



SAVANNAH CITY COUNCIL
ACTION MEETING MINUTES
November 20, 2018

The regular meeting of Council was held this date at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison followed by the Invocation by Reverend Charles O'Berry, Jr., of College Park Baptist Church, in Thunderbolt, Georgia.

PRESENT: Mayor Eddie W. DeLoach, Presiding
Mayor Pro-Tem Carolyn H. Bell
Alderman Julian Miller, Chairman of Council
Alderman Brian Foster, Vice-Chairman of Council
Aldermen Bill Durrence, Van R. Johnson, II, Tony Thomas, John Hall, and Dr.
Estella E. Shabazz

City Manager Rob Hernandez
Assistant to the City Manager Bret Bell
City Attorney W. Brooks Stillwell
Assistant City Attorney William Shearouse

[The breakdown of votes that were not unanimous will be specified in the final meeting minutes.]

Upon motion of Alderwoman Bell, seconded by Alderwoman Shabazz, unanimous approval was given to amend the agenda by adding Item 52, a litigation settlement recommended by the City Attorney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to Adopt a Resolution for the Executive Session Held on November 15, 2018, for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel – **APPROVED (SEE RESOLUTIONS)**
2. Motion to Approve the Summary/Final Minutes for the City Council Work Session and City Manager's Briefing of November 5, 2018 – **APPROVED**
3. Motion to Approve the Summary/Final minutes for the City Council Meeting of November 5, 2018 – **APPROVED**

Upon motion of Alderwoman Bell, seconded by Alderwoman Shabazz, unanimous approval was given for the Mayor to sign an affidavit and resolution on Litigation for an Executive Session held today where no votes were taken. **(SEE RESOLUTIONS)**



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PRESENTATIONS

4. Appearance by David Rivers, a Savannah College of Art and Design Graduate, who Produced and Directed the Film, The Answer, which Premieres December 6 at the Royal Cinemas IMAX Theater – **Filmmaker David Rivers invited City Council and the community to the opening of the film “The Answer” on November 30th at the Royal Cinemas in Pooler. The movie addresses gang violence and was shot in Savannah by Savannah natives.**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE HEARINGS

5. Motion to Approve Alcohol License for Dhaval Patel of Broughton Market #2 – **CONTINUED TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2018**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Public Hearing to Receive Comment on the 2019 Service Program and Budget – **PUBLIC HEARING, NO ACTION; Laura Morgan, Executive Director for MedBank Foundation, spoke on behalf of the nonprofit organization that assists persons in the community access prescription medications.**

PETITIONS

7. Motion to Declare Surplus and Award Sale of Excess Right of Way at 703 Louisville Road – **APPROVED**

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

8. First Reading of Ordinance to Adopt the 2019 Service Program and Budget – **FIRST READING, NO ACTION**

ORDINANCES - FIRST AND SECOND READING

9. An Ordinance to Amend the Special Use Ordinance for 5715 Skidaway Road to Allow Construction of a Pavilion (Petitioner: Josh Yellin for Colleen Smith/Cohen's Retreat) – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**



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10. An Ordinance to Rezone 1602 Bull Street from TN-2 to TC-1 (Petitioner: Josh Yellin for 1602 Bull, LLC) – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
11. Motion to Adopt Ordinance to Issue General Obligation Bonds for Downtown Streetscape Improvements – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
12. Motion to Amend the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to Provide for the Sale of On-Premises Alcoholic Beverages Beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

13. Motion to Amend the Stormwater Management Ordinance to Update Language to Match State Regulations and to Codify Existing Policies – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
14. Motion to Amend the Code of Ordinances to Address Parking on Residential Properties – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
15. Motion to Amend the Code of Ordinances to Address Abandoned and Derelict Motor Vehicles – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
16. Motion to Amend the Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Maintenance of Tree Lawns, and Keeping Streets and Sidewalks Free of Litter – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
17. Motion to Amend Section 8-1004 of the Code of Ordinances to Adopt Exterior Property Maintenance Standards – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Affidavit of Executive Session (for November 15, 2018 meeting) – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

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18. Motion to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Increase of 2018 Emergency Solutions Grant Funding Allocations to Family Promise of Greater Savannah and Inner City Night Shelter – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
19. Motion to Adopt Resolution Accepting Bid for Purchase of Savannah General Obligation Bond – **APPROVED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

20. Motion to Purchase Flight Information Display (FIDS) Monitors, Computers, and Licenses from Infax, Inc. – **APPROVED**
21. Motion for Approval to Purchase Ford Utility Police Interceptor from Wade Ford, Inc. – **APPROVED**
22. Motion to Procure Materials for Terminal Concourse Fan Terminal Units from Brooks Building Solutions – **APPROVED**
23. Motion to Procure Installation Services for the Terminal Concourse Fan Terminal Units from Brooks Building Solutions – **APPROVED**
24. Motion to Approve a Conde Naste Magazine Co-Op Advertising Campaign Partnership with the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce – **APPROVED**
25. Motion to Approve a Travel and Leisure Magazine Co-Op Advertising Campaign Partnership with the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce – **APPROVED**
26. First Reading of Amendments to the Charter of the City of Savannah Implementing Certain Pension Plan Changes for Savannah Airport Commission Employees **AGENDA ITEM REVISED TO DELETE WORDING “FOR SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION EMPLOYEES”;** **NO ACTION, FIRST READING**

SPLOST PROJECTS

27. Motion to Award Construction Contract for Cann Park Sidewalks to Astra Construction Services, LLC (Event No. 6700) – **APPROVED**



28. Motion to Procure Playground Equipment from GameTime c/o Dominica Recreation Products, Inc. for Summerside Park (Event No. 6732) – **APPROVED**

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

29. Motion to Procure Design Services for Lift Station 23 Upgrade and Force Main from Hussey, Gay, Bell, and DeYoung, Inc. (Event No. 6356) – **WITHDRAWN**
30. Motion to Award Annual Contract for Lawn and Leaf Bags to Paper Chemical Supply (Event No. 6526) – **APPROVED**
31. Notification of Emergency Procurement of Replacement Expansion Joints from Engineered Restorations for the Motor Controls Room at President Street Water Reclamation Plant (Event No. 6740) – **APPROVED**
32. Notification of Emergency Procurement of Propane from MX Energy for the President Street Water Reclamation Plant (Event No. 6741) – **APPROVED**
33. Motion to Procure Curtain Rigging Equipment from Stage Front to Repair the Johnny Mercer Theater Curtain Rigging System (Event No. 6606) – **APPROVED**
34. Motion to Procure Control System Repairs from Southeastern Air Conditioning for the Northwest Police Precinct (Event No. 6540) – **APPROVED**
35. Motion to Renew and Modify Annual Contract for City Wide HVAC Maintenance Services with Edge Air Conditioning & Refrigeration (Event No. 4836) – **APPROVED**
36. Motion to Procure Painting Services from United Grounds Maintenance Services, Inc. to Paint the Stairwells in the Liberty Street and Whitaker Street Garages (Event No. 6424) – **APPROVED**
37. Motion to Renew Annual Contract for Debris Monitoring Services with Witt O'Brien's, LLC (Event No. 3923) – **APPROVED**
38. Motion to Renew Annual Contract for Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing Engineering Services with Sebring Engineering, LLC (Primary) and RWP Engineering (Secondary) (Event No. 3599) – **APPROVED**
39. Motion to Renew Annual Contract for Digital Advertising for Savannah Police Department with WSAV/Lin Digital (Event No. 4497) – **APPROVED**



40. Motion to Renew Annual Contract for Structural Welding and Fabrication at the Dean Forest Landfill with L&H Welding (Event No. 4961) – **APPROVED**
41. Motion to Renew Annual Maintenance Agreement for ShoreTel Phone System with CNP Technologies (Event No. 6707) – **APPROVED**
42. Motion to Approve Contract Modification No. 1 with Southeastern Site Development to Reduce the Cost of the Bacon Park Bridge Replacement (Event No. 5543) – **APPROVED**
43. Notification of Contract Modification No. 1 with E&D Contracting Services to Reduce the Cost of Bowles C. Ford Park Repairs (Event No. 5908) – **APPROVED**
44. Motion to Approve Contract Amendment No. 3 for Design Services for Downtown Streetscapes with EDSA (Event No. 4348) – **APPROVED WITH AMENDED LANGUAGE “IF NECESSARY AND NOT TO EXCEED \$86,256.33”**
45. Motion to Amend Annual Contract for Body-Worn Camera Devices and Support Services with Axon Enterprise, Inc. (Event No. 6771) – **APPROVED**

AGREEMENTS

46. Motion to Approve Revocable License Encroachment Agreements for the Broughton Street Streetscape Improvement Project and Authorization for the City Manager to Execute – **APPROVED**
47. Motion to Adopt Agreement with Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency Concerning Emergency Response Grant – **APPROVED**

MISCELLANEOUS

48. Motion to Declare Property Located at East Victory Drive as Surplus and Available for Sale – **CONTINUED TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2018**
49. Motion to Declare Surplus Property and Available for Sale at 4214 Sumter Street – **APPROVED**
50. Motion to Approve Supplemental Budget Adjustments to the Capital Improvement Fund – **APPROVED**



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51. Motion to Approve Naming of 201 Montgomery Street the 'Savannah Cultural Arts Center' –
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ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

52. Settlement of Condemnation Claim by MMA/PSP Savannah River, LLC for Bilbo Canal
widening project – **APPROVED**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor DeLoach announced that this meeting was the last City Council meeting for City Attorney Brooks Stillwell, who has attended over 600 City Council meetings in his time as either a lawyer or alderman. He stated it is the end of an era, though we will still be seeing him. He thanked Mr. Stillwell for all that he has done for the City and stated that he has probably seen millions of changes with the City, through Johnny Rousakis' time up through now. It's an amazing track record that Mr. Stillwell should be proud of. Brooks Stillwell thanked the Mayor and Council and stated that it has been an honor to serve as City Attorney and formerly as alderman all these years. He said the City is a lot better today than in 1978 when he started. Though there is still a lot to do, he thinks we are headed in the right direction.

Alderwoman Shabazz announced that the Fifth District has lost two constituents, both of whom passed away this past Sunday. Funeral services for Mrs. Swannie Richards of Sylvan Terrace will be held on Saturday, November 24th, at St. Philip A.M.E. Church on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. The funeral for former alderman Reverend Clifford Hardwick, one of Alderwoman Shabazz's mentors, will also be held at St. Philip A.M.E. Church on Monday, November 26th. Alderwoman Shabazz sent condolences on behalf of the City to all of their family members.

Alderman Johnson announced the passing of Lucius "Bo" Levette, who served on the Savannah Police Department and started the Police Athletic League of Savannah (PALS), as well as traveled with the Harlem Globetrotters. On behalf of the City of Savannah, Alderman Johnson expressed his condolences to the Levette family, including his daughter, School Superintendent Ann Levette.

Alderman Hall reminded everyone with Thanksgiving approaching to remember those less fortunate than us and to remember the victims of the fires in California.

Mayor DeLoach wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.



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There being no further business, Mayor DeLoach declared this meeting of Council adjourned.

Luciana M. Spracher

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Acting Clerk of Council