



Work Session and City Manager's Briefing

The work session and City Manager's briefing was held at 1:04 p.m. Mayor Johnson recognized Alderman Nick Palumbo to offer the invocation.

PRESENT: Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, Presiding
Alderman Kesha Gibson-Carter, Post 1, Chairman
Alderman Alicia Miller Blakely, Post 2
Alderman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1
Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2
Alderman Linda Wilder-Bryan, District 3
Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4, Vice Chairman
Alderman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5, Mayor Pro-Tem
Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager Jay Melder
Assistant to City Manager Daphanie Williams
City Attorney Bates Lovett
Clerk of Council Mark Massey
Deputy Clerk of Council Margaret F. Fox

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. 100% Savannah Clean Energy Plan. **[PRESENTED by City Manager Melder, Sustainability Director Nick Deffley, and Alicia Brown, Energy Analyst]**

Mayor Johnson adjourned the Work Session at 2:07 p.m.

Mayor Johnson requested the City Council to reconvene at 2:17 p.m. to allow staff ten minutes of transition time, prior to beginning the Regular Meeting.



Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

The regular meeting of the City Council was held at 2:18 p.m. Mayor Johnson recognized Alderman Detric Leggett to introduce Reverend Paul E. Smith, Pastor of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, who offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

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AGENDA ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Regular Meeting Agenda for December 9, 2021. **[APPROVED #1 UNANIMOUSLY, as amended to recognize representatives from our Sister City, Halle (Saale) Germany, led by Deputy Mayor Dr. Judith Marquardt.]**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES



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2. Approval of the Minutes for the Work Session & City Manager's Briefing Held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. **(APPROVED #2, #3 and #4 UNANIMOUSLY)**
3. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. **(APPROVED #2, #3 and #4 UNANIMOUSLY)**
4. Approval of the Minutes for the Special Meeting re: the FY2022 Budget (Retreat) Held on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. **(APPROVED #2, #3 and #4 UNANIMOUSLY)**

PRESENTATIONS

5. Appearance and Recognition of Carver State Bank Donation of \$2,500 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
6. Appearance and Recognition of South State Bank Donation of \$5,000 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
7. Appearance and Recognition of United Community Bank Donation of \$2,500 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
8. Appearance and Recognition of Wal-Mart Donation of \$2,000 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
9. Appearance and Recognition of St. Joseph's/Candler Health System Donation of ~~\$15,000~~ **\$40,000** to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
10. Appearance and Recognition of Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. Donation of \$16,500 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(PRESENTED)**
11. A Proclamation Recognizing Melissa Carter, Senior Budget Director, and the Office of Management and Budget, as Public Servants Who Safeguard the City's Long-term Financial Sustainability. **(PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson and READ by Alderwoman Lanier)**



ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARINGS

12. Approval of a Class C (Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Victoria E. Agudelo for Katrina's Burritos Xpress, a Full-Service Restaurant at 2 Park of Commerce Boulevard, Between Chatham Parkway and Park of Commerce Way in District 1. No concerns by Police or issues with littering or loitering. Distance measurement met. (New Owner/New Location)

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearings for #12 and #13 open.

No speaker(s) were present.

CLOSED HEARINGS for #12 and #13 UNANIMOUSLY.

(APPROVED #12 UANNIMOUSLY)

13. Approval of a Class C (Liquor, Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) with Sunday Sales and Class E (Beer, Wine)(By the Package) Alcohol Licenses to Colleen Edwards for Creekfire RV Resort, a resort at 275 Fort Argyle Road, Between I-95 and Bush Road. No concerns by Police or issues with littering or loitering. Distance measurement met. (Existing Business/New Owner)

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No speaker(s) were present.

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(APPROVED #13 UANNIMOUSLY)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

14. Final Public Hearing to Receive Comments on the 2022 Service Program and Budget.

Written comment(s):

- **Betty & Mark Armstrong – Funding for stormwater system to drain rainwater into the Vernon River more efficiently.**

Speaker(s) present:

- **The Rev. Guillermo A. Arboleda – Funding for Affordable Housing**
- **Reverend Katie Callaway – Funding for Affordable Housing**
- **River Ray Webb Hopkins – Homelessness, demographics, drugs, and double-standards**

Following an overview given by the City Manager pertaining to Clearview Homes tenants being displaced, Mayor Johnson permitted public comment from the following:



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- Diane Washington – Extension to December 31, 2021 and removal of the dispossessory proceedings from their record
- Debra Johnson - Extension to December 31, 2021 and removal of the dispossessory proceedings from their record
- Dione W. Hicks - Extension to December 31, 2021 and removal of the dispossessory proceedings from their record

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

15. Approval of the 2022 Revenue Ordinance. **(APPROVED #15 UNANIMOUSLY)**

16. Petition of Rebecca Holcombe on Behalf of Property Owner Jaki Gatch for a Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone 5313 Skidaway Road (PIN 20122 02021) from RSF-10 (Residential Single Family-10) to O-I (Office Institutional). Aldermanic District 3 (File No. 21-004900). MPC recommends rezoning to OI-T (Office Institutional-Transition) with conditions. **(APPROVED #16 UNANIMOUSLY)**

Speaker(s) present:

- Rebecca Holcombe - petitioner

PURCHASING ITEMS

17. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Armed Security Services with Sunstates Security, LLC in an amount of \$1,523,837. Services will be used for ten facilities, to include: City Hall, Gamble Building, SMN/5515 Abercorn St., Ellis Square, Coastal GA Center, I&D Water Plant, President Street Plant, Forsyth Cafe, Floyd Adams Complex, and special requests by Risk Management. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**

18. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for One Fire Apparatus and One Emergency Support Fire Apparatus with Sutphen Corporation in the Amount of \$1,500,000. The fire apparatuses will help Savannah Fire support the City of Savannah's Strategic Initiatives to ensure that citizens feel safe in their neighborhoods. **(APPROVED #18 UNANIMOUSLY)**



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19. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No.1 for Electrical Repair Services with Aiken Harper Electrical in the Amount of \$500,000. The Modification is for the Completion of Stand-By Power Generator, On-Going Lift Station Needs, and Replacement of Mission 3G Monitoring Systems for Sanitary Sewer System with LTE and 5G Technology. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**
20. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Interview Room Camera Systems with Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the Amount of \$243,841 for a Five (5) Year Contract. This Agreement Approves Replacement of the Recording Equipment in All Nine (9) Interview Rooms with a System that is Compatible with the Department's Body-Worn Cameras. **(APPROVED #20 UNANIMOUSLY)**
21. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for a Maintenance Agreement for Radio Software and Network Support Services with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the Amount of \$229,820. The maintenance covers radio network monitoring, dispatch services, telephone/online support, preventative maintenance, security update service, remote security patch installation and onsite repair and replacement. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**
22. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Maintenance and Repair of Motorola Equipment with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$211,722. Public Safety, Public Works, and Water Resources staff use the radio equipment for communication support. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**
23. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Furniture for the Sanitation Headquarters Through Corporate Environments of Georgia, Inc. (Local) in the amount of \$133,403. The furniture will support the completed renovation of the sanitation interim headquarters facilities located at 1809 Highway 80. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**
24. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract Renewal for External Auditing Services with Mauldin and Jenkins, LLC in the amount of \$130,409. The City is required by State and Federal regulations to undergo an annual external audit to



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determine whether or not the published financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable standards. **(APPROVED #24 UNANIMOUSLY)**

25. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract Modification for Govern Software Maintenance with MS Govern in the amount of \$108,569. The agreement will provide maintenance and support for the Revenue Department's Govern Software for property taxes, central cashing, business license and utility billing. **(APPROVED #25 UNANIMOUSLY)**

26. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for the Rental of Box Trucks with Enterprise Holdings in the Amount of \$80,507. The Litter Crews will assist the Sanitation Department with meeting the growing service demands associated with emptying litter, recycling baskets, removing loose litter from blocks, and maintaining a clean appearance for the City of Savannah. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**

27. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Fuel Cleaning Services with Southern Fox Services, Inc. in the Amount of \$56,550. Services will be used to clean approximately 97,000 gallons of number 2 diesel fuel for 22 emergency generators powering stormwater pumping stations. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**

28. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for EnerGov with Tyler Technologies in the Amount of \$47,960. The Department of Information Technology (DoIT) will use EnerGov to track permitting and inspections activities with various City departments. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**

29. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract Modification for NEOGOV Software Maintenance with GovernmentJobs.com, Inc./dba NEOGOV in the amount of \$47,717. The City uses the NEOGOV tracking system for automation during the hiring process. **(APPROVED #29 UNANIMOUSLY)**

30. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for an Internet Service Provider with Hargray Communications Group (Local) in the amount of \$42,072. This purchase will add secondary internet service points which will become failovers during primary connectivity outages, segment guest traffic and provide augmented



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services in conjunction with SCADA. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**

31. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for the Purchase of One (1) Jaws of Life from Municipal Emergency Services in the Amount of \$30,650. This Device is an Essential Tool that Enables a Quick and Efficient Extricate of Victims Trapped in Vehicles and Collapsed Structures. **(APPROVED #17, #19, #21, #22, #23, #26, #27, #28, #30, and #31 UNANIMOUSLY)**
32. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for 15 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) from Stryker Medical in the Amount of \$28,084. The Equipment Will Help Ensure that Savannah Fire Continues to Provide Quality Emergency Medical Services to the Citizens/Visitors of Savannah. AED's are Used to Treat Citizens/Visitors Who Suffer From Sudden Cardiac Arrest. **(APPROVED #32 UNANIMOUSLY)**

SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION

33. Approval to Procure Environmental Services Supplies from Southeastern Paper Group, The Home Depot, Unipak Corporation, MAGA Industries and Haskins Doyle, in the Amount not to Exceed \$200,000. **(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)**
34. Approval of Annual Retainer Fee for Airport Legal Services with Panzitta Law, LLC in the Amount of \$48,000. **(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)**
35. Approval to Execute a Four-Year Sponsorship Agreement with OVG Facilities, LLC in the Amount of \$140,509. **(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)**
36. Approval to Renew the Out of Home Advertising on Highway 278 with Adams Outdoor Advertising in the Amount of \$233,816. **(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)**
37. Approval of a Paid Search Campaign on Google in the Amount of \$102,595. **(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)**



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38. Approval to Ratify the Acceptance of Airport Rescue Grant Offer No. 3-13-0100-070-2022 from the Federal Aviation Administration in the amount of \$11,693,915.
(APPROVED #33 through #38 UNANIMOUSLY)

RESOLUTIONS

39. Adoption of the 2022 Service Program and Budget, Five-Year Capital Plan.
(APPROVED #39 UNANIMOUSLY)
40. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$2,500 Donation from Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. via Carver State Bank for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)**
41. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$5,000 Donation from Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. via South State Bank for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)**
42. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$2,500 Donation from Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. via United Community Bank for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund. **(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)**
43. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$2,000 Donation from Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. via Wal-Mart for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund.
(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)
44. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$15,000 Donation from St. Joseph's/Candler Health Systems for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund.
(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)
45. Approval of a Resolution Accepting a \$16,500 Donation from Community Housing Services Agency, Inc. for the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund.
(APPROVED #40 through #45 UNANIMOUSLY)

REAL ESTATE ITEMS

46. Approval of a Development Agreement with CCC President Street LLC for the development of Felicity at Perry Lane, a 290-unit apartment complex located at



1947 E. President Street. **(APPROVED #46, with Alderwoman Gibson-Carter and Alderwoman Miller Blakely voting no)**

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

47. Settlement #1.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to authorize the City Attorney's office to resolve the claim of Damien LaSalandra for \$45,000.00, seconded by Alderwoman Wilder-Bryan and Alderwoman Gibson-Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

48. Approval for the Installation of a Historical Marker on Public Property to Recognize the Kiah House Museum at 505 West 36th Street with Conditions. **(APPROVED #48 UNANIMOUSLY)**

Speaker(s) present:

- **Dr. Deborah Johnson-Simon, support for Kiah House Museum**

49. Approval of Segment 5 of the Water Works Site Pedestrian Walkway Mural at 1204 Gwinnett Street. **(APPROVED #49 UNANIMOUSLY)**

50. Approval of the Major Subdivision, Collinsville Meadow Townhomes, located in Haywood Ward at the northwest corner of Paulsen Street and East Park Avenue. This proposed subdivision totals 0.25 acres and will consist of 4 townhome lots. Collinsville Meadows Townhomes has its own dedicated entrance located off of Park Avenue. **(APPROVED #50, with Alderwoman Gibson-Carter and Alderwoman Miller Blakely voting no)**

Speaker(s) present:

- **David R. Slonim, petitioner**

51. Approval of the City of Savannah's 2022 State Legislative Agenda. **(APPROVED #51 UNANIMOUSLY)**

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.