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CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
DECEMBER 01, 2020

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Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

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**Call to Order**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

**Invocation and Pledge**

Councilmember Paulette Chavers gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDENCE**

| Attendee Name     | Title         | Status  | Arrived |
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| Jonathan McCollar | Mayor         | Present |         |
| Phil Boyum        | Councilmember | Present | 9:06 am |
| Paulette Chavers  | Councilmember | Present |         |
| Venus Mack        | Councilmember | Present |         |
| John Riggs        | Councilmember | Absent  |         |
| Shari Barr        | Councilmember | Present |         |

Other staff present was: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Public Information Officer Layne Phillips, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

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

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

**A) Approval of Minutes**

- a) 11-17-2020 Work Session Minutes
- b) 11-17-2020 Council Minutes

**B) Consideration of a Motion to approve execution of documents to amend Service Delivery Strategies (SDS) agreement to include listing CDBG as funding mechanism and include reference to the Statesboro-Bulloch County Land Bank.**

Councilmember Shari Barr asked for an explanation of the amendment to the Service Delivery Strategies (SDS).

City Attorney Cain Smith stated the amendment includes adding CDBG as a funding source and the addition of the Statesboro/Bulloch Land Bank in the section on Housing and Urban redevelopment. These changes are for administrative purposes.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | Approved (Unanimous)     |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Councilmember Shari Barr |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Councilmember Venus Mack |

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| <b>AYES:</b>  | Chavers, Mack, Barr      |
| <b>ABSENT</b> | Councilmember John Riggs |

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2020-12: An ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 6 Section 6-7(n)(4) allowing alcoholic beverage package sales to commence at 11:00 am Sundays.**

A motion was made to open the Public Hearing.

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

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | Approved (Unanimous)           |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Councilmember Shari Barr       |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Councilmember Paulette Chavers |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Chavers, Mack, Barr            |
| <b>ABSENT</b>    | Councilmember John Riggs       |

A motion was made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2020-12.

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

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2020-13: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 6 Section 6-7(v) allowing delivery and drive thru sales of alcoholic beverages.**

A motion was made to open the Public Hearing

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

Councilmember Phil Boyum joined the meeting.

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve First Reading of **Ordinance 2020-13**.

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

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2020-14: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, removing Division 4 Sections 2-60 through 2-63 relating to the Statesboro Works Commission.**

A motion was made to open the Public Hearing.

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | Approved (Unanimous)     |
| <b>MOVER:</b>  | Councilmember Shari Barr |

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| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Councilmember Venus Mack   |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr |
| <b>ABSENT</b>    | Councilmember John Riggs   |

No one spoke for or against the request.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve First Reading of **Ordinance 2020-14**.

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

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2020-15: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 62 – Residential Subdivision Incentive Program by replacing the current code with new Article I and Article II.**

A motion was made to open the Public Hearing.

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

Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles reviewed with Mayor and Council the return on investments for the proposed incentives in Articles I and II.

Councilmember Phil Boyum stated wording needs to be added that in order to receive these incentives gas installation in the house needs to be a requirement.

Marcus Toole with Habitat for Humanity spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve First Reading of **Ordinance 2020-15** with an amendment to add, gas line stub out is required to be installed inside the house to receive incentives, this applies to Articles I and II.

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

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2020-16: An Ordinance amending the Statesboro Code of Ordinances Chapter 18 Businesses, adding Article XI Sections 18-306 through 18-315 regarding regulation and licensing of mobile food service units operating in the City of Statesboro.**

A motion was made to open the Public Hearing.

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

City Attorney Cain Smith reviewed with Mayor and Council the proposed addition of Article XI to Chapter 18 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances. This article requires the permitting and licensing of individual mobile food service units.

Hannah Womack spoke in favor of the request however, would like to see in the proposed ordinance food trucks to be 200 feet from a restaurant selling similar items and to allow food trucks to set up near a restaurant when the restaurant is closed.

No one spoke against the request.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing.

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

A motion was made to approve First Reading of **Ordinance 2020-16**.

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

**Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2020-32: A Resolution approving the City of Statesboro’s proposed FY2021 Street Resurfacing Program, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the GDOT Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) Application. Grant matching funds will be provided from 2018 TSPLOST Funds.**

A motion was made to approve **Resolution 2020-32**.

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

**Other Business from City Council: None**

**City Managers Comments**

City Manager Charles Penny called on Planning Director Kathy Field.

Kathy Field introduced to Mayor and Council Elizabeth Burns the City’s new Planner I.

Councilmember Shari Barr asked for a recap of the COVID relief efforts.

City Manager Charles Penny stated the housing fund has expended just under \$20,000.00 since the last report. We have not received a report this week. The utilities report from last week had used roughly \$2,900.00. The business fund is awarding grants to 36 businesses for a total of \$60,000.00.

**Public Comments (General):**

Sam Jones signed up to speak on the improvements to Luetta Moore Park.

Sam Jones stated he is pleased with the improvements discussed at the last work session about Luetta Moore Park especially the swimming pool. He did ask that consideration be made to add tennis courts to the design.

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

At 10:05 am, a motion was made to enter into Executive Session.

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

At 10:25 am, a motion was made to exit Executive Session.

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

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

**Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

A motion was made to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk