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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES  
May 21, 2020**

A work session of the Statesboro City Council was held on May 21, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Paulette Chavers, Venus Mack and Shari Barr. Also present was City Clerk Leah Harden, City Attorney Cain Smith, City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Finance Director Cindy West and Public Information Officer Layne Phillips. Councilmember John Riggs was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jonathan McCollar.

**Review of the Proposed City of Statesboro Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget**

City Manager Charles Penny reviewed information covered yesterday in the budget work session. He stated we will be moving forward with the Master Plan using fund balance. In addition, transit is not a part of this budget. We anticipate the actual expenditure to be in the 2022 budget. Mr. Penny stated we are solid all the way across the board in our General Fund.

4:10 pm Council member Phil Boyum joined the meeting.

Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles reviewed with Mayor and Council all City Enterprise Funds including Water/Sewer, Storm water, Natural Gas, Solid Waste Collection, and Solid Waste Disposal.

Director of Finance Cindy West reviewed the City's Special Revenue Funds; confiscated assets, U.S Department of Justice Grants, Multiple Grant Fund, South Main TAD, Old Register TAD and Technology Fee Fund. Cindy also reviewed the 2013 SPLOST, TSPLOST and 2019 SPLOST.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar stated he would like some money allocated for downtown events during GSU home games.

There was discussion regarding the money given to other agencies. There will be a review of their operations verifying services they provide to the City.

City Manager Charles Penny stated we would not have to meet next week for budget review.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar sends out a message to Department Heads to save where you can. We need to be careful moving forward. With the COVID crisis, these are uncertain times. We need to take this time to think about how to rebuild and improve.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm