

MINUTES WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 – 5:00 P.M. WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Meeting was called to order on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 5:00 pm by Mayor Michael-Angelo James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was Mayor James, Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett, Commissioners Norman Davis, Diane Hopkins, Katrena Felder and Henry Strickland.

A. Invocation: Commissioner Katrena Felder

Invocation was led by James Smart, Public Works Director

- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. City Clerk to Read Section 2-66 (a) Decorum

Read by Jacqualine Powell

D. Request Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Strickland seconded by Commissioner Hopkins. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

II. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS

III. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:

A. Schedule Public Hearings:

1. To Consider Re-zoning Bailey Street School Property

Public Hearing to be held on May 16, 2023, at 4:00

2. To Consider Closing a Portion of Isabella Street Right of Way and Alley – Mary Street Property

Public Hearing to be held on Mary 16, 2023 at 4:30pm

3. To Consider an Amendment to Zoning Ordinance

Public Hearing to be held on May 16, 2023, at 4:45 pm

IV. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

A. City Manager's Report

Nothing currently.

B. Mayor's Report (To Include Any Public Service Announcements).

Reminded everyone of the upcoming Georgia Cities Week, April 24-28, also the Mayors Reception that will take place on April 25, 2023, in the Chambers at City Hall.

V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

A. Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes:

- a. Wayeross City Commission Planning and Information Session, Monday, March 20, 2023, 5:00 P.M.
- b. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, March 21, 2023, 5:00 P.M.
- Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session, Monday, April 3, 2023, 5:00 P.M.
- d. Waycross City Commission Public Hearing, Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 4:45 P.M.
- e. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 5:00 P.M.

Ordinance Second Readings:

a. An Ordinance to Abandon and Close a Sixty-Foot-Wide Right of Way for North Dakota Avenue Running from Minnesota Avenue to Missouri Avenue; To Close and Abandon a Ten-Foot-Wide Alley Running From South Dakota Avenue to Glenmore Avenue; To Authorize Quit Claim Deeds to Adjoining Property Owners; To Establish an Effective Date; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances, and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Ordinance seconded by Commissioner Felder. All voted in favor and the motion was passed.

3. Privilege License Renewals: n/a

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Commissioner Felder. All voted in favor and the motion was passed

B. Privilege Licenses: n/a

C. Bids:

1. WAYX 23-13 – Surplus Weight Machine

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve. Seconded Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

2. SRC FY23-01 – Engineering Services This was tabled at the WS

D. Ordinances:

1. An Ordinance Under Authority of Georgia Law to Annex into the Existing Corporate Limits of the City of Waycross, Georgia, Certain Property at Mary Street and Augusta Avenue; To Establish Zoning Classification for the Annexed Property as C-2 Highway Commercial; To Change the Land Use Plan; To Set an Effective Date; To Provide for Severability; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion to approve the ordinance by Commissioner Hopkins. Seconded by Commissioner Strickland. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

E. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Authorize and Approve a Standard Utility Agreement – Contract Item Agreement, with the Georgia Department of Transportation for State Road 38 Bridge Project; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Strickland. All voted in favor and the motion was passed.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Approve Purchase of Body Armor for the Waycross Police Department and for Other Purposes.

Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett made the motion to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Hopkins. All voted in favor and the motion was passed.

3. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Authorize the Execution of Agreements with Employees for Reimbursement of Costs to Attend Peace Officer Standards and Training, and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion was passed.

VI. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Davis- No Comment currently.

Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett- thanked all for coming out and for all those who came out to support the celebration of her grandmother's 100th Birthday.

Commissioner Felder- Thanked everyone for coming out.

Commissioner Hopkins- Thanked everyone and the staff for the efforts and support.

Commissioner Strickland- Thanked the citizens for coming and the staff for their dedication.

Mayor James- extended condolences to the family of Eugene Taylor and all the families who have lost loved ones. He reminded everyone again about the upcoming events.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The mayor moved for a motion to adjourn, motion was made by Commissioner Hopkins and seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. And the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 pm.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:

NE POWELL, City Clerk