



COUNCIL MEETING ACTION MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 6:00 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

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

Administration

Randy Knighton, City Manager
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
John Wiggins, City Treasurer
Quinton Washington, 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. **Zoom Meeting Information**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82836070083?pwd=VzF5VVFUOWlUVnMrMi90STV1ZGxNdz09>
Passcode: 651320
- II. **Call to Order - Mayor Ford**
- III. **Invocation - Mayor Pro Tem Alexander**
- IV. **Pledge of Allegiance - Recited by all in attendance**
- V. **Roll Call - All members present**
- VI. **Motion to adopt the Agenda Gantt/Blount Passed 5-0**
- VII. **Approval of the Minutes for the following meetings: Alexander/Gantt Passed 5-0**
 - 1. 02/08/2021
 - 2. 02/23/2021

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All public comments must be submitted to the Clerk no later than one hour prior to the meeting. The Public Comment Form can be found on the City's webpage on the City Clerk's page at: <https://stockbridge.seamlessdocs.com/f/20pkdz4mo7xb> and the form must include your name, phone, and email contact information. Comments are limited to (3) three minutes and will be read by the Clerk during the meeting, respecting all members of the elected body, officials, and staff. Comments including defamation, unruliness and/or swearing will not be accepted. **None**

CEREMONIAL

Mayor Ford read proclamations for Paint Henry Blue Child Abuse Awareness Month and Autism Awareness Month.

Ms. Robin Jones of Henry County “Paint Henry Blue” Child Abuse and Awareness thanked the City for the proclamation and for the continued support and attention the City brings to Child Abuse Prevention Awareness; noted the blue/silver pinwheels represent the innocence of a child and is a national symbol for child abuse prevention. Pinwheels reflect the bright future all children deserve. The pinwheel is a positive emblem of the effect we can have when we work together to prevent child abuse.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Council Consideration to approve RFP 2021-0026 for Annual On-Call Water and Sewer Emergency, Operational Repair, Maintenance and Construction Services.

Presented by Lindell Miller, Procurement Manager and Decius Aaron, Public Works Director.

Motion to approve Site Engineering contract in the amount of \$159,390.00 Blount/Gantt Passed 3-1-1 (Barber Opposed/Thomas Abstained.

Councilwoman Barber stated for the record her opposing vote was due to there being no cost proposals or criteria for the rankings provided to the Mayor & Council).

4. Council Consideration to approve RFP 2021-0025 for Janitorial Maintenance Services.

Presented by Lindell Miller, Procurement Manager and Decius Aaron, Public Works Director.

Motion to approve ICS (Intercontinental Commercial Services, Inc. contract Gantt/Blount Passed 3-1-1 (Barber Opposed/Thomas Abstained.

Councilwoman Barber stated for the record her opposing vote was due to there being no cost proposals or criteria for the rankings provided to the Mayor & Council).

5. Council Consideration to approve RFP 2021-0027 for Professional Permitting and Building Inspection Services.

Presented by Lindell Miller, Procurement Manager and Decius Aaron, Public Works Director.

Motion to approve SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC Alexander/Gantt Passed 3-1-1(Barber Opposed/Thomas Abstained. Councilwoman Barber stated for the record her opposing vote was due to there being no cost proposals or criteria for the rankings provided to the Mayor & Council).

NEW BUSINESS

6. Council Consideration to approve Campground Rd. Beautification Project.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director

Motion to approve Staff Recommendation in the amount of \$25,997.00 and include Hudson Bridge Rd. area up to \$25,000 for Beautification Projects with High Grove: Alexander/failed for lack of a Second.

Motion to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for landscaping maintenance to include all the areas in the original Landscape Maintenance RFP scope of work to include the Amphitheater, Campground Rd., and Hudson Bridge Rd.; Barber/Gantt - No Vote

Motion amended to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for landscaping maintenance to include all the areas in the original Landscape Maintenance RFP scope of work to include the Amphitheater, Campground Rd., and Hudson Bridge Rd. and include the installation of trees and plantings on Campground Rd. and Hudson Bridge Rd. Barber/Alexander - No Vote

Motion amended to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for landscaping maintenance to include all the areas in the original Landscape Maintenance RFP scope of work, Campground Rd., and Hudson Bridge Rd. and include the installation of trees and plantings on Campground Rd. and Hudson Bridge Rd. Barber/Alexander - No Vote

Motion amended to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for landscaping maintenance to include all the areas in the original Landscape Maintenance RFP scope of work, Campground Rd. and Hudson Bridge Rd. and any other areas identified by the Public Works Director for landscape maintenance and receive (3) three quotes for the installation of trees and beautification on Campground Rd. and Hudson Bridge Rd: Funding Source to be determined. Barber/Alexander - No Vote

Motion amended to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for landscaping maintenance to include all the areas in the original Landscape Maintenance RFP scope of work, Campground Rd. and Hudson Bridge Rd. and any other areas identified by the Public Works Director for landscape maintenance. Barber/Alexander Passed 5-0.

Motion to direct staff to prepare a new solicitation for the installation of beautification projects on Campground Rd., Hudson Bridge Rd. and any other areas identified for beautification projects throughout the City: Barber/Alexander Passed 5-0.

7. Council Consideration to approve extend the Moratorium on Hookah Bars/Lounges and Cigar Bars/Lounges for 180 days
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney

Motion to approve extension 180 days Blount/Barber Passed 5-0.

8. Council Consideration to appoint members to the Planning & Zoning Commission.
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Motion to re-appoint Stanley Dumas, Kathleen Nelson and Askia Abdullah Barber/Alexander Passed 3-0. (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote)
4-year term end December 31, 2024.
9. Council Consideration to appoint members to the Citywide Development Authority.
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Motion to appoint Kalpesh Patidar, Mark Glenn, Frangela Merritt, and Samantha Samuels - Alexander/Gantt Passed 4-0 (Blount was not present for the vote). Attorneys will confirm terms.

DISCUSSION

10. Aquatic Center IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement).
Presented by Randy Knighton, City Manager
Attorneys will review and bring back to the Council for approval.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford offered condolences to the Shaw/Hambrick family for the passing of lifetime Stockbridge resident Rufus Shaw (husband of Brenda Hambrick); noted we are still in the midst of a pandemic and encouraged everyone to continue wearing your masks, washing your hands and using hand sanitizer and to stay away from large crowds and gatherings; noted free Covid testing is available at the Heritage Senior Center in McDonough Monday - Friday from 10am - 3pm and Saturday from 9am - noon and to call 1-800-847-4262 for an appointment; noted the current priority is vaccinations and noted everyone age 16+ is eligible to receive vaccinations; noted Governor Kemp has opened the State for all restaurants to 100% and asked that everyone remain vigilant; noted the number to call to make vaccination appointments is 888-457-0186 and will be open to make reservations Mon - Fri 8am - 8pm and Sat & Sun 8am - 5pm; noted vaccinations will be issued this upcoming Thursday & Friday from 8:30am - 3:30pm at the Atlanta Motor Speedway in McDonough where they anticipate administering 1500 shots and on April 16th from 8:30am - 3:30pm at Mt. Carmel Park in Hampton where they anticipate administering 1000 shots for a total of 2500 vaccinations this week; noted the questions that will be asked will be demographics, medical history, covid history, and your contact information; noted if you need a ride to a vaccination locations, please call Henry County Transit at 770-288-7444 for pick up and return to/from vaccination site with the cost of \$4 each way for resident age 60 and under and \$2 each way for residents over age 60 and noting you must contact the Transit office at least (7) seven days in advance; and noted the Henry County Department of Health has a new phone number 470-661-0005; and asked that everyone take Covid seriously, and get vaccinated.

CITY OFFICES ARE CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

As a COVID precaution, City offices are closed to the public until further notice. Staff is operating under telework protocol. Please contact the City's webpage cityofstockbridge.com to contact each department for service and information.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting will be held via Zoom until further notice. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please visit the city's website www.cityofstockbridge.com for the meeting invitation link, Facebook page or contact City Hall offices at 770-389-7900 for updates.

- City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom – 2nd Monday of each month. (May 10)
- Main Street Advisory Board Meeting, at 9:00 a.m. Via Zoom - 2nd Friday of each month (May 14)
- Downtown Development Authority Meeting, at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month (April 20)
- Youth Council & Advisory Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month (April 20)
- Planning Commission Meeting, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom – 4th Thursday of each month (April 22) **Canceled**
- City Council Work Session at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom – Last Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted. (April 27)

COUNCIL INITIATIVES

Please join Mayor Pro Tem Alexander for a “Historic 2021” Virtual Town Hall Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 7pm. Watch it on Facebook Live at @StockbridgeCityHall

Please join Councilman John Blount for the Virtual National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 7, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Watch it on Facebook Live at @StockbridgeCityHall

Motion to convene Executive Session for Personnel: Gantt/Barber Passed 5-0.

Motion to End Executive Session: Barber/Alexander Passed 3-0 (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote).

Motion to Reconvene the meeting: Barber/Alexander Passed 3-0 (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote).

The Clerk announced the appointments for the Planning Commission: Stanley Dumas, Kathleen Nelson and Askia Abdullah: Barber/Alexander Passed 3-0. (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote).

The Clerk announced the appointments for the Citywide Development Authority: Kalpesh Patidar, Mark Glenn, Frangela Merritt, and Samantha Samuels - Alexander/Gantt Passed 4-0 (Blount was not present for the vote).

Motion to Adjourn: Gantt/Barber Passed 4-0.