



WORK SESSION MEETING
ACTION MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 6:00 P.M.

Mayor & City Council

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

Administration

Frederick Gardiner, City Manager
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
John Wiggins, City Treasurer
Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Jeremy T. Berry, City Attorney

Mission: To provide visionary leadership and superior municipal services that enhance the quality of life for citizens while creating a welcoming business atmosphere focused on sustainability and expansion of tourism and cultural events.

- I. **Zoom Meeting Information**
- II. **Call to Order – Mayor Ford**
- III. **Invocation – Councilman Blount**
- IV. **Pledge of Allegiance – In unison by all in Attendance**
- V. **Roll Call – All members were present**
- VI. **Motion to amend the Agenda to add Discussion Item – Warming Centers
Alexander/Barber Passed 5-0**
- VII. **Motion to adopt the Agenda – Alexander/Barber Passed 5-0**
- VIII. **Review of the Minutes – No Action**
 1. Draft Minutes for Special Called Meeting 12/9/2021
 2. Draft Minutes for Council Meeting 12/13/2021
 3. Draft Minutes for Special Called Meeting 12/15/2021
 4. Draft Minutes for Work Session Meeting 12/21/2021

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**

OLD BUSINESS

5. Council Consideration to appoint members to the Downtown Development Authority Board.
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Motion to approve recommendation of appointees from the DDA Committee to re-appoint Roger Custin and Bob Swygert to 4-year terms: Thomas/Barber Passed 4-0-1 (Gantt Abstained)
6. Council Consideration to appoint Council Liaison to the Downtown Development Authority.
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Motion to appoint Councilman Elton Alexander: Gantt/Blount Passed 4-0-1 (Barber Abstained).
7. Council Consideration to temporarily waive spending authority limits to authorize the City Manager to approve Police Department start-up purchases not to exceed a designated amount and/or specified costs for pre-approved categories.
Presented by Frank Trammer, Police Chief
Motion to approve: Gantt/Alexander Passed 5-0.
8. Council Consideration to approve the Residential Code Enforcement Fee Schedule.
Presented by Fred Gardiner, City Manager
Motion to approve: Gantt/Blount Passed 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

9. Council Consideration to approve Change Order #27 for work conducted by H. J. Russell & Company in the amount of \$38,268.33 for the purchase and installation of Stage Perforated Soffit panels (Acoustical) at the Amphitheater. This Change Order was recommended as a mandatory design change by the architect, TSW. The acoustical panels were installed in August 2021.
Presented by Fred Gardiner, City Manager
Motion to approve: Blount/Gantt Passed 5-0.
10. Council Consideration to extend Moratoria pertaining to Resolution R21-1259 relating to building residential rental properties and R21-1286 relating to hookah Bars and/or Lounges and Cigar Bars and/or Lounges R21-1360 Moratoria Extension.
Presented by Fred Gardiner, City Manager
Motion to approve: Blount/Barber Passed 5-0.
11. Council Consideration to approve Task Order No. 33.2 with Carter & Sloope GIS Mapping program for Stormwater in the amount of \$134,570.00.
Funding Source: ARPA.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Motion to approve: Gantt/Alexander Passed 5-0.

12. Council Consideration to approve the Stockbridge Youth Council request to adopt Tye Street from North Henry Blvd. to Red Oak Rd. (Adopt-a-Road) program.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Motion to approve: Gantt/Blount Passed 5-0.
13. Council Consideration to accept the FY17, FY18, FY19 and FY20 CDBG Sub-recipient Agreement for the City of Stockbridge in the amount of \$305,25.00 from the Henry County Community Development for the Smith-Barnes Sewer Basin Rehabilitation Phase II Project.
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Motion to approve: Barber/Gantt Passed 5-0.
14. Council Consideration to award a fixed contract to the lowest responsive bidder RDJE, Inc. re; Invitation to Bid (ITB) Number 2021-0012 for the City of Stockbridge Smith-Barnes Sewer Basin Rehabilitation Phase II in the amount of \$1,204,505.00. Funding Source 898,780.00 (ARPA) and \$305,725.00 (CDBG).
Presented by Decius Aaron, Public Works Director
Motion to approve: Blount/Alexander Passed 4-0-1 (Barber Abstained)
15. Council Consideration to approve the purchase of 55 pistols for the City of Stockbridge police Department in the amount of \$28,162.00. Funding Source (ARPA).
Presented by Frank Trammer, Police Chief
Motion to approve: Barber/Alexander Passed 5-0.
16. Council Consideration to approve the purchase of 40 patrol rifles for the City of Stockbridge police Department from Ed's Public Safety Supply in the amount of \$37,080.00. Funding Source (ARPA).
Presented by Frank Trammer, Police Chief
Motion to approve: Barber/Gantt Passed 5-0.
17. Council Consideration to appoint members to fill vacancies on the Stockbridge Ethics Board.
Presented by Quinton Washington, City Attorney
Motion to approve: Barber/Gantt Passed 5-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford read the National Human Trafficking Awareness Month proclamation; noted we are still in the midst of a pandemic and hopefully things are getting better, noted free vaccinations and the booster are available to everyone age 16 and up and are being given at the Henry County Public Health Department 135 Henry Pkwy. in McDonough and the number to call for an appointment is 470-664-0005 where the Pfizer and Moderna vaccinations are being administered; noted COVID Testing is taking place Monday thru Friday from 9am – 3pm at Red Hawk Field in McDonough; note Free COVID Test Kits are available (check social media sites for information) maximum of (4) kits per household; noted you can cross over on Pfizer and Moderna Booster shot, but you must start and finish shots 1 and 2 with the same Pfizer or Moderna vaccination; noted individuals age 5

and up are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine as authorized by the CDC; encourage everyone to always check with your doctor for guidance and noted you can always reach out to the District Headquarters for Public Health in LaGrange, GA at 800-847-4262.

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.

- Youth Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m. - 2nd Wednesday of each month Levi Meeting Room - City Hall (Feb 9)
- Main Street Advisory Board Meeting, 2nd Friday of each month 9:00 a.m. Via Zoom (Feb 11)
- City Council Meeting - 2nd Monday of each month 6:00 p.m. Location TBD (Feb 14)
- Downtown Development Authority Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom - 3rd Tuesday of each month Via Zoom (Feb 15)
- Youth Council Advisory Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. - 3rd Tuesday of each month Patrick Henry Meeting Room - City Hall (Feb 15)
- City Council Work Session Meeting, Last Tuesday of each month – Via Zoom (Feb 22)
- Planning Commission Meeting, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom – 4th Thursday of each month (Feb 24)

UPCOMING CITY EVENTS/INITIATIVES

- *A Continuous Salute to Veterans:* Please forward pictures of Veterans including name, branch, rank, and years of service as Mayor Pro Tem Thomas presents a special tribute to our local veterans. Pictures should be submitted to: zpearson@cityofstockbridge-ga.gov Thank you for your service!
- Please join Mayor Pro Tem Thomas for the 11th Annual African American Heritage Celebration to be presented virtually, Saturday, February 26, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. The Honorable Pastor T. J. McBride of Tabernacle of Praise will be the Keynote Speaker.
- Here's your opportunity to *Meet the Mayor*, and voice your questions and/or concerns Monday, February 28, 2022, from 10 a.m. to noon. Call Zenovia Pearson to schedule an appointment. 770-389-7900 ext. 248.

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

Motion to adjourn Executive Session: Alexander/Blount Passed 4-0 (Barber not present)

Motion to reconvene: Alexander/Gantt Passed 4-0 (Barber not present)

Motion to adjourn: Blount/Gantt Passed 5-0.