 23 for Annual Watershed Monitoring and Reporting (Years 2021 - 2023) in the amount of \$61,200.00 Funding Source: Sewer Budget. Presented by Decius Aaron - Public Works Director and Brad Holtsinger - Wastewater Superintendent.
Motion to approve Gantt/Thomas Passed 5-0.

13. Council Consideration to approve an Ordinance requiring the use of Masks or Face Coverings in Public during the COVID-19 Outbreak. Presented by Michael Williams - City Attorney
Motion to approve Alexander/Barber Failed 2-3 (Blount/Gantt/Thomas Opposed).

Motion to amend the Agenda to add Moratorium Cigar Bars and Hookah Bars: Blount/Thomas Passed 3-0-2 (Alexander/Barber Abstained).

14. Council Consideration to approve a Moratorium on Hookah Bars and Cigar Bars.
Motion to approve Blount/Gantt Passed 3-0-2 (Alexander/Barber Passed).

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford encouraged everyone to wear masks or face coverings and to wash your hands frequently; referenced the phone number to contact the Department of Health (800) 847-4262; noted the testing site at the Heritage Senior Center in McDonough, GA and the days and hours for testing Mon., Wed., Thu., and Fri. 8am - 1pm, Tue. 8am - 1pm and 2pm – 7pm, and Sat. 9am – 12pm; referenced the upcoming election and noted the deadline to request Absentee Ballots is September 15th, the deadline to register to vote is October 5th, Early Voting begins October 12th – October 30th and Election Day November 3rd; noted the importance of the Census for funding for schools, hospitals, public safety, and other resources for the City and asked everyone to participate at Census2020.gov; and wished everyone a safe Labor Day.

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.

- Planning Commission Meeting, Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom (canceled)
- Main Street Advisory Board Meeting, Friday, September 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Via Zoom
- City Council Meeting, Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom
- City Council Budget Retreat, Tuesday, September 15, 2020 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Via Zoom
- Downtown Development Authority Meeting, Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom
- Youth Council Advisory Meeting, Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom
- City Council Budget Retreat, Thursday, September 17, 2020 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Via Zoom
- City Council Budget Retreat, Friday, September 18, 2020 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Free Virtual Event: Doing Business in Stockbridge hosted by Councilman Alexander and Southern Crescent Women in Business – September 1st from 10am – 12pm. Registration required. Contact Zenovia Pearson @ 404-565-5109 zpearson@cityofstockbridge-ga.gov

CITY EVENTS HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY POSTPONED

Motion to adjourn Gantt/Thomas Passed 5-0.