



City of Statesboro
Department of Planning and Development Memorandum

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Statesboro Planning Commission
December 1, 2020
5:00 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber
Meeting Minutes

Present: Planning Commission members: James Byrd Sr., Sean Fox, Russell Rosengart, Carlos Brown Jr.; **City of Statesboro Staff:** Kathleen Field (Director of Planning & Development), Jason Boyles (Assistant City Manager), Justin Williams (City Planner II), and Elizabeth Burns (City Planner I); **Absent:** Mary Foreman, Benjamin McKay, and Jamey Cartee

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Byrd called the meeting to order.

II. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Byrd led in the invocation & pledge.

III. Approval of Minutes

1.) November 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Rosengart made a motion to approve the November 3, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion carried 3-0.

IV. New Business

1.) **APPLICATION V 20-11-01:** East Georgia Medical Center requests a special exception to allow for the placement of mobile food trucks as temporary vendors in the O (Office) zoning district on a 30.67 acre property located at 1499 Fair Road (MS74000198 001).

Kathleen Field introduced case 20-11-01, Commissioner Rosengart made a motion to open the public hearing of 20-11-01. Commissioner Fox seconded, and the motion carried 3-0. There were no individuals to speak for or against at the time. Commissioner Fox made a motion to close the public hearing with a second from Commissioner Rosengart. The motion carried 3-0. Discussion was opened. Commissioner Rosengart questioned if the cafeteria was able to provide food for the hospital and about the need for food trucks. Justin Williams explained that the

cafeteria can sufficiently provide food for the staff but that there is a desire for foodtrucks that would bring a variety for the nurses in close proximity. Commissioner Rosengart expressed his concerns by adding that there are restaurants in proximity to the hospital. Commissioner Rosengart, mentioned that the restaurants pay property taxes. Commissioner Rosengart questioned if the request was a temporary or permanent need. Justin Williams stated that the special exception requested would go with the land and would have to follow any ordinance pertaining to food trucks. Marie Burdett introduced as the representative for the application. Marie Burdett explained why the need was presented for the nurses and in support of the community. Commissioner Byrd expressed his support of the issue in the given conditions. Marie Burdett clarified that nurses have thirty minutes for lunch and would not impact restaurants. Commissioner Fox expressed his concern for local restaurateurs and the hospital staff. Commissioner Rosengart expressed his concerns for the restaurants that located their property near the hospital. Marie Brudett clarified that they would only request food trucks twice a month, on Fridays. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve with staff recommendations with a second from Commissioner Brown. The motion passed 3-0.

V. Announcements

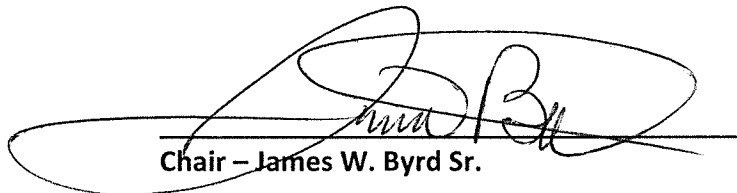
Kathleen Field introduced the new City Planner I, Elizabeth Burns.

Mrs. Field announced the potential passage of a contract to update the City's Downtown Master Plan. This plan will also update the Zoning Ordinance for the Downtown area. This item will go before Council at the next Council Meeting in December.

Justin Williams announced the final day of service for both Commissioner Foreman and Commissioner Brown.

VI. Adjourn

Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Rosengart seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.



Chair – James W. Byrd Sr.



Secretary – Kathleen Field
Director of Planning & Development