



CITY OF STATESBORO
Council Minutes
June 19th, 2018 5:30 pm

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on June 19th 2018 at 5:30p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones and John Riggs. Also present were City Manager Randy Wetmore, Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Cain Smith. Councilman Jeff Yawn was absent.

The Meeting was called to Order by Mayor Jonathan McCollar.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman John Riggs

Recognitions/Public Presentations

A) Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau received the Regional Visitor Information Centers (RVIC) of the Year Award from the State of Georgia
Barry Turner updated Council on the RVIC award that was received by the SCV.

Public Comments (Agenda Item):

Mr. Bill Herring spoke on item # 22 regarding the transit study. He was in favor of having the study done as he stated it would help those who needed help to go places.

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of Minutes**
 - a) 06-05-2018 Council Minutes**
 - b) 06-05-2018 Executive Session Minutes**
 - c) 06-12-2018 Work Session Minutes**
- B) Consideration of a motion for the surplus and disposal of parts inventory in the Fleet fund.**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION RZ 18-05- 05: John Fortino requests a zoning map amendment of 0.49 acres of currently undeveloped property addressed as Fair Road from the R-3 (Medium Density Multi-Family Residential) zoning district to the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district to permit additional possible uses on the property (Tax Parcel MS61 000018 000).

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Sam Dipolito spoke in favor of the request as a representative for John Fortino.

Dr. John O'Malley, Verdery Kennedy, Cathy Shriver and Rebecca Nesmith spoke against the request as they represented numerous citizens who lived in the neighboring community. Two letters were presented to show opposition to the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to deny **APPLICATION RZ 18-05- 05**: John Fortino requests a zoning map amendment of 0.49 acres of currently undeveloped property addressed as Fair Road from the R-3 (Medium Density Multi-Family Residential) zoning district to the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district to permit additional possible uses on the property (Tax Parcel MS61 000018 000). Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-05- 01: HFA, LLC requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 4 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowed total square feet of signage in Sign District 2. (Tax Parcel MS842 000100E 000).

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

A representative (Sarah) from Wal Mart spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve **APPLICATION V 18-05- 01**: HFA, LLC requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 4 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowed total square feet of signage in Sign District 2. (Tax Parcel MS842 000100E 000).

Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-05- 02: Whitfield Signs requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 3 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowed total square feet of building signs in Sign District 1 (Tax Parcel S44 000065 000).

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Director of Planning and Zoning Frank Neal stated the Planning Commission tabled **Application V 18-05-02**.

Josh Whitfield spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to table the item until the Planning Commission was ready to make a recommendation to Council. It would then be brought back to Council for a vote. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-05- 03: Fendig Signs, Inc. requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 4 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowed total square feet of building signs in Sign District 2 (Tax Parcel S72 000014 000).

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Gary Sanchez representing AT&T spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve APPLICATION V 18-05- 03: Fendig Signs, Inc. requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 4 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowed total square feet of building signs in Sign District 2 (Tax Parcel S72 000014 000). Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-05- 04: McKeithen True Value Hardware requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum number of building signs allowed in Sign District 3 (Tax Parcel MS88 000026 005).

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Thomas McKeithen spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve APPLICATION V 18-05- 04: McKeithen True Value Hardware requests a variance from Article XV Section 1509(C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum number of building signs allowed in Sign District 3 (Tax Parcel MS88 000026 005). Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve Alcohol License Application:

- A) Live in the Boro, LLC.**
 - DBA: The Blue Room**
 - Kaleo Lyles**
 - 1830 Chandler Rd**
 - Statesboro Ga 30458**
- B) Chazitos Latin Cuisine LLC**
 - Chaz Ortiz**
 - 441 South Main St**
 - Suite 112**
 - Statesboro, Ga. 30458**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to open the public hearing for “Live in the Boro”. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the alcohol license application for “Live in the Boro”. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to open the public hearing for “Chazitos Latin Cuisine”. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve the alcohol application for Chazitos Latin Cuisine LLC. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Averitt Center for the Arts, Inc. to market downtown Statesboro by operating and managing the Averitt Center for the Arts, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Downtown Statesboro Development Authority/Main Street to market downtown Statesboro, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. to market Statesboro and Bulloch County, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to open the public hearing for the contracts between the City and Averitt Center for the Arts, the City and DSDA and the City and SCVB. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the request.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Averitt Center for the Arts, Inc. to market downtown Statesboro by operating and managing the Averitt Center for the Arts, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax and to also include a financial review or an audit. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Downtown Statesboro Development Authority/Main Street to market downtown Statesboro, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to Authorize the Mayor to execute a Contract for Services with the Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. to market Statesboro and Bulloch County, using proceeds from the Hotel/Motel Tax. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2018-19: A Resolution Exempting Certain Vehicles from Marking Requirements for One Year.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve Resolution 2018-19: A Resolution Exempting Certain Vehicles from Marking Requirements for One Year. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2018-20: A Resolution to adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items or revenue anticipations and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding available for appropriation.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve Resolution 2018-20: A Resolution to adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items or revenue anticipations and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding available for appropriation. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to Approve Resolution 2018-21: A Resolution adopting the Statesboro Schedule of Rates, Fees and Fines.

Fire Chief Tim Grams updated Council on the new fees that would take effect on January 1, 2019.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Resolution 2018-21: A Resolution adopting the Statesboro Schedule of Rates, Fees and Fines. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2018-22: A Resolution to adopt the third amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018 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.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to Resolution 2018-22: A Resolution to adopt the third amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018 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. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract awarding Travelers Insurance Company as the selected carrier of our general liability and workers comp insurance by the recommendation of the previously selected broker Glenn/Davis Insurance and City staff.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract awarding Travelers Insurance Company as the selected carrier of our general liability and workers comp insurance by the recommendation of the previously selected broker Glenn/Davis Insurance and City staff. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Sole Source purchase of a replacement gearbox for the final clarifier at the WWTP from Smith & Loveless Georgia Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$42,672.00

Councilman Jones made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to table this item until a later date. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County for Fire Protection Services

Councilman Boyum made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bulloch County for Fire Protection Services. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to authorize the City Manager to issue an RFQ for the potential procurement of a transit study

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to authorize the City Manager to issue an RFQ for the potential procurement of a transit study. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council:

Mayor McCollar thanked the Police and Fire Department for their participation in the first Statesboro Youth Day which was held this past Saturday.

Councilman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to send Governor Nathan Deal a support letter regarding the appointment of a Juvenile Court Judge for the Ogeechee Circuit District.

City Managers Comments:

City Manager Randy Wetmore stated Mayor and Council will hold a Called Council Meeting on Wednesday June 27th at 5:00 or 5:30 pm. The time will be confirmed tomorrow.

Public Comments (General): None

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 (2012)

There was no Executive Session held.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Boyum, Jones and Riggs voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.