



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
November 6th, 2018

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on November 6th 2018 at 9:00p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones, Jeff Yawn, John Riggs and Derek Duke. Also present were City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Cain Smith. Absent was City Manager Randy Wetmore.

The Meeting was called to Order by Mayor Jonathan McCollar.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Sam Lee Jones.

Recognitions/Public Presentations

A) Presentation of Proclamation recognizing “National Radiology Technology Week”

Mayor McCollar read and presented the proclamation for “National Radiology Technology Week” to Kendria Lee, Director of Economic Development and Community Relations.

B) Recognition of “Employee of the Quarter”

The “Employee of the Quarter” was Rob Bryan of the Statesboro Police Department. He received a plaque and \$250.00.

C) Presentation by Statesboro Fire Chief and Bulloch County Fire Chief regarding the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and its Public Protection Classification (PPC) Program.

Statesboro Fire Chief Tim Grams, with Bulloch County Fire Chief Chris Ivey present, updated Council on the ISO rating system.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

- a) 10-16-2018 Council Minutes
- b) 10-30-2018 Called Council Minutes

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-09-07: Robert Forrest (Stonewalk Companies) requests a variance from Article XIV, Section

1402 to reduce the minimum lot size requirements for property to be considered for the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district in order to develop mixed use student housing on 2.994 acres of property for a combination of parcels addressed 108 Georgia Avenue, Georgia Avenue, 15 University Plaza Avenue, 1 University Place, 8 University Place, and 6 University Plaza (Tax Parcel(s) MS61 000056 000, MS61 000058 000, MS61 000052 B000, MS61 000052 A000, MS61 000055 A000, MS61 000052 000).

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION RZ 18-09-06: Robert Forrest (Stonewalk Companies) requests a zoning map amendment of 2.994 acres located at University Plaza from the CR (Commercial Retail) to the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district in order to develop mixed use student housing for a combination of parcels addressed 108 Georgia Avenue, Georgia Avenue, 15 University Plaza Avenue, 1 University Place, 8 University Place, and 6 University Plaza (Tax Parcel(s) MS61 000056 000, MS61 000058 000, MS61 000052 B000, MS61 000052 A000, MS61 000055 A000, MS61 000052 000).

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION V 18-09-08: Robert Forrest (Stonewalk Companies) requests a variance from Article XVI, Section 1600 to reduce the minimum parking requirements in order to develop mixed use student housing on 2.994 acres of property for a combination of parcels addressed 108 Georgia Avenue, Georgia Avenue, 15 University Plaza Avenue, 1 University Place, 8 University Place, and 6 University Plaza (Tax Parcel(s) MS61 000056 000, MS61 000058 000, MS61 000052 B000, MS61 000052 A000, MS61 000055 A000, MS61 000052 000).

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve: APPLICATION RZ 18-09-09: Robert Forrest (Stonewalk Companies) requests a variance from Article X, Section 1002 to increase the allowable building height in order to develop mixed use student housing on 2.994 acres of property for a combination of parcels addressed 108 Georgia Avenue, Georgia Avenue, 15 University Plaza Avenue, 1 University Place, 8 University Place, and 6 University Plaza (Tax Parcel(s) MS61 000056 000, MS61 000058 000, MS61 000052 B000, MS61 000052 A000, MS61 000055 A000, MS61 000052 000).

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by councilman Boyum to open the public hearing for APPLICATION V 18-09- 07: APPLICATION RZ 18-09- 06: : APPLICATION V 18-09-08: APPLICATION RZ 18-09- 09:. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Joey Maxwell, Robert Forest and Todd Manack spoke in favor of the request. Margie Williamson, Michael Classens, Hannah Mabry, Jamie Reese and Connie Smalligan spoke against the request.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing for APPLICATION V 18-09- 07: APPLICATION RZ 18-09- 06: : APPLICATION V 18-09-08: APPLICATION RZ 18-09- 09:. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Duke to approve APPLICATION V 18-09- 07: APPLICATION RZ 18-09- 06: : APPLICATION V 18-09- 08: APPLICATION

RZ 18-09- 09 with staff recommendations with building permits included. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2018-30: A Resolution to dispose of a portion of West Cherry between South College and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve **Resolution 2018-30**: A Resolution to dispose of a portion of West Cherry between South College and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council

Councilman Boyum presented Council with a proposed ordinance regarding the process of how to process an ordinance. The proposal will be reviewed by Council and discussed at the next Council meeting.

Mayor McCollar asked for Council's input regarding the possibility of a lobbyist organization giving a presentation to Council. He stated he would like for Council to hear what the organization has to say.

City Managers Comments: None

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(b)

At 11:00 am, Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Duke to enter into Executive Session. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

At 12:01, Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by councilman Boyum to exit the Executive Session. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor McCollar stated there was no action taken in Executive Session.

Mayor McCollar called the regular meeting back to order. Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve **Resolution 2018-31**: A Resolution to negotiate the purchase of real property and proceed with eminent domain condemnation should negotiations fail. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Duke voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm.