

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Monday, August 20, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Opening: Pastor Ashely Randall, Garden City United Methodist Church gave the invocation. Mayor Bethune led City Council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

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

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; Ben Brengman, IT Director and Corbin Medeiros, Fire Chief. Absent: Benny Googe, Public Works Director.

Police Officer of the Quarter: Mayor Bethune and Chief Ballard recognized Officer Kirk Brennaman as Police Officer of the third quarter.

Informal Public Comment: Mayor Bethune opened the floor to receive public comment. 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 Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to approve the city council minutes 7/16/18, workshop synopsis 7/23/18 and workshop synopsis 8/13/18.

Staff Reports:

HR Director presented the human resources department's report for the month of July.

IT Director presented the information technology department's report for the month of July.

Recreation Director presented the parts and recreation department's report for the month of July.

Planning Director presented the planning department's report for the month of July.

City Manager presented the public works and water operations department's report for the month of July.

Chief of Police presented the police department and code enforcement's report for the month of July.

Fire Chief presented the fire department's report for the month of July.

City Manager Updates: City Manager said I have no updates at this time.

Items for Consideration:

First Reading, Ordinance Amendment for House Numbers: Clerk of Council read for the first reading the heading of an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to establish four (4") inches as the minimum height for the numbering of houses and principal buildings in the City; to designate the City Manager or his/her designee as the administrator for the purpose of enforcing the numbering requirement and to provide a penalty for violations.

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

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

Second Reading, Ordinance Amendment for House Numbers: Clerk of Council read for the second reading the heading of an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to establish four (4") inches as the minimum height for the numbering of houses and principal buildings in the City; to designate the City Manager or his/her designee as the administrator for the purpose of enforcing the numbering requirement and to provide a penalty for violations.

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

Resolution, CAT Board Appointment: Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and City Council to appoint Deidrick Cody as the City's citizen representative on the Chatham Area Transit Authority, to serve at the City's pleasure, on an at-will basis, for a term commencing on the effective day of this Resolution and ending July 1, 2023, and until the appointment and qualification of his successor.

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

Resolution, Crew Cab Truck & Flatbed Dump Truck Proposals: Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and City Council to accept the proposal from J.C. Lewis Ford to sell the City a flatbed dump truck at the price of \$69,517.96, and the proposal of O.C. Welch Ford Lincoln to sell the City a crew cab truck at the price of \$29,897.00, and to authorize the City Manager to sign the purchase contracts or orders for the trucks.

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

Resolution, GMA Master Lease Agreement (Police Vehicles): A resolution by the Mayor and City Council to authorize the City Manager to enter into and execute a lease supplement to the Master Lease between Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) and the City for the purchase of six (6) Dodge Chargers to be used as police vehicles, plus the costs of equipping same, at the approximate total purchase price of \$280,465.00.

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

Resolution, Water/Sewer Utility Bank Accounts: A resolution by the Mayor and City Council to authorize the closing of the City's Well & Tank Bank Account and the Water Department Utility Deposits Bank Account at Wells Fargo Bank, the closing of the City's Water Department Merchant Services Bank Account at SunTrust Bank, and the transfer of such accounts to Bank of America.

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

Adjournment: Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Transcribed & submitted by: Clerk of Council

Accepted & approved by: City Council 9/17/18