



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 05, 2024

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

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	
Ginny Hendley	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Shari Barr	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	

Other staff present: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Senior IT Specialist Alan Schleder, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

3. Recognitions / Public Presentation:

A) Presentation of a Life Saving Award to Statesboro Police Officer Levi Teel for his life saving actions on February 3, 2024.

Police Chief Mike Broadhead presented a Life Saving Award to Statesboro Police Officer Levi Teel for his life saving actions on February 3, 2024.

4. Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

5. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

- a) 02-20-2024 Work Session Minutes
- b) 02-20-2024 Council Minutes
- c) 02-20-2024 Executive Session Minutes

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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

6. Public hearing and first reading of Ordinance 2024-01: An Ordinance amending Chapter 6 section 6-7(e) of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances removing proximity requirements for on-premises consumption alcohol licenses in a delineated section of downtown.

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

City Attorney Cain Smith explained that this amendment would remove proximity requirements for an on-premises consumption alcohol licenses for a portion of Downtown Statesboro. Mr. Smith presented a map of the proposed boundary area, Cherry Street on the south, Hill/Elm Streets on the north, College Avenue on the west and Mulberry Street on the east.

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-01: An Ordinance amending Chapter 6 section 6-7(e) of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances removing proximity requirements for on-premises consumption alcohol licenses in a delineated section of downtown.

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

7. Public hearing and consideration of a motion to approve application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro Alcohol Ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a):

- a) **This is Pizza! LLC dba Holiday Pizza**
406 Fair Road Suite 10
License type: Low volume (Restaurant)
- b) **Sully’s Steamers**
1098 Bermuda Run
License Type: Low volume (Restaurant)

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

No one spoke for or against either license.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A Motion was made to application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro Alcohol Ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a): issued to This is Pizza! LLC dba Holiday Pizza located at 406 Fair Road Suite 10 for License type: Low volume (Restaurant) and Sully’s Steamers located at 1098 Bermuda Run for License Type: Low volume (Restaurant)

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

8. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2024-05: A Resolution requesting approval to apply for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

A Motion was made to approve Resolution 2024-05: A Resolution requesting approval to apply for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

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

9. Consideration of a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County Board of Commissioner and the Bulloch County Board of Elections and Registration to allow the County to use the Jones-Love Building at Luetta Moore Park to train poll workers and conduct elections.

A Motion was made to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County Board of Commissioner and the Bulloch County Board of Elections and Registration to allow the County to use the Jones-Love Building at Luetta Moore Park to train poll workers and conduct elections.

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

10. Consideration of a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County Board of Commissioners to allow Magistrate Court of Bulloch County to provide municipal court services for animal control violations within the City limits.

A Motion was made to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County Board of Commissioners to allow Magistrate Court of Bulloch County to provide municipal court services for animal control violations within the City limits.

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

11. Consideration of a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a three (3) year contract with FUSUS locking in pricing for a three year period.

A motion was made to authorize the Mayor to execute a three (3) year contract with FUSUS locking in pricing for a three year period.

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

12. Consideration of a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a request for Traffic Signal Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacons at pedestrian crosswalks on State Route 73, North Main Street at Courtland Street and South Main Street East/West Vine Street.

A motion was made to authorize the Mayor to execute a request for Traffic Signal Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacons at pedestrian crosswalks on State Route 73, North Main Street at Courtland Street and South Main Street East/West Vine Street.

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

13. Consideration of a motion authorizing the Mayor to execute purchase agreements for right-of-way acquisition on Gentilly Road for the sidewalk project. Funding is provided from 2018 TSPLOST.

A motion was made to authorize the Mayor to execute purchase agreements for right-of-way acquisition on Gentilly Road for the sidewalk project. Funding is provided from 2018 TSPLOST.

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

14. Other Business from City Council

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr congratulated Lillie Lundy on her retirement from East Georgia Regional Medical Center after 52 years of service.

15. City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny reminded Mayor and Council about their upcoming retreat next week Friday March 15 and Saturday March 16th the focus will be on economic development.

Mr. Penny announced that on Tuesday March 19, 2024 we will not have a council work session and invited the mayor and council to meet at city hall at 3:45 pm on that day for a tour of the renovations at the City Campus. After that we will then travel as a group to the Food Bank for a tour of the new building.

16. Public Comments (General): None

17. 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).

No executive session was held.

18. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 am.

Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

Leah Harden, City Clerk