

CITY OF STATESBORO Council Minutes March 18, 2014

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on March 18, 2014 at 5:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan J. Moore, Council Members: Will Britt, Phil Boyum, John Riggs, Gary Lewis and Travis Chance. Also present were City Manager Frank Parker, City Clerk Sue Starling, City Attorney Alvin Leaphart, City Engineer Robert Cheshire and Director of Community Development Mandi Cody as well as Development Project Manager Cindy Steinman

The Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Moore. The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Councilman Phil Boyum

Recognitions/Public Presentations

A) Recognition of the promotions for Lieutenant Brad Bouchillon, Lieutenant Andrew Farrar, Lieutenant Rabon Hutchinson and Division Chief Bobby Duggar

Mayor Moore recognized the promotions that were given within the Statesboro Fire Department.

B) Representatives from Keep Bulloch Beautiful will give a presentation on the upcoming Children's Water Festival

Kelly Collingsworth, Dr. Marie Wall and Elizabeth Lippincott updated Council on the festivities that would be held at the Children's Water Festival as well as the experience of being a part of an event that would be fun and educational for children.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of Minutes
 - a) 03-04-2014 Council Work Session Minutes
 - b) 03-04-2014 Council Meeting Minutes
 - c) 03-04-2014 Council Executive Session Minutes

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve the second reading of <u>Ordinance 2014-01</u>: An Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of Chapter 6 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) (Drive-Thru Sales).

Councilman Chance read an e-mail that he received stating the citizen was against a drive-thru window for alcohol sales. Mayor Moore asked for a motion. Hearing no motion, Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt asked for the item to be brought back up under other business for further discussion.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to approve the following:

A) <u>APPLICATION # RZ 14-02-01:</u> Dennis Rhodes dba Coley Homes requests a zoning map amendment from R20 (Single-Family Residential) District to R4 (High Density Residential) for property located at 444 South College Street. (Tax Parcel Number S21000011000)

Development Project Manager Cindy Steinman presented the request to Council. Director of Community Development Mandi Cody answered questions that were asked by Council. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt stated without seeing the construction plans he had concerns regarding the request. John Dotson representing Maxwell Reddick Inc. and Dennis Rhodes spoke in support of the request. Mr. Rhodes stated the new construction would match the existing buildings. Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to table the item until the next Council meeting. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

B) <u>APPLICATION # RZ 14-02-02:</u> TI-Gentilly Garden LLC requests a zoning map amendment pursuant to the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance from R15 (Single-Family Residential) & R3 (Medium Density Residential) District to CR (Commercial Retail) District for the property located at 625 Gentilly Road (*Tax* Parcel Number MS73000002000).

Development Project Manager Cindy Steinman presented the request to Council. Director of Community Development Mandi Cody answered questions that were asked by Council. Councilman Boyum made a motion, to include conditions recommended by staff, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve **APPLICATION # RZ 14-02-02:** TI-Gentilly Garden LLC requests a zoning map amendment pursuant to the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance from R15 (Single-Family Residential) & R3 (Medium Density Residential) District to CR (Commercial Retail) District for the property located at 625 Gentilly Road (Tax Parcel Number MS73000002000). Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve <u>Resolution 2014-05</u>: A resolution to approve the supplemental contract for the Gas Portfolio IV project between the City of Statesboro ("Member") and the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia Authorizing the Execution, Delivery and Performance of the Supplemental Contract for the Gas Portfolio Project, and for other purposes."

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve **Resolution 2014-05**: A resolution to approve the supplemental contract for the Gas Portfolio IV project between the City of Statesboro ("Member") and the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia Authorizing the Execution, Delivery and Performance of the Supplemental Contract for the Gas Portfolio Project, and for other purposes." Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Fire Department to seek a grant funding for the replacement of the Fire Safety Education House. This is a 5% match grant for a total amount requested \$64,232. The 5% match will be funded from the Fire Fund at \$3,211.60.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve the motion for the Fire Department to seek a grant funding for the replacement of the Fire Safety Education House. This is a 5% match grant for a total amount requested \$64,232. The 5% match will be funded from the Fire Fund at \$3,211.60. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

Consideration of a motion to approve the retirement of K-9 Bruno from active police services and donation of Bruno to his handler Statesboro Police Corporal Andrew Samples

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the retirement of K-9 Bruno from active police services and donation of Bruno to his handler Statesboro Police Corporal Andrew Samples. Bruno has been replaced by the drug dog named Reo. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

Other Business from City Council

- A) Planning and Development to update Council regarding L&D Produce at Highway 80
- B) Announcement regarding Retail Strategies presentation on March 20

Director of Community Development Mandi Cody updated Council on the progress of the L & D Produce site. Ms. Cody outlined the deadlines that were never met and asked for Council's direction on how to proceed since the business does not have a valid business license. David Gerrald, owner of the business, and Lehman Franklin spoke to Council. They stated they were in the process of getting the permits from GDOT. Mr. Franklin stated that GDOT has tentatively approved the permit. Mr. Gerrald stated the drive way cut has to be approved before the rest of the construction can begin. Councilman Chance made a motion for the completion of the project in its entirety to be complete in 120 days from today, including the permit that will supposedly be issued by GDOT for the drive way cut. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gary

Lewis. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

Director of Community Development Mandi Cody announced to Council of the presentation that would be given by the Retail Strategies on Thursday morning at 9:00 am. in the Council Chambers.

The Ordinance 2014-01 was opened for discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt stated there were 27 states that did not allow drive thru alcohol sales. He also stated that citizens have contacted him with concerns and were opposed to the Ordinance being approved. Councilman Riggs also stated that citizens have contacted him with the same concerns and does not want the drive thru window for alcohol sales. Mayor Moore asked for a motion. There was no motion made and no vote taken on Ordinance 2014-01.

Director of Human Resource Jeff Grant announced the State Employment Panel would be held at GSU on March 25th at the Nesmith Lane Building.

City Clerk Sue Starling updated Council on the renewal of an alcohol license. The Ordinance states that an alcohol license can be prorated if the application is after December 31st of the fiscal year.

Public Comments (General): None

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to adjourn. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.