



ACTION MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015 6:00 PM

Mayor & City Council

Tim L. Thompson, Mayor
Alphonso Thomas, Mayor Pro Tem
Robin Buschman, Councilwoman
Anthony S. Ford, Councilman
LaKeisha Gantt, Councilwoman
Regina Lewis Ward, Councilwoman

Administration

Michael Harris, City Manager
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
Randi Rainey, Deputy City Clerk
Michael Williams, City Attorney

INVOCATION BY PASTOR TERRENCE GATTIS, MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA MADE BY: GANTT
SECOND: FORD
VOTE: 5/0**

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF 4/23/15, 6/9/15 MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: GANTT
VOTE: 4-0-1 (BUSCHMAN ABSTAINED)**

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF 6/8/15, 6/22/15, 6/23/15, 6/24/15 MADE BY:
BUSCHMAN
SECOND: FORD
VOTE: 5/0**

PRESENTATIONS

Councilman Anthony S. Ford made partnership presentation to Pastor Cecilia L. Green of the Stockbridge High School Football Booster Club in the amount of \$500.00

Mayor Pro Tem Thomas placed City of Stockbridge pins on community religious leaders as a symbol of dedication and service to the community.

OLD BUSINESS**Item #1 – Item for Council Consideration - Annual Short-Term Work Program and Capital Improvements Element Annual Update**

Presented by: Dale Hall, Administration & Community Services Director

MOTION TO APPROVE MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: BUSCHMAN
VOTE: 5/0

NEW BUSINESS**PUBLIC HEARING****Item #2 – Conditional Use Request**

Presented by: Henry County Planning & Zoning

Case Number: CU-15-08-S

Applicant: Zhu ZR Chao & Li Quang Mark X of Stockbridge, GA request a conditional use for property located at 1961 Highway 42 North in Land Lot 34 of the 7th District. The property consists of 0.04 +/- acres, and the request is for a church expansion in the C-2 (General Commercial) zoning district.

MOTION TO APPROVE MADE BY: BUSCHMAN
SECOND: FORD
VOTE: 5/0

PUBLIC HEARING**Item #3 – Variance Request**

Presented by: Henry County Planning & Zoning

Case Number: VR-15-05-S

Applicant: Zhu ZR Chao & Li Quang Mark X of Stockbridge, GA request a variance from Section 3-7-212 to reduce the minimum number of parking spaces for a shopping center from ninety three (93) to seventy three (73)

Location: Eagle's East Commercial Condominium Development

1945-1965 Highway 42 North Land Lot 34 of the 7th District Lot size 2.6 +/- acres

Parcel ID: 071K-01-001-947; 071K-01-001-949; 071K-01-001-951; 071K-01-001-953;
 071K-01-001-955; 071K-01-001-957; 071K-01-001-959; 071K-01-001-961; 071K-01-001-963; 071K-01-001-965

MOTION TO APPROVE WITH (4) FOURD ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACES MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: 4-1-0 (LEWIS WARD OPPOSED)

Item #4 – Item for Council Consideration – City's Cleaning Services

Presented by: Dale Hall, Administration & Community Services Director

MOTION TO APPROVE ICS, INC. \$82,000 ANNUALLY MADE BY: BUSCHMAN
SECOND: GANTT
VOTE: 4/0 (LEWIS WARD WAS NOT PRESENT ON THE DAIS FOR THIS VOTE)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All persons wishing to speak for public comment must sign in with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. You must sign your name, address, and phone number. You will be able to address the Mayor and Council for three (3) minutes.

Mr. Dan Vallish- Barley & Vine made request to amend Ordinance regarding Growlers.

Mr. Wendell Moore referenced debris getting into storm drains after the City cuts grass or uses chipper.

Mr. Leonard Yancey thanked Mayor Pro Tem Thomas, Michael Harris and Dale Hall for addressing the noise nuisance issue and noted he would submit an ORR regarding fines.

Mr. Jonas Ho referenced his compliance with the Code Enforcement request regarding LED lighting and noted he would submit an ORR regarding citations issued.

Mr. George Espada made asked for a copy of the investigation report of Mayor Thompson and reference transparency.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Michael Harris - **None**

COUNCIL'S COMMENTS

Councilwoman Buschman

Public Works Committee 2nd Qtr. Update – **While there were no committee meetings in the 2nd quarter, there was a Town Hall regarding Sanitation services; next meeting is being held on Wednesday, August 12th. 7pm; School is in – watch for buses and keep kids safe.**

Councilwoman Lewis Ward

Public Safety Committee 2nd Qtr. Update - **In lieu of meeting, partnered with HC Sheriff's Office for Senior Safety Talk (registration is required- must be 60+ of age) on August 21st at 12:30 pm at the MMCC; Upcoming events include Firearm Safety on September 24th at 7pm and an event in October regarding Holiday Safety (more information to follow)**

Mayor Pro Tem Thomas

Community Relations Committee 2nd Qtr. Update – **emphasized the committee being in partnership with community volunteers and organizations; 2nd quarter included Don't Trash Stockbridge, Memorial March, Stockbridge Stories, and the Back-to-School events and noted that trash in the community was a manmade problem that could be fixed with education and responsibility; applauded Dale Hall for his efforts; noted Town Hall meetings are scheduled with HOA's in the community as issues and problems may differ; invited public to attend Meet & Greet at the MMCC on August 20th at 6:30pm; hears citizens' concerns and will address.**

Councilman Ford

Building Committee 2nd Qtr. Update – Coffee with a Cop series kicked off on Saturday, where the mission is to break down barriers between citizens and police of and will meet at various restaurant locations within the City/Henry each month; the next location will be Bridgeview Diner on Saturday, September 19th from 8:30 – 10:100 am; HVAC issue resolved in the Council Chamber, working on repairs of the City Hall and Municipal Court leaks, using S.P.L.O.S.T. funds for a new public works facility and repairs to the Multiplex (more information to come on that project). Next Bldg. Committee Meeting is September 10, 2015.

Councilwoman Gantt

Finance Committee 2nd Qtr. Update – noted that the 2nd qtr. Financial Report was presented by Treasurer, Linda Nabers at the July 22, 2015 Finance Committee Meeting and the July 28, 2015 Work Session; additionally, the report is available on the City's website. Please email any questions or concerns to Council's email address located on the City's website and agrees with transparency. Councilwoman wants citizens to know that she is open and available and hears their concerns. And thanked everyone for coming out.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Thompson thanked everyone for coming out and noted to those that spoke, their issues and concerns would be addressed.

Mayor Thompson read the following news and announcements:

- Community Relations Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2015 6pm – City Hall Levi Meeting Room – Councilman Alphonso Thomas, Committee Chair.
- Public Works Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2015 7pm – City Hall Levi Meeting Room – Councilwoman Robin Buschman, Committee Chair.
- Main Street Meet & Greet – Thursday, August 20, 2015 6:30pm – Merle Manders Conference Center – Main Street Manager, Kira Harris-Braggs
- Public Safety Committee Meeting – Friday, August 21, 2015 12:30pm – Merle Manders Conference Center – Lunch Provided- Councilwoman Lewis Ward, Committee Chair.
- Lunch and Learn – Series 3 Thursday, August 27, 2015 - City Hall Levi Meeting Room 12:30pm – 2:00pm; sponsored by Councilwoman Regina Lewis Ward

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Exemptions to the Georgia Open Meetings Act) A, E, F, H.

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ITEMS A, E, F, H MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: GANTT
VOTE: 5/0**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: BUSCHMAN
VOTE: 5/0**

**MOTION TO RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: BUSCHMAN
VOTE: 5/0**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT WITH CORRECTION TO ITEM
#6 TO READ CELL PHONE AND TABLET MADE BY: LEWIS WARD
SECOND: FORD
VOTE: 5/0**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY: FORD
SECOND: GANTT
VOTE: 5/0**