



CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
MARCH 19, 2024

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 Ginny Hendley gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Phil Boyum	Councilmember	Absent	
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. Public Comments (Agenda Item): None**

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

**A) Approval of Minutes**

**a) 03-05-2024 Council Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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

**5. Second reading and consideration of a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-01: An Ordinance amending 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 table this item until the April 2, 2024 Council Meeting.

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

City manager Charles Penny stated an information session on the proposed proximity waiver in the downtown area will be held next Tuesday March 26, 2024 at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

**6. Public hearing and consideration of a motion to approve: APPLICATION RZ 24-02-01: Simcoe Investment Group, LLC requests a Zoning Map Amendment to an existing PUD (Planned Unit Development) on approximately 65.43 acres of property in order develop a mixed multi-family and single-family detached subdivision on Cawana Road (Tax Parcel # 092 000012 001).**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Phil Boym

Cody Roger with EMC 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)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Phil Boym

A motion was made to approve with staff conditions **APPLICATION RZ 24-02-01**: Simcoe Investment Group, LLC requests a Zoning Map Amendment to an existing PUD (Planned Unit Development) on approximately 65.43 acres of property in order develop a mixed multi-family and single-family detached subdivision on Cawana Road (Tax Parcel # 092 000012 001).

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

**7. Public hearing and consideration of a motion to approve APPLICATION SE-24-02-03: Kristie Hendrix requests a special exception from Article 2-3-2 (Comprehensive Principle Use Permission) of the Unified Development Code on a 0.52 acre property in order to expand the existing auto detailing business into a used auto sale business at 121 –A East Main Street. (Tax Parcel # S39 000012 000).**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

Kristie Hendrix spoke in favor of the request. Nick Propps who has a neighboring business stated he is not against the special exception but that he has concerns with the noise from the car detailing business already at that location and that expanding the business to include auto sales may get worse with the increase activity.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve with staff conditions **APPLICATION SE-24-02-03**: Kristie Hendrix requests a special exception from Article 2-3-2 (Comprehensive Principle Use Permission) of the Unified Development Code on a 0.52 acre property in order to expand the existing auto detailing business into a used auto sale business at 121 –A East Main Street. (Tax Parcel # S39 000012 000).

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

**8. 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):**

**Parkers #112  
 17259 Hwy 67  
 Statesboro, Ga 30458  
 License Type: Package Sales – Beer and Wine only**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve an application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a): issued to Parkers #112 located at 17259 Hwy 67, Statesboro, Ga 30458 for License Type: Package Sales – Beer and Wine only.

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

**9. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06: A Resolution to adopt the second amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items of revenue anticipations and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding appropriated.**

A Motion was made to approve Resolution 2024-06: A Resolution to adopt the second amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items of revenue anticipations and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding appropriated.

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

**10. Consideration of a motion to approve the guidelines and application for the Tree Rebate Program.**

A motion was made to approve the guidelines and application for the Tree Rebate Program to include “tree and trees” to the application.

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

**11. Consideration of a motion to award a contract to C&H Pipeline Inc., in the amount of \$141,303.00, for the installation of natural gas facilities to serve Eco Plastics Company located on Hwy 301 South. To be paid for with funds in the Natural Gas CIP budget item #NGD-11 and carry over funds.**

A motion was made to approve award a contract to C&H Pipeline Inc., in the amount of \$141,303.00, for the installation of natural gas facilities to serve Eco Plastics Company located on Hwy 301 South. To be paid for with funds in the Natural Gas CIP budget item #NGD-11 and carry over funds.

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

**12. Consideration of a Motion to award the sole source purchase of Natural Gas meters and regulators to Natural Gas Trade.com in the amount of \$48,022.55. To be purchased with funds approved in the 2024 CIP Budget item #NGD-11 funded with system revenues.**

A motion was made to approve award the sole source purchase of Natural Gas meters and regulators to Natural Gas Trade.com in the amount of \$48,022.55. To be purchased with funds approved in the 2024 CIP Budget item #NGD-11 funded with system revenues.

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

**13. Consideration of a motion to award a contract in the not to exceed amount of \$181,360.00 with Cranston for professional design services for the West Main Streetscape improvement project. This project will be paid by 2018 TSPLOST funds.**

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

**14. Other Business from City Council**

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr thanked city council and city staff for getting the tree rebate program going. She also shared Statesboro Village Builders will be hosting a Family Resource Day Event this Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm at Pinewood Manor off of Packinghouse Road.

**15. City Managers Comments**

City Manager Charles Penny thanked Mayor and Council for their time commitment last Friday and Saturday for the Council Retreat. Mr. Penny also thanked, Allen Gross Small Business Recruiter, Allen Muldrew Director of DSDA, Kathy Field Planning Director, Steve Hotchkiss Public Utilities Director, John Washington Public Works & Engineering Director, Chris Burke with Hussy Gay Bell, and Doug Gephart with Davenport for their presentations on Friday.

**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.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk