

# MINUTES WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 – 5:00 P.M. WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

#### I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Meeting was called to order on Tuesday, August 15, 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, Commissioners Katrena Felder, Norman Davis, Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett and Henry Strickland.

#### A. Invocation:

Invocation led by Chief Cox, WPD

- 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 Davis, Seconded by Commissioner Strickland. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

#### II. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS

## III. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:

## A. Schedule Public Hearing:

Text Amendment Change to Section 710.2

Attorney Rick Currie announced that a Public Hearing needs to be set for Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 4:30pm.

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

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B. Confirm Appointment of the Assistant City Clerk

City Attorney Rick Currie announced the appointment of the new hire Elise Earnest, as Assistant City Clerk.

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

#### **IV. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

A. City Manager's Report

Chief Cox was acting City Manager, there was no city managers report at this time.

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

The mayor reminded everyone of the Local Market being held downtown at Phoenix Park, on August 19, 2023, from 10am until 4pm.

#### V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

- A. Consent Calendar:
  - 1. Approval of Minutes: n/a
  - 2. Ordinance Second Readings:
    - a. An Ordinance of the Waycross City Commission to Amend the Zoning Map of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Re-zone the Property Described Herein Located at 1202 House Street for R-75 Residential to RM-75 Residential Manufactured Housing; To Set and Effective Date; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion made to approve the consent calendar by Commissioner Strickland. Seconded by Commissioner Felder. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

- 3. Privilege License Renewals: n/a
- B. Privilege Licenses: n/a
- C. Bids: n/a

#### D. Ordinances:

1. An Ordinance of the Waycross City Commission to Amend the Waycross Zoning Ordinance; To Amend Article IX-Administration Enforcement, Penalties, Section 908 – Amendments, Subsection 908.5 – Public Hearings and Subsection 908.8 – Zoning Policies and Procedures for Public Hearings and Zoning Decisions Standards; To Provide for and Effective Date; and for Other Purposes.

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

#### E. Resolutions: n/a

# VI. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Davis- sent out condolences to all families who have lost loved ones. He asked about the progress on the water fountain at EE Moore Park and was given an update. He also mentioned changing the name of the park to EE Moore Memorial Park.

Commissioner Felder- sent condolences to the Mock and Taylor family for the loss of their mom. She also congratulated the new Assistant City Clerk.

Commissioner Strickland - he congratulated the new Assistant City Clerk and thanked everyone for coming out.

Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett - gave condolences to the Taylor family. She acknowledges the return of students and teachers to a new school year. She wished them a safe school year. She thanked the city employees and congratulated the new Assistant City Clerk.

Mayor James- thanked everyone for coming out. He congratulated Elise Earnest on her new position., as well as thanked Chief Cox for sitting in for the City Manager.

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

The mayor moved for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Strickland and seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. And the meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm.

# CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

ATTEST:

JACQUALINE POWELL, City Clerk