

MINUTES

City Council Meeting Monday, June 4, 2018

Call to Order: Mayor Bethune called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Opening: Pastor James Witherspoon, Alpha & Omega Worship Center gave the invocation and Mayor Bethune led City Council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Members: Mayor Bethune presided. Council Members: Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Daniel, Councilmember Ruiz and Councilmember Tice. Absent: Mayor Pro-tem Kicklighter and Councilmember Cody

Staff: Ron Feldner, City Manager; Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Gilbert Ballard, Chief of Police; Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director; Jackie Jackson, Special Projects Coordinator; Ron Alexander, Planning Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Chris Snider, IT Technician and Scott Robider, Code Enforcement Supervisor. *Absent:* Ben Brengman, IT Director; Corbin Medeiros, Fire Chief and Benny Googe, Public Works Director.

Informal Public Comment: Mayor Bethune opened the floor to receive public comment from the audience. There being no questions or comments from the audience, Mayor Bethune closed the informal public comment portion of the meeting.

City Council Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to approve the city council minutes dated 5/21/18.

Staff Reports:

Director of Human Resources presented the Human Resources Department's report for the month of May.

Chris Snider, IT Technician presented the Information Department's report for the month of May.

Director of Parks & Recreation presented the Parks & Recreation report for the month of May.

City Manager Updates: City Manager said I have not updates or announcements at this time.

Items for Consideration:

First Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (266 Alfred Street): Clerk of Council read the first reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, to rezone from a zoning classification of "C-2A" to a zoning classification of "I-1" a parcel of land currently owned by 266 Alfred, LLC, at 266 Alfred Street, Garden City, Georgia, being a portion of the "Williamson Tract".

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council to hold the second reading of the ordinance.

Second Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (266 Alfred Street): Clerk of Council read the second reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, to rezone from a zoning classification of “C-2A” to a zoning classification of “I-1” a parcel of land currently owned by 266 Alfred, LLC, at 266 Alfred Street, Garden City, Georgia, being a portion of the “Williamson Tract”.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance on the second reading.

First Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (Four Lots Intersection of Telfair Place & Telfair Road): Clerk of Council read the first reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, to rezone four (4) contiguous lots or parcels of land owned by Elizabeth Humphries, Erskine Kessler, Nancy Kessler, and William Moore, collectively located at the intersection of Telfair Place and Telfair Road from zoning classifications of “R-2”, “R-A”, “P-I-2”, and “R-2” respectively, to a zoning classification of “I-2”.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council to hold the second reading of the ordinance.

Second Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (Four Lots Intersection of Telfair Place & Telfair Road): Clerk of Council read the second reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, to rezone four (4) contiguous lots or parcels of land owned by Elizabeth Humphries, Erskine Kessler, Nancy Kessler, and William Moore, collectively located at the intersection of Telfair Place and Telfair Road from zoning classifications of “R-2”, “R-A”, “P-I-2”, and “R-2” respectively, to a zoning classification of “I-2”.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded Councilmember Ruiz, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance on the second reading.

First Reading - Ordinance, Flood Damage Prevention: Clerk of Council read for the first reading the heading of an ordinance to restate Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, relating to flood damage prevention.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council to hold the second reading of the ordinance.

Second Reading - Ordinance, Flood Damage Prevention: Clerk of Council read for the second reading the heading of an ordinance to restate Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, relating to flood damage prevention.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Ruiz, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance on the second reading.

Resolution, Encroachment Agreement With CSX Transportation: Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a facility encroachment agreement with CSX Transportation, Inc., for the installation and maintenance of a 4-inch diameter subgrade pipeline crossing along Nelson Avenue and crossing Bishop Avenue and the CSX right-of-way crossing, the purpose of which being to convey raw treated sewerage at or near Garden City, Georgia.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Ruiz, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

Resolution, 2018 Ad Valorem Tax Rate: Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution of the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, to set the ad valorem tax rate of Garden City for fiscal year 2018; and for other purposes.

City Manager said the resolution is to adopt the rollback millage rate of 3.756. He said citizens will not be seeing an increase in ad valorem tax rate for fiscal year 2018.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Daniel, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

Resolution, Employee Personnel Policy and Procedure Revisions: Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution to amend the City's Personnel Policy and Procedures Employment Manual to set forth therein procedures detailing employee obligations and use of leave time during time periods when circumstances impact the City's ability to open for business, as well as procedures for paying essential and non-essential employees during declared emergency incidents.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Ruiz, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

Adjournment: Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Ruiz, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

*Transcribed and submitted by: Clerk of Council
Accepted and approved by: City Council 6/18/18*