



CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JULY 6, 2021

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 Shari Barr 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	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Venus Mack	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Shari Barr	Councilmember	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) Recognition of the Youth Connect Participants**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar presented certificates of participation to the students involved in the City of Statesboro Youth Connect Program.

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

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

**A) Approval of Minutes**

a) **06-15-2012 Work Session Minutes**

b) **06-15-2021 Council Minutes**

**B) Consideration of a Motion for approval of surplus and disposition of a wheel loader and refuse truck in the Public Works and Engineering Department.**

Councilmember John Riggs stated he would like included on the 6-15-2021 Council Minutes the reason for his vote nay on item #25 regarding the package sales referendum to state, "I feel that this issue is being overly rushed without ample discussions."

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda with above mentioned amendment to the 06-15-2021 Council Minutes.

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

**6. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2021-28: A Resolution requesting approval to apply for a Grant from the US Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing.**

A Motion was made to approve **Resolution 2021-28** granting approval to apply for a Grant from the US Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing.

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

**7. Other Business from City Council:**

Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers stated there is a meeting this Saturday at 10:00 am seeking input about a community garden. Be on the lookout for the flyers for the location of the meeting.

Councilmember Shari Barr announced that the City has collaborated with Squash the Spread to host vaccine pop up clinics this Saturday from 9am – 11am at Food Lion and both Walmart’s.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar stated a tragic event happened last Sunday in our community. The hearts and condolences from Mayor and City Council, the entire City as an organization and the greater community go out to the family members of those who have lost loved ones in such a tragic fashion.

**8. City Managers Comments**

City Manager Charles Penny thanked Human Resources Director Demetrius Bynes for all his leadership in the Youth Connect Program and making it a success. The Georgia Cities Magazine is doing a feature article on the Youth Connect Program in its next issue. Mr. Penny gave an update on the Luetta Moore and Grady Street Parks project stating the weather over the past month has not been cooperative which has pushed the opening date back to July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**9. Public Comments (General): None**

Mat Harwell signed up to speak to Mayor and City Council to let them know how friendly City Staff has been to him and his wife since they moved back to Statesboro. Mr. Harwell named specifically Sad’e and Stacey in customer service, Tammy Rushing in sanitation, Kelli Saxon and Pam Ellis in Public Utilities. He also thanked Police Chief Mike Broadhead and Mayor and City Council stating it is a privilege to be back in Statesboro.

**10. 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).**

There was no Executive Session.

**11. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

A motion was made to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 am.

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk