



**CITY OF STATESBORO
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
May 06, 2014**

A work session of the Statesboro City Council was held on November 18th, 2014 at 4:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan Moore; Council Members: John Riggs and Gary Lewis. Also present was City Clerk Sue Starling, City Attorney Alvin Leaphart. Also present was City staff as well as other citizens.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Moore. The following items were presented and discussed.

1. Presentation by the South Main Street Revitalization Committee

Keely Fennell, Allen Muldrew, Bob Mikell and Brian Davis representing the South Main Street revitalization committee spoke on the progress of the South Main Street project also known as “The Blue Mile”. In order to make the South Main corridor appealing, they visited many other cities to get a starting model. The suggestion is to model South Main Street after Greenville, South Carolina. Mr. Muldrew presented a map of the boundaries for the South Main Street project which will need to be approved by City Council by December 31, 2014. If the approval comes after the first of 2015 any improvement that would be captured in the TAD would be lost

Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Goals for Budgeting

1. Goal: To actively engage and maintain transparency with the citizens of Statesboro.
2. Goal: To provide efficient and effective services that will positively impact the quality of life for residents and business owners.
3. Goal: To develop and sustain economic development and investment in the community.
4. Goal: To be proactive in the planning and development of critical infrastructure necessary for managed growth
5. Goal: To work effectively with other local, state and federal agencies to benefit the citizenry.

Interim City Manager Robert Cheshire outlined the goals as listed above for the upcoming budget. He asked for any areas that Council would like to include or improve on within the next fiscal year’s budget.

Mayor Moore stated she would like to see more people on draft for their utility bills as well as more traffic efficiency, cohesive designs for the Mall and to look at some residential areas in reference to historical sites.

Interim City Manager Robert Cheshire stated there would be an alcohol work session on December 2nd and a budget work session on December 16th, 2014.

Hearing no other comments, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.