



City of Statesboro
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Statesboro Planning Commission

April 7, 2026

5:00 P.M.

City Hall Council Chamber

Meeting Minutes

Commission Members Present: Cathy Dixon, Jim Thibodeau, Len Fatica, Ronald Simmons, Joseph Folsom and Logan Josey; **City of Statesboro Staff:** Justin Williams (Director of Planning & Development), and Monica Gann (Senior Planner).

Call to Order

Commissioner Dixon called the meeting to order.

I. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Dixon led in the invocation & pledge.

II. Approval of Minutes

1. March 3, 2026 Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes of March 3, 2026 with a second from Commissioner Thibodeau. The motion was passed to approve the minutes of with 6-0 vote.

III. New Business

1. **APPLICATION V 26 -02-01:** BPR Veterans Parkway LLC/ Roy Patel requests a Variance from UDC Section 2.2.9- MX Table – B Dimensional Standards for a property located at corner of Woodford Lane and Veterans Memorial Parkway, to allow for an increase of the setback from 25 feet maximum to 85 feet for a new hotel fronting Woodford Lane (Tax Parcel # MS42000007 005).

Justin Williams introduced the case. Commissioner Simmons motioned to open discussion with a second from Commissioner Josey. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote. Commissioner Fatica motioned to close the discussion with a second from Commissioner Josey. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote

Commissioner Simmons motioned to approve with conditions with a second from Commissioner Thibodeau. The motion passes 6-0.

2. **APPLICATION V 26 -02-02:** Jay Patel (Town Center Statesboro LLC)/ Dan Fischer (EMC Engineering Services, INC) requests a Variance from UDC Section 2.2.9- MX Table – B Dimensional Standards for a property located at the corner of Eddie Rushing Road and Veterans Memorial Parkway, to allow for an increase of the setback from 25 feet to 75 feet for a new hotel fronting Eddie Rushing Road (Tax Parcel # MS63000026 032).

Justin Williams introduced the case. Commissioner Fatica motioned to open discussion with a second from Commissioner Simmons. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote. Chris Schneider from EMC Engineering was available to speak. Confirmed setback request. Commissioner Simmons motioned to close the discussion with a second from Commissioner Thibodeau. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote

Commissioner Fatica motioned to approve with conditions with a second from Commissioner Simmons. The motion passes 6-0.

IV. Announcements

Justin Williams announced the regional training info is available for those who like to participate.

V. Adjourn

Commissioner Fatica made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Thibodeau seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.

Chair – Cathy Dixon

Secretary – Justin Williams
Director of Planning & Development