# February 7, 2023 9:00 am

- 1. Call to Order by Mayor Jonathan McCollar
- 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Councilmember Venus Mack
- 3. Recognitions/Public Presentations
  - A) Presentation of a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day in the City of Statesboro and recognizing the 30th anniversary of the City's participation in the Tree City USA program.
- 4. Public Comments (Agenda Item):
- 5. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda
  - A) Approval of Minutes
    - a) 01-17-2023 Work Session Minutes
    - b) 01-17-2023 Council Minutes
    - c) 01-17-2023 Executive Session Minutes
- 6. Second Reading and Consideration of a motion to approve <u>Ordinance 2023-01</u>: An Ordinance amending Section 2-85 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Statesboro Business Commission.
- 7. Public Hearing & Consideration of a Motion to approve a Package Distilled Spirits Location Reservation:

GATA Package, LLC DBA GATA Package Tormenta Way Statesboro, Ga 30458

- 8. Consideration of a motion to approve <u>Resolution 2023-03</u>: A Resolution pledging to practice and promote civility in the City of Statesboro.
- 9. Consideration of a motion to approve **Resolution 2023-04**: A Resolution requesting approval to apply for Assistant to Firefighters Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.
- 10. Consideration of a motion to approve **Resolution 2023-05**: A resolution approving acceptance of proceeds of the 2023 Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter grant.

- 11. Consideration of a motion to approve **Resolution 2023-06**: A resolution approving acceptance of grants from the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Creek on the Blue Mile project.
- 12. Consideration of a motion to approve **Resolution 2023-07**: A Resolution establishing the Statesboro Youth Council.
- 13. Consideration of a motion to award the purchase of eleven (11) vehicles to J.C. Lewis Ford of Statesboro, GA at a total not to exceed price of \$463,878.00 with approval to purchase from alternate vendor(s) based on J.C. Lewis Ford unit pricing in the event J.C. Lewis Ford cannot fill all of these vehicle purchases due to lack of available inventory.
- 14. Consideration of a motion to award a contract to D. Lance Souther, Inc. in the amount of \$297,651.65 for the installation of 8000' of 4" and 2" gas main on North Main St. (Lakeview Road) to serve Fernhill Farms Subdivision. To be paid for with Natural Gas Fund Operating Revenue funds.
- 15. Consideration of a motion to approve a contract in the amount of \$906,898.70 with McLendon Enterprises for West Main Street stormwater drainage improvements. This project will be paid by 2018 TSPLOST funds.
- 16. Other Business from City Council
- 17. City Managers Comments
- 18. Public Comments (General)
- 19. 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)
- 20. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

# CITY OF STATESBORO

COUNCIL

Phil Boyum, District 1 Paulette Chavers, District 2 Venus Mack, District 3 John Riggs, District 4 Shari Barr, District 5



Jonathan McCollar, Mayor Charles Penny, City Manager Leah Harden, City Clerk I. Cain Smith, City Attorney

# 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

**To:** Charles Penny, City Manager

Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

**From:** John Washington, Public Works / Engineering Director

Date: January 5th, 2023

**RE:** Arbor Day Proclamation and Tree City USA Recognition

#### **Recommendation:**

The Statesboro Tree Board requests two items on the February 7th, 2023 city council meeting agenda for a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day 2023 in the City of Statesboro and recognition of the City of Statesboro's participation in the Tree City USA program. Tree Board Chairman, Wesley Parker, has requested that members of the Tree Board accept the proclamation. The Georgia Forestry Urban Forester, Robert Seamans, will present the Tree Board with a Tree City USA flag at the scheduled Arbor Day event at GreenFest during the Arbor Day Tree Ceremony planting.

# Attachments:

Arbor Day Proclamation

# A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF STATESBORO, GEORGIA

# **ARBOR DAY**

- WHEREAS, In 1872, J Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and
- WHEREAS, The holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and
- WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and
- WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our topsoil by wind and water, lower our heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, and
- WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and
- WHEREAS, trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and
- WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,
- NOW THEREFORE, I, Jonathan McCollar, Mayor of the City of Statesboro, do hereby proclaim February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as

# **ARBOR DAY**

in the City of Statesboro, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant and care for trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Dated this 7th day of February in the Year 2023

Jonathan McCollar, Mayor



# CITY OF STATESBORO WORK SESSION MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2023

Mayor & Council Work Session

50 East Main Street

3:30 PM

A Work Session of the Statesboro City Council was held on January 17, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 50 East Main Street. Present was Mayor Jonathan McCollar; Council Members: Phil Boyum, Paulette Chavers, Venus Mack, John Riggs, and Shari Barr. Also present was City Clerk Leah Harden, City Attorney Cain Smith, City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Assistant to the City Manager Olympia Gaines and Public Information Officer Layne Phillips.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

City Manager Charles Penny apologized for the mix up today as we had hoped to have the transit vehicles here at 3:30 for you to see and tour. However CRC was unable to get them here for us today so we will plan that for a future work session.

#### 1. Art Park Presentation

Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles presented an update on the Art Park located on the corner of East Main Street and Railroad Street. Key features include a large BORO sculpture, integrated sidewalk features like hopscotch, a sundial, large stone accents, and concrete pads for revolving sculpture installations, kiosk with information, wayfinding sign, and gnome garden. The park also has natural concrete, decomposed granite, bleached river rock and colored recycled plastic rock hardscape infill. The Art Park project began in November 2019 with the pursuit of an Art Initiative Grant and a Phase II ESA study and reports. From August 2021- December 2021 a soil analysis and soil remediation was done, coordinating with the railroad. January 2022 began with preparations of construction plans and coordinating with railroad for approval for construction. Site preparation began June 2022 with grading, forming, and pouring of concrete sidewalks. The final stages of completion include recycled plastic and stone infill, landscaping and art installation. The park is slated to be completed by February 2023.

## 2. Transit Update

Director of public works and engineering, John Washington gave the transit update. The buses were delivered to CRC and then there was a recall on the buses. Since then the recall has been taken care of. We are still working on the wraps for the buses GDOT has requirements. Presented a route map, there will be two buses per route. The base start up plan will begin with free ridership for the first six months and a \$2.00 fare after those first six months. The buses will run Monday – Friday 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. Each route has a 40 minute round-trip travel time with an option of a 24 hour advance notice for pick up. The first year of operation is being funded by the CARES Act funding.

Councilmember Paulette Chavers asked if there was a stop on Johnson Street on one of the routes. John Washington stated not at this time, the routes were created from a study that was done when the transit process began a couple years ago. After some discussion direction was given to reroute one of the routes in order to have a stop on Johnson Street. Direction was also given to charge \$1.00 from day one instead of free ridership for six months.

## 3. Subdivision/Zoning Ordinance Update

Director of Planning and Development Kathy field gave an update to the City of Statesboro Unified Development Code. The technical chapter is complete and is under review by Public Works. The formatting that we agreed upon is 100% completed whereas the Introduction is 80% completed. The zoning portion of the code includes, Introduction & General Provisions, Uses and specific use standards, and administrative and procedures are which are 80% complete. The zoning districts portion is 50% complete and is working on Blue Mile overlay, new districts, consolidated R-Districts, and mixed use districts. The nonconformities section is 70% completed and the Generally Applicable Regulations section is 65%

completed. The subdivision portion of the code the introduction is complete, the design & construction standards are under review by public works and we are working on Minor Subdivisions and Administration & Procedures. Section II, Zoning Districts is 50% completed. On the Environment section of code the introduction needs to be done, there will be no changes to the noise portion. Drainage is 90% complete and soil erosion, sedimentation is awaiting diagnostic feedback before updating. Flood damage, Stormwater, and Vegetation are all awaiting feedback from Public Works. The glossary is 60% completed. Supporting code updates are needed as well and includes Cable Communications, Cemeteries, Solid Waste, Street, Sidewalks, Public Areas, Traffic & Vehicles, and Utilities. From now until March staff will review the draft sections as they are completed. The first public draft will be available sometime in March. The first Public Hearing will be held in April with a final Public Hearing being held in May or June.

#### 4. Annexation

City Attorney Cain Smith stated there are four annexation methods of real property into the corporate limits of the city. The first method is by 100% annexation, which is the exclusive manner in which the City of Statesboro currently annexes property. The second method is the 60% method which means that at least 60% of the elector's resident in the area and at least 60% of the owners of the land area, by acreage consent to annexation. This method is not currently used in the City of Statesboro but is common throughout the state. The third method is by Resolution and Referendum allowed for under O.C.G.A. 36-36-50 et seq. The fourth method is by a local act by the General Assembly. Annexations or deannexations which would create an unincorporated island are prohibited. In addition, noncontiguous annexation is barred absent a local act by the state legislature or an agreement between the city and county. All property annexed into the city has a default zoning of R-40 until a zoning map amendment is approved. Proposed zoning map amendments go before the Planning Commission for study and recommendation. The question of annexation if not in the purview of the Planning Commission. The planning Commission recommendation and report are then submitted to Council and shall be of an advisory and non-binding nature. As for site plans, site plans submitted for PUD zoning map amendment shall be binding. Any other zoning map amendments presented site plans are conceptual only and should not be considered binding upon the applicant or any future owner of the subject property. Zoning map amendments should focus solely on the appropriate zoning classification of the property without regard to specific site plans or concepts.

# 5. Development Authority Presentation

Benji Thompson with the Development Authority of Bulloch County reviewed with Mayor and Council the things the Development Authority has going on. Mr. Thompson began with the Authority's mission which is "to expand economic opportunities in the Statesboro-Bulloch County area by growing, attracting, developing, and supporting new and existing business in our community." The development authority is a statutory authority consisted of seven board members appointed by the Bulloch County Commissioners who serve four year terms. We spend most of our time pursuing traditional economic development, large business recruitment traditionally manufacturing and distribution. Mr. Thompson presented a map of Gateway, I began back in early 1990's with the Walmart Distribution Center, being the first to develop there. Next came Briggs and Stratton and Viracon. After that we had a period of twelve years with no new manufacturing business coming to this community. We did not stop working, economic development takes time and is evolving and based on things that are outside our control. However you can't wait for the next thing to come and not prepare for it. So, in 2003 began Phase II with Great Dane Trailers, and WL Plastics.

In 2010 the Development Authority purchased what is now the Bruce Yawn Commerce Park consisting of 204 acres located at I-16 and 301. We worked to prepare the area for development, extending City water, sewer, and gas to service the area. Utilities are critical for new prospectors looking. For the next twelve years we hit this area hard preparing it for development. We had many prospects look at this site and in 2015 Aspen Aerogels came to us to look at it. We were competing with places around the world. Economic development is an elimination game, you stay in the game until the end. We ended up being chosen as Georgia site for Aspen. At the time it was a \$70 million investment and 106 jobs with a \$50,000 average salary. However we ended up losing that project because the market wasn't right. In the fall of 2021 it was rumored they were looking for more manufacturing capacity so we reached out letting them know we would love to have them back. In late February 2021we heard back that they were very interested in Statesboro. This time the investment is \$325 million and 250 jobs with an average annual salary of \$62,000. Mr. Thompson showed photos of the Aspen facility under construction.

In 2014 there was a Savannah Joint Development Authority created that includes Chatham, Bryan, Effingham, and Bulloch counties. The Joint Authority combines resources to attract and facilitate regionally significant projects. Bryan County had an industrial site that was perfectly situated for a very large project. After years of hard work in May of 2022 was the announcement of Hyundai coming to the mega site. The project is a \$5.54 billion commitment with 8,100 jobs and approximately \$1 billion in investment from suppliers. Construction began almost immediately and they are planning

on starting production of vehicles in January 2025. This site will be Hyundai's major electric vehicle plant in North America. An example of how things bring things, ReValyu a German company will start their first US production plant here. In addition Ecoplastics which is a large Hyundai supplier is coming; both projects will bring an additional 1407 jobs with \$897 million in capital investments. The Joint Development Authority is working on addressing the issues of workforce, housing, and roads. They have hired a workforce director who will work with all four of the counties to help us.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.



# CITY OF STATESBORO COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2023

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

5:30 PM

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

## 2. Invocation and Pledge

Councilmember Paulette Chavers 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	Councilmember	Present	
Venus Mack	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
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. Recognitions/Public Presentations:

A) Presentation of a retirement award to Allan Washington (Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator) who is retiring effective February 1, 2023, after 32 years of service.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar presented a retirement award to Allan Washington, after 32 years of service to the City of Statesboro at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

B) Presentation of an award to the City of Statesboro for the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing received from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar presented an award to the Planning and Development Department for the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing that was received from the Department of Community Affairs.

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

- 5. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda
  - A) Approval of Minutes
    - a) 12-20-2022 Work Session Minutes
    - **b) 12-20-2022 Council Minutes**
    - c) 12-20-2022 Executive Session Minutes
  - B) Consideration of a motion to approve <u>Resolution 2023-01</u>: A Resolution to fix and publish qualifying fees for the City of Statesboro November 7, 2023 General Election.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

6. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: <u>APPLICATION RZ 22-10-03</u>: Domenic Spencer requests a Zoning Map Amendment from the R15/HOC (Single-Family Residential/Highway Oriented Commercial) zoning districts to the R-4 (High-Density Residential) zoning district at 506 W Miller Street.

A Motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

George Tullos with Pivotal Housing Partners spoke in favor of the request. No one spoke against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

A Motion was made to approve <u>APPLICATION RZ 22-10-03</u>: a Zoning Map Amendment from the R15/HOC (Single-Family Residential/Highway Oriented Commercial) zoning districts to the R-4 (High-Density Residential) zoning district at 506 W Miller Street.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

7. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: <u>APPLICATION AN 22-12-01</u>: Lehman Franklin requests Annexation of a property adjacent to Beasley Road in order to develop a single-family attached subdivision on approximately 41 acres.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

City Manager Charles Penny stated it has been the practice in Statesboro that annexation requests along with a request for a rezone of said property would go before the Planning Commission. Annexations going before the Planning Commission are not a legal requirement. It is recommended that annexations be considered by Mayor and Council separately. If after the annexation is complete and a rezone it desired the request would go before the Planning Commission to look at the zoning request. Mr. Penny stated in the future city staff will review requests for annexation and bring recommendations directly to City Council.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar stated the Planning Commission is not the right space to consider annexations and it puts them is a bad position considering such issues. People have elected us to be responsible for annexation projects for the city.

Councilmember Phil Boyum asked why it is the practice that it goes to the Planning Commission now.

City Manager Charles Penny stated it's just been done that way. When we deal with voluntary annexations, typically they are not controversial. What has also been the practice is when developers and/or owners want to annex a property it is normally tied to some sort of project which would have a recommendation of a rezone. We cannot rezone property that is not inside the city. A property owner takes a risk annexing inside the city, which is the risk they take that it becomes a part of the city and then once it's inside the city then it's simply sent back to the Planning Commission for zoning.

Joey Maxwell with Maxwell Reddick & Associates representing the property owner spoke in favor of the request. Marcus Toole spoke in favor of the request.

Raybon Anderson spoke against the annexation request and the proposed development of the land.

Susan Riley spoke on behalf of a core group of neighbors to the property against the annexation request objecting to the subsequent rezone from R-40 to R-2 for the proposed development. The main concerns are the rental units, the density, and the potential for public safety issues.

Sarah Thompson stated she is a neighbor to the property as well and spoke against the annexation request stating she is here as an advocate to defend life, liberty, and property and stated this proposal may seek to harm community stakeholders.

Bo Davis spoke against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

Councilmember John Riggs stated he does not understand why a site plan and a rezoning request was not presented along with the annexation.

Councilmember Venus Mack stated she agrees with the annexation and that developers could work with the neighbors in the area and the City to create a development everybody would be happy with.

Councilmember Phil Boyum stated that a rezone has to go through a public hearing process before consideration. Secondly if a property owner wants to annex into the City that is their right.

City Manager Charles Penny stated in order for the cities to grow and to thrive they need to grow and that is done through annexation. From a professional standpoint we recommend annexation. The property will be privately developed and any water or sewer extended to this property would be paid for by the developer.

A Motion was made to approve <u>APPLICATION AN 22-12-01</u>: Lehman Franklin requests Annexation of a property adjacent to Beasley Road in order to develop a single-family attached subdivision on approximately 41 acres.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved 4-1
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
NAYS:	Councilmember John Riggs

8. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: <u>APPLICATION SE 22-12-03</u>: Branchwater Statesboro LLC, requests a Special Exception in order to allow for an automobile service operator on property zoned CR (Commercial Retail) on US Highway 80 East.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember John Riggs
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Steve Rushing a local attorney representing the applicant spoke in favor of the request. No one spoke against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr stated her concerns with special exceptions because the way it is worded it applies to the whole property.

A Motion was made to approve <u>APPLICATION SE 22-12-03</u>: a Special Exception in order to allow for an automobile service operator on property zoned CR (Commercial Retail) on US Highway 80 East with an additional condition that only 1 non-compliant business can be on the 6.3 acres.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved 4-1
MOVER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs
NAYS:	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr

9. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: <u>APPLICATION RZ 22-12-04</u>: CFN Rentals requests a Zoning Map Amendment in order to amend a PUD (Planned Unit Development), and add an additional unit on a property located at Grove Circle/Stockyard Road.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Joey Maxwell spoke in favor of the request. No one spoke against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

A Motion was made to approve <u>APPLICATION RZ 22-12-04</u>: CFN Rentals requests a Zoning Map Amendment in order to amend a PUD (Planned Unit Development), and add an additional unit on a property located at Grove Circle/Stockyard Road.

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

10. Public Hearing and First Reading of <u>Ordinance 2023-01</u>: An Ordinance amending Section 2-85 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Statesboro Business Commission.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

No one spoke for or against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A Motion was made to approve the First Reading of <u>Ordinance 2023-01</u>: An Ordinance amending Section 2-85 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Statesboro Business Commission.

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

11. Consideration of a motion to approve <u>Resolution 2023-02</u>: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Lighting Agreement for the South Main/Fair Road Roundabout Project.

A motion was made to approve <u>Resolution 2023-02</u>: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Lighting Agreement for the South Main/Fair Road Roundabout Project.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

12. Consideration of a motion to approve the acceptance of a recently awarded grant from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of Naloxone (Narcan).

A motion was made to approve the acceptance of a recently awarded grant from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of Naloxone (Narcan).

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

13. Consideration of a motion to approve a Water/Sewer Agreement for HS Bulloch Holdings LLC for 39.05 acres located at 712 Elmer Phillips Drive, and fronting HWY 67 (Tax Parcel Numbers 093 000036 000 and 108 000018 000).

A motion was made to approve a Water/Sewer Agreement for HS Bulloch Holdings LLC for 39.05 acres located at 712 Elmer Phillips Drive, and fronting HWY 67 (Tax Parcel Numbers 093 000036 000 and 108 000018 000).

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

14. Consideration of a motion to approve Task Order #7 of Stormwater Master Planning in the amount of \$131,250.00 with Goodwyn, Mills, and Cawood (GMC) for stream restoration engineering services. This project will be paid by Section 319(h) grant funds and Stormwater Utility operating revenue funds.

A Motion was made to approve Task Order #7 of Stormwater Master Planning in the amount of \$131,250.00 with Goodwyn, Mills, and Cawood (GMC) for stream restoration engineering services. This project will be paid by Section 319(h) grant funds and Stormwater Utility operating revenue funds.

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

15. Consideration of a motion to approve purchase of a new CAT D3 LGP Dozer for the Public Works and Engineering Department, Streets Division in the amount of \$202,602.00 from Yancey Bros. via Sourcewell Contract. Funding will be from the 2019 SPLOST Fund.

A Motion was made to approve purchase of a new CAT D3 LGP Dozer for the Public Works and Engineering Department, Streets Division in the amount of \$202,602.00 from Yancey Bros. via Sourcewell Contract. Funding will be from the 2019 SPLOST Fund.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

## 16. Other Business from City Council: None

### 17. City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny announced the first meeting of the Business Commission will be held on January 26, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers. Mr. Penny also announced the State of the City address will be held on February 28, 2023. In addition at the next work session we will have a presentation from the Statesboro Convention and Visitor Bureau about what they do and to talk about the Hotel/Motel tax.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar introduced two interns that have been assigned to the Mayor's office.

## 18. Public Comments (General):

Marcus Toole with Habitat for Humanity stated their Executive Director Kathy Jenkins reported a pothole to public works on her way to work, when she went home for lunch it had been fixed. So, kudos to our public works department. Mr. Toole also stated the GICH program did so well due to the work done by Justin Williams to make it such a success.

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

At 7:36 pm a motion was made to enter into executive session to discuss "Real Estate".

At 7.50 pin a motion was i	hade to effer into executive session to discuss. Real Estate.	
RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)	
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs	
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack	
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr	
ABSENT		
At 7:53 pm a motion was r	made to exit executive session.	
<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)	
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack	
SECONDER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum	
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr	
ABSENT		
20. Consideration	called the meeting back to order with no action taken in executive session.  n of a Motion to Adjourn	
A motion was made to adjo		
RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)	
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack	
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers	
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr	
ABSENT		
The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.		
	Jonathan McCollar, Mayor	

Leah Harden, City Clerk

# CITY OF STATESBORO

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor Charles Penny, City Manager Leah Harden, City Clerk Cain Smith, City Attorney

# 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: Charles Penny, City Manager and Leah Harden, City Clerk

From: Cain Smith, City Attorney

**Date:** January 30, 2023

RE: February 7, 2023 City Council Agenda Items

**Policy Issue**: Second Reading and consideration of proposed amendment to Section 2-85 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Statesboro Business Commission.

**Recommendation**: N/A

**Background:** Mayor and Council voted to move an amendment expanding commission membership from seven to nine and removing the Chamber of Commerce member nomination option forward to First Reading at the December 20, 2022 meeting. First Reading was conducted and passed on January 17, 2023.

**Budget Impact:** None

Council Person and District: All

**Attachments:** Proposed ordinance revision

#### Ordinance 2023-01:

Sec. 2-85. - Establishment; appointment; terms; compensation; removal.

There is hereby created a board to be known as the Statesboro Business Commission. The Statesboro Business Commission shall consist of seven (7) members who shall be authorized representatives of an entity holding an occupational tax certificate with the City of Statesboro. The initial term of office of four designated members shall be two years with the initial terms of the other three members being one year, beginning on January 1st and ending at the stroke of midnight on December 31st. Successor members shall be appointed by the Mayor and City Council for a term of two years. Statesboro-Bulloch Chamber of Commerce shall have option of recommending to Mayor and Council one qualified person from their membership to one of the one year initial terms and any successive appointments for that position. Vacancies on the Statesboro Business Commission occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled by an interim appointment for the unexpired term by the Mayor and City Council. The Mayor and City Council shall have the authority to remove any member of the Statesboro Business Commission by a majority vote for cause, on written charges, after a public hearing. All members shall serve without compensation.

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# 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: City Manager Charles Penny & City Clerk Leah Harden

From: Taylor Bieber, Tax Coordinator

Date: 01/27/2023

RE: GATA Package

**Policy Issue:** Mayor and Council shall consider a Location Reservation in accordance with City of Statesboro Alcohol Ordinance Chapter 6-13 (a) and 6-23 (h):

**Background:** No new alcoholic beverage license to sell, dispense, pour or offer to sell, dispense or pour any distilled spirits, alcoholic beverages, wine, beer or malt beverages within the corporate limits of the City of Statesboro shall be issued to a new owner or new location until the application has been approved by the mayor and city council after a public hearing.

Consideration of issuance of location reservations shall be before Mayor & City Council and include a public hearing. Issuance of a location reservation shall forestall consideration of other Package Store applicants within 1,000 yards of subject site.

**Recommendation:** Planning & Development, Fire Department, Police Department, and Legal recommended approval

**Budget Impact:** None

Council Person & District: Venus Mack, District 3

**Attachments:** Application & Department Approvals

# Application for License to Sell Alcoholic Beverages City of Statesboro, Georgia

Please be advised that knowingly providing false or misleading information on this document is a felony pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20 which states:

A person who knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact; makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation; or makes or uses any false writing or document, knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of state government or of the government of any county, city, or other political subdivision of this state shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years, or both.

The undersigned applicant hereby applies to the City of Statesboro, Georgia for a license to sell alcoholic beverages within the corporate limits of the City of Statesboro. A non-refundable \$200 application fee must be tendered with the application. (cash, credit card, certified check, or money order made payable to City of Statesboro)

	Date application was received by tax/license office:
1.	Business Trade Name: BATA Peckage LLC PB/A Name
2.	Applicant's Name: GATA Package - Jeff Spencer David Backment Name of partnership, Ilc, corporation, or individual
3.	Business Physical Address: "University Park" Turmenta Way
	States boro GA 30458
4.	Business mailing address: 22 West Main St. Statesboro CA
	30458
5.	Local business phone number: (843)597-8134
	Corporate office phone number:
6.	Name of Manager: David "Michael" Blackmon  Person responsible for alcohol licensing issues
7.	Phone number for manager: (843) 597-8134
8.	Email address for manager: michael@ Vino 1910. com
9.	Address of manager: 28B West Main St. States boro GL 30458
10.	Purpose of application is:
Ne	w Business New Owner

	Previous owner's name:
	If the business name has changed, list previous name:
	If the business address has changed, list the previous address:
11.	Indicate where the business will be located:  Above ground Street or ground floor level
	Section 6-10(D) Any person within the City of Statesboro who works as a bouncer, either as an employee, agent or subcontractor whose responsibilities in an establishment that is licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for onpremises consumption shall have their alcoholic beverage security permit on their person at all times while acting as an employee, agent or subcontractor of the licenses. An alcoholic beverage security permit shall be readily available for inspection upon the request of any Statesboro Police Department Officer, City Code Enforcement Officer, or the City Manager/his designee.
12.	Type of Business:Individual Corporation Partnership LLC
Cor	mplete <b>EITHER</b> numbers 13, 14, and 15 <b>OR</b> 16, 17, and 18 in the section below:
13.	If applicant is an individual: Attach a copy of the trade name affidavit.
	Full Legal Name: Phone #:
	Home Address:
	Have you completed the financial affidavit attached to this application?
14.	If applicant is a partnership, LLC, or LLP: Attach trade name affidavit. If an LLC or LLP, attach a copy of certificate of LLC or LLP as filed with the Clerk of Superior Court and trade name affidavit, a copy of your operating agreement and/or partnership agreement, as well as other documents listed below that establish ownership rights of members or partners.
	Name & address of partnership, LLC, or LLP: GATA Package, LLC
	22 West Main St. Statesboro GA 30458
	Do you have an operating or partnership agreement for the LLC, LLC, or partnership? Yes
	If not, what documents establish the ownership rights of the members/partners?

15.	Members of LLC and/or partners:				
	Full Legal Name: Jeff Andrew Spencer Phone #.				
	Home Address:				
	Full leading to the first				
	Full Legal Name: David "Michael" T3 lackmon Phone #:				
	Home Address:				
	Full Legal Name: Phone #:				
	CHOILE HS				
	Home Address.				
	Has each member/partner completed a financial affidavit to attach to this application?  (Attach additional pages if necessary)  Corporation/Stockholders: All corporate applicants who are corporations shall list the names and addresses of the latest and a				
	all stockholders and the percentage of stock owned by each. If a named stockholder therein is another corporation, the same information shall be given for the Stockholding Corporation. If, during the life of the license, the identity of the stockholders or their percentage of ownership should change, that information shall be sent to the Finance Department.				
. 4	If applicant is a corporation: Attach a copy of the articles of incorporation, trade name affidavit, current annual corporation registration with the Georgia Secretary of State, as well as the bylaws, the shareholders agreement, and other documents listed below that identify ownership rights.				
ſ	Name of Corporation:				
	Home Office address				
1	Mailing address (if different):				
	Date & Place of incorporation:				
E	Do you have a shareholders agreement?				
	f not, what documents establish the ownership rights of the shareholders?				

17.	Officers:				
	Full Legal Name:	Phone #:			
	Home address:				
	Percentage of stock owned:	Office held:			
	Total Local Manager				
		Phone #:			
	Home address:				
		Office held:			
	Full Legal Name:	Phone #:			
	Home address:				
		Office held:			
18.	Stockholders: (if different than officer names)				
	Full Legal Name:	Phone #:			
	Home address:				
	Percentage of stock owned:	Office held:			
	Full Legal Name:	Phone #:			
	Home address:				
	Full Legal Name:	Phone #:			
	Home address:				

\*\*Attach additional pages if necessary\*\*

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	Has each shareholder completed the financial affidavit attached to this application?			
19.	If there is any indi information below	vidual or officer who has resided at his/her current address LESS THAN 5 years, complete the v:		
	Name:	Phone #:		
		Phone #:		
		Phone #:		

Dates lived there:\_\_\_\_\_

20	. Name & address of owner of the property (land & building) where the business will be located:
	"University Park" Tormenta Way, Statesboro GA
	30458
21	. Is the commercial space where the business is to be located rented or leased? Rended Yes
	If yes, state name and address of lessor or landlord, and provide a copy of the lease with this application:
	VSB Development, IIC 2704 Old Register Road
	Statesboro GA 30458
22.	Does any person or firm have any interest in the proposed business as a silent, undisclosed partner or joint venture; or has anyone agreed to split the profits/receipts from the proposed business with any persons, firm company, corporation, or other entity? No
	If yes, provide name of person/firm, address, and amount of percentage of profits or receipts to be split:
23.	Is there anyone connected with this business that is not a legal resident of the United States and at least 21 years of age?
	If anyone connected with this business is not a US Citizen, can they legally be employed in the United States?
	If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper and submit copies of eligibility.
24.	Is there anyone connected with this business that has applied for a beer, wine, and/or liquor license from the City of Statesboro or other city/county in the State of Georgia, or other political subdivision and been denied such?
	If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet of paper.
25.	Is there anyone connected with this business who holds another alcohol license in any retail category or any license under any wholesale category? No
	If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet of paper.
26.	Is there anyone connected with this business that has been convicted within 15 years immediately prior to the filing of this application with any felony or for whom outstanding indictments, accusations, or criminal charges exist charging such individual with any of such offenses and for which no final disposition has occurred?
	If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet of paper

27	Is there anyone connected with this business that has been convicted within 5 years immediately prior to the filing of this application of the violation of any state, federal, or local ordinance pertaining to the manufacture, possession, transportation or sale of malt beverages, wine, or intoxicating liquors, or the taxability there of a crime involving moral turpitude or of a crime involving soliciting for prostitution, pandering, gambling, letting premises for prostitution, keeping a disorderly place, the traffic offense of hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident or any misdemeanor serious traffic offense? No
28	Is there anyone connected with this business that has been convicted for selling alcohol to an under-age person within the last 3 year period? $N_0$ If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet of paper.
29.	Is there anyone connected with this business that is an official or public employee of the City of Statesboro, any State or Federal agency, or whose duties include the regulation or policing of alcoholic beverages or licenses, or any tax collecting activity? 0  If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet of paper.
30.	Have you or the applicant had any vehicles, trailers, or property belonging to you or the company in which you or any of such persons have or had an interest in ever been seized, condemned or forfeited as contraband by the State of Georgia or the United States for the reason the same was being used or intended for the use in criminal activities? No
31.	Will live nude performances or adult entertainment be a part of this business operation? No lf yes, the City of Statesboro Ordinance 6-164 prohibits alcohol in an establishment having adult entertainment.

sec 16-10-20 as provided above which I have read an application for license to sell alcoholic beverages and knowledge and I fully understand that any false infor license issued by the City of Statesboro license. I also	d supporting documents is true and correct to the best of my rmation will cause the denial or revocation of any alcohol
David M. Blackmon  Print full name as signed below	
Signature of applicant Title	1/6/23 Date
Sworn and subscribed before me this	day of 36 w 20 23
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Notary Public  NITA PARAMETER NOTAR DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT	My commission expires

# Calculation of Basic License Fee

For Calendar Year:\_\_\_\_\_

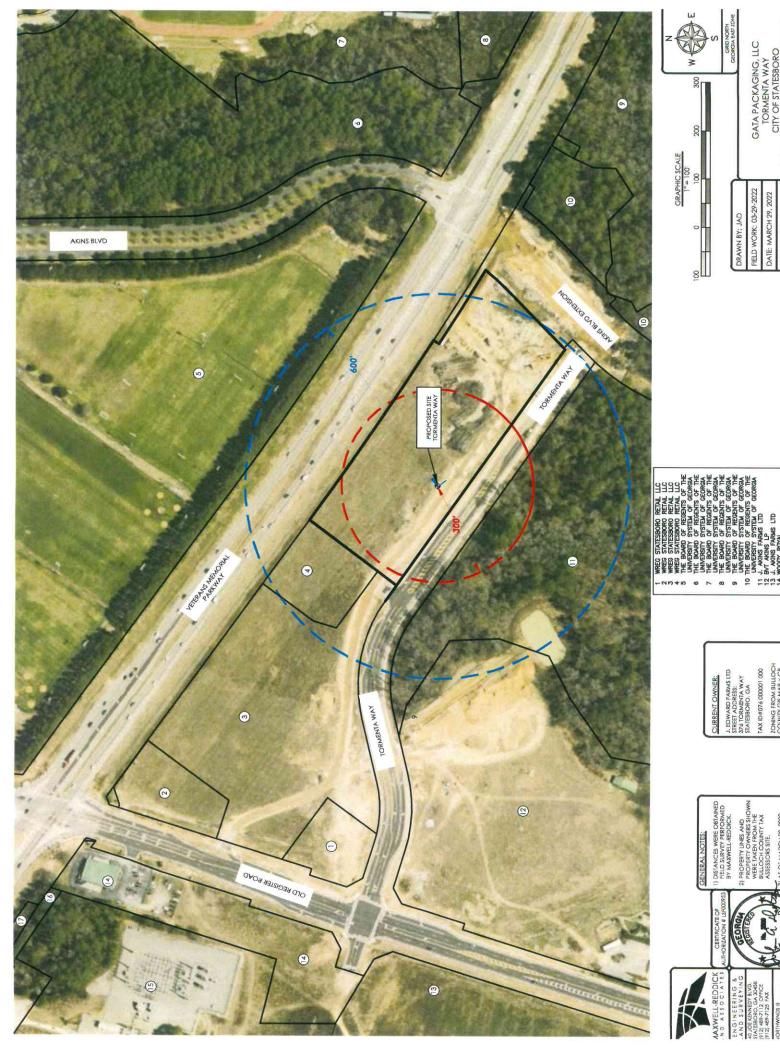
	Classification:	Mark all that apply	License Fee
1.	A. Package Sales (Beer & Wine)		\$1750
	B. Package Sales (Distilled Spirits)		\$5000
	Location Reservation		N/A
2.	On Premise License Types A. Bar		\$4300
	B. Bar with Kitchen		\$4300
	C. Event Venue		\$2500
	D. Low Volume		\$750
	E. Pub		\$5600
	F. Restaurant		\$2800
3.	Caterer		\$200
4.	Brewer, manufacturer of malt beverages only		4470
-			\$1750
5.	Broker		\$1750
6.	Importer		\$1750
7.	Manufacturer of Wine only		\$1750
8.	Sunday Sales Permit		\$300
9.	In Room Service Permit		\$150

Total Due: \$\_\_\_\_

FRONT

GATA PACKAGE LLC 40 FEET

REAR





J. EDWARD FARMS LTD STREET ADDRESS: 376 TORMENTA WAY STATESBORO, GA

ZONING FROM BULLOCH COUNTY GIS MAP = CR TAX ID#076 000001 000

FIELD WORK: 03-29-2022 DATE: MARCH 29, 2022 JOB NO.: 2022-099

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GATA PACKAGING, LLC TORMENTA WAY CITY OF STATESBORO 1209TH G.M.D., BULLOCH COUNTY, GA

# GATA Package (University park on Tormenta Way) Statesboro, Ga 30458

Please enter your recommendations and comments with your full name.

# **Alcohol License Review**

Department Full Name	Recommendation	Comments
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Planning & Development	Jermaine Foster	Approved	All Requirements Met Per Municode Section 6-23 (a) & (f) 01/24/2023
Fire Department			
Police Department	Jared Akins	Approved	
Legal	Cain Smith	Approved	

# CITY OF STATESBORO

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# 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: Charles Penny, City Manager and Leah Harden, City Clerk

From: Cain Smith, City Attorney

Date: February 2, 2023

RE: February 7, 2023 City Council Agenda Items

**Policy Issue**: Consideration of motion to approve Resolution 2023-03 pledging to practice and promote civility within the City of Statesboro's governing body.

**Recommendation**: Approve

**Background:** This resolution is brought forward under the Georgia Municipal Association's Embrace Civility initiative. The purpose of the initiative is to counteract the growing polarization and challenges caused by incivility in society by setting a positive example through the actions of elected officials at public meetings.

**Budget Impact:** None

Council Person and District: All

**Attachments:** Proposed Resolution 2023-03

# RESOLUTION 2023 -03: A RESOLUTION PLEDGING TO PRACTICE AND PROMOTE CIVILITY IN THE CITY OF STATESBORO

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Statesboro (the "Council"), the governing body of the City of Statesboro, Georgia (the "Municipality"), recognizes that robust debate and the right to self-expression, as protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, are fundamental rights and essential components of democratic self-governance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council further recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas and viewpoints is necessary to the health of the community and the quality of governance in the Municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of City Council, as elected representatives of the community and stewards of the public trust, recognize their special role in modeling open, free and vigorous debate while maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council meetings are open to the public and thus how City officials execute their legal duties is on public display; and

**WHEREAS**, civility by City officials in the execution of their legislative duties and responsibilities fosters respect, kindness and thoughtfulness between City officials, avoiding personal ill will which results in actions being directed to issues made in the best interests of residents; and

**WHEREAS**, civility between City officials presents an opportunity to set a positive example of conduct and promotes thoughtful debate and discussion of legislative issues, resulting in better public policy and a more informed electorate while also encouraging civil behavior between residents; and

**WHEREAS,** civility between City officials is possible if each member of the elected body remembers that they represent not only themselves, but the constituents of their district and city; and

WHEREAS, in order to publicly declare its commitment to civil discourse and to express its concern for the common good and well-being of all of its residents, the City Council has determined to adopt this resolution.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

## **SECTION ONE**

The City of Statesboro pledges to practice and promote civility within the governing body as a means of conducting legislative duties and responsibilities.

#### **SECTION TWO**

The elected officials of the City Council enact this civility pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of the City of Statesboro.

#### **SECTION THREE**

This pledge strives to ensure that all communication be open, honest, and transparent as this is vital for cultivating trust and relationships.

#### **SECTION FOUR**

This pledge strives to show courtesy by treating all colleagues, staff and members of the public in a professional and respectful manner whether in-person, online or in written communication, especially when we disagree.

#### **SECTION FIVE**

This pledge strives to ensure mutual respect to achieve municipal goals, recognizing that patience, tolerance and civility are imperative to success and demonstrates the Council's commitment to respect different opinions, by inviting and considering different perspectives, allowing space for ideas to be expressed, debated, opposed, and clarified in a constructive manner.

#### **SECTION SIX**

This pledge demonstrates our commitment against violence and incivility in all their forms whenever and wherever they occur in all our meetings and interactions.

#### **SECTION SEVEN**

The City of Statesboro expects members of the public to be civil in its discussion of matters under consideration by and before the City Council, with elected officials, staff, and each other.

ADOPTED this day of, 20	
 Jonathan McCollar, Mayor	 Shari Barr, Mayor Pro Tem
Phil Boyum, Councilmember	Paulette Chavers, Councilmember
Venus Mack, Councilmember	John Riggs, Councilmember
ATTEST:	
Leah Harden, City Clerk	-



# **Statesboro Fire Department**

Proudly serving the City of Statesboro and surrounding communities since 1905!



# City Council Agenda Memorandum

To: Charles Penny, City Manager

From: Timothy E. Grams, Fire Chief

**Date:** 1-30-2023

**RE:** Submission of Application for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).

**Policy Issue:** NA

**Recommendation:** Allow the Statesboro Fire Department to submit an application for 2022 AFG funding for projects outlined below.

**Background:** Each year the Federal Government invites fire departments from around the country to submit an application to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG). The primary goal of the AFG is to help local fire departments meet their firefighting and emergency response needs, through the awarding of monetary funds to ascertain critically needed equipment protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, programs and other resources. The AFG is a competitive process and it is the Fire Department's desire to submit an application for the two following projects in this grant period. The total for these two projects is \$112,000.00.

- 1) Continuation of the Fire Department Physician Program.
  - This program was awarded in the Department's 2021 AFG Grant in the amount of \$35,000.
  - \$35,000.00 project request.
- 2) Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Cascade System
  - Includes Breathing Air Compressor and SCBA fill station.
  - \$77,000.00 project request.

**Budget Impact:** The relevant stipulations of this grant would be a 10% cost share to be paid by the City. This would equate to \$11,200.00 if the Fire Department were awarded both projects at the total amount of funding requested. Fire Department Staff believe that this cost can be absorbed by the Fire Department's annual budget which would require no additional allocation of funds.



## **Statesboro Fire Department**

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**Council Person and District:** All

**Attachments:** Resolution Requesting Approval to Apply for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).

## RESOLUTION 2023-04: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR THE CITY OF STATESBORO, GEORGIA

THAT WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency announce the availability of Assistance to Firefighter Grant, which may be utilized to aid fire departments with needs associated with fire service delivery within their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency could award the City of Statesboro up to \$112,000.00 with a ten percent (10%) cost share or equivalent in-kind expenditure.

WHERAS, this grant allows the expenditures of the grant funds over a twelve (12) month period and is reimbursed to the funded agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Statesboro, Georgia in regular session assembled this 7<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2023 hereby authorizes the application for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighter Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding will be through the City of Statesboro Fire Department budget for expenditures from this grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute all documents related to the application of said grant.

Adopted this 7<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2023.

CITT OF STATESBOKO, GEORGIA
By: Jonathan M. McCollar, Mayor
Attest: Leah Harden, City Clerk

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor Charles Penny, City Manager Leah Harden, City Clerk Cain Smith, City Attorney

#### 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

**To:** Charles Penny, City Manager

Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

**From:** John Washington – Director - Public Works and Engineering Department

**Date:** January 31, 2023

**RE:** 2022 Georgia Power Company Citizens of Georgia Power Chapter Grant

**Policy Issue:** Purchasing

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff request the Consideration of a Motion for approval to accept proceeds from Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter for the Statesboro Community Garden. The grant award is for \$7,600 with a no match by the City.

#### **Background:**

The Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter Grant is a grant sponsored by the Georgia Power Company to help communities with various projects in their community to provide support for those in need. This grant would allow Keep Statesboro-Bulloch Beautiful (KSBB), City of Statesboro, and City Staff to construct twelve additional raised planting beds in the garden. KSBB seeks volunteers to support and maintain the garden. The grant also provides for 300 hours of volunteers to construct the raised beds with assistance from the Public Works Department.

#### **Budget Impact:**

This grant will not directly impact the general budget. There is no match required.

Council Person or District: District 2, Councilmember Chavers

#### **Attachments:**

Resolution

#### RESOLUTION 2023-05:

### A RESOLUTION APPROVING RECEIPT OF PROCEEDS FROM THE GEORGIA POWER COMPANY GRANT

**THAT WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have found that there is a need to construct a community garden having ample space for setting up raised beds for gardening purposes. The property is close to areas within the community that currently have limited options to provide a garden on their property,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have found that the Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter desires to provide financial and volunteer support to the construction of new raised planting beds in the community garden; and,

**WHEREAS**, Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter will prepare an application to their grant program in order to donate funding that is in the dollar amount of \$7,600 to help purchase materials for the construction of additional raised planting beds; and,

WHEREAS, said funding is available to award to the city of Statesboro in February, 2023; and,

**WHEREAS**, funds are given directly from the Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter and will not directly impact the City of Statesboro's general budget.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and City Council of Statesboro, Georgia as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and City Council hereby accept the award of grant proceeds on behalf of the City of Statesboro for funding from the Georgia Power Company volunteer group Citizens of Georgia Power chapter Grant.

Adopted thisth day of, 2023
STATESBORO, GEORGIA
By: Jonathan McCollar, Mayor
Attest: Leah Harding, City Clerk

#### COUNCIL

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor Charles Penny, City Manager Leah Harden, City Clerk Cain Smith, City Attorney

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To: Charles Penny, City Manager

Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

From: John Washington, Director – Public Works and Engineering

Date: February 1, 2023

RE: Request to Accept Award for Grant Funding for the Creek on the Blue Mile Project

**Policy:** Application for Governor's Office of Planning and Budget Improving Neighborhood Outcomes in Disproportionally Impacted Communities Funding

#### Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of acceptance of award of construction funds from the Georgia Department of Transportation through to Governor's Office of Planning and Budget for Improving Neighborhood Outcomes in Disproportionally Impacted Communities Program for funding support for the Creek on the Blue Mile project (COTBM).

#### **Background:**

Governor's Office of Planning and Budget accepted applications for grant funding to support Improving Neighborhood Outcomes in Disproportionally Impacted Communities by providing an opportunity for local governments to invest in neighborhood features, including parks, recreation facilities, sidewalks, and healthy food access, that can work to improve physical and mental health outcomes. Allowing people access to nature, including parks, has been connected to decreased levels of mortality and illness and increased well-being. Grant awards may be made up to up to \$2,000,000 per project. Development of or improvements/maintenance to parks or recreational facilities are eligible in Qualified Census Tracts (QCT) in Georgia which a majority of the COTBM project is within the Statesboro QCT. The goal of the Project is the development of a linear park along the creek and tributary to provide pedestrian connectivity, create economic development opportunities, and promote recreation.

This award is for construction funds only in the amount of \$2,650,000 (80% federal: \$2,120,000 & 20% local match: \$530,000). Local match will be provided by the existing GEFA loan for the project.

**Budget Impact:** Match funding is encouraged but not required.

Council Person and District: Paulette Chavers, District 2; Venus Mack, District 3

**Attachment:** Grant/Federal Funding Resolution

#### **RESOLUTION 2023-06:**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Transportation Alternative Grant (TA) award for the Creek on the Blue Mile (COTBM) Project.

- **THAT WHEREAS,** the City is authorized to participate in the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Transportation Alternative Grant Program;
- **WHEREAS,** the Program provides funding assistance for trail and recreation improvement projects within the City of Statesboro for the benefit of the citizenry;
- WHEREAS, the Program requires that the City identify and demonstrate a qualifying pedestrian project and submit application in order to receive funding assistance for said project. Further, the City has identified that funding be requested for the COTBM Project;
- **WHEREAS,** the Program application does require local funding match of 20% of requested funding to be funded from 2018 and 2023 TSPLOST;
- **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Statesboro, Georgia as follows:
  - **Section 1.** The City Manager recommends acknowledgement of confirmation of agreement to Grant match funding for this project.
  - **Section 2.** City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to apply for Local Maintenance Improvement Grant funding and to execute the Project Framework Agreement and further instructions will provided by GDOT and all other documents required by the Georgia Department of Transportation related to this grant.
  - Section 3. That this Resolution shall be and remain effective from and after its date of adoption.

		Adopted this _	Day of February, 2023.
		CITY O	F STATESBORO, GEORGIA
D. a		Attact	
By: _	Jonathan McCollar, Mayor	Attest: _	Leah Harden, City Clerk

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#### 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: Charles Penny, City Manager

From: Demetrius C. Bynes, Director of Human Resources

**Date:** January 31, 2023

**RE:** February 7, 2023 City Council Agenda Items

Policy Issue: Consideration of a Motion to Establish the Statesboro Youth Council

**Recommendation:** Approve

**Background:** On November 28, 2022, LaSara Mitchell was hired in the Program Coordinator position for the Village Builders Program. LaSara has connected with youth advocates and organizations serving youth to gain an understanding of current resources in our community. As she moves forward to plan and implement youth programming, it is vital for the voices of local youth to be heard. Youth councils are an excellent way for local governments to partner with future residents while empowering youth to advocate for issues they believe are important. Youth councils have been successfully implemented in cities such as Dublin, Hinesville, Savannah, and Valdosta. Also, youth councils are recommended and supported by the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA).

**Budget Impact:** None

**Council Person and District:** All Council Persons

**Attached:** Resolution

### RESOLUTION 2023-07: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE STATESBORO YOUTH COUNCIL

WHEREAS, it is essential to engage youth in city affairs as they prepare to become contributing citizens; and

WHEREAS, municipalities create youth councils to provide a voice for youth while advocating for the interests of youth; and

WHEREAS, providing ways in which youth can engage in civic activities and public outreach is mutually beneficial for youth and the City government; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Statesboro, Georgia in regular session assembled this 7th day of February 2023 as follows:

Section 1. Creation and Purpose of Youth Council. The Statesboro Youth Council is hereby created to serve as an advisory body in matters related to the needs of youth in Statesboro.

Section 2. Duties and Responsibilities. The Statesboro Youth Council shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- Serve as a voice for issues impacting youth;
- Engage in public outreach and civic engagement efforts;
- Foster greater involvement of youth in the community;
- Study matters, issues, activities, and concerns of youth, especially as they relate to municipal programs or projects of the City of Statesboro;
- Hold forums and other events to bring attention to issues and matters which impact youth;
- Be responsive to the concerns of youth;
- Participate in leadership development courses and activities;
- Serve as role models for youth.

Section 3. Members and Officers. The Statesboro Youth Council shall include youth living in Bulloch County that are in grades 6 through 12.

Section 4. Tenure. The members shall be selected by City staff and members of the Youth Commission. Initially, each member shall serve a one year or two year term so terms are staggered. Subsequently, each member shall serve a two year term. Members shall serve without compensation and shall incur no expenses chargeable to the City without prior authorization.

Section 5. Quorum and Attendance. A simple majority of the members must be present to conduct business.

Section 6. By-Laws. The Statesboro Youth Council will establish by-laws and ensure those by-laws are reviewed by City officials prior to adopting them.

Section 7. Conflicts of Interest. The Statesboro Youth Council shall be held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and members of the Statesboro Youth Council shall conduct themselves consistently with state laws governing potential conflicts of interest.

Section 8. That this Resolution shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after its date of adoption.

Passed and adopted this 7th day of Februa	ry 2023.
CITY OF STATESBORO, GEORGIA	
By:	
Jonathan M. McCollar, Mayor	

Attest:

Leah Harden, City Clerk

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#### 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: Charles Penny, City Manager

Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

From: Darren Prather, Central Services Director

**Date:** 1-3-23

**RE:** Vehicle Purchases

Policy Issue: Purchasing

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the purchase of (3) SUVs and (9) trucks from J.C. Lewis Ford of Statesboro, GA at a total not to exceed price of \$463,878.00. In the event J.C. Lewis cannot fill all of these vehicle purchases due to inventory, we recommend those not available be purchased from other sources, if available, not to exceed the total submitted by J.C. Lewis Ford.

#### **Background:**

Two attempts were made to bid these vehicles out and we received a response from only one dealer both times which was from J.C. Lewis Ford of Statesboro, GA. Several other dealers were contacted, even the two state contract holders on these types of vehicles and it was indicated that state contract vehicles were a year away as to availability. In addition, no other dealers offered bids of "on lot" vehicles as well. These proposed prices are higher than the typical state contract prices, but due to the need of departmental vehicle replacements and the shortage of vehicle availability, these represent the best available opportunity. The individual prices are as follows:

1.	2022 Ford Explorer	\$39,793.00
2.	2022 Ford Explorer	\$38,998.00
3.	2022 Ford F150	\$50,183.00
4.	2022 Ford F-150	\$50,038.00
5.	2023 Ford F-150	\$48,348.00
6.	2022 Ford F-150	\$49,223.00
7.	2022 Ford F-150	\$35,013.00
8.	2022 Ford F-150	\$34,713.00

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9. 2022 Ford F-150	\$34,713.00
10. 2022 Ford F-250	\$41,573.00
11. 2022 Ford F-250	\$41,283.00

It is understood that, upon potential approval by Council, some of these vehicles may not still be available. We are recommending a not to exceed pricing on these vehicle purchases with the initial opportunity being given to J.C. Lewis Ford. In the event J.C. Lewis cannot fill each vehicle purchase, we will reserve the right to purchase those vehicles from other sources if they can be located at a price not to exceed the quote from J.C. Lewis Ford.

Budget Impact: FY 2023 Departmental CIP Budgets; Various Funding Sources

Council Person and District: All

Attachments: None

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#### 50 EAST MAIN STREET • P.O. BOX 348 STATESBORO, GEORGIA 30459-0348

To: Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

From: Steve Hotchkiss, Public Utilities Director

**Date:** 1-30-2023

**RE:** Recommendation of Bidder for Lakeview Road Gas Extension

Policy Issue: Purchasing

**Recommendation:** Consideration of a motion to award a contract to D. Lance Souther, Inc. in the amount of \$297,651.65 for the installation of 8000' of 4" and 2" gas main on North Main St. (Lakeview Road) to serve Fernhill Farms Subdivision. To be paid for with funds approved in the FY2023 CIP Budget, item #NGD-88.

**Background:** As part of the City's Subdivision Incentive Program the city agreed to install natural gas infrastructure to serve the new Fernhill Farms development on Lakeview Road. The project was properly advertised and bid, but only one proposal was submitted. It was decided and approved in advance to accept one bid if that was all that was received. We were concerned that would be the case due to the heavy demand for contractors. The price received was \$47,651.65, approximately 15% over our original budge estimate. However, most of our recently bid projects have come in fifteen to twenty percent over estimates. Staff has reviewed the bid and we have determined that the price is justified given the current economic conditions. Our consultants at Sapp Engineering have also reviewed the bid and have provided a written recommendation to award the contract to D. Lance Souther, Inc.

**Budget Impact:** CIP Project NGD- 88 was approved in the 2023 Budget to be funded from Operating Revenue with funding at \$250,000.00. We are requesting a budget of \$297,652.65 with the additional \$47,651.65, also coming from Operating Revenues.

Council Person and District: All

Attachments: Sapp Engineering award recommendation letter and bid abstract.



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January 26, 2023

Darren Prather
Director of Central Services

#### Darren

I understand that only one bid was received for the natural gas expansion project to the Lakeview Subdivision.

The cost estimate I did for this project for budgeting purposes, was done in August of 2022. Since then, all contractors I work with have had to increase their pricing due to rising and unstable material pricing, as well as increased labor rates to keep quality employees.

D. Lance Souther, Inc. is a quality contractor and comes highly recommended by all of the municipal clients he does work for and his pricing is always in line with other contractors on projects I have put out for bid.

I would say that the bid received from D. Lance Souther, Inc. is in line with current material and labor pricing and would recommend awarding the project to him at the price quoted.

Let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

Jack Sapp, PE

Cc: Steve Hotchkiss Joe Hollingsworth Estella Roberson



Thursday, January 19, 2023 3:00 PM EST Statesboro Municipal LOCATION: DATE: TIME:

# **BID TABULATION**

PROJECT NUMBER / BID TITLE: 2022-618 Natural Gas - Lakeview Road (Fern Hill Farms Subdivision)

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City of Statesboro Representative

Date

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To: Charles Penny, City Manager

Jason Boyles, Assistant City Manager

From: John Washington, Director – Public Works and Engineering

Date: February 1, 2023

**RE:** Recommendation of Bidder

CIP ENG-124c – West Main Drainage Improvements

Policy Issue: Purchasing

#### Recommendation:

Staff recommends award of the West Main Street Drainage contract to McLendon Enterprises in the amount of \$906,898.70. The bid received from McLendon meets the requirements of the bid package and an acceptable bid bond was submitted.

#### **Background:**

The City of Statesboro issued requests for proposals for construction services for the subject project for the replacement and upgrade of the stormwater system on West Main Street from South College Street to Johnson Street. This project proposes to replace and existing undersized pipe with a larger pipe that has been designed to accommodate for growth and higher volumes of stormwater. This project was properly advertised and staff contacted several qualified contractors serving our region. However, only one sealed bid was received as shown above. The proposals response was evaluated and based on the criteria of cost, experience of staff, and experience of firm and project approach.

#### **Budget Impact:**

This project is to be paid from the 2018 TSPLOST fund. The estimated amount for construction exceeds the budgeted amount of \$725,000. This project was released for bid in 2020 and rejected due to cost exceeding budget. The decision was made to proceed to accept the bid due to continuing supply chain issues and anticipated cost increases if the project schedule is extended any further. The overage will be covered by the 2018 TSPLOST fund balance.

Council Person and District: District 2, Councilmember Chavers

Attachments: None