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**Council Meeting
Agenda
June 14, 2021 6:00 PM**



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AGENDA COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 6:00 PM

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ZOOM INFORMATION

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82836070083?pwd=VzF5VVFUOWIUVnMrMi90STV1ZGxNdz09>
Passcode: 651320

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- 1 Approval of the Retreat Minutes 3/17/2021
- 2 Approval of the Retreat Minutes 3/18/2021
- 3 Approval of the Retreat Minutes 3/19/2021
- 4 Approval of the Minutes 4/12/2021
- 5 Approval of the Minutes 4/27/2021

CEREMONIAL

- 6 Proclamation - Caribbean Heritage Celebration
- 7 Proclamation - Alzheimer's Awareness Month
- 8 Proclamation - Juneteenth Celebration

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

NEW BUSINESS

- 9 Council Consideration to approve the Main Street Program 2021-2022 Classic Main Street MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) - Presented by: Kira Harris- Braggs
- 10 Council Consideration to approve Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 201508-02, Sanitation Collection Services Contract Renewal - Waste Industries Atlanta LLC, GFL - Presented by: Lindell Miller, Decius Aaron
- 11 The Public Works and Events Department is requesting that City Council declare the surplus inventory list below for wood and kitchen supplies unserviceable items, since the items can no longer be used advantageously by City staff. - Presented by: Decius Aaron
- 12 Council on Aging Board Appointment - Presented by: Quinton Washington
- 13 HB 317 - Collecting Tax for Short-Term Rentals - Presented by: Quinton Washington

DISCUSSION

- 14 TSPLOST

MAYOR'S COMMENTS (Mayor Anthony Ford)

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, JUNE 18TH IN OBSERVANCE OF THE JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY CELEBRATION. □ Planning Commission Meeting, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom – 4th Thursday of each month (Jun 24) □ City Council Work Session at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom – Last Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted. (Jun 29) □ Main Street Advisory Board, 9:00 a.m. - noon 2nd Friday of the month Via Zoom - (Jul 9) □ City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom – 2nd Monday of each month. (Jul 12) □ Downtown Development Authority Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month (Jul 20). □ Youth Council & Advisory Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month (Jul 20) CITY EVENT - Please join the City of Stockbridge for a Virtual Juneteenth Celebration - Saturday, June 19, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Exemptions to the Georgia Open Meetings Acts)

ADJOURNMENT



COUNCIL RETREAT

March 17, 2021

Summary Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Mayor Ford

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Roll call: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, Councilwoman Barber, Councilman Blount, Councilwoman Gantt, Councilman Thomas all in attendance.

Staff Attendees: Randy Knighton, City Manager – Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk, John Wiggins, City Treasurer – Alan Peterson, Economic Development Director – Decius Aaron, Public Works Director, Quinton Washington & Jeremy Berry, City Attorney, Robert Bonds, IT Support.

DAY ONE AGENDA

Facilitated by Randy Knighton – City Manager

Welcome and Introductions – Mayor Ford

Mayor Ford welcomed everyone to the 2021 Spring Council Retreat.

Retreat Overview - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton gave a brief overview of the day's Agenda noting a full day of presentations and information and the importance of each item; noted that as items transition from one item to another on the Agenda, everyone brings something to the table in terms of skills, experience and knowledge, and forums such as this allows for the experience and knowledge to be shared and to cultivate and allow for good decisions to be made; noted the opinions and thoughts of each participant should be equally shared and respected and looks forward to today's presentations. Mr. Knighton further noted that following the Financial Update from Mr. Wiggins, he will give an update on the American Rescue Plan that was approved last week, noting the plan includes benefits that will impact local government; referenced the City's decision to implement a police department and noted the job description of the Police Chief had been posted and noted Judge Matthew McCord would be presenting information on the potential impact of Municipal Court; referenced the S.W.O.T. (Strengths, Weaknesses,

Opportunities and Threats) analysis from InnerComm that relates to the City's Strategic Plan; noted an update on the City's Unified Development Code and later in the afternoon a discussion on the Aquatic Center, noting a recent favorable meeting he and City Attorney Washington attended with the County Manager, Cheri Matthew and referenced the Resolution recently passed by the County relating to the Aquatic Center; and noted Day Two presentations would include an Amphitheater Project update from Kirk Voelkel of HJ Russell, Chief Grogan from the City of Dunwoody, who was instrumental in implementing their police department startup, Annexation discussion referencing the Carl Vinson Institute of Government Feasibility Study; Project Updates from Falcon Design Consultants, and Procurement Policies and Procedures led by City Attorney Jeremy Berry; Day Three will include an update from TSW primarily on the Cultural Arts Center and trying to finalize the parameters for that facility and other future projects and the TSPLOST Referendum to be voted on in November 2021, with a Joint Meeting of the County taking place on April 15th; followed by any Executive Session matters that may need to be addressed; and looks forward to the discussions today and the next couple of days for a very productive retreat.

Financial Update - John Wiggins, City Treasurer

Mr. Wiggins reviewed the Finance Department's Mission Statement and Department Description; gave an overview of FY2020 General Fund Unaudited Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Net Changes, noting the City's audit was underway where additional changes would follow. Mr. Wiggins reviewed FY20 Operating Budget to Unaudited Actual Revenues, Expenditures and Net Changes, noting the increased revenue from the surplus sale of (3) city vehicles, transfers out and loan payments on city hall of \$1,2 million with a net change of surplus revenue of \$2.6 million (unaudited); compared FY19 Operating Budget of \$9,782,905 to FY20 Operating Budget of \$12,744,646 noting a difference of \$2,961,741, with investment income as the largest gain; noted expenditures were about the same; Water & Sewer, Solid Waste and Stormwater Enterprise Funds for FY20 have a net gain of \$683,409; Non-Major Enterprise Funds which include the TSCC and MMCC and have losses due to Covid-19 and have a net loss of (\$674,421); 2020 SPLOST IV Update balance \$5,885,707 noting funding allocated for the Amphitheater Road, Public Works Facility, New Park Equipment at Reeves Creek Bridge; noted current FY21 to date reflects two months of data and is in line with the proposed budget.

Mayor Ford noted the expenses increased in FY2020 and facilities were closed due to Covid—19.

Mr. Wiggins noted, that while the facilities were closed, there were operating costs that were ongoing along with unexpected start-up costs moving to a teleworking and virtual work environment.

Mr. Knighton reminded the Mayor & Council to keep in mind the numbers presented are unaudited.

Mr. Wiggins noted that while the City has received notification from the State to extend the deadline to submit the City's audit, he believes the City will be submitting by June 20, 2021.

Mr. Wiggins also noted that the Georgia Power franchise payment was less than anticipated, and as had been anticipated, the Occupational Tax numbers were up.

Mayor Ford asked where the Cares Act funding was referenced in the budget.

Mr. Wiggins noted these funds were in and out as the funds were submitted to the Henry County Chamber who also distributed those funds.

Mr. Knighton noted \$1.1 million dollars in grant funding was distributed to 108 businesses and non-profit agencies in the City due to Covid.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander thanked Mr. Wiggins for the Finance presentation, and for the confirmation that the City is growing referencing the increased revenue of \$1 million dollars; and tasked Mr. Wiggins with providing the Mayor & Council with the SPLOST III, IV balances and collections to this point as collections will start in April 2021 SPLOST V; and emphasized that the City is growing and the City is able to move forward with the next project being the Cultural Arts Center and it being the perfect time to start up the Stockbridge Police Department; noted the FY2020 Budget was sound and in line with expenditures and reflects the aggressive growth of the Mayor & Councils decisions and noted the unaudited Fund Balance from FY19 and FY20 to be around \$21millions dollars, and asked that Council discuss placing the funds into a Capital Improvements Projects account rather than Fund Balance; thanked staff for his guidance through the pandemic and continuing to keep the City in a good financial position.

Mayor Ford noted there would be further discussions would be coming forward regarding City projects and the funding sources for those projects.

Councilman Blount asked that when Finance is giving the Council presentations to give accurate numbers instead of proposed and projected numbers noting what was presented did not include the \$5million allocated Amphitheater project and wants the presentations to include specifics to enable the Council to make sound decisions; noted FY20 was an interesting year, and that he thought the numbers were not as great as he thought they would be; noted his agreement with moving excess funds into a Capital Improvement account rather than fund balance.

Councilman Thomas commended Mr. Wiggins and others for the presentation; noted both Mayor Pro Tem Alexander and Councilman Blount have valid points; asked Mr. Knighton about the audit timeline, noting no funds would be moved to Fund Balance or a Capital Improvements account until after the books had been audited and the City has real numbers, and asked Mr. Knighton to speak to the audit process.

Mr. Knighton noted the audit is an extensive process that is currently underway; Mr. Wiggins confirmed and noted the audit is on target to be completed by June 30th, and that more defined numbers should be available in May.

Mr. Knighton noted the numbers presented are based on general accounting principles of revenues and expenditures and when Mauldin & Jenkins has the audit complete, the final numbers will be presented.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander agreed with Councilman Thomas with moving funds to a Capital Improvements Projects account following the completion of the audit.

Municipal Court - Judge Matthew McCord

Mr. Knighton noted with the City moving in the direction of starting up a police department, that it to be Important to bring in Judge McCord to have a conversation with him sharing his thoughts and the proposed impact on Municipal Court.

Judge McCord noted he is grateful to be affiliated with the City and Officials and advocates for the City as one of its biggest cheerleaders; noted that if the City chooses to move forward with implementing the police department, the City needs to do it well and at full force because going half way could be dangerous and because of the uncertainty of assistance from the County. Judge McCord referenced the City of Lawrenceville being comparable in size and services and anticipates 2014 levels of \$1,177,000 of revenue, the need for (4) four Court Clerks, (1) Solicitor with no need for an Investigator and holding court 4-5 days with 8-10 sessions per month; referenced the prior restructure of the Judge's salary, noting his current salary is \$400 per session; and noted the logistics of personnel in the building with a full capacity court; noted the possession of marijuana has changed in the State of Georgia, and noted Stockbridge does not have a viable city ordinance to prosecute such cases and needs a new ordinance in place to do so, and noted almost everything in the City of Hampton is prosecuted under City Code allowing the funds to remain with the City and not bounding those funds over to the State.

Councilwoman Gantt referenced her former position of Solicitor where there were 200 cases per session, and the use of the Code to acknowledge the charge but to also keep minor offenses from going on an individual's record, and asked Judge McCord how he intends to manage court sessions.

Judge McCord noted that he joined the bench the year following Councilwoman Gantt's election to the City Council and inherited a backlog of cases where the court was managing 400 cases at the 9am session and again at the 1pm session which caused him to quickly learn how to become very efficient; and because of the pandemic, the calendar will need to be layered for social distancing. Judge McCord noted that he has already expanded the pretrial intervention program; and noted the City needs to revamp the Code to allow for misdemeanors cases not to affect a defendant's record by meeting with the Solicitor and weeding out those cases, while not excusing the charge, and having the opportunity to make their lives better and keeping them out of the system and not becoming a part of it.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted he agrees with what may be seen as decriminalizing misdemeanor marijuana offenses and supports a \$75 ticket versus an arrest.

Attorney Washington asked if there would be a need for more judicial services with the potential of more warrants being issued on a 24-hour basis, and Attorney Berry asked the same regarding increased Failures to Appear.

Judge McCord responded he would be available with access to his cell phone.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted he supports community service with the activities taking place within the City.

Judge McCord agreed with community service, noting supervision with the right people needs to be in place, as this could be a burden on the City and referenced an instance that did not have a positive outcome.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander spoke to the public stating the idea of the bringing in police services is to protect and provide public safety; Judge McCord agreed.

Mayor Ford asked Judge McCord if the supervision of community service workers would be someone assigned by the City or the Court.

Judge McCord noted he would seek the guidance from fellow judges and other jurisdictions who have community service in place and get back with the City on what that would look like.

Mr. Knighton noted the supervision is typically under the direction of someone who is post-certified and asked Judge McCord if he saw any challenges with jail transports; the response was no, and he welcomed the officials to reach out to him with any additional questions.

Mayor Ford thanked Judge McCord for providing the information and insights and looks forward to moving this initiative forward.

American Rescue Plan Update - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton noted on yesterday, (GMA) Georgia Municipal Association had a session on the American Rescue Plan with a representative from the National League of Cities, who discussed how funds can be spent, noting there seems to be more latitude with respect to the program than the Cares Act which primarily was a look back at expenses that had already been incurred with a window of August 2020 – December 31, 2020 to spend the funds of \$1.4 million dollars, noting the City of Stockbridge used the funds primarily in support of small businesses and non-profit support. The American Rescue Act allows the city to recoup lost revenues, make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure, and support of small and non-profits as was done with the Cares Act; and noted the City of Stockbridge is estimated to receive approximately \$9.4 million dollars of a pot for local governments of \$130.2 billion dollars, noting local governments cannot receive more than 75% of the previous year's annual operating budget; with funds being distributed in two payments, 12 months and the first payment expected in the next 60 to 90 days, noting funds can be spent through the year 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander questioned if the funds from the \$9.4 million dollars American Rescue Plan could be used towards the public safety police department startup, and if so, hopes the Council will support the use of those funds.

Councilman Thomas referenced the use of funds for plexiglass installations and other Covid-19 protections in city facilities.

Mr. Knighton Covid precautions and retrofitting have taken place at City Hall and other city buildings and will continue to do so and noted details were still unfolding regarding the American Rescue Plan and he would certainly review the guidelines and report back more defined uses to the Mayor & Council.

Strategic Plan/SWOT Analysis - Bill Stark, InnerComm

Mr. Knighton introduced Bill Stark noting InnerComm who is an organizational consultant who has worked with several jurisdictions, as well as our own, to enhance staff's professional development to further the vision of the City and works with local governments as it relates to Strategic Planning, which is vital to any local government, which is a component of the Strategic Plan and Mr. Stark will facilitate the discussion of the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) Analysis which will be very important to identify those things that you believe fit into those categories and allow staff to use as a foundation of completing the process of the Strategic Plan. .

Mr. Stark noted InnerComm works with several local governments in the area of strategic planning as well as provides professional development, noting the Strategic Plan gives the citizens of Stockbridge, the elected officials and gives the staff direction, a sense of focus and purpose of where the City is going in the future; noting the vision is a long-term 20yr view, noting involving the public is part of the plan and the SWOT is another part which is the exercise that will take place today, SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) exercise is normally a 2 - 3-hour exercise and has been compressed for today's meeting and asked he elected official to participate in the SWOT Analysis and referenced the document that had been sent in advance of today's meeting.

Strengths:

Mayor Ford - the City's great financial stability, great professional staff who does the heavy lifting daily and carries out the legislative agenda with the governing body complimenting the staff; City is connected to the King family legacy with Stockbridge being the ancestral home of the King family, the potential development of the downtown area, the Amphitheater and Bridges @Jodeco and the Aquatic Center.

Councilman Thomas - echoed the Mayor's list and added community engagement as a big asset with the historic churches established in the 1800, great organizations including the sororities, and values in the citizenry and partnerships, churches, and historical relevance.

Councilwoman Barber - close proximity to I-75 and 675, downtown Atlanta and the airport.

Councilwoman Gantt - Mayor & Council are on the same page when it comes to projects.

Councilman Blount - concurred with what has already been stated.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander – agreed with previous statements.

City's Weakness:

Mayor Ford - Not having a controlled central message; lack of space for city staff.

Councilman Thomas - Organizational distractions; process of agreeing or not agreeing, level of respect for the vote.

Councilwoman Barber – the lack of a SWOT Analysis; areas of improvements at the staff level; lack of written policies & procedures; lack of communication; lack of follow up; need to improve community engagement and getting the public more involved; lack of a marketing strategy and advertising; lack of human service programs with an increased homeless population.

Councilwoman Gantt – lack of planning; lawsuits; no utilizing the PIO (Public Information Officer) as one voice; racing to be first.

Councilman Blount – agreed.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander – inexperienced Council as it relates to zoning matters, hurting the city, and needs to take a class to understand customary practices and understand the law; needs to have the courage to vote under political pressure; the appearance of 2nd & 3rd generation old buildings; no city-wide development authority.

Opportunities

Mayor Ford – need better relationship with County Commissioners; need public/private partnerships; need development at Bridges @ Jodeco; move forward with Norfolk Southern quiet zone.

Councilman Thomas – good finances allow for opportunities to improve infrastructure; create a better environment; better position to make improvements; influx of new residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander – opportunities are limitless; improve 2nd & 3rd generation buildings; opportunities for new development; willing to rezone and embrace density; multifamily development; dense population will pay for commercial; price right.

Councilwoman Barber – strengthen partnerships with local, state, and legislative delegation; increase tourism.

Councilwoman Gantt – gain new business relationships; open for business; retention of affordable housing.

Threats

Mayor Ford – collectively working as a team and not allow external threats; may need to impose a city property tax.

Councilman Thomas – historically, some internal threats are out of your control; turnover of elected officials and staff; con continuity to continue with the goals and objectives; elected body is only as good as the staff carries out; transportation grid lock; need smart growth.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander – the threat is us; nothing to fear but fear itself; do not be afraid of making a mistake; act and lead with courage; Henry County property taxes increase every year; historic progress over the last 12 months.

Councilwoman Gantt – De-Annexation.

Councilwoman Barber – Pandemic and unforeseen.

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Unified Development Code Update - K. C. Krzic, The Collaborative Firm

Ms. Krzic gave an update on the status of the City's Unified Development Code and reviewed the data collected from the online survey and citizen input from the townhall which shows the preferred designs, buildings townhomes and landscaping for the City; referenced Code issues, and updates to

be made and noted the next Townhall is scheduled for April 6, 2021 at 6pm and encouraged everyone to participate in the online survey located on the City's website.

Aquatic Center Discussion

Randy Knighton - City Manager, Quinton Washington, and Jeremy Berry - City Attorney
Mr. Knighton referenced a meeting with the County Manager C. Matthews, County Attorney P. Jaugstetter and City Attorneys Washington and Berry regarding an IGA between the County and the City relating to the proposed Aquatic Center; noted the County approved the naming of the building as the O'Neal/Edwards Aquatic Center and the interior swim area Kelsey Grace. By consensus of the Council, the City agreed with the terms of the Henry County Resolution regarding the construction and maintenance of the Aquatic Center facility; and authorized the City's attorneys to present a Resolution to the Mayor & Council for approval to include any necessary language to protect the City.

Review of Day 1

Mr. Knighton reviewed Day One noting the Financial Update; American Rescue Plan with approximately \$9.4 million dollars for the City; Municipal Court impact to staffing, logistics, code, and community service; SWOT Analysis of elected officials; UDC update and next townhall April 6, 2021 at 6pm and online survey ongoing; Council agreed with the provisions of the Henry County Resolution regarding the Aquatic Center to be brought back to the Council for a vote; tasked staff with providing the SPLOST 3, 4 and 5 account balances and last year's, and the year prior fund balance amounts.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, MMC City Clerk

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



COUNCIL RETREAT March 18, 2021 Summary Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Randy Knighton gave the invocation; Mayor Pro Tem Alexander called for a Moment of Silence for the Georgia Shooting Tragedy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Roll call: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, Councilwoman Barber, Councilman Blount, Councilwoman Gantt, Councilman Thomas all in attendance.

Staff Attendees: Randy Knighton, City Manager – Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk, John Wiggins, City Treasurer – Alan Peterson, Economic Development Director – Decius Aaron, Public Works Director, Brecca Johnson, Community Development Director, Quinton Washington & Jeremy Berry, City Attorney, Robert Bonds, IT Support.

DAY TWO AGENDA

Facilitated by Randy Knighton – City Manager

Recap of Day One - Randy Knighton

Mr. Knighton reviewed Day One noting the Financial Update; Unaudited reporting of FY2020 Budget; American Rescue Plan with approximately \$9.4 million dollars for the City; Municipal Court impact and the foreseen needs of the Court; 8-10 sessions over 4-5 days per month; update the ordinances; SWOT exercise as part of the Strategic Plan; Collaborative Firm UDC update and next townhall April 6, 2021 at 6pm, addressing concerns in the code, planned development, street widths, and parking on the street; and an online survey which is ongoing; there was unanimous consent on the provisions of the Henry County Resolution regarding the Aquatic Center to be brought back to the Council for a vote – information was relayed to the County Manager and County Attorney and received favorably; and outlined the items to be presented on today's Agenda.

Amphitheater Update - Kirk Voelkel and Chirag Venkatesan of H.J. Russell Co.

Mr. Voelkel gave a video presentation of the Amphitheater construction progress; highlighting several aerial views of the lighted stairs; and sodded seated areas; landscaping, lighting and decorative trash bins; noted the overhang in the concession areas in the event of inclement weather; noted the Green Room and features; artists prep areas; food service line and kitchen equipment with epoxy floors; noted GA Power has all poles installed and is preparing to install lights; noted sodding and mulching also being installed.

Councilman Thomas asked about the plan for security and a buffer between the back parking lot area and homes on Bryant Street.

Mr. Knighton recommended 6' – 8' tall trees with wrought-iron/decorative fencing creating a buffer between the Amphitheater parking lot and the homes on Bryant Street, noting the internal road that has been created will be a public road accessing the park-like area.

Mayor ProTem Alexander suggested there be no fencing along East Atlanta Road for clean sight lines.

Mr. Venkatesan referenced the ponds noting the sidewalk around the pond and along one side of the street; noting 10' – 12' sidewalks are being installed to handle more traffic.

Mayor ProTem Alexander recommended sidewalks along both sides of the street.

Mr. Venkatesan noted he would need to go back to the engineers and architects to add a sidewalk on the other side, if feasible.

Councilman Thomas asked what the distance is around the two ponds.

Mr. Venkatesan estimated it to be around a half mile around the two ponds.

Police Services Discussion - Chief Billy Grogan, City of Dunwoody

Chief Grogan noted he was formerly the Police Chief for the City of Marietta and noted his experience starting the Dunwoody police department from the ground up working with the City Manager to develop the Command Staff and dividing the duties amongst the core team to purchase equipment, cars, radios, patches, badges, body armor, records management, etc.; recommended in regards to training to be clear on the expectations of the City; policy development to cover the high liability areas noting the goal is to be state certified; and recruitment of staff; become familiar with high population timeframes; noted IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) can be in place for 911 Center and Dispatching; does not recommend hiring all new officers, and noted seasoned veteran officers can be a challenge; need to recruit good quality officers offering competitive salaries and benefits; some of the other incentives included a take-home car, sign-on bonus, housing, stipend if you reside in the city; advertise on social media, run ads, host job fairs and noted he met with the Police Chief of newly formed cities for advice. Chief Grogan noted as soon as the Police Chief is hired, vehicles, ammunition, patches, and badges need to be ordered noting the lead time can be significant; recommended the Council not lower the

hiring standards as this can lead to potential litigation and to hire the right number of officers; strongly recommended a millage increase so that you can get what you need to be successful because it can be challenging during budget time and alleviate pressure down the road; and to have the new officers and staff become very familiar with the city and city services; and addressed questions from the Mayor & Council.

Mayor Ford asked Chief Grogan to confirm that the core officers were hand-picked by him and that most but not all the officers hired were seasoned/experienced officers.

Chief Grogan confirmed and noted you cannot afford to make any mistakes noting there is a lot riding on the roll out of the police department and making a good impression; noted officers need to be well trained and professional; noted the process of new officers is a long process with 3 months of training and then riding with another officer; and noted he initially only hired officers who were POST certified and hired new officers once the department was established.

Mayor Ford asked Chief Grogan if he agreed the recruitment of officers needs to look like the community they represent.

Chief Grogan noted the important thing to do is to hire qualified and experienced officers who are trained with firearms, use of force, emergency management, and a variety of experience from the police perspective and for the community; noting it is a challenge and can be a slow process.

Councilman Thomas thanked Chief Grogan for sharing his experience and asked about screening, recruitment, civility training, and legislation of an officer's record following them and asked Chief Grogan to speak to the mentality of recruitment and records following the officer.

Chief Grogan noted there is a recordkeeper and documenting of officers performance that are sent to POST for GA, NC, SC who are responsible for 40% of police officers revocation in the country because of the rigorous standards; noted applicants who apply will have documents signed to pull their file and POST records; noted police departments need to build trust and you will need to know how good are the officer's personal skills; not to hire some very rigid and not flexible, but be professional when applying the law; and noted body cameras protect the officers and the public and would be highly recommended.

Councilman Thomas noted Chief Grogan has laid out a great snapshot of a challenging profession and does not take the risks of the job of a police officer for granted; asked Chief Grogan about the de-escalation training and his experience with that.

Chief Grogan noted several years ago the governor made it mandatory for all police officers have de-escalation training every year and has been in place for the last 3-4 years and can be delivered by the agency or can be taken online by the Georgia Public Safety Training Center; and noted Dunwoody also has a Firearms Simulator which allows for practice encounters with the public, noting in many cases, the outcome is determined by the officer and with the practice by the officers, will lead to a good

outcome and is required training; noted mental health crisis, and they are not mental health workers, but they do provide training in this area as well an 8-hour mental health training class as well.

Councilman Thomas asked if Dunwoody has a citizen review board; Chief Grogan responded they do not.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander thanked Chief Grogan for an excellent presentation noting Dunwoody is a model city in terms of economic development and keeping the public safe and asked what the recommendation of a good starting would be pay for officers.

Chief Grogan noted you need a good benefits package; incentives; starting pay needs to be in the 75th percentile and starting pay for Dunwoody officers non-sworn and need to be sent to the academy is a little over \$44,000 and there is a matrix used for experience and education that could bring it up to the low \$50,000's; noted it is a competitive market and compared to other agencies around them, they are in the 50-75 percentile noting recently changed their hiring matrix Brookhaven with 10 years of experience will be around \$60,000 - \$70,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted body cameras were recommended and asked if surveillance in the community and partnering with businesses is also used.

Chief Grogan noted the use of surveillance cameras, particularly in the parks, license plate reader cameras as a very effective tool, and noted apartment complexes and subdivisions have installed cameras which they have access to, noting Perimeter Mall has 100+ cameras and businesses also have cameras installed where they have access to some but not all.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander asked if there are officers on the interstate.

Chief Grogan responded yes, as an effort to get motorists to slow down, noting a lot of the fatalities in Dunwoody come from I-285 in their 3-mile stretch, and noted traffic officers also patrol for speeding in school zones and surface streets, and noted that as a brand new Police Chief school and is required to attend Chief School, and during the class he learned that 50% of your community will say you are doing too much traffic enforcement, and the other 50% will say your are not doing enough traffic enforcement.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted Dunwoody's aggressive 90-day start up and asked what would have been the preferred startup timetable.

Chief Grogan noted he would have preferred 6-8 months following the hiring of the Chief and allow enough time to become acclimated and not feeling rushed, hire staff, receive equipment and recruit, noting with the environment we are in, the biggest challenge will be recruiting, and retention and you should do incremental hiring.

Councilman Blount thanked Chief Grogan for the presentation and asked about the finances and millage rate in Dunwoody.

Chief Grogan responded residents are paying 2.74 mills in Dunwoody with a 1mil residential rollback from the County which then equates to a 1.74 millage rate; and the residents pay a reduced millage to the County for services that were opted out such as helicopters, bombs, and SWAT, but was unsure of the rate.

Councilman Blount asked how the millage rate determined also noting the insurance was also a high amount.

Chief Grogan noted the millage rate was set by law by the enabling legislation to establish the police department in Dunwoody; noted the Carl Vinson Institute referenced the police department as an expense; and noted the jail was purchased with a bond paid by incorporated and City of Dunwoody residents and expenses come out of the DeKalb County budget at no cost to the City of Dunwoody.

Councilman Blount asked how many residents; Chief Grogan respond there are approximately 48,000.

Councilman Blount asked what services are provided by the County.

Chief Grogan responded DeKalb County provides Fire, Library, Voting, and the Bomb Squad, and noted the City of Dunwoody received a grant and purchased a Bearcat.

Councilwoman Barber asked about the rotating work schedule for the department.

Chief Grogan responded the officers worked in 12-hour shifts, and off every other weekend working 7 days on and 7 days off in a two-week period and the officers love it with a maximum amount of coverage; noting workers today value time with their families and this schedule works well administratively.

Mayor Ford thanked Chief Grogan for the information presented.

Mr. Knighton noted he would follow up with Chief Grogan with additional questions.

Councilman Alexander asked what the City needs to do to move this initiative forward with the process for bringing forward the City's police department beginning with the hiring of command staff.

Mr. Knighton noted the application deadline for the Police Chief is April 30th, and the City will engage a hiring firm to move forward with the selection process; noted the expectation will be 2022 for the startup of the police department; noted questions to Chief Grogan will be where they are buying ammunition due to the shortage, and the purchasing of equipment due to the long-time frame to get items in house; noted there have been conversations with the County Manager, Cheri Hobson-Matthews regarding the facility, along with meetings with Chief Maddox and Deputy Chief Ireland, and

is in the process of developing policy, standards and vetting, psychological evaluations, apparatus for the culture, community policing, shall all be part of the genesis of the beginning of the department.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander talked about license plate readers and surveillance which he supports and needs to work with the community technology investments.

Mr. Knighton noted he supports body cameras and noted the expense of storing the data, increased insurance cost and the increase in Open Records Requests.

Councilwoman Barber asked where the job announcement for Police Chief position was posted other than the City's website and asked what happens if the right candidate is not found.

Mr. Knighton noted it was also posted on a law enforcement site and would forward the information and the job posting would go back out and the search would continue and remains confident a good candidate can be found.

Councilwoman Gantt referenced the challenge of finding ammunition, and noted in addition to be a pawn shop, Ed's Pawn Shop is a major public safety distributor in the State of Georgia.

Annexation - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton noted Ms. Brecca Johnson, the Community Development Director (hire) has joined the meeting, and noted the topic of annexation has come up previously with respect to closing some of the surrounding unincorporated pockets and areas and that typically you want to create a compact jurisdiction, noting that does not exist for the most part in the City of Stockbridge; referenced the City's current map, noting the boundaries not being cohesive and referenced the proposed Phase I including Red Oak Rd., Hudson Bridge Rd., the hospital, Eagles Landing Pkwy., Hwy. 42, Patrick Henry Pkwy., Jodeco, along with some other areas to fill in the primary holes and the proposed Phase II being more ambitious with more outskirt areas of the annexation proposal; referenced the Annexation Study by the Carl Vinson Institute which notes different ways to approach annexation.

Councilman Thomas noted he understands the prospect of Phase I, and Phase II and asked what the percentage of commercial was included in Phase I.

Mr. Knighton presented an additional map which highlighted the unincorporated areas along Eagles Landing Parkway area much of which was commercial and noted he would obtain a report from the County to show the percentage of commercial and residential areas.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the discrepancies in the boundaries and stated it just makes sense for the hospital and medical offices to be in the City's boundaries to clearly define the area and be contiguous, especially moving forward with public safety and along the Jodeco project site and noted this would be a great move for the City's budget.

Councilman Thomas asked about the work stoppage of the hotels along Country Club Drive and Patrick Henry Parkway that had been under construction and report back the status.

Mayor Ford noted he wants to make sure the City reaches out to citizens and businesses who would be in the proposed annexed area and asked if there was any anticipated pushback from the County.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander agreed there should be discussions with the residents and businesses and continued to say that the City could control its own destiny and has the option to annex via local legislation and being proactive.

Councilman Thomas asked the Community Development Director and Economic Development Director to offer their thoughts regarding proposed annexation.

Mr. Peterson noted he supports the proposed annexation and stated that when he speaks with developers, a larger part of the conversations evolve around whether or not an area is in the city limits of Stockbridge or in unincorporated Henry County, and asks how they can get the property annexed into the City; and agrees with Mayor Pro Tem's Alexander with this being great for the City's budget, and regarding the new Jodeco Development, the annexation would not only be nice, but necessary for economic development.

Ms. Johnson noted she agrees with Mr. Knighton, Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, and Mr. Peterson that the City should close the gaps and have the disjointed areas go away and eliminate the confusion with public services; noted the Community Development Department would work with the City's legal team and engage the public on what their thoughts are on the process, noting that based on the comments from Mr. Peterson, there is a desire and interest to close the gaps.

Councilwoman Barber noted during the cityhood fight the message was tailored based on which side of the street you were on and to fill in the holes and supports the proposed annexation.

Councilman Thomas thanked Mr. Peterson and Ms. Johnson for their ideas and suggestions which will be critical to the City's success.

Mr. Peterson noted that the developers want clarity about who they should be dealing with, City or County, noting it would be great to have new developments be in the city limits of Stockbridge where it would be so much easier and investor friendly.

Councilwoman Gantt noted with Phase I there is a concern about the Walt Stephens Rd. area, which is more residential, and agrees the City should speak with businesses and homeowners and wants clean boundary lines to prepare for Districts; noted during the early phases of the Jodeco Rd. project, she suggested Hardees be annexed into the City noting it is imperative to fill in the remaining holes.

Mr. Knighton noted he understands there is a consensus to move forward and referenced the new census numbers as it relates to districts, and in either case, the City would move forward with the best legal path.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the legislators would like to have the City submit a Resolution for annexation.

Councilwoman Barber agreed with the Resolution for local legislation and agrees with speaking with the residents and businesses who would be affected by the proposed annexation.

Projects Update - Adam Price, Skip Layton, and John Palmer - Falcon Design Consultants

Mr. Layton gave an update on the LMIG 2020 project noting all roadways are complete except Country Club Dr. noting the milling was done and they are trying to get the contractor to move the construction to the weekend; Reeves Creek Trail – Phase I from Tye Street to Memorial park is almost complete, Phase II from Tye to Flippen will start immediately following the completion of Phase I, bridge parts have all been fabricated; noted they met with Mr. Aaron regarding old trees that are dead/dying that need to be taken out and await the cost to remove them; anticipates re-opening in approximately 3 months; noted there were culverts that needed to be installed and that citizens have been walking through the construction zone; noted the new bridge is a beautiful aluminum structure that can now handle 9500 pounds, and will be grounded electrically in case of static electricity or lightning.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander asked when the LMIG 2021 resurfacing would start.

Mr. Layton noted it was up to the City as the bid date is March 25th and the start date would be 30 – 45 days from the executed contract, noting it is in the hands of the City's Procurement office; Mayor Pro Tem Alexander asked the City Manager when he proposes the project will begin and the response was July.

Councilman Thomas asked if there would be re-sodding and it was confirmed that there would be re-sodding around the edges.

East Atlanta Rd. & Lee Street Road Widening Projects – Mr. Price noted the specifications and landscape plans were permitted; Mr. Layton noted he was advised earlier in the day by TSW the Specification Plans were due to them today, and the Landscape Plans are due to their office today; Mr. Knighton noted he would follow up with TSW this afternoon.

Councilman Thomas asked if the Rideshare Plans had been included in the design.

Mr. Price noted they were not, however but did have a Concept to present. Mr. Palmer noted there were two options: 1) no new construction and using an existing area and 2) a little extra asphalt, curb, sidewalk, landscaping and centrally located and away from the normal traffic.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander asked if there were 10' sidewalks on Lee Street included in the plan.

Mr. Palmer responded there is a section near the church where they were unable to include 10' wide sidewalks but did include them where they were able to along the realigned section of Lee Street.

Mr. Price recommended the Municipal Court area as the proposed Rideshare location and will require very little work such as signage and has easy access to the Amphitheater entrance; the second proposed Rideshare location would be the city hall entrance location on East Atlanta Rd where the city previously held Food Truck events, and would require new paving and sidewalks, noting turning left may be an issue.

Councilman Thomas expressed his concern with a bottleneck of traffic in option 1 at the court building.

Mr. Price noted there are 21 spaces at the court building and sees more of a bottleneck at the East Atlanta Rd. location.

Mr. Knighton recommended devoting the entire area behind the court building for carpooling and specifically dedicated to ridesharing.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander commended Councilman Thomas for his forward thinking on bringing the Rideshare recommendation to the City.

Councilwoman Gantt commended Councilman Thomas for suggesting the Rideshare recommendation and agrees with the proposed location behind the court building.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted as you enter the Amphitheater from Lee Street via the new road, there is only one proposed sidewalk on the left side of the street and recommends sidewalks on both sides of the street of the new road for better connectivity.

Mr. Knighton noted he would need to speak with TSW regarding noting it to be a design change.

Councilman Thomas asked if there would be crosswalk striping for pedestrian crossing.

Mr. Knighton noted there would be crosswalk striping and/or pavers; Falcon Designed confirmed.

Councilwoman Barber noted there appears to be a consensus to dedicate the court area as the Rideshare location.

Mayor Ford asked about the use of approximately 3 acres of greenspace along Lee Street where the three homes previously existed.

Mr. Palmer stated that the original use was parking spaces, however, the former Community Development Director, Ms. Moore, changed the plans to remove the parking spaces.

Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Alexander and Councilman Thomas noted they were unaware of the change noting the City needs every parking space they can get.

Mr. Knighton asked Falcon Design about the potential number of parking spaces that could be installed in the area along Lee Street; they confirmed approximately 50 spaces.

Councilman Blount asked if the sidewalks along Lee Street would be installed all the way down to Bryant Street with new lighting as part of the beautification and not stop at the Amphitheater.

Mr. Palmer noted the scope of work that was approved in the design did not include sidewalks beyond the new road.

Mr. Knighton confirmed the scope of work and design was inclusive of the City's property and does not own the property beyond that.

Councilman Blount suggested beautification with sidewalks, proper drainage, and lighting to Bryant Street; Mayor Pro Tem Alexander agreed.

Mayor Ford noted the property does not belong to the City and would also need right-of-way for the sidewalks.

Councilman Blount asked when Falcon could come back with cost to continue the sidewalks and lighting to Bryant Street.

Mr. Palmer noted Georgia Power would be responsible for the lighting and would need to provide the cost estimates; and there looks to be a 50' right-of-way there now, and a new design plan to include construction, storm drainage, curb & gutter and the sidewalk would need to come back to the City.

Mr. Knighton asked the Council to allow Falcon Design to come back with an estimate.

Mr. Price expressed concerns not to hold up the bidding on the current design with the new request, but rather bring back the information on the proposed section later; Mr. Knighton strongly recommended getting the bid out for the new road construction.

Councilwoman Barber asked if the new street alignment would include left and right turn signals.

Mr. Palmer confirmed, noting the signals were part of the bid package.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander suggested the mast black arm signals to showcase the area; Mr. Layton stated they would make suggest the new black arm signals in the traffic plans.

Mr. Palmer noted the Alleyway Project plans ready 4-5 weeks ready to go; finishing up the Wayfinding drawings with the footings and all the details requested and will be ready within the week to include the cost of each sign.

Procurement Policies & Procedures -Jeremy Berry, City Attorney

Attorney Berry thanked the Mayor & Council for the opportunity to work with the City; noted he plans to present basic information regarding procurement; noted that he had spoken with Lindell and read the procurement manual; noted in the future looking at revisions to the Code; referenced his 18 years of procurement experience with MARTA and the City of Atlanta; reviewed the State of Purchasing Act O.G.G.A. §50-5-50:

The underlying purposes and policies of this part are:

- (1) To permit the continued development of centralized procurement policies and practices;
- (2) To control and reduce the cost of purchasing, leasing, renting, or otherwise procuring supplies, materials, services, and equipment through the use of centralized purchasing;
- (3) To ensure openness and accessibility by all qualified vendors to the state's purchasing processes so as to achieve the lowest possible costs to the state through effective competition among such vendors;
- (4) To provide for timely, effective, and efficient service to using agencies and to vendors doing business with the state;
- (5) To ensure the fair and equitable treatment of all persons who deal with the procurement system of the state;
- (6) To provide for increased public confidence in the procedures followed in public procurement; and
- (7) To provide safeguards for the maintenance of a procurement system of quality and integrity.

Attorney Berry noted the City adopted its Procurement Code in March 2013 and should be commended as it was put together very well; noted the purpose of the Purchasing Ordinance is to

- Stated purposes of the Purchasing Ordinance:
 - "To obtain the best value in terms of quality, service and price when expending public funds."
 - "To foster effective, fair and broad-based competition for public procurement within the free enterprise system."
 - "To provide safeguards for the maintenance of quality, integrity and equity, as defined by Section 3.30.060 of this chapter, in the purchase and disposition of city property."

Attorney Berry note the Methods of Purchasing Goods or Services

- Informal purchase (less than \$50,000)
- Competitive Sealed Bidding (Buying products everyone competes for same product)
- Competitive Sealed Proposals (RFP process – best interest/value for the City)
- Sole Source Purchase (Only one to provide the good/service)
- Emergency Purchase (Need to purchase, fix, repair immediately)
- Cooperative Purchase (Piggyback off their existing contract – previously bid out)
- Governmental and Affiliated Entity Purchase (purchasing from other governments)

Attorney Berry noted it is always the lowest bid that should be selected noting there is a technical component and while you may pay more, you will receive product or services with better quality and the company is financially viable and you get the best value for the City.

Attorney Berry referenced a few codes for discussion:

- “Sole Source Purchase. A sole source procurement may be used when only one (1) vendor or supplier is able to fill requirements for the intended use.” (Section 3.30.080(D))

- Should have requirement to prepare memo justifying sole source?

- Informal Procurements.” Procurements that involve amounts fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) or less **do not require a formal sealed bid/proposal process**. However, the processes used for this type of procurement will include **as much competition as is consistent with the anticipated cost of the procurement** and the best interest of the city.” (Section 3.30.090(A))

- “Each user department is granted the authority, **at the discretion of the department director or city manager**, to handle purchases where the cost is less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).” (Section 3.30.090(E)(1))

- “Competitive Sealed Bidding. . . . Generally, the following conditions must be met: . . . **Three (3)** or more **responsible** bidders **are willing to participate** in the process.” (Section 3.30.080(B)(2))

Attorney Berry noted any sole source award should include a memo stating the reason.

Councilwoman Barber noted Attorney Berry had stated he has reviewed the City’s Procurement Code and asked if he has had an opportunity to review the Procurement Manual as it gives a brief description of sole source but does not provide the steps or actions to be taken.

Attorney Berry responded he has started reviewing the Procurement Manual and needs to compare it to the Procurement Code, noting the manual can be changed at any time and the Code would need to be adopted by the City, and if it is the will of the Council, the changes can be included in the Code.

Councilwoman Barber asked if the Procurement Manual needs to be approved by the Council and noted Resolutions approved by the Council that are not included in the manual.

Attorney Berry responded the City’s Code currently does not; however, the Code 3.30.340 does authorize the purchasing department to publish a manual of procedures annually and may be revised as necessary; noting the City’s Code could be changed at any time.

Mayor Ford asked if an RFP is issued and bids are received, and only one bid is received, is that considered sole source.

Attorney Berry responded no; there was only one company who responded in that case and was opened to competition; noting with sole source, only one company can provide that one thing.

Councilwoman Barber noted the Charter dictates policy that is approved by the Council, asked if that would not also apply to the Procurement Manual.

Attorney Berry's noted that was a good question and noted he was that he was looking at the City's Code and if that is the case, the Code would be inconsistent with the Charter and would need to review and advise.

Councilwoman Barber referenced her 20+years of procurement experience, and as the Mayor just questioned, she also has a concern when the recommendation to award a contract was coming to the Council with one responsive bidder and she began to ask questions to understand if there was only one responder or did others respond and were disqualified and is trying to understand the operations of the City's procurement processes of staff which has been challenging because the procurement manual does not offer step by step guidance on the processes the procurement staff is taking, and the step by step processes are not in the Code; noted the Council approved a Resolution, which is also in the procurement manual that states if less than (3) three bids are received the bid deadline would be extended noting the length of time is at the Procurement Manager's discretion and good faith effort, and if the after the extension there are less than (3) three bids, the process would move forward with the recommendation to award as staff had completed its due diligence with the bidding process; noted her concern is there have been inconsistencies in the process.

Attorney Berry noted there can be processes put in black and white, noting every procurement can be different depending on the item and that you could have companies who refuse to bid; and cautioned to be mindful of extending deadlines when proposals are in hand, and noting he understands Councilwoman Barber's intent is to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to bid and advertise in a variety of locations.

Councilwoman Barber noted the goal is to increase vendor participation, and making sure the City is making every effort possible without compromising the integrity of the process and advertising and reaching as many potential vendors as possible noting advertising had previously been limited to (3) three sources and just wants to understand the City's outreach and inviting more potential vendors, and understands the City has rolled out a new database for vendors, however, without the expanded outreach, you would be recycling the same vendors and also believes the recommendation to award a contract should come to the Council to make the decision to award as opposed to just receiving 1-2 bids.

Attorney Berry responded there may be bids that receive 2 responders and others that receive 5 and noted there are times when bids go out and there is an opportunity for questions to be asked and answered, noting some vendors may be self-selecting out.

Councilwoman Gantt noted she appreciates the presentation and noted her concerns as well with the receipt of one bid and having represented small businesses, it would appear that you would be shopping around and prefers the City model after the Georgia Code, and while only one vendor may respond, they may be the only one interested; and agrees with Councilwoman Barber on advertising, noting most businesses know where to look for bids; noted her concern with these changes in the process is prolonging the efforts of getting things done and asked if Ms. Miller was present to address

questions, she was not. Councilwoman Gantt then asked Councilwoman Barber if the new advertising measures were in place as she does not believe this to be the normal process and looks suspect.

Councilwoman Barber stated when she joined the City Council, she expressed her concerns with the one responsive bidders and asked what staff was doing to increase participation, noting it is not always alarming to receive one bidder, but it was consistently happening here with one bidder and that was alarming noting she has been asking the questions; and asked Mr. Knighton and/or Mr. Wiggins to address what steps are in place by staff now to increase vendor participation.

Mr. Knighton noted the City's use of a vendor registry program recently launched in the last month or so to connect vendors to our site; advertising was expanded to GLGA for certain items, and per the Resolution, there were two that were extended; noted he asked Attorney Berry to address procurement due to his extensive experience in the area and to also present a fresh set of eyes and look at our current situation and make recommendations for ongoing thorough processes to run and operate smoothly.

Attorney Berry recommended placing bids on the City's social media accounts; and do an analysis of how many vendors are downloaded the RFP and only two submit, could also show why vendors are not submitting.

Councilwoman Barber noted as far as extending the deadline of the bid, the Procurement office had already been extending bids prior to the Resolution being approved, noting the Resolution was to bring about consistency.

Councilman Blount noted with the exception of Councilwoman Barber, Council has seen what was and what is now and how departments have evolved for the better of the City and commended Councilwoman Barber for wanting to make it better and agrees with the expanded advertising; noted some bids with this process of extensions could be out there up to 100 days; and stated the elected officials should not be involved in the bidding process as it looks like bid rigging before a bid is awarded.

Attorney Berry noted problems when anyone starts to exert themselves into the process and problems can unfortunately occur, noting he has not seen an elected official involved in the process before.

Councilman Thomas noted Attorney Berry has reviewed the Code and whatever it takes to move forward efficiently, please do so to make us better and to make the modifications following review of the Code and the manual.

Attorney Berry stated the City's Code and Procurement Manual are good and from what he can tell, and the system is working well, noting absolutely, improvements can be made and will work with staff to make improvements and referenced an example in the code that needs to be revised: Section 3.30.080 (b) (2) as an example that needs revision and also recommended campaign contributions being disclosed and a Bid Protest process that currently does not exist in the policy or manual where if

a bid is not awarded, the only current remedy is the vendor taking the City to court which can be quite costly.

Councilman Thomas noted the elected body is charged with policy creation and adoption of legislation that moves the City forward, and asked Attorney Berry to look at the deficiencies, short-comings, and improvements to make us better.

Attorney Berry agreed to review the manual and Code and offer improvements to the process.

Councilwoman Barber noted as she came on board last year, she used her level of expertise in procurement to be her guide and to understand the operations of the City, and as she tried to follow the solicitations they were so inconsistent, couldn't tell if they were being posted for 30 days and being closed, she couldn't tell if they were being posted for 45 days and being closed, and referred to the procurement manual and the Code and couldn't see if the bids were being posted for 30 or 45 days and resigned to watching the process and the deliverables and once she saw the recommendations to award, the processes seemed inconsistent, so it was her intent to streamline and offer suggestions to better improve the processes; and noted she understands bid-rigging which is illegal and that just because you don't understand procurement, ignorance of the law around procurement does not exempt you from prosecution or any liabilities and that she is very much aware of that and will not compromise herself in that way and is why she began to answer questions about the single responder and asking questions about the process and noted there needs to be accountability from the City Manager and City Treasurer and looks forward to working with Attorney Berry with improvements.

Councilman Blount noted Attorney Berry stated the City's policy and manual are good and agreed the elected body makes policy and needs to stay out of procurement and not interject, noting the perception is not good, and noted Attorney Berry is not aware of anywhere that the elected officials are involved and looking like they are involved directly bid award process.

Attorney Berry noted officials are charged with making policy and changes to the policies and asked to clarify his earlier statement that elected officials should not be involved in procurement with the awarding of the bid process or literally selecting vendors, but that elected officials can and should be involved with policy decisions.

Councilwoman Gantt stated there had not been a problem before with procurement and perhaps need to revert and not be in conflict; agrees with Councilman Thomas to make it right; and know our roles as councilmembers and allow staff to do their jobs.

Councilman Thomas suggested recommendations be brought back to the Council.

Councilwoman Barber asked Mr. Knighton and Mr. Wiggins for the number of vendors who are already established in the new vendor database by NIGP Codes and wants to see if that number increases over the month as it should if we do our due diligence and reach out to perspective vendors, noting her interest is vendor participation.

Mr. Wiggins noted there were approximately 50 vendors who signed up to the program following the vendor registration rollout and noted the information would be retrieved and provided as requested.

Councilman Blount asked Attorney Berry to review the procurement Resolution approved in October and offer a legal opinion as to whether the Resolution could be problematic for the City as has been suggested and wants everything clean and not have a bad perception for the City especially with the anticipated growth coming to the City.

Councilwoman Barber noted the Resolution that was approved was drafted by the former City Attorney and should have the same language as the Ordinance that was vetoed by the Mayor at the City Manager's discretion; Mayor Ford noted he vetoed the Ordinance at his own discretion.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the topic of procurement has been thoroughly discussed with the Attorney noting the process appears to be legally sound with improvements needed and will review the Code and Procurement Manual and bring recommendations as directed.

Review of Day 2 - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton noted the presentation by Kirk Voelkel showed the progress of the Amphitheater by H. J. Russell, noted the request for an additional sidewalk, and needs direction and recommendations from the Council for the fencing/barrier between the Amphitheater parking lot and residents; Police Dept. presentation from Chief Grogan who recommended hiring experienced officers first following the hiring of the Chief and command staff, purchase equipment early, noted 6-8 month startup time is preferred in early 2022 and to make sure training and policy development are key along with offering hiring incentives such as bonus and take-home cars, recommended a millage tax, body cameras and Police Chief job advertised until April 30th; Annexation presentation included a proposed Phase I to be completed first and then proposed Phase II following conversations with the public and business owners in the proposed areas and staff was tasked with reporting the percentage of commercial and residents in the proposed areas; Falcon Design Consultants gave an update of current projects with focus on the Lee Street/East Atlanta Rd. road widening projects with decorative traffic signals with black arms in the intersections; Rideshare location to be behind the court building with signage; adding an estimated 50 parking spaces on N Lee Street (cost to be submitted for design revision); and an additional request to extend the sidewalk on N. Lee Street and lighting to Bryant Street, noting Falcon will respond with an proposal; Alleyway project plans will be ready in approximately four week and the Wayfinding quote will be ready in the next week or so; Procurement overview by Attorney Berry and the Council tasked staff with providing vendor database numbers and NIGP Codes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk MMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Councilman Blount.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Roll call: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, Councilwoman Barber, Councilman Blount, Councilwoman Gantt, Councilman Thomas all in attendance.

Staff Attendees: Randy Knighton, City Manager – Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk, John Wiggins, City Treasurer – Alan Peterson, Economic Development Director – Decius Aaron, Public Works Director, Quinton Washington & Jeremy Berry, City Attorney, Robert Bonds, IT Support.

DAY THREE AGENDA

Facilitated by Randy Knighton – City Manager

Recap of Day Two - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton noted the previous day to be very productive with input from the Council directing some items forward; Amphitheater Update - Kirk Voelkel and Chirag Venkatesan of H. J. Russell presented an overview of the project status; reviewed the pond area, walking trails and promenade; noted several noting the addition of a sidewalk on the main road and fencing and buffer behind Bryant Street properties; Police Department – Dunwoody’s Chief Grogan presented information on the establishment of Dunwoody’s police department and made recommendations on a hiring matrix, ordering vehicles and equipment, training, incentives and a possible timeline to implement; Annexation – maps with different options were presented with a general consensus of the Council to move forward with Phase I with a necessary conversation with property owners and businesses and an analysis of commercial and residential percentages; Project Updates – Falcon Design Consultants reviewed the Amphitheater parking and will submit the cost to add 50 parking spaces on approximately 3 acres on N Lee Street, reviewed the road widening project for E. Atlanta Rd./Lee Street noting documents for bid are due next week and black arm traffic signals will be added to the

traffic documents; noted design and quote for a new sidewalk on the main internal road will come forward; Wayfinding signage & Alleyway will be put out for bid soon; Procurement – Discussion led by Attorney Jerry Berry with a general consensus to ensure that we continue to evaluate procurement processes and bring to the Council NIGP codes and vendor analysis; and previewed the TSW presentation referencing proposed Splash Pad design options which will require a decision today; noted the Cultural Arts Center has been funded at \$14 million dollars turnkey and bonded and the Council will need to determine what may need to be modified to remain at that level of funding as it relates to the design; noted the City is making moves that are unprecedented and wants to move forward in the most cost efficient manner.

Architectural Projects Update - Heather Hubble, Bryan Bays and Peyton Peterson of (TSW) Tunnel-Spangler-Walsh

TSW presented Splash Pad Option 1 – The Spillway Concept – Location would be adjacent to the new ponds; Square Foot 2,900 square feet, 80-140 users.

Pros: Easy access from the new parking lot, underground cistern would capture flowthrough water and repurpose it for irrigation around the ponds.

Cons: Must be a flow through system due to there being no restroom within 150' of the area; flow through systems do not recirculate water, which means there is always new water being pumped to the Splash Pad; low flow fixtures limit Splash Pad capabilities (Pressure, height of sprays, etc.); currently HJ Russell is constructing the parking lot and ponds area, this would impact their current scope of work in that area.

TSW presented Splash Pad Option 2 – The Panola Concept – Location would be adjacent to the Amphitheater; 3,300 square feet, 90 – 165 users.

Pros: Educational opportunity the regional landscape; flow through or recirculating Splash Pad option; recirculating would need a restroom building within 150'; adjacent to the Amphitheater provides programming and pre-function space for the central lawn area behind City Hall; Splash Pad would be visible from City Hall/East Atlanta roadway.

Cons: Constrained access; surrounded by roadways on four sides; Current roadway between greenspace/Splash Pad and City Hall is being proposed as being closed for pedestrian access only; no immediate parking.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander thanked TSW for the presentation and creating the vision; noted recirculating the water and conserving water, and less water usage is a cost savings over time; noted Splash Pad fits into the City's overall project plan and noted the foot traffic would draw visitors to the downtown area like Centennial Park.

Mayor Ford noted the maintenance of PH levels; recirculation means not as much water used; upfront capital cost and maintenance; and asked about fencing around the Splash Pad.

TSW responded there the Splash Pad is proposed to be an open and not enclosed.

Councilwoman Gantt noted a Splash Pad was part of the original LCI, and appreciates the presentation noting she is hopeful the project fits within the City's budget.

Councilman Thomas noted the Splash Pad is a great feature and mentioned there had also been conversations of a seasonal skating rink for several years now which adults would be able to enjoy as well; and expressed concern about the proposed location and wants to see the cost of the project.

Councilman Blount noted he came into office in 2016 and now many of the projects are coming to fruition and thanked Councilwoman Gantt for bringing the project forward noting the Council is aggressively moving forward and needs a financial plan to sustain it; noted it is a great day in the City and appreciates the work the staff is doing.

Councilwoman Barber noted there needs to be a concrete monument sign on East Atlanta Rd. with the AMPHITHEATER verbiage and Wayfinding signage throughout the city.

Mr. Knighton noted there will be a monument sign near the fountain installed after the roadway project; and Option 2 of the Splash Pad Concept Panola will include a water feature.

Councilman Blount agreed with Councilwoman Barber on the concrete AMPHITHEATER sign and Wayfinding signage to get citizens excited and should get it out immediately.

Mr. Knighton noted the estimated cost of Option 1 – The Spillway Concept is \$500,000.00.

TSW noted the estimated cost of Option 2 – The Panola Concept is \$1.7 million dollars; and noted Option 1 is a proposed Splash Pad where the infrastructure already exists but needs a restroom.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander stated restrooms and vending would be necessary.

Mayor Ford agreed the park would need a restroom and that being familiar with a pool, having a restroom close by is a necessity.

Mr. Knighton noted the Amphitheater restrooms are internal for Amphitheater patrons and secured when not in use.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted there is Park money in SPLOST V.

Councilman Thomas asked if design cost was included in the estimated \$1.7 million dollars.

TSW confirmed design costs would be additional.

Councilwoman Gantt reminded Council of CDBG grant funding and the ice rink conversion should be on file.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander agreed with applying for CDBG funding and using SPLOST V.

Mr. Knighton noted the interactive water feature would be a great feature and noted the Facilities Building for Management has two offices at Will Call and could be used as a cost savings.

Cultural Arts Center – Mr. Knighton noted there were renderings presented in 2018, 2019 and 2020 with over 300 seats, and a ballroom, and noted the last rendering in March 2020 had amenities that ranged from \$13 - \$26 million dollars, noting the Council approved and funded an all-in budget of \$14 million dollars.

Ms. Hubble noted the City Manager advised their firm of the approved budget and needed detailed cost estimates, noting the March 2020 rendering was more than what was approved by the Council and needed to be reduced by \$6.4 million dollars.

Councilman Thomas noted the Arts and Economic Development go hand in hand with the Arts Center being a revenue generator for the City.

Mayor Ford noted there would be operational expenses with full-time staff to manage the facility.

Ms. Hubble noted upon approval, construction could begin by the end of the year.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, Councilman Blount and Councilman Thomas agreed not to change the design or vision of the facility.

Mr. Knighton noted that due to the \$14 million dollar budget, the Council may need to look at reducing the size of the building, contingencies, furnishings, or other soft costs.

Ms. Hubble noted in 2019 the Digital Media room was removed and in 2020 the Dance room was removed with the focus being on the theater, museum, gallery, and ballroom with the Flex Space left to be used as a classroom.

Councilwoman Barber supported reducing the square footage and removing the water feature.

Councilwoman Gantt noted the square footage was needed for professional shows along with more seating and to remove that would short-change the project and asked the Council to look at other funding opportunities.

Councilman Thomas agreed with Councilwoman Gantt noting he sees the potential for showcasing the arts, performances, events, and other activities on the southside, noting the Cultural Arts Center would enrich schools and the community.

Mr. Peterson, the City's Economic Development Director noted the Cultural Arts Center could be a tool to capitalize on in coordination with Main Street and falls in line with the Amphitheater as an

anchor with plays, tourism and connectivity attracting restaurants and retail to the downtown area with patrons wanting to stay and eat before and after shows and making it all day attraction. Councilman Thomas agreed with the Amphitheater and Cultural Arts Center being two anchors that would be magnets spurring future developments.

Ms. Hubble presented the latest rendering and began to highlight specific items to reduce cost by removing design features and/or amenities and proposed removal of the elevator that serves the balcony and the balcony area with 80 seats, removal of the ballroom/multi-use space, deleting the water feature, changing the site pavers to concrete, reducing the windows, and reducing the finishes.

Councilman Thomas expressed his support of the Arts Center adding value to the community and referred to areas in the City's Operating Budget that could be reduced by \$1.2 million dollars by tightening the belt on some expenses, noting the City should look at other funding sources to bring this facility to fruition.

Mayor Ford asked how you would gain access to the 2nd floor should the elevator be removed.

Ms. Hubble note there is a commercial elevator that would remain for access to the 2nd floor.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander recommended the City participate in the next cycle for the Henry County CDBG program and asked how much the City is entitled to.

Mr. Knighton estimated the City is entitled to a couple of hundreds of thousands of dollars maybe a little bit more the City may be entitled to in this cycle in CDBG funding; suggested bringing back a new rendering of the facility with reduced square footage and let the Council know what that looks like and then determine what you would like to maintain or keep or any additions that need to be made as the best option along with seeking other available funding sources; noted what he is hearing from the Council is the will to maintain the vision that you as councilmembers want and want to see for the Cultural Arts Center and making sure that it creates the environment or economic development opportunities for people to be able to come here and the residual impact of the type of building that you ultimately construct, meaning the additional investments that private sector entities will take a look at for the City of Stockbridge, and what businesses will emerge with a result of the Cultural Arts Center being here and those benefits that come along to the City, and the quality of life offering that would be in a Cultural Arts Center that are currently not provided here and there is no cost that you can affix to that in terms of how it enhances a community and will look at bringing a viable option back to the Council.

Councilman Thomas noted he was not sure if funds could be used on this building in the proposed location and asked the City Manager to check to see if the Cultural Arts Center was eligible.

Councilwoman Barber asked if a slope could be constructed in lieu of an elevator.

Ms. Hubble responded a slope would take up a great amount of space noting the SW Arts Center is one level without an elevator.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the facility should remain ADA compliant and include an elevator.

Mr. Knighton suggested bringing back a rendering that may be over \$14 million that will keep the Council's vision and seek additional funding sources.

Youth/Senior Center – TSW noted in 2020 there was a quick concept of a Youth and Senior Center presented to the Council that included a gymnasium, locker room, small office, community room and small classrooms with 92 parking spaces with an estimated cost of \$10 - \$20 million dollars.

Following the presentation, members of Council requested the facility include an indoor pool, covered terrace, aerobics and fitness area, indoor walking track and they went back to the drawing board to incorporate the added requests noting the building increased in square footage and went from one story to a two story building with a full gymnasium, swim center with a college length/Olympic short swim pool, café space and lounge, office space and elevator, community room for activities; 2nd floor has the fitness room with windows, two studio spaces that overlook the pool and two classrooms and outside terrace space for things like meditation and/or outdoor yoga, suspended walking track; noted the square footage space is 58,884 sq. ft.; noted the corners were pulled back due to the proposed location in a neighborhood, and comes in at an estimated cost of \$27 - \$35 million dollars; noting there is escalation built into that number of about 2% per year for construction.

Mayor Ford asked what had been budgeted for the Youth/Senior Center.

Mr. Knighton noted the project had not been budgeted noting the Council charged staff with bringing forth a rendering with the features requested.

Mayor Ford asked if the pool is a priority.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the facility is on the Council's wish list noting the community deserves it, however, the budget may make this rendering unaffordable and would be interested in perhaps a partnership noting \$14 - \$20 million may be financed in the next SPLOST.

Councilman Thomas noted the proposed location does make the project eligible for CDBG funding.

Councilwoman Barber noted she supports a Youth/Senior Center and noted partnerships are certainly important along with CDBG funding.

Councilman Blount noted once the Amphitheater is up and going, the potential of what can be will be seen by others and the anchor buildings will bring investors to the City.

Mayor Pro Tem applauded TSW's modern looks with the City's vision.

SPLOST/TSPLOST - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton presented the final SPLOST V project list (based on \$29 million dollars projected):

- Civic Projects \$9,852,437 Culture Arts Center, Senior/Youth Center, City Hall Annex – 48%
- Road Projects \$4,720,959 Sidewalks, Roads, Trails - 23%
- Sewer/Water Stormwater Infrastructure Projects \$4,720,959 Sewer/Water/Stormwater Infrastructure - 23%
- Park Improvements \$1,231,554 Park Improvements - 6%

Mr. Knighton presented the proposed TSPLOST Project List (based on \$240 million dollars projected) to be presented at the upcoming joint meeting on April 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Henry County and the cities of Hampton, Locust Grove and McDonough:

- Curb and Gutter, Sidewalks and Widening - Wilson Avenue, Nolan Street, Childs Street, Wilson Street, Walker Street, Welch Street, Jennings Way, Second Street, First Street, Tye Street, Church Street and Carrie Mae Lane. \$4,500,000.00
- Resurfacing and Sidewalks - Davidson Parkway \$3,600,000.00
- Resurfacing and Sidewalks - Old Atlanta Rd. \$3,600,000.00
- Sidewalks - Tye Street \$2,500,000.00
- Curb and Gutter and Sidewalks from Shields Rd. to Clark Park - Davis Rd. \$4,350,000.00
- Reeves Creek Trail 2-Mile Extension - \$2,800,000.00
- Brush Creek 1.5 Miles - \$2,400,000.00
- M L King, Sr. Heritage Trail Spur to Floyd Chapel .25 mile \$425,000.00
- M L King, Sr. Heritage Trail, Green Front Café - .25 mile \$355,000.00
- Continuation of M L King, Sr. Heritage Trail .75 mile \$625,000.00
- Potential Trailhead Location with Reeves Creek Trail Link at M L King, Sr. Heritage Trail \$500,000.00
- Traffic Improvements - Country Club Drive \$1,000,000.00
- Sidewalks and Pedestrian Improvements - Burke Street \$500,000.00
- Sidewalks and Pedestrian Improvements - Love Street \$500,000.00
- Trail 1.75 miles - Walt Stephens Road - \$3,000,000.00

Executive Session for Personnel, Litigation and Real Estate Matters - No Action.

Recap of Day Three - Randy Knighton, City Manager

Mr. Knighton noted the presentation from Heather Hubble and TSW staff on the two options for a Splash Pad noting the consensus of the Council favored Option 2 near City Hall and various

interactive features and that TSW will present a more specific cost estimate; Cultural Arts Center – Ms. Hubble referenced various iterations of the Cultural Arts Center noting the current configuration needs to be reduced, however there was a concern from the Council that the vision would be lost, and wanting to maintain the theater, ballroom and museum and discussed other cost-saving measures such as reducing the footprint square footage; noted staff was charged with seeking other funding sources to attempt to preserve the vision at a reduced cost; Senior/Youth Center – TSW presented one and two story renderings with cost estimates between \$27 - \$35 million dollars based on the amenities requested by Council; noted this facility has been placed on the wish list for future years and looking at partnerships as funding sources; TSPLOST – noted there will be a TSPLOST Referendum on the ballot in November of 2021 of approximately \$240 million dollars for Transportation Projects and the City of Stockbridge could receive an estimated \$29 million dollars if voters approve; noted the City's project list includes Bike & Pedestrian Trails along with other transportation infrastructure projects and noted a joint meeting with Henry County and all four cities is scheduled for April 15, 2021 at 6pm and will take place virtually; noted overall it has been a very productive 2 ½ days, thanked the Council for their extensive input and direction, noting citizens have been informed.

Mayor Ford dittoed the City Manager's comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the Retreat resulted in historic progress for the City.

Councilman Thomas requested a copy of the proposed TSPLOST project list.

Councilman Blount requested a copy of the LMIG Sidewalk list.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk MMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY 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.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited all in unison.

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

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to adopt the Agenda: Second by Councilman Blount. The motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to approve the Minutes for the following meetings: Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion 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.

Ms. Miller noted the Public Works Department is requesting Council approval for award of contract number Request for Proposals (RFP) Number 2020-0026, Annual On-Call Water and Sewer Emergency, Operational Repair, Maintenance and Construction to Site Engineering, Inc for an annual amount of \$159,390.00.

Councilman Blount motioned to approve the Site Engineering contract in the amount of \$159,390.00: Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion 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.

Ms. Miller noted The Public Works Department is requesting Council approval to award the contract number Request for Proposals (RFP) Number 2020-0025, Janitorial Maintenance Services, to Intercontinental Commercial Services, Inc; for an annual amount of Eighty-nine thousand, two hundred and eighty dollars, \$89,280.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander inquired the dates of the bid going out and contract expiration date. Ms. Miller noted the City received the specifications on September 24, 2020 with the bid being posted on October 22, 2020 and an addendum to allow more time and there was no contract in place. Ms. Miller also noted the new contract will be for one (1) year with the option to renew for four (4) one-year periods.

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to approve ICS (Intercontinental Commercial Services, Inc.) contract; Second by Councilman Blount. The motion 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.

Ms. Miller noted the Public Works Department is requesting Council approval for the award of contract number Request for Proposals (RFP) Number 2020-0027, Professional Permitting and Building Inspection Services to SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC. The Contract is award is for one (1) year with the option to renew for (4), (1) year, renewable options. The procurement was solicited on December 24, 2020 with an addendum added to allow more time, in accordance with Council recommendations and approved Ordinance, to requests qualified firms with proven experience in Permitting, Engineering and Building Inspection Services to submit proposals for Professional Permitting, Engineering and Building Inspection Services for Stockbridge City, Georgia. The qualified consultant will provide full scope of professional permitting and building inspection services from permitting, inspecting, record keeping, plan review, building code administration services, engineering services and all things necessary to complete permitting and building inspection services. Also, the consultant(s) will demonstrate a customer service approach that is pro-active and educational that includes a variety of means and methods that promote public outreach. The Contract is award is for one (1) year with the option to renew for (4), (1) year, renewable options.

Ms. Miller noted on March 4, 2021, RFP No. 2020-0027, for the City of Stockbridge Professional Permitting and Building Inspection Services opened; three (3) firms submitted proposals in response to the RFP, SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC; Charles Abbott Associates, LLC, Inc and Nova Engineering & Environmental, LLC. Ms. Miller also noted on March 16, 2021, an Evaluation Committee Meeting was held. After evaluation and scoring, the Evaluation Committee named SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC, as the first ranked firm. The Evaluation Committee's ranking was posted on the website for the City's Procurement Division and the Georgia Procurement Registry on March 16th, 2021. Ms. Miller noted the City of Stockbridge City Council shall approve all awards where cost or revenue is greater than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to approve SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC: Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion 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

Mr. Aaron noted High Grove proposed to plant fifty-three (53) Crepe Myrtles approximately fifty (50) feet apart on the Campground Road median within the city limits.

Mr. Knighton noted the plants would provide beautification along Campground Rd. which would run into the new subdivision Winding Creek under construction.

Councilman Blount noted there were no RFP's put out or cost proposals and believes competitive bidding should be open for such projects. Mr. Knighton noted staff did bring forth a bidding process about six (6) months ago and it was determined at that time to not move forward.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander asked how much funding was allocated and approved in the City's FY2021 Operating Budget for citywide beautification projects.

Mr. Knighton responded there was around \$200,000 and \$150,00 for buildings and property.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted Council allowed contracts to be month to month without approval and that the City Manager placed this item on the Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to approve the Staff Recommendation in the amount of \$25,997.00 and include Hudson Bridge Rd. area up to \$25,000 for Beautification Projects. The motion failed for lack of a Second.

Councilman Blount noted this item needed to go through the City's Procurement process.

Councilwoman Gantt noted for the record she voted for the Landscaping and Janitorial services.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander noted the County has maintained the grassy areas along Campground Rd. and has done so routinely every two weeks keeping the area very well-manicured and could continue to do so.

Councilman Thomas noted he is in favor of modification and believes there should be more discussion on the Procurement process and will come forward with recommendations for improvements.

Councilwoman Barber noted there should be consistency in the City's processes and procedures.

Ms. Miller noted Procurement could solicit 3 quotes for the trees at Campground Rd. and seeing the 2nd Bid that was pending has been rejected to include a modification with the scope of services and to include other areas within the City. Ms. Miller also suggested having Mr. Aaron, Public Works Director to go around and give a thorough assessment of areas that should be included with the official bid, then place it in an RFP; or staff could utilize the current vendor under contract, CGL.

Councilwoman Gantt inquired on the number of trees that would be planted on Campground for \$25,000.00.

Mr. Aaron responded there would be 53 trees spaced 50' apart.

Councilwoman Barber motioned 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.; Second by Councilwoman Gantt. There was no vote.

Councilwoman Barber amended the motion and motioned 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.: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. There was no Vote.

Councilwoman Barber motioned 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.: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. There was no Vote.

Councilwoman Barber amended the motion and motioned 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.: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. There was no Vote.

Councilwoman Barber amended the motion and motioned 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: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. The motion passed 5-0.

Councilwoman Barber motioned 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: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. The motion 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

Attorney Washington noted this would be an extension of the existing moratorium in place.

Mayor Ford noted the previous moratorium ended and inquired on new businesses being established in the “between stages” of extending the moratorium; and inquired if those new businesses would be grandfathered in or rejected.

Attorney Washington noted they should be grandfathered in, but it also depends on where they are in the process.

Attorney Berry noted the Resolution is to not except applications for hookah bars and cigar bars for 180 days, and if a permit came in during the time of no moratorium, the City should grant the permit.

Mr. Knighton noted the last moratorium was for 120 days and began on August 25, 2020 and ended December 25, 2020.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander inquired on the final Resolution being adopted into the UDC. Mr. Knighton noted the previous moratorium noted once the UDC guidelines were implemented or 120 days, which came first.

Councilman Blount motioned to approve extension 180 days: Second by Councilwoman Barber. The motion passed 5-0.

8. Council Consideration to appoint members to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Councilwoman Barber motioned to re-appoint Stanley Dumas, Kathleen Nelson and Askia Abdullah for a 4-year term end December 31, 2024: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. The motion passed 3-0. (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote).
9. Council Consideration to appoint members to the Citywide Development Authority. Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to appoint Kalpesh Patidar, Mark Glenn, Frangela Merritt, and Samantha Samuels: Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion 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
There was a consensus of the Council to move forward with an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and Henry County and asked the Attorneys to review with the County's Attorney 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](https://www.facebook.com/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](https://www.facebook.com/StockbridgeCityHall)

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to convene Executive Session for Personnel: Second by Councilwoman Barber. The motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Blount motioned to End Executive Session: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. The motion passed 3-0 (Blount/Gantt were not present for the vote).

Councilwoman Barber motioned to Reconvene the meeting: Second by Mayor Pro Tem Alexander. The motion 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).

Councilwoman Gantt motioned to Adjourn: Second by Councilwoman Barber. The motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk MMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



WORK SESSION MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 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
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Jeremy T. Berry, City Attorney

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ford.

Invocation by Randy Knighton.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited all in unison.

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

Councilman Blount motioned to amend the Agenda: To call for a full investigation of Mr. Elton Alexander relating Charter Section 2.17 and the \$1.725 million dollar lawsuit settlement: Blount/Gantt failed 2-0-2 (Barber/Thomas abstained – Alexander did not participate in the vote). Councilman Blount asked Mayor Ford to restate the vote. Mayor Ford stated there were two votes in favor of the motion, no votes against and two votes abstained, noting Mayor Pro Tem Alexander did not participate in the vote and restating the motion failed, and the action was confirmed by Attorney Washington.

I. Review of the Minutes for the following meetings: No Action

1. 03/08/2021
2. 03/30/2021

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.

The City Clerk read comments submitted from the public:

- Mindy Mayers – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Charles Marshall – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Yvonne Marshall – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Tamika Robinson – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Z Griffith – Supports Mayor Pro Tem Alexander
- Dolton19 – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Bernice Peters – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Sunny Randazzo – Expressed concerns about the Amphitheater construction and cost; being able to attend City Council meetings in-person; supports the removal of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander.
- Andrew Dixon – Expressed his concerns of Councilmembers civility and actions towards each other, allegations against officials; called upon the Council to respect each other, restore meeting decorum, and represent the people of Stockbridge.
- Ralita Mims – In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Alicia Boyd - In support of Mayor Pro Tem Alexander remaining in office.
- Rhonda Brown – Comments were sent to Mayor Ford.

INFORMATION

3. 2020 DCA Hotel/Motel Tax/Tourism Report

Presented by Laura Luker, Director of Tourism

Ms. Luker noted the Henry County Visitor's Bureau launched their logo and name *Visit Henry County GA* in 2020 stating the name change better reflects the Mission, is more modern and noted due to the pandemic, the new brand and visitors guide was launched online by video and includes Floyd Chapel Baptist Church, Stockbridge hotels, free city spread and is distributed at the four Georgia Welcome Centers in brochure racks custom made by BarnBeautiful; noted new ads to Explore Stockbridge including the Bed & Breakfast at Stockbridge Lakes, M L King, Sr. Heritage Trail, and Panola Mountain Park; referenced the OTT/CTV Videos being advertised on Hulu and Smart TV's; noted the website has the City of Stockbridge landing page was one of the top 10 landing pages for 2020 with traffic up 95% year-over-year; referenced working with Main Street staff regarding a robust Artisan Trail which is gaining great traction; noted the COVID-19 impact and program specific information pages that have been included; noted the partnerships with local hotels, restaurants and event facilities and the free Lunch and Learn training sessions that were implemented to assist these businesses to operate during and post pandemic; noted the monthly Customer Service Awards, free Summer Webinar Series featuring Social Media Best Practices , Artist Consortium formed in 2020 made up of members of the arts community, free marketing opportunity offered to tourism partners; and partnerships with Arabia Mountain

and Panola Mountain State Park to promote the new PATH extension; and reviewed 2021 noting the recent launch of the Guest Experience 101 with free, online customer service training for tourism partners and will launch this summer the Hospitality for All: A Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Program which will be a free online course taught by experts in their field for tourism partners; and the Bushy Tail Art Trail consisting of Squirrel picnic tables decorated by local artist and installed in public parks, noting 10 have been installed so far; and referenced legislation changes – HB317 Effective July 1, 2021 where all Short-Term Rentals will be required to collect and remit hotel/motel tax which will increase the revenue for municipalities; and gave an overview of the FY2020 Annual Hotel/Motel Tax Report for the City of Stockbridge where \$167,817.90 was collected, noting a sharp decline in revenue due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and reviewed the expenditures where the City of Stockbridge, the City of Hampton, the City of Locust Grove and Henry County participated and shared costs for CVB operations.

OLD BUSINESS

4. Council Consideration to approve the Henry County/City of Stockbridge Aquatic Center IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement)
Presented by Randy Knighton, City Manager
Randy Knighton, City Manager noted the Aquatic Center was approved by the County with a SPLOST project which would be located within the City Limits of Stockbridge at the bridges of Jodeco. Mr. Knighton noted the Resolution was passed by the County, and the Intergovernmental agreement will cover several things such as construction and operations of the facility and will be handled by the County. Mr. Knighton also noted some changes have been made to the road that would provide ingress and egress to the facility which would be handled by the County; utilities and infrastructure which would normally be a part of the construction project, the County has asked for a waiver of impact fees and permit fees. Mr. Knighton noted another thing added was indemnification for the City.

Mayor Ford noted he looks forward with working with the County.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander expressed the County and City should work collectively together and thanked everyone for allowing the agreement to happen.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to approve the Henry County/City of Stockbridge Aquatic Center IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement): Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion passed 4-0 (Councilman Blount was not present).

NEW BUSINESS

5. Council Consideration to approve Amphitheater Change Order No.16 in the amount of \$67,022.00. Funding Source: Bonding
Presented by Randy Knighton, City Manager and Carl Trevathan - Keck & Wood

Mr. Knighton noted Carl Trevathan was on the call and noted this item was a part of the overall budget and not unexpected.

Mr. Trevathan noted there are two items with the change order:

1: adding more canopies and coiling doors on several of the buildings out of necessity in the amount of \$33,682.00.

2: noticed flowing ground water out of one of the banks of the retention pond which was continuous and is a natural flowing spring; and was determined to be subsurface water and will require stabilization; designers also recommend it should be done with something other than rib raft foundation and to use river slick which would be more stable and would be in the amount of \$31,430.00.

Mayor Ford noted it could be a blessing to have natural spring water enter a pond.

Councilwoman Barber inquired if this would be the last change order.

Mr. Trevathan noted it may not be and that during the review of the project, it became apparent the acoustic on the ceiling of the stage needs to be improved.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander motioned to approve Amphitheater Change Order No.16 in the amount of \$67,022.00: Second by Councilwoman Barber. The motion passed 3-0-1 (Councilwoman Gantt abstained – noting she was not present for the discussion due to phone difficulties); (Councilman Blount was not present).

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford noted we are still in a pandemic with vaccinations being the priority; noted testing is available at the Henry County Heritage Recreation Center in McDonough with free COVID testing Mon-Thu 9am – 3pm and Sat 9am -noon noting an appointment is required; noted vaccinations are key to stomping out the virus and the number to call for a reservation is 888-457-0186 Mon – Fri 8am – 8pm and Sat & Sun 8am – 5pm; noted vaccinations are taking place at the Atlanta Motor Speedway on Tuesdays 8:30am – 1pm, 1pm – 3pm and with extended hours from 3pm – 7pm and Fridays at Mt. Carmel Park in Hampton; noted reservations can be made online at gta-vras.powerappsportals.us where you will be asked for your demographic, gender, race, ethnicity, age, medical history, current illnesses, COVID diagnosis, previous COVID testing and vaccinations, and

contact information; noted the last ten days have been hectic and contentious times for the City and asked everyone to keep the faith saying things are going to get better; stated for himself and the Council, all need to remain above board and stay above the fray be respectful to each other and the citizens as well; asked that everyone not get too emotional and remain steadfast on the mission that you were elected for and do what is best for the citizens; noted there are lots of great things coming for the City and lots of great things going on; and remain focused and work towards the goals and the betterment of the City as a team and to be mindful of what you say publicly and/or privately and via social media; asked that citizens also be mindful of what you say and post on social media as well; noted the City has a great venue opening up very soon, noting the Amphitheater will be a game changer in Henry County and the region along with the development of the City's downtown area; noted the briefing earlier in the meeting from the tourism bureau and the excitement about the Amphitheater; noted the Cultural Arts Center being developed soon and everyone being able to get out to social events and doing the things we like to do such as Tasty Tuesday and Bridgefest; noted the City is moving forward with a police department and is in the process of hiring a Police chief and that the City is going down the path of success for its citizens and taking this diamond in the rough and make it shine, as it is in the best interest for all of us; noted the City has a bright future ahead of us with lots of potential and asked that everyone maintain their composure, be respectful to each other, noting no one is perfect, we are human, and to do the best that we can for the citizens we serve; asked that the City be kept in prayer and to keep the faith.

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.

CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 31ST IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.

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 (May 18)
- Youth Council & Advisory Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month (May 18)

- City Council Work Session at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom – Last Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted. (May 25)
- Planning Commission Meeting, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom – 4th Thursday of each month (May 27)

CITY EVENTS

Please join the City of Stockbridge for a Virtual Memorial Day Musical Tribute and Remembrance - Monday, May 31, 2021

COUNCIL INITIATIVES

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

Councilman Thomas motioned to adjourn: Second by Councilwoman Gantt. The motion passed 4-0 (Councilman Blount was not present).

Respectfully submitted by:

Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk MMC

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor



2021-2022 Classic Main Street MOU

Memorandum of Understanding

5/3/2021

This document should be signed by all local parties
(ACR, Board Chair, and Main Street Program Manager)
by **July 1, 2021**

Please email Elizabeth.Elliott@dca.ga.gov with any questions.

GEORGIA CLASSIC MAIN STREETS PROGRAM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

2021 -2022 Program Year

This agreement is entered into and executed by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs Office of Downtown Development (hereinafter referred to as "DCA"), the City/Town of Stockbridge, Georgia (hereinafter referred to as "Community"), the Local Main Street Program Board of Directors, and the Downtown Manager for the Community. DCA will enter into this agreement with the above parties to provide services in return for active and meaningful participation in the Georgia Classic Main Streets Program by the Community as specified below.

This agreement outlines the necessary requirements set forth by DCA for the Community's participation in the Georgia Classic Main Streets Program for the stated term. DCA is the sponsoring state agency for the Georgia Classic Main Street program and is licensed by the National Main Street Center (hereinafter referred to as "National Program") to designate, assess, and recommend for accreditation Main Street programs within the State of Georgia.

In recognition of the agreement by DCA, the Community, the Board of Directors, and the Downtown Manager to maintain an active Local Main Street Program, the parties have agreed to the following:

ARTICLE 1: THE COMMUNITY AGREES TO—

1. Appoint or contract with an entity to serve as the Board of Directors for the local Main Street Program. The city council may not serve as the Main Street Board.
2. Set and review boundaries for the target area of the local Main Street Program.
 - A. A copy of these boundaries should remain on file with DCA at all times.
 - B. The Community should work with the Board of Directors to review boundaries at least once every three years.
3. Employ a full-time paid professional downtown manager responsible for the daily administration of the local Main Street Program.
 - A. The downtown manager must have a job description that identifies at least 75% of their duties that relate directly to the Main Street program. A copy of the job description should remain on file with DCA at all times.
 - B. The downtown manager should be paid a salary consistent with other community and economic development professionals within the state. The program manager's salary must be paid in excess of minimum wage.
 - C. The Community must notify DCA within one week of any downtown manager vacancy and the Community must appoint an interim downtown manager until the position is filled. DCA must have accurate contact information for the downtown manager at all times.
 - D. Provide an annual evaluation of the downtown manager. If the manager is employed by an entity other than the local government, require that entity to provide an annual evaluation and performance review.
4. Provide for local Main Street Program solvency through a variety of direct and in-kind financial support.
 - A. If the downtown manager is an employee of the local Main Street Program and not the Community, the Community assures that the program has the financial means to pay for said manager for the period of this agreement.
 - B. The local Main Street program must maintain an identifiable and publicly accessible office space. DCA recommends this space to be in the local Main Street program area.
 - C. The local Main Street program must have sufficient funding to provide travel and training for the downtown manager and the Board of Directors.
5. Assist the downtown manager in compiling data required as part of the monthly reporting process.
 - A. Provide for a positive relationship between the downtown manager and key city staff to access the following information in a timely manner:
 - i. Business license data
 - ii. Building permit data
 - iii. Property tax data
 - iv. Geographic Information Systems data (mapping support when available)
 - B. Review reported data submitted by the downtown manager to assure accuracy.

6. Use the "Main Street America™" name in accordance with the National Main Street Policy on the use of the name Main Street.
7. Notify DCA in writing prior to any wholesale changes in the local program, including staff changes, major funding changes, change in organizational structure/placement of the program or major turnover in the board of directors. Such notice should be received by DCA one month prior to said changes. Changes may result in program probation, the loss of accreditation or removal of program designation.

ARTICLE 2: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGREES TO—

1. Assist the downtown manager in creating an annual work plan that incorporates incremental and meaningful goals related to the Main Street Approach™ to downtown revitalization: Community Transformation Strategies, Organization, Design, Promotion and Economic Vitality.
 - A. The work plan should include specific tasks, assignments or a point of contact for the task, related budget needs, and a timeline.
 - B. The work plan will serve as a strategic plan for the local program for a period of three years or less.
 - C. A copy of the work plan must be on file and updated with DCA.
2. Provide opportunities for regular public engagement and support of the Local Main Street Program.
 - A. DCA recommends a public downtown visioning event/town hall meeting annually.
 - B. The Board should identify opportunities for volunteer support and assistance in executing the work plan.
 - C. The Board should actively engage the community for financial and in-kind support of the local program.
3. Conduct, at least, one board training, orientation or planning retreat per year for the local program.
4. Meet a minimum of 10 times per year and insure that the minutes of each meeting are maintained and distributed. Such meetings should be open to the public and public notice should be given related to meeting times and agendas.
5. Attend training when possible to become better informed about the Main Street Approach™ and trends for downtown revitalization and to support the downtown manager.
6. All newly appointed Board Members are required to become Main Street 101 certified within their first year of their first term. All current Board Members, must be Main Street 101 certified through DCA's online testing system. A copy of each Board Member's Main Street 101 certification must be uploaded to the Standard 5 file in your program's shared DCA Dropbox folder.
7. Assure the financial solvency and effectiveness of the Local Main Street Program.
 - A. Adopt an annual budget that is adequate to support the annual work plan, maintain an office and support staff, and provide for training and travel.
 - B. Maintain current membership of the Local Main Street Program to the National Main Street Center to be eligible for accreditation.
 - C. Provide for policies to expend funds, enter into debt, and provide programming support for the local Main Street Program.

ARTICLE 3: THE DOWNTOWN MANAGER AGREES TO—

1. Complete all reporting required by DCA to maintain National Accreditation of the local Main Street Program.
 - A. Complete monthly economic and programming activity reports, including portions of said reports that are required as part of the local program assessment process by DCA. These reports must be completed by the 30th of the following month. (Example: March report due by April 30th). Failure to complete monthly reports in a timely manner may result in program probation, the loss of accreditation or removal of program designation.
 - B. Participate in the annual manager's survey provided by DCA. Failure to complete the annual manager's survey by the deadline may result in the loss of accreditation.
 - C. Provide documentation of all meetings, work plans, budgets, job descriptions, and mission/vision statements for the organization.
 - D. Provide documentation to support the work of the organization as it relates to the Main Street Approach™, including information related to historic preservation as required by the National Main Street Center.
 - E. Provide, from time to time, documentation related to local ordinances, plans, codes, and policies that are specific to the Community's downtown area.
2. Participate in training to broaden the impact of the local Main Street Program.
 - A. The downtown manager and/or board members are expected to attend at least one preservation or economic development-related training annually.
 - B. DCA requires managers to attend at least 30 hours of training annually (including webinars, annual trainings, statewide workshops, etc.) Eligible training hours can come from both DCA and non-DCA hosted training events.

Training must be relevant to the field of downtown development, historic preservation, planning, community development and economic development.

- C. Respond to requests by DCA in a timely manner.
3. Take advantage of the Georgia Main Street network of professional downtown managers.
4. All newly hired managers must complete Main Street 101 training with DCA within the first 6 months of employment in the local community. All existing downtown managers must be Main Street 101 certified through DCA's online testing system.
5. Provide regular updates between the local Main Street Program and the Community.
 - A. Managers are encouraged to provide at least quarterly reports to the local government.
 - B. Managers are encouraged to provide copies of all minutes, budgets, and work plans to the local government in a timely manner.
6. Maintain and preserve project files. Document downtown projects and other major local program information in a thorough and systematic fashion. All relevant programmatic documentation should be uploaded and stored in the DCA shared Dropbox folder created for your local program, following the organization structure outlined in DCA's "A Visual Guide to Dropbox Management" document which is located in the "Resources" folder of the Georgia Main Street website. This is to help ensure a seamless transfer of project files to city representatives or successor manager in the event of personnel changes.

ARTICLE 4: DCA AGREES TO—

1. Supervise all communications between the Community, state government agencies and the National Main Street Center as it relates to the local Main Street Program.
2. Conduct a curriculum of training on an annual basis to assist the downtown manager, the Main Street Board, and the Community with the local downtown revitalization program.
3. Assist local Main Street Programs with organizational issues that may prevent the successful progress of the Community's downtown revitalization strategy.
 - A. DCA may assist communities in selecting candidates for the position of downtown manager as requested.
 - B. DCA may require a local Main Street Program to host an on-site assessment visit if the program has had a major leadership or organization change, is currently in a probationary status, or is in jeopardy of losing accreditation or designation status.
4. Provide timely assistance and guidance to the Community as a result of requests for service, monthly reports, or the annual assessment process.
 - A. DCA may contact a community upon observation of monthly reporting abnormalities, missing data or missing reports. If a community becomes delinquent in multiple reports, DCA may contact the local board chair or city administrator about the delinquency.
 - B. DCA may assist in training local staff or volunteers in the reporting process.
 - C. DCA will provide unlimited telephone consultations with local programs.
 - D. DCA will attempt to provide on-site assistance as feasible.
5. Provide ongoing press coverage of the Georgia Classic Main Streets Program, including social media outreach, to recognize and publicize the work of local programs.
6. Provide access to resource materials, sample codes and ordinances, organizational documents, and templates for local programs.
7. Conduct an annual program assessment for the Community highlighting success and opportunities for improvement.
8. Provide design services to the local program. Services may include phone consultations, site visits, design training, services for local property owners and merchants, conceptual drawings, property plans and layouts, corridor plans and strategies, historic preservation plans, and historic research, among other services as requested.
9. Provide economic development assistance to encourage small business development, real estate development and property rehabilitation within the downtown area.

ARTICLE 5: ALL PARTIES AGREE THAT—

1. This agreement shall be valid through June 30, 2022.
2. This agreement may be terminated by DCA or the Community by written notice of 60 days. Termination of this agreement by the Community will result in the loss of local Main Street designation. Communities that choose to terminate their Georgia Classic Main Streets Program affiliation will be required to formally apply for and participate in the Start-Up process if they desire to regain their National Accreditation in the future.

3. If the Community, Board of Directors and/or Downtown Manager fail to fulfill their obligations set forth in this agreement, DCA reserves the right to determine a course of action for the local Main Street Program as it deems appropriate. Such course may include probation, loss of accreditation or termination of designation.
4. If at any point during the 2021-2022 program year there is a change in the local program manager, the local program is required to submit a new MOU including the new manager's signature certifying that person's understanding of the requirements of this relationship.
5. Any change in the terms of this agreement must be made in writing and approved by both parties.

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City of Stockbridge

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date

May 25, 2021

ACTION

- ☒ Action requested by City Council
- ☐ For informational purposes only
- ☐ Budget Amendment Required
- ☐ Attachment (s)
- ☐ Payment of Invoice/Task Order/Change Order

- ☐ PUBLIC HEARING
- ☐ ORDINANCE
- ☐ RESOLUTION
- ☐ BID/SOLICITATION AWARD
- ☐ PRESENTATION
- ☐ DISCUSSION
- ☐ REPORT
- ☐ DISCUSSION
- ☒ CONTRACT APPROVAL - EXTENSION

AMOUNT \$1,100,000.00

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT - N/A

FROM ACCOUNT:

PRESENTER: Lindell Miller / Decius Aaron

ITEM/PROJECT/EVENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) NUMBER: RFP No. 201508-02, SANITATION COLLECTION SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWAL – WASTE INDUSTRIES SOUTH ATLANTA, LLC/GFL

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Public Works Department is requesting City Council's approval to renew the term contract for Request For Proposal (RFP) No. 201508-02, Sanitation Collection Services, between Waste Industries South Atlanta, LLC, and the City of Stockbridge, authorizing the Mayor to execute same; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all administrative and budgetary actions related to the Agreement.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department is requesting City Council's approval to renew the term contract for Request For Proposal (RFP) No. 201508-02, Sanitation Collection Services, between Waste Industries South Atlanta, LLC , and the City of Stockbridge, authorizing the Mayor to execute same; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all administrative and budgetary actions related to the Agreement.

Request For Proposal (RFP) No. 201508-02, Sanitation Collection Services is for the collection and transportation of all residential solid waste within its boundaries from the point of pickup to the customer owned transfer station located in the city limit of Stockbridge or, with customer approval a solid waste disposal site in contractor's discretion.

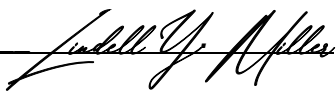
City staff is requesting a contract renewal through December 2022. The Public Works Department has determined that Waste Industries South Atlanta, LLC, has performed all work in accordance with the contract requirements, and have provided quality service to the City.

The initial term of this contractual agreement is for five (5) years and eight months, beginning May 1, 2016, and ends December 31, 2021. The initial term will be automatically extended for five subsequent additional one-year periods. This is the first renewal.

Section 3.30.227 - Renewals and extensions; The city council shall approve all renewals or term contract extensions: (A) to afford the city a continuous supply of items or services in the event of the termination or near termination of the award/contract and (B) where cost is greater than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00); and when the original contract was approved by the city council.

Fiscal Impact: Funds will be provided from account number 540-45200-523991

APPROVED BY:

LEGAL:	YES	NO	or N/A Sign_____
PROCUREMENT	YES	NO	or N/A Sign 
FINANCE DEPT:	YES	NO	or N/A Sign_____
CITY MANAGER:	YES	NO	or N/A Sign_____



PROCUREMENT DIVISION

4640 North Henry Boulevard, Stockbridge, Georgia, 30281 | Phone: (770) 389-7900

CONTRACT RENEWAL NOTICE

April 29, 2021

Dwayne Isaac
General Manager II
GFL Environmental
Waste Industries South Atlanta

RE: RFP No. 201508-02 – Waste Industries South Atlanta, LLC

The above contract was awarded to your company on May 16, 2016. It has been determined that your company has performed in accordance with the requirements of our Contract. The initial contract term of the agreement was for a period of five years and eight months beginning May 2016 and ending December 31, 2021. The Initial Term will be automatically extended for five (5) subsequent additional one-year (1) period. The contract expires December 2021. Therefore, the City of Stockbridge desires to exercise its renewal/term contract extension through December 2022 to include the same terms and conditions. This renewal period shall be governed by the specifications, pricing, and the terms and conditions set forth per the above reference Contract.

Acknowledge your acceptance of this renewal by signing this document in the space provided below and returning to this office with ten (10) days.

Sincerely,

Lindell Y. Miller, MBA, CPPO

I/We hereby acknowledge acceptance of this Contract renewal, and agree to be bound by all requirements, terms, and conditions as set forth in the above referenced Contract once approved by Council.

Company:

GFL

Signed

Dwayne Isaac

Date:

4-30-21

Print Name:

Dwayne Isaac



PROCUREMENT DIVISION

4640 North Henry Boulevard, Stockbridge, Georgia, 30281 | Phone: (770) 389-7900

CONTRACT RENEWAL EVALUATION FORM

Department: Public Work Department

Contact: Decius Aaron, Public Work Director

Contract No.: RFP No. 201508-02 Waste Industries South Atlanta

The above referenced contract expires on **December 31, 2021**. Per the terms of the Contract, this Contract is eligible to be renewed for an additional **12-month term**.

Please complete the Survey (Section 1, below) evaluating the Contractor's performance during the past Contract Term. If answering "No" to any question, please provide a brief explanation. Per Section 2, please indicate whether you wish to renew this contract.

Section 1: Contractor Evaluation

	YES	NO	N/A
1. Contractor performed all work in conformance with the Contract requirements?	☒	☐	☐
2. Contractor was responsive and professional?	☒	☐	☐
3. Are you satisfied with the quality of the work performed by Contractor?	☒	☐	☐
4. Did Contractor anticipate your needs and provide value-added services beyond the scope/requirements of the Contract?	☒	☐	☐

Comments: _____

Section 2: Renewal

☐ No, we wish not to renew. Please close Contract.

☒ Yes, we wish to renew

☐ The contract has no renewals left. I wish to rebid. please see the attached verified scope of services.

a) Check the appropriate box below

☒ renew per the terms & requirements of original Contract
☐ renewal to include additional/modified terms & requirements, please contact me for details

Please sign and return this form to: Wanda J. Cooley – Procurement Specialist
Procurement – Contract Administration

Questions regarding this form should be directed to: _____.

Submitted by:

Devin T. Aaron
(Department authorized signature)

Devin T. Aaron
(printed name)

Public Works Director
(title)

4/29/2021
(date)



City of Stockbridge

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date

June 14, 2021

ACTION

- ☒ Action requested by City Council
- ☐ For informational purposes only
- ☐ Budget Amendment Required
- ☐ Attachment (s)
- ☐ Payment of Invoice/Task Order/Change Order

- ☐ PUBLIC HEARING
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- ☐ CONTRACT APPROVAL - RENEWAL

AMOUNT N/A

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT/ N/A

PRESENTER: Decius Aaron

ITEM/PROJECT/EVENT: SURPLUS ITEMS JUNE - 2021

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Public Works and the Events Department is requesting that City Council declare the surplus inventory list below unserviceable items, since the items can no longer be used advantageously by City staff.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works and Events Department is requesting that City Council declare the surplus inventory list below for wood and kitchen supplies unserviceable items, since the items can no longer be used advantageously by City staff. City staff have examined and assessed the items listed below and confirmed that the items are unserviceable and impractical.

Section 3.30.190 - Disposition of personal property. A. Declaration of Unserviceability. The city council shall determine whether a particular item or category of personal property can no longer be used advantageously by the city and has therefore become unserviceable. B. Disposition. Unserviceable personal property may be sold by public sale, sealed bidding, spot bidding or any other means deemed most advantageous to the city.

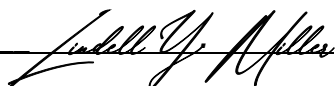
Surplus Items

Description of Item	Department
True Refrigeration T-49-HC - Serial: 7101163	Events Department
Garland SS-684- 24G 60 commercial electric range with (3) large and (3) small burners, (2) ovens, and a 24" griddle - Serial: 0106RE0650	Events Department
Beverage-Air WTR60A Work Top Refrigerator - Model: WTR60A Serial: 11006324	Events Department
Insulated heated holding cabinet - (4) Model: B-luauc Serial: 1,2,3,4	Events Department

Fiscal Impact: No Fiscal Impact

APPROVED BY:

LEGAL: YES NO or N/A Sign _____

PROCUREMENT YES NO or N/A Sign 

FINANCE DEPT: YES NO or N/A Sign _____

CITY MANAGER: YES NO or N/A Sign _____



4640 North Henry Blvd. Stockbridge, GA 30281

APPLICATION FOR BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

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- Am I willing to participate in necessary Board, Committee or Commission training, education and development activities that will improve my effectiveness in my position?
- Am I willing to complete a Criminal Background Check upon selection?

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Robin Butler

Occupation: REALTOR Employer: Keller Williams Atlanta Perimeter

Home Address: 404 Fairhaven Ct City: Stockbridge Zip: 30281

Home Phone: () Home E-Mail: [REDACTED]

Work Phone: [REDACTED] Work E-Mail: [REDACTED]

Cell Phone: [REDACTED] Preferred E-Mail: ☒ Home ☐ Work

Name and address of the business entity you own/operate, located within the city limits of Stockbridge (if applicable)

Sia Shanel, LLC

BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION APPLICATION

- a) Which Board(s) or Commission(s) do you wish to be appointed to? Downtown Development Authority
If applying for the Main Street Advisory Board, which position? _____
(see positions noted below)
- b) How long have you been a resident or business owner/operator in the City of Stockbridge? 5 Years 2 Months
- c) Are you current with all your financial obligations to the City of Stockbridge? ☒ Yes ☐ No
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- e) Available Boards and Commissions and their terms and meeting schedules are listed at the end of this application.
Are you able to meet the attendance requirements of the position for which you are applying? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- f) Do you know of any circumstances that would result in you having to abstain from voting on any action before the Board or Commission? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain:

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☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please explain:

- h) Do you have any employment or contractual relationship with the City of Stockbridge that would create a continuing or frequently recurring conflict regarding your participation on a Board or Commission? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, please explain:

City of Stockbridge

BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION APPLICATION

- i) Please briefly explain your reasons for wishing to serve on the Board or Commission you select:

I have enjoyed living in Stockbridge and believe in the economic growth of the city. It is my belief the city is properly positioned for expansion based location, affordability of homes and upcoming developments. I would like to contribute

- j) Are you willing to be considered for appointment to any of the other Boards or Commissions of the City if a position is not available on the Board or Commission of your first choice? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, please list the Boards or Commissions for which you would like to be considered (in order of interest):

Council On Aging

- k) Please attach a Resume of Qualifications for the Board position for which you are applying.

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Signature

Robin Butler

Printed Name

03/15/2021

Date

Please return signed application to:

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City of Stockbridge
4640 North Henry Blvd.
Stockbridge, Georgia 30281

Fax: 770.389.7912
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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: DeRitha Barber

Occupation: Social Worker

Employer: Department of Veteran Affairs

Home Address: 669 Vendella Circle

City: Stockbridge

Zip: 30253

Home Phone: [REDACTED]

Home E-Mail: [REDACTED]

Work Phone: [REDACTED]

Work E-Mail: [REDACTED]

Cell Phone: [REDACTED]

Preferred E-Mail:

☒ Home

☐ Work

Name and address of the business entity you own/operate, located within the city limits of Stockbridge (if applicable)

N/A

City of Stockbridge

BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION APPLICATION

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If applying for the Main Street Advisory Board, which position? _____
(see positions noted below)
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If yes, please explain:

City of Stockbridge

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- i) Please briefly explain your reasons for wishing to serve on the Board or Commission you select:

I enjoyed working with the aging population throughout the majority of my professional career as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and have knowledge, values and skills related to geriatric issues, disparities, and macro systems in place that provide federal, state, and local resources.

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Main Street Advisory Board

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Signature via e-mail

Key: 8dec54203428e49076d7d0d274b84a77

Signature

DeRitha Barber

Printed Name

01/14/2021

Date

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GUIDANCE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITORS - HOTEL-MOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND MANAGEMENT
APRIL 2021

The Hotel-Motel Excise Tax (HMT) is a local-option excise tax available for imposition by all municipal, county, and consolidated governments (“local governments”) in Georgia. This tax ranges in rate from 2%-8%, is accompanied by certain statutory restrictions on expending organization and expenditure purpose, and is collected under the authority of varying paragraphs within Article 3, Chapter 13 of Title 48 of O.C.G.A. Awareness of the authorization paragraph under which the local government is collecting the tax (typically specified in the jurisdiction’s adopted ordinance) is vital in understanding the restrictions accompanying the expenditure of HMT collections.

Fund Management – Unrestricted HMT Collections in Special Revenue Fund 275 v. General Fund 100

All revenue from the HMT should be accounted for in Special Revenue Fund 275. If the local government’s authorization paragraph permits for any of this revenue to be considered “un-restricted,” or available for use in the jurisdiction’s general fund (Fund 100), an inter-fund transfer should occur and be documented. This inter-fund transfer should not exceed the amount permitted under the jurisdiction’s HMT authorization paragraph. Specific guidance is provided in the Fourth Edition of the Uniform Chart of Accounts for Local Governments in Georgia (underline for emphasis):

Fund 275-Hotel/Motel Excise Tax Fund: Accounts for the hotel/motel taxes collected as required by general law. If a government expends the any portion of these tax proceeds in another fund, the government must report the tax revenue in this fund first and then transfer the proceeds to the appropriate fund. Note that, because of the very specific expenditure, budgeting, and reporting requirements applicable to the restricted portion of this tax revenue, expenditures of the restricted portion should be accounted for in this fund only (unless the funds are being used to finance construction projects or to make debt service payments specifically authorized/required by state law). (UCOA Fourth Edition, Page 41)

All HMT revenue, regardless of restricted/un-restricted status, should be received in Special Revenue Fund 275. This amount should equal the amounts reported on both the Report of Local Government Finance (RLGF) Page 1/Line 58, and Annual Hotel-Motel Excise Tax Report (<https://apps.dca.ga.gov/hotelmoteltaxreporting>) Section II, both due to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs within six months of the conclusion of the jurisdiction’s FYE.

The Note Disclosure accompanying any fund transfer should specify a) *total* collections from the HMT for the fiscal year, b) the specific authorization paragraph under which the jurisdiction is collecting the tax, and c) both the percentage *and* total dollar amount of those total collections transferred from Special Revenue Fund 275 to the General Fund 100 as unrestricted funds.

Any questions regarding the Hotel-Motel Excise Tax or annual Report of Local Government Finance should be directed to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs’ Office of Research (DCA.Research@dca.ga.gov). Any questions regarding local government audit and reporting requirements should be directed to the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts’ Nonprofit and Local Government Audits Section (locgov@audits.ga.gov).

House Bill 317 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Frye of the 118th, Smith of the 133rd, Rich of the 97th, Dollar of the 45th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition
3 of "innkeeper" to include marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace
4 innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and
5 accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an
6 effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
10 excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, is amended in Code Section 48-13-50.2,
11 relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (2) and adding a new paragraph to read as
12 follows:

13 ~~"(2) 'Innkeeper' means any person who is subject to taxation under this article for the~~
14 ~~furnishing for value to the public any rooms, lodgings, or accommodations;~~

15 (A) Any person that furnishes for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or
16 accommodations in a county or municipality and that is licensed by, or required to pay

business or occupation taxes to, such municipality or county for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value; or

(B) A dealer as defined in subparagraph (M.3) of paragraph (8) of Code Section 48-8-2 that is required to collect and remit the tax imposed by Article 1 of Chapter 8 of this title for acting as a marketplace facilitator as such term is defined in paragraph (18.1) of Code Section 48-8-2 for facilitating the furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations on behalf of another person.

(2.1) 'Marketplace innkeeper' means an innkeeper as defined in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this Code section."

SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 48-13-50.3, relating to additional tax imposed by innkeepers, forms for reporting, use of funds from additional taxes, and provisions for termination, as follows:

"48-13-50.3.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Extended stay rental' means providing for value to the public a hotel or motel room for longer than 30 consecutive days to the same customer.

~~(2) 'Innkeeper' means any person who is subject to taxation under this article for the furnishing for value to the public a hotel or motel room.~~

~~(3)~~ (3) 'Transportation purposes' means activities incident to providing and maintaining an adequate system of public roads and bridges in this state and for grants to counties for road construction and maintenance.

~~(4)~~(3) 'Transit' means regular, continuing shared-ride or shared-use surface transportation services that are made available by or funded by a public entity or quasi-public entity and are open to the general public or open to a segment of the general public defined by age,

disability, or low income. Such term includes services or systems operated by or under contract with the state, a state agency or authority, a local government, a community improvement district, or any other similar entity of this state and all accompanying infrastructure and services necessary to provide access to these modes of transportation. Such term excludes charter or sightseeing services; school bus services; courtesy shuttle and intrafacility or terminal services; limousine carriers; and ride share network services, transportation referral services, and taxi services as such terms are defined in Chapter 1 of Title 40 and which are not paid for by a public entity.

~~(5)(4)~~ "Transit projects" means and includes purposes to establish, enhance, operate, and maintain, or improve access to transit, including the issuance of grants for the provision of transit, the issuance of general obligation debt and other multiyear obligations to finance such projects, the financing of operations and maintenance of such projects once constructed, and the contracted purchase of transit from providers without direct capital investment.

~~(b) On or after July 1, 2015, each innkeeper in this state shall charge a \$5.00 per night fee to the customer, unless it is an extended stay rental, for each calendar day a hotel or motel room is rented or leased. The innkeeper shall collect the fee at the time the customer pays for the rental or lease of such hotel or motel room. The innkeeper collecting the fee shall remit the fee on a monthly basis to the department.~~

(b)(1) On and after July 1, 2021, an excise tax of \$5.00 per night shall be levied upon the rental or lease of any room, lodging, or accommodation by an innkeeper.

(2) Taxes levied pursuant to this Code section shall be collected by the innkeeper from the customer at the time the customer pays for its rental or lease of any room, lodging, or accommodation. Any innkeeper collecting such taxes shall remit the amounts collected to the department on a monthly basis.

(3) Extended stay rentals shall be exempt from the tax levied by this Code section.

(4) Lodging or accommodations that do not provide physical shelter shall be exempt from the tax levied by this Code section.

(c) The commissioner shall promulgate and make available forms for the use of innkeepers to assist in compliance with this Code section. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this Code section.

(d) It is the intention of the General Assembly, subject to appropriations, that the fees collected pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be made available and used exclusively for transportation purposes in this state with up to 10 percent of the fees collected to be appropriated for transit projects.

(e) If the amount collected under this Code section is ever not appropriated for a fiscal year as provided by subsection (d) of this Code section, as determined jointly by the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, then the amount collected shall be reduced by 50 percent. Upon the conclusion of a second fiscal year in which the amount collected is not so appropriated, this Code section shall stand repealed and reserved, and such fees shall cease to be collected, on the date the appropriations Act for such fiscal year becomes effective. Such budget offices shall certify any such lack of appropriation to the Code Revision Commission for purposes of updating the Code in accordance with this subsection."

SECTION 3.

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-13-50.4.

(a) A marketplace innkeeper shall constitute the innkeeper with respect to the transactions taxable pursuant to this article that it facilitates on behalf of another person. All taxes levied or imposed by this article on transactions facilitated by a marketplace innkeeper shall be paid by the purchaser to the marketplace innkeeper.

95 (b) The marketplace innkeeper shall remit all taxes in the manners provided in this article
96 and, when received by the taxing authority, such taxes shall be credited against the taxes
97 imposed by this article on the furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms,
98 lodgings, or accommodations.

99 (c) Each marketplace innkeeper shall be liable for the full amount of taxes levied or
100 imposed by this article on its transactions or the amount of tax collected by such
101 marketplace innkeeper from all purchasers on all such transactions, whichever is greater.

102 (d) A transaction that is not taxable to the purchaser shall not be taxable to the marketplace
103 innkeeper. Taxes collected and remitted by a marketplace innkeeper pursuant to this article
104 shall be subject to the credit otherwise granted by this article for like taxes previously paid
105 in another state.

106 (e) This Code section shall not be construed to require a duplication in the payment of any
107 tax.

108 (f) A person shall not be obligated to collect and remit or be liable for the taxes levied or
109 imposed by this article on any transaction for which its marketplace innkeeper is obligated
110 and liable.

111 (g) The taxing authority shall only audit the marketplace innkeeper for sales made by it on
112 behalf of another person except to the extent the marketplace innkeeper seeks relief through
113 subsection (h) of this Code section.

114 (h) A marketplace innkeeper is relieved of liability for failure to collect and remit the
115 correct amount of tax imposed by this article to the extent that the marketplace innkeeper
116 demonstrates to the satisfaction of the taxing authority that the error was due to insufficient
117 or incorrect information given to the marketplace innkeeper by the person on whose behalf
118 the sale was facilitated and the marketplace innkeeper made a reasonable effort to obtain
119 correct and sufficient information from such person; provided, however, that this
120 subsection shall not apply if the marketplace innkeeper and such person are related
121 members as defined in Code Section 48-7-28.3. If a marketplace innkeeper is relieved of

liability under this subsection, the person on whose behalf the sale was facilitated shall be solely liable for the amount of uncollected tax.

(i) A person that is a franchisor as such term is defined by 16 C.F.R. 436.1 shall not be a marketplace innkeeper with respect to any innkeeper as defined in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of Code Section 48-13-50.2 that is its franchisee, as such term is defined by 16 C.F.R. 436.1, and that would otherwise be a marketplace innkeeper of such franchisor, provided that:

(1) In the prior calendar year, such franchisor and all of its franchisees combined made annual gross sales in the United States of at least \$500 million in aggregate;

(2) Such franchisee maintains a valid certificate of registration as required by Code Section 48-8-59; and

(3) Such franchisee and franchisor maintain a valid contract providing that the franchisee will collect and remit all applicable taxes and fees that the franchisor would otherwise be required to collect and remit as a marketplace innkeeper for such franchisee."

SECTION 4.

Said article is further amended in Code Section 48-13-51, relating to county and municipal levies on public accommodations, by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a), paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection (b), and subsection (b.1) as follows:

"(a)(1)(A)(i) The governing authority of each municipality in this state may levy and collect an excise tax upon the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations ~~facilitated or~~ furnished by an innkeeper ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value.~~

(ii) Within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county, each county in this state may levy and collect an excise tax upon the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations facilitated or furnished by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the county for operating within the special district a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which~~ rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value an innkeeper.

(iii) The provisions of this Code section shall control over the provisions of any local ordinance or resolution to the contrary enacted pursuant to Code Section 48-13-53 and in effect prior to July 1, 1998, or enacted pursuant to this article and in effect prior to July 1, 2021. Any such ordinance shall not be deemed repealed by this Code section but shall be administered in conformity with this Code section.

(B)(i) The excise tax shall be imposed on ~~any person or legal entity licensed by or required to pay a business or occupation tax to the governing authority imposing the tax for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value~~ the innkeeper and shall apply to the furnishing for value of any room, lodging, or accommodation. Every person or entity subject to a tax levied as provided in this Code section shall, except as provided in this Code section, be liable for the tax at the applicable rate on the lodging charges actually collected or, if the amount of taxes collected from the ~~hotel or motel~~ guest is in excess of the total amount that should have been collected, the total amount actually collected must be remitted.

(ii) Any tax levied as provided in this Code section is also imposed upon every person or entity who is a ~~hotel or motel~~ guest and who receives a room, lodging, or accommodation that is subject to the tax levied under this Code section. Every such guest subject to the tax levied under this Code section shall pay the tax to the ~~person~~

174 ~~or entity innkeeper~~ providing or facilitating the room, lodging, or accommodation.
175 The tax shall be a debt of the person obtaining the room, lodging, or accommodation
176 to the ~~person or entity innkeeper~~ providing or facilitating such room, lodging, or
177 accommodation until it is paid and shall be recoverable at law by the ~~person or entity~~
178 innkeeper providing or facilitating such room, lodging, or accommodation in the same
179 manner as authorized for the recovery of other debts. The ~~person or entity innkeeper~~
180 collecting the tax from the ~~hotel or motel~~ guest shall remit the tax to the governing
181 authority imposing the tax, and the tax remitted shall be a credit against the tax
182 imposed by division (i) of this subparagraph on the ~~person or entity innkeeper~~
183 providing or facilitating the room, lodging, or accommodation.

184 (C) Reserved.

185 (D) Except as provided in paragraphs (2.1), (2.2), (3), (3.1), (3.2), (3.3), (3.4), (3.5),
186 (3.7), (4), (4.1), (4.2), (4.3), (4.4), (4.5), (4.6), (4.7), (5), (5.1), (5.2), and (5.3) of this
187 subsection, no tax levied pursuant to this Code section shall be levied or collected at a
188 rate exceeding 3 percent of the charge to the public for the furnishings."

189 "(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this Code
190 section, any new excise taxes which are first levied pursuant to this Code section after
191 July 1, 2008, or any new excise tax which is first levied following the termination of a
192 previous levy pursuant to this Code section after July 1, 2008, shall be levied pursuant
193 to this subsection.

194 (2) The governing authority of each municipality in this state may levy an excise tax
195 pursuant to this subsection at a rate not to exceed 8 percent of the charge for the
196 furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations
197 furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay~~
198 ~~business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge,~~
199 ~~tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or~~
200 ~~accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value~~ an innkeeper.

(3) Within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county, each county in this state may levy an excise tax pursuant to this subsection at a rate not to exceed 8 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the county for operating within the special district a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value~~ an innkeeper."

"(b.1) As an alternative to the provisions of subsection (b) of this Code section, any county (within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county) and any municipality which is levying a tax under this Code section at the rate of 6 percent under paragraph (3.4) or (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be authorized to levy a tax under this Code section at the rate of 7 percent in the manner provided in this subsection. Both the county and municipality shall adopt a resolution which shall specify that an amount equal to the total amount of taxes collected under such levy at a rate of 6 percent shall continue to be expended as it was expended pursuant to either paragraph (3.4) or (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section, as applicable, and such resolution shall specify the manner of expenditure of funds for an amount equal to the total amount of taxes collected under such levy that exceeds the amount that would be collected at the rate of 6 percent for any tourism, convention, or trade show purposes, tourism product development purposes, or any combination thereof. Each resolution shall be required to be ratified by a local Act of the General Assembly. Only when both such local Acts have become law, the governing authority of the county and municipality shall be authorized to levy an excise tax pursuant to this subsection at the rate of 7 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp,~~

228 ~~tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or~~
229 ~~accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value an innkeeper."~~

230 **SECTION 5.**

231 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, and shall apply to each incidence of the
232 furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations occurring
233 on or after July 1, 2021; provided, however, that the provisions of Section 2 of this Act shall
234 not be applicable to any rental or lease for value to the public of any room or rooms,
235 lodgings, or accommodations which are not hotel or motel rooms for which a reservation was
236 made and any payment or deposit was tendered prior to July 1, 2021.

237 **SECTION 6.**

238 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

City of Stockbridge

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Discussion
June 14, 2021



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City of Stockbridge

Vision and Mission Statements



Vision Statement:

To be the most progressive business and family-oriented community in Metro Atlanta with a focus on enhanced Quality of Life initiatives which promote a sustainable “Live, Work, Play” environment.

Mission Statement:

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.

Transportation SPLOST

- Expected to Generate \$245 – 250 million total
- County expects city contribution on certain projects



Transportation SPLOST

- Rock Quarry Road Widening from Hudson Bridge Road/Hospital Drive to SR 138; 2.45 miles, \$26,695,000
- Split 70% – 30% (lane miles)
- Stockbridge \$18,686,500 (1.71 miles)
- Henry County \$8,008,500 (0.74 miles)



Transportation SPLOST

- Hudson Bridge Road/Eagles Landing Parkway Resurfacing: Willis Drive to SR 42
- Total 2.9 miles, \$1,606,500
- Split 30.5%, 69.5% lane miles
- Stockbridge \$489,982 (0.89miles)
- Henry County \$1,116,518 (2.01 miles)



City of Stockbridge

Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Greenway/Recreational Trail

Mid-Block Crossing

Roads

Stockbridge City Limits

Project	Cost
Walt Stephens Road - 1.75 miles	
Option 1	\$ 3,332,406.00
Option 2	\$ 3,045,966.00
Option 3	\$ 3,253,866.00
Red Oak Road - 1 mile	
Option 1	\$ 1,634,952.00
Option 2	\$ 1,471,272.00
Old Conyers Road - 1 mile	\$ 1,473,912.00
Davis Road - 1.75 miles	\$ 2,579,346.00
Rock Quarry Road - 2.5 miles	
Option 1	\$ 5,372,400.00
Option 2	\$ 5,262,180.00
Option 3	\$ 4,965,180.00
Option 4	\$ 4,884,000.00
Flippen Road - 3 miles	
Option 1	\$ 5,393,520.00
Option 2	\$ 5,261,256.00
Option 3	\$ 4,904,856.00
MLK Sr. Heritage Trail	
Spur Trail to Floyd Chapel Baptist Church - .25 miles	\$ 235,012.80
Spur Trail to Green Front Café - .25 miles	\$ 235,012.80
Continuation of MLK Sr. Heritage Trail - .75 miles	\$ 492,822.00
Potential Trailhead and Link to Reeves Creek Trail	\$ 115,718.00
Reeves Creek Trail Extension - 2 miles	\$ 2,365,862.40
Brush Creek Trail - 1.5 miles	\$ 1,774,396.80
Rum Creek Trail - 4 miles	\$ 4,731,724.80
Patrick Henry Parkway Trail - 3.75 miles	\$ 3,525,192.00
E Atlanta Road Trail - 1.75 miles	\$ 1,645,090.00*
N Henry Boulevard Crossings (per crossing)	\$ 17,186.00

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PROJECT	COST
Wilson Avenue, Nolan Street, Childs Street, Wilson Street, Walker Street, Welch Street, Jennings Way, Second Street, First Street, Tye Street, Church Street and Carrie Mae Lane (Curb and gutter, sidewalks and widening)	\$4,500,000
Davidson Parkway (Resurfacing and Sidewalks)	\$3,600,000
Old Atlanta Road (Resurfacing and Sidewalks)	\$2,500,000
Tye Street (Sidewalks)	\$2,200,000
Davis Road (Curb and Gutter and Sidewalks from Shields Road to Clark Park)	\$4,350,000
Reeves Creek Trail Extension - 2 Mile	\$2,800,000
Brush Creek 1.5 Mile	\$2,400,000
MLK Sr. Heritage Trail, Spur Trail to Floyd Chapel Baptist Church - .25 mile	\$425,000
MLK Sr. Heritage Trail, Green Front Café - .25 mile	\$355,000
Continuation of MLK Sr. Heritage Trail - .75 mile	\$625,000
Potential Trailhead Location with Reeves Creek Trail Link at MLK Sr. Heritage Trail	\$500,000
Country Club Drive (traffic and safety improvements)	\$1,000,000
Burke Street Sidewalks/Pedestrian Improvements	\$500,000
Love Street Sidewalks/Pedestrian Improvements	\$500,000
Walt Stephens Road trail, 1.75 miles	\$3,000,000
TOTAL	29,255,000

CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE DRAFT TSP/LOST PROJECTS



Questions

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