



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 2nd, 2019

Regular Meeting 50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers 9:00 AM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order. Mayor McCollar stated Councilman Jeff Yawn will give the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Councilman Jeff Yawn gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDENCE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Phil Boyum	Councilmember		Absent
Sam Jones	Councilmember	Present	
Jeff Yawn	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Derek Duke	Councilmember	Present	

Other staff present was: City Manager Randy Wetmore, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Sue Starling

3. **Recognitions/Public Presentations**

A) Presentation of Run The `Boro 5K / Holiday Celebration Proceeds to the Statesboro YMCA

Mayor McCollar tabled this item until a later time.

Dr. Melton and Dr. Ryan, Georgia Southern University, updated Mayor and Council on the progress and improvements of the City gym as they move forward to implements incentives for City employees.

4. **Public Comments (Agenda Item):** None

5. **Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda**

A) Approval of Minutes

a) 12-04-2018 Council Minutes

B) Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2019-01: A Resolution to Fix and Publish Qualifying Fees for the City of Statesboro November 5, 2019 General Election.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda in its entirety as written.

RESULT:

Approved (Unanimous)

MOVER:

Councilman Jeff Yawn

SECONDER:

Councilman John Riggs

AYES:

Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke

ABSENT:

Phil Boyum

6. **Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-11- 01: Habitat for Humanity of Bulloch County requests a variance from Article IV, Section 403(A) to reduce the minimum lot size requirements for property to be considered for the R-20 (Single Family Residential) zoning district in order to develop a single family residence on 0.33 acres located at 7 Jef Road (Tax Parcel S24 000004 000).**

A motion was made to open the floor to the public and/or comments.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

Cathy Jenkins spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Derek Duke
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

A motion was made to approve **Application V-18-11-01**

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Derek Duke
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

7. **Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve:** APPLICATION V 18-11-02 : Milen Nikolov requests a variance from Article XV, Section 1509, Table 6 to increase the maximum height allowed for wall signage in the Commercial Business District in order to place signage on the currently operating Farmer's Insurance storefront located at 45 East Main Street (Tax Parcel S28 000034 000).

A motion was made to open the floor to the public and/or comments.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Sam Jones
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

Milen Nikolov spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones. Yawn. Riggs. Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-02

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

8. **Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-11-03 : Annlyn Williams requests a conditional use variance from Article IV of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance for 0.81 acres of property located at 208 Aldred Hills Road to utilize the property as a community living arrangement facility (Tax Parcel S14 000063 000).**

A motion was made to open the floor to the public and/or comments.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

Annlyn Williams spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

A motion was made to approve **Application V-18-11-03**

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Sam Jones
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

9. **Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve:** APPLICATION V 18-11-04: El Larry Dixon IV requests a variance from Article X, Section 1003(A) to reduce the minimum lot size requirements for property to be considered for the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district in order to renovate an existing commercial building into a fresh seafood market and light convenience store on 0.16 acres of property located at 323 Johnson Street (Tax Parcel S11 000011 000).

A motion was made to open the floor to the public and/or comments on Application V-11-18-04, V-11-18-05, V-11-18-06, V-11-18-07, V-11-18-08.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

El Larry Dixon spoke in favor of the request.
No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-04 with staff recommendations

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman Sam Jones
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

10. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION RZ 18-11-05 : El Larry Dixon IV requests a zoning map amendment of 0.16 acres located at 323 Johnson Street from R-8 (Single Family Residential) to the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district in order to renovate an existing commercial building into a fresh seafood market and light convenience store (Tax Parcel S11 000011 000).

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-05.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Sam Jones
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

11. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-11-06 : El Larry Dixon IV requests a variance from Article XXIII, Section 2301 regarding the required left side yard landscape buffer between non-residential uses abutting a residentially zoned area and multi-family residences adjacent to single-family or two-family residences for 0.16 acres located at 323 Johnson Street (Tax Parcel S11 000011 000).

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-06.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman Sam Jones
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

12. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-11-07 : El Larry Dixon IV requests a variance from Article XXIII, Section 2301 regarding the required right side yard landscape buffer between non-residential uses abutting a residentially zoned area and multi-family residences adjacent to single-family or two-family residences for 0.16 acres located at 323 Johnson Street (Tax Parcel S11 000011 000).

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-07.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Sam Jones
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

13. **Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-11-08 : El Larry Dixon IV requests a variance from Article XXIII, Section 2301 regarding the required right side yard landscape buffer between non-residential uses abutting a residentially zoned area and multi-family residences adjacent to single-family or two-family residences for 0.16 acres located at 323 Johnson Street (Tax Parcel S11 000011 000).**

A motion was made to approve Application V-18-11-08.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Sam Jones
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

14. **Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2019-02: A Resolution to appoint Russell Rosengart to the Statesboro Planning Commission for a four year term.**
15. **Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2019-03: A Resolution to appoint Sean Fox to the Statesboro Planning Commission for a four year term.**

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2018-02 and Resolution 2018-03.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

16. **Consideration of a Motion to Approve Award of Contract to Parker Engineering for Professional Services for Installation of Sidewalk along West Jones Avenue. Funding is provided by TSPLOST funds.**

A motion was made to approve award of contract to Parker Engineering.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

17. Consideration of a Motion to Approve Award of Contract to Parker Engineering for Professional Services for Installation of Sidewalk along Gentilly Road. Funding is provided by TSPLOST funds.

A motion was made to approve award of contract to Parker Engineering.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Sam Jones
SECONDER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

18. Consideration of a Motion to Approve Award of Contract to Parker Engineering for Professional Services for Installation of Sidewalk along Herty Drive and South Edgewood Drive and Installation of a Pedestrian Bridge along the trail in Edgewood Park. Funding is provided by TSPLOST funds.

A motion was made to approve award of contract to Parker Engineering.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

19. Consideration of a Motion to Approve Award of Contract to Maxwell-Reddick and Associates for Professional Services for Installation of Sidewalk and Roadway Improvements along East Main Street and Packinghouse Road. Funding is provided by TSPLOST funds.

A motion was made to approve award of contract to Maxwell-Reddick and Associates.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Derek Duke
SECONDER:	Councilman John Riggs
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

20. Consideration of a Motion to Approve Award of Contract to Maxwell-Reddick and Associates for Professional Services for Roadway and Intersection Improvements along Stillwell Street. Funding is provided by TSPLOST funds.

A motion was made to approve award of contract to Maxwell-Reddick and Associates.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman Jeff Yawn
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

21. Consideration of a Motion to approve a contract between the City of Statesboro and Joe Tanner and Associates.

A motion was made to table this item until the January 15th, 2019 Council meeting.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

22. Other Business from City Council

Mayor McCollar stated the next Council meeting will be held January 15th 2019 at the Nesmith Lane Conference Center on the Georgia Southern University Campus at 5:30 pm.

23. City Managers Comments

City Manager Randy Wetmore stated the TSPLOST funds would be used for the next 4 years as construction continues within the City.

Assistant City Manager Frank Neal stated the public hearings for the Comprehensive Plan have been scheduled for January 28th and 29th.

24. Public Comments (General) None

25. Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters” “Real Estate” and/or “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A 50-14-3(b)

There was no Executive Session held.

26. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the council meeting.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilman John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilman Derek Duke
AYES:	Jones, Yawn, Riggs, Duke
ABSENT:	Phil Boyum

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.