



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2022

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

5:30 PM

1. Call to Order

At 5:40 pm Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

2. Invocation and Pledge

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Phil Boyum	Councilmember	Present Via Zoom	
Paulette Chavers	Councilmember	Present	
Venus Mack	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Absent	
Shari Barr	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	

Other staff present: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Public Information Officer Layne Phillips, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

3. Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

4. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

a) 01-04-2022 Council Minutes

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

5. Public Hearing and Consideration of a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 6 Section 6-23 to regulate the licensure and operation of Package Sales.

A Motion was made to table this item until the first meeting in February.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

6. Public Hearing & Consideration of a Motion to approve application for an alcohol license in accordance with The City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a):

**Mellow Mushroom
1098 Bermuda Run Rd
Statesboro, Ga 30458
Owner: MM Statesboro LLC**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

A motion was made to approve the application for an alcohol license in accordance with The City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a) for:

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

7. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION SE 21-12-01: TBR, LLC requests a Special Exception at a property located in the R-15 (Single-Family Residential) zoning district in order to allow the placement of a hair salon at 106 S Zetterower Ave.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

Hank Meirerhoffer spoke in favor of the request.
 No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to approve close the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chaves
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

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MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

8. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION SE 21-12-02: Shaynen Anderson requests a Special Exception at a property located in the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district in order to place an auto body/mechanic shop at a property located at 216 N Zetterower Ave.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

Shaynen Anderson 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:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

A motion was made to approve APPLICATION SE 21-12-02: a Special Exception at a property located in the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district in order to place an auto body/mechanic shop at a property located at 216 N Zetterower Ave.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

9. Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2022-01: A Resolution requesting approval for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2022-01 approving the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

10. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2022-02: A Resolution approving application of a Community Home Investment Program (CHIP) Grant to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and commitment of matching funds"

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

11. Consideration of a motion to accept the recently awarded grant from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) in the amount of \$116,640 for the purchase of a new shooting simulator and related equipment.

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

12. Consideration of a motion to approve the fourth lease amendment with T-Mobile regarding the Malecki Drive water tower.

A motion was made to approve the fourth lease amendment with T-Mobile regarding the Makecki Drive water tower.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

13. Consideration of a motion to approve the updated contract with South Georgia Family Medicine Associates PC (John Gerguis M.D.) to serve as the Statesboro Fire Department Physician (also referred to as Statesboro Fire Department Medical Director).

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

14. Consideration of a motion to approve Change Order 1 with Y-Delta, Inc. in the amount of \$20,125.00 for Stillwell Street and Zetterower Ave. Intersection improvements project and authorize the Mayor to execute contract document amendments.

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

15. Consideration of a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with North Point Real Estate, Inc. for the extension of water and sewer infrastructure to serve property located on Hwy 67, known as the Rushing Tract.

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RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

16. Other Business from City Council:

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr deferred to City Manager Charles Penny about an upcoming vaccination clinic.

City Manager Charles Penny stated that the City will be hosting a vaccination clinic on Saturday January 29, 2022 from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm at City Hall. The vaccination clinic held on January 8, 2022 vaccinated 75 individuals and as of today we have 19 gift cards left. We are requesting authorization to purchase 100 additional \$50 gift cards for vaccination incentives. The purchase total for the gift cards is \$5,000 and will be funded from ARPA funds.

A motion was made to authorize the City Manager to purchase an additional 100 \$50 gift cards to for vaccination incentives.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

17. City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny stated that last year the City sponsored 3 food drives with the food bank and Don Poe has reached out asking the City sponsoring three food drives in 2022. The cost for each food drive is \$1,500.

Mayor McCollar stated he would like to add 2 additional City sponsored food drives for a total of 5 for 2022.

A motion was made to approve the City sponsoring two additional food drives in addition to the three already committed.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

Mr. Penny stated we will come back with an agreement with the Food Bank at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Penny updated Mayor and City Council regarding the census data stating that the Coastal Regional Commission determined there has not been a significant amount of shifting since the previous census which mean there is no need for redistricting.

18. Public Comments (General): None

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

At 6:10 pm a motion was made to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Real Estate” and “Personnel Matters” in accordance with O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b).

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

At 6:32 pm a motion was made to exit Executive Session.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting back to order stating a vote was taken in Executive Session to appoint Dannie Bennett and Mykeal Bennett to the Statesboro Youth Commission.

A Motion was made to appoint Dannie Bennett and Mykeal Bennett to the Statesboro Youth Commission.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

Before adjournment it was stated that a Council Work Session will be held on Thursday January 27, 2022 at 4:00 pm regarding the Package Store Ordinance.

20. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember John Riggs

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.

Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

Leah Harden, City Clerk