



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 06, 2024

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Jonathan McColiar called the meeting to order

2. Invocation and Pledge

Councilmember Paulette Chavers gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McColiar	Mayor	Present	
Vacant	Councilmember	Vacant	
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, Public Information Officer Layne Phillips, 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) 07-16-2024 Council Minutes

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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

5. 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. Gators & Gypsies LLC

19 E. Vine St, Suite A

License type: Pub with Sunday Sales

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

City Attorney Cain Smith stated the applicant of 5A is District 3, Councilmember Ginny Hendley. He went on to explain it is against our code of ordinances for someone involved in policing or regulation of alcohol beverages to obtain a license to distribute alcohol. In the event this license is granted she will of course abstain from this and any alcohol related items such as revisions to Chapter 6, licenses and any disciplinary measures for as long as she hold an alcohol license.

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:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Chavers, Riggs, Barr
ABSTAIN	Councilmember Ginny Hendley

A motion was made to approve the application for an alcohol license in accordance with The City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a): issued to Gators & Gypsies LLC, located at 19 E. Vine St, Suite A, for License type: Pub with Sunday Sales. The approval is with the stipulation, Councilmember Ginny Hendley, as the applicant, will abstain from voting on any alcohol related items for as long as she holds an alcohol license

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

B. Texas Roadhouse Holding LLC
24034 Hwy 80 East
License type: Restaurant with Sunday Sales

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

Maurice Jackson spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

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

A Motion was made to approve the application for an alcohol license in accordance with The City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a): issued to Texas Roadhouse Holding LLC, located at 24034 Hwy 80 East, for License type: Restaurant with Sunday Sales.

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

6. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2024-20: A Resolution calling for a Special Election to fill the unexpired term of the vacant District One Council Seat, fixing the qualification fee for candidates, and authorizing publication.

A motion was made to approve **Resolution 2024-20**: A Resolution calling for a Special Election to fill the unexpired term of the vacant District One Council Seat, fixing the qualification fee for candidates, and authorizing publication.

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

7. Consideration of a motion to award a contract to Raftelis, Inc. in the amount of \$28,900.00 to perform a water and sewer rate study update. Study to be paid with water and sewer fund revenues.

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

8. Consideration of a motion to award a contract to The Charles Machine Works, Inc for the purchase of a Ditch Witch JT20/DP/DHT Directional Boring machine per Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract in the amount of \$296,682.29. This item to be purchased with funds approved in the 2025 CIP Budget, item #NGD-69, funded by system revenues.

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MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

9. Consideration of a motion to approve the purchase of a Tymco Model 600 Street Sweeper per Sourcewell contract price with funds from GMA lease pool in the amount of \$364,195.00.

A motion was made to approve the purchase of a Tymco Model 600 Street Sweeper per Sourcewell contract price with funds from GMA lease pool in the amount of \$364,195.00.

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

10. Other Business from City Council

11. City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny informed Mayor and Council that the concert scheduled for this coming Thursday has be cancelled but will be rescheduled. He also shared that a meeting regarding the Cypress Lake Development was held yesterday evening in the Council Chambers and the reason for sharing this information is because at the next Work Session we will be discussing the City’s development process. The last item Mr. Penny shared was a “save the date” for a grand opening of the FAB Lab on August 27th at 10:00 am.

12. Public Comments (General): None

13. Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters” in accordance with O.C.G.A 50-14-3(b).

At 9:22 am a motion was made to enter into executive session.

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

At 9:37 am a motion was made to exit executive session.

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

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the regular meeting back to order with no action taken in executive session.

14. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 am.

Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

Leah Harden, City Clerk