



WORK SESSION MEETING ACTION MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 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. **Call to Order – Mayor Ford**
- II. **Invocation – Councilman Blount**
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance – Recited by all in attendance**
- IV. **Roll Call – All members were in attendance**
- V. **Motion to adopt the Agenda – Blount/Gantt Passed 5-0**
- VI. **REVIEW OF THE MINUTES – No Action**
 - 1 Draft Minutes June 13, 2022
 - 2 Draft Work Session Minutes June 29, 2022

PUBLIC COMMENTS - All persons wishing to speak for public comment must sign in with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting noting your name, address, and phone number. You will be allotted three (3) minutes. Speakers must respect all members of the elected body, officials, and staff. Defamation, unruliness and/or swearing will not be tolerated.

Ms. Sunny Randazzo of 111 Bryant Street, Stockbridge, GA asked the city to please mitigate the noise that is coming from the Amphitheater.

Mr. Coren Randazzo of 111 Bryant Street, Stockbridge, GA echoed the sentiments of Ms. Randazzo; referenced a request from a Pastor to partner with the city's Youth Council for a concert and asked the city to do background checks before engaging in activities.

PRESENTATION

3. Proposed Amphitheater Splash Pad

Presented by: Brecca Carter, Community Development Director

No Action

PUBLIC HEARING

4. City of Stockbridge 2023-2027 Short-Term Work Program and Capital Improvements Element (CIE).

Presented by: Brecca Carter, Community Development Director

Public Hearing Opened

No Speakers in Favor No Speakers Opposed

Public Hearing Closed

Motion to approve Gantt/Blount Passed 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

5. Council Consideration to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for ARC to provide assistance for the development of the City's 5-year update of its Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the proposed Scope of Work.

Presented by: Brecca Carter, Community Development Director

Motion to approve Gantt/Barber Passed 5-0

6. Henry County-Cities Transportation & Trails Plan Adoption

Presented by: Brecca Carter, Community Development Director

Motion to approve Blount/Barber Passed 5-0

7. Council consideration to approve Invitation to Bid (ITB) 2022-0013, City of Stockbridge LMIG (Local Maintenance Improvements Grant) 2023 Program for Roads and Resurfacing awarded to East Coast Grading, Inc. Funding Source: SPLOST V \$1,382,654.59 and GDOT (Georgia Department of Transportation) \$287,562.63 for a total amount of \$1,670,217.22.

Presented by: Decius Aaron, Public Works Director

Motion to approve Blount/Gantt Passed 4-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Thomas was not present for the vote).

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ford noted we are still in a pandemic and encouraged everyone who is eligible to get their 2nd booster; noted changes in the city's public buildings requiring staff to wear masks; noted there are a number of locations throughout the county where you can get tested for COVID-19; noted the Henry County Health Department located at 135 Henry Pkwy. administers the Pfizer and Moderna vaccine Mon – Fri from 9am – 11:30 am or 1pm – 2:30pm and you can call ahead to schedule an appointment at 470-664-0005; noted free testing is available at Red Hawk Field Mon, Wed, Fri from 9am – 3pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Council meetings will be held in the City Council Chamber. Meeting dates and times and/or locations 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.

- Planning Commission Meeting, 4th Thursday at 6:30 p.m. City Hall Chamber – (Jul 28)
- City Council Meeting, Second Monday of each month – City Council Chamber (Aug 8)
- Youth Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m. - 2nd Wednesday of each month Levi Meeting Room - City Hall (Aug 10)
- Main Street Advisory Board Meeting, 2nd Friday of each month 9:00 a.m. City Hall – Levi Meeting Room (Aug 12)
- Downtown Development Authority Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Location TBD - 3rd Tuesday of each month Via Zoom (Aug 16)
- Youth Council Advisory Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. - 3rd Tuesday of each month Levi Meeting Room - City Hall (Aug 16)
- Planning Commission Meeting, 4th Thursday at 6:30 p.m. City Hall Chamber – (Aug 25)
- City Council Work Session Meeting, Tuesday – City Council Chamber (Aug 30)

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: [Rosalynd Rawls at rrawls@cityofstockbridge-ga.gov](mailto:Rosalynd.Rawls@cityofstockbridge-ga.gov) Thank you for your service!
- Please join Councilwoman Barber for FREE Zumba on every Saturday morning at Clark Community Park at 8:00 a.m. Come out for fitness in the park!
- Join Councilman Alexander for the next Keep Stockbridge Beautiful event taking place Saturday, July 30th from 8am – 10am on Campground Rd; please meet at the Winslow subdivision pool.
- Join us for Tasty Tuesday Food Truck Takeover at Clark Park Tuesday, August 2nd along with Public Safety National Night Out with the City of Stockbridge Police Department, Food Truck Tasty Tuesday resumes August 9th, August 16th, August 23rd and August 30th, each day from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. Come out and enjoy great food and family fun!
- City of Stockbridge Centennial Celebration, Sunday, August 7th from 6:30pm – 10:00pm at the Stockbridge Amphitheater. This is a FREE Community Event.
- The City of Stockbridge will host its next Annexation Town Hall Meeting on Monday, August 15th at 6:30 p.m. at Global Impact Christian Ministries 125 Red Oak Road Stockbridge, GA. Come out and learn the facts about the Annexation Referendum, Neighborhoods in the proposed area, benefits of Stockbridge Annexation and proposed council districts.
- Main Street Movie on the City Hall Lawn will be viewed on Friday, August 19th featuring (Spiderman). The fun starts at 7:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets!

- Here is your opportunity to *Meet the Mayor*, and voice your questions and/or concerns Monday, August 22nd from 10 a.m. to noon (In-Person). Please contact Rosalynd Rawls to schedule an appointment. 770-389-7900 ext. 248.

UPCOMING CONCERTS

- Rick Springfield and Men at Work - Saturday, August 6th
- Fantasia and Johnny Gill – Saturday, August 13th SOLD OUT
- Fantasia and Johnny Gill 2nd Show – Sunday, August 14th
- Ladies Night Out Ft. 112, Blackstreet, Next and Ginuwine, Saturday, August 20th
- Justin Moore w/Spencer Crandall, Saturday, August 27th

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Exemptions from the Georgia Open Meetings Act)

Motion to convene Executive Session for Real Estate, Personnel, and Litigation
Gantt/Blount Passed 5-0

Motion to adjourn Executive Session Alexander/Gantt Passed 5-0

Motion to reconvene the Work Session Meeting Alexander/Gantt Passed 5-0

Motion to adjourn Gantt/Alexander Passed 5-0.