

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 17, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Opening: Mayor Holder offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder also invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Members: Mayor Holder presided. **City Council Members:** Scott George, Mayor Pro-tem, Councilmember Bethune, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Cody, Councilmember Daniel and Councilmember Tice.

Staff: Ron Feldner, Deputy City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Ben Brengman, IT Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Benny Googe, Public Works Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police and Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief and Tonya Roper, Interim Zoning Administrator.

Absent: *Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director; Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director.*

Mayor Holder said the City Council held a Pre-Agenda Session prior to tonight's meeting. He said no decisions were made during the Pre-Agenda Session.

Receive Board and Committee Reports:

Tonya Roper, Interim Zoning Administrator briefed City Council on the Board of Zoning Appeals / Planning Commission Minutes dated 3/11/14.

Informal Public Comment:

Ms. Brenda Davis from 113 Chatham Villa Drive expressed her concerns over a traffic incident and the difficulty of getting a police report following the incident. Ms. Davis spoke with Chief Lyons at the conclusion of her comments.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the informal public comment portion of the meeting.

Public Hearings:

PC1403, Zoning Map Amendment: Mayor Holder opened the public hearing to receive public comment on a request by Mr. Tim Aiken to rezone 1323 Heidt Avenue from R-2 to C-1 for future use as office space.

Mayor Holder asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of PC1403, Zoning Map Amendment.

Tim Aiken spoke in favor of the rezoning and asked the Council if they had any questions. Councilmember Bethune stated that if the property were to be rezoned that the property would have to follow R-2 zoning as far as a privacy fence being built.

Ms. Renee Williams from Guyton also spoke in favor on her mother's behalf, who lives at 1317 Heidt Avenue. She stated that she does not objection to the rezoning, but does have concerns over the drainage. Ms. Williams said that the area was mainly rental homes. She also indicated that commercial activity was "all over us" and that the area was not a good place to raise kids.

Mayor Holder asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition of PC1403, Zoning Map Amendment.

Nobody spoke in opposition.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the public hearing for PC1403.

City Council Minutes:

Upon motion by Councilmember George, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to approve the City Council Minutes dated 3/3/14.

Staff Reports:

Director of Information Technology Presented the Information Technology Department's Monthly Status Report

Deputy City Manager Presented the Water Operations Monthly Status Report

Police Chief Presented the Public Safety Monthly Status Report. Afterwards, he received a comment from councilmember Bethune about the Police Department's vehicle needs Assessment Report. He was also questioned by Councilmember George about police activity over the Saint Patrick's Day weekend to which the Police Chief reported that a few drunk drivers had been stopped at a police road check during one of the nights. Otherwise everything was reported quiet.

Mayor Holder asked the Deputy City Manager if he had any updates, the Deputy City Manager stated that he did not have any updates at this time.

Mayor Holder asked the City Attorney if he had any updates, the City Attorney stated that he did not have any updates at this time.

Items for Consideration:

There were no Items for consideration.

Adjournment: Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember Scott, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

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