



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 19, 2021

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

5:30 PM

Call to Order

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

Invocation and Pledge

Councilmember Shari Barr gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDENCE

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

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

a) **01-05-2021 Council Minutes**

b) **01-05-2021 Executive Session Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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

Second Reading and Consideration of a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-16: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 18, Article XI establishing licensing and operational requirements for mobile food service units.

A Motion was made to approve Ordinance 2020-16 amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinance, Chapter 18, Article XI establishing licensing and operational requirements for mobile food service units.

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

Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04: A Resolution approving application of a Community Home Investment Program (CHIP) Grant to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and commitment of matching funds.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2021-04 approving application of a Community Home Investment Program (CHIP) Grant to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and commitment of matching funds.

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

Other Business from City Council:

Councilmember Shari Barr recognized Mayor Jonathan McCollar and City Manager Charles Penny for working with local health officials in trying to make vaccines available to everyone in Bulloch County. Councilmember Shari Barr also recognized Public Information Officer Layne Phillips for making information available as quickly as possible including places you can be tested and places the vaccine is available. Councilmember Barr also thanks Statesboro for taking this seriously, protecting yourselves and one another.

Councilmember Phil Boyum asked, what is the status on the vaccine information we requested at the last meeting?

City manager Charles Penny stated a request was made to Ted Wynn with emergency management to add the number of persons receiving the vaccine and he is working on making that happen. Mr. Penny shared that on an earlier phone call with DPH so far our state has about 400,000 people that have been vaccinated.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar announced that on January 30th the City of Statesboro is partnering with Feed the Boro for food distribution at Statesboro High School.

City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny updated the Mayor and City Council of the money used from the Utility, Mortgage/Rental and Small Business relief funds.

Mr. Penny stated DPH will start COVID testing at Luetta Moore Park five days a week.

In addition, we are looking for a location, possibly the St. Simmons Island area to hold the City Council Retreat on March 12-13.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar stated on January 4th he tested positive for the Corona Virus and he is extremely fortunate he had very mild symptoms. Even with mild symptoms, this is something you do not want to deal with. So, please Statesboro take every precaution to protect your family protect yourselves. The quickest way back to normalcy is to adhere to the CDC guidelines and continue to listen to the experts in the field.

Public Comments (General): None

Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b).

At 5:51 pm, a motion was made to enter into Executive Session.

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

At 6:22 pm, a motion was made to exit Executive Session.

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

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the regular meeting back to order with no action taken in Executive Session.

A Motion was made to appoint Debbie Vives, Karen Lambi, Lainie Jenkins, Renata Newbill-Jallow, Stacey Grant, Mike Jones, Crecy Robins, Lakesha Hill and LaShai Campbell to the Youth Commission.

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

Mayor Jonathan McCollar stated all other applicants are appointed as ex-officio members.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 pm