

MINUTES

City Council Meeting Monday, June 6, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Opening: Pastor Gwyn Hall from Mr. Moriah Baptist Church of Savannah gave the invocation, and Mayor Bethune led the City Council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Council Members: Mayor Don Bethune, Mayor Pro-tem Bruce Campbell, Councilmember Marcia Daniel, and Councilmember Natalyn Morris. Absent: Councilmember Richard Lassiter, Councilmember Debbie Ruiz, and Councilmember Kim Tice.

Staff Members: Scott Robider, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Rhonda Ferrell Bowles, Finance Director/Clerk of Council; Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director; Chris Snider, Systems Administrator and Gil Ballard, Chief of Police. Absent: Jon Bayer, Public Works Director, and Mike Dick, Fire Chief.

City Council Minutes: Councilmember Morris motioned to approve the May 16, 2022, pre-agenda session minutes, and city council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

City Manager's Report: The City Manager stated that the city is looking to move forward with the shoulder work on Old Louisville Road. He noted that the city is continuing to look at areas to install speed humps.

Items for Consideration

First Reading, Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment: The Clerk of Council read the first reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to rezone certain properties owned by HUP Investments, LLC, located at 0 Dean Forest Road and 103 Prosperity Drive in Garden City, Georgia, from their present zoning classification of "P-C-2A" to an "I-1" zoning classification.

Councilmember Campbell motioned to approve the ordinance on the first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daniel and passed without opposition.

Councilmember Daniel motioned to suspend the rules of council to hold the second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

Second Reading, Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment: The Clerk of Council read the second reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to rezone certain properties owned by HUP Investments, LLC, located at 0 Dean Forest Road and 103 Prosperity Drive in Garden City, Georgia, from their present zoning classification of "P-C-2A" to an "I-1" zoning classification.

Councilmember Campbell motioned to adopt the ordinance on the second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daniel and passed without opposition.

Resolution, Town Center Master Plan Amendment: The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and Council to approve an amendment to the Master Plan for the City's Town Center development on Dean Forest Road in Garden City, Georgia, changing the use of Block 3 of said development from commercial retail/office space to multifamily residential.

Councilmember Morris motioned to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

Resolution, Tapestry Park Development First Amendment to Development Agreement & Addendum: The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the Development Agreement as to Block 3, Town Center, Garden City, Georgia, and the First Amendment to Addendum to the Development Agreement as to Block 3, Town Center, Garden City, Georgia.

Councilmember Morris motioned to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daniel and passed without opposition.

Resolution, 2022 Ad Valorem Tax: The 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 the fiscal year 2022.

Councilmember Morris motioned to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

Resolution, GCPD Night Differential Pay, Field Training Officer Supervision Pay, & Restructuring Plan: The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution to establish a policy for the night shift differential pay, field training officer supervision pay, and partial implementation of the police department restructuring plan for the employees of the Garden City Police Department.

Councilmember Campbell motioned to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daniel and passed without opposition.

Resolution, Amendment to Regular City Council Meeting Schedule (Juneteenth Holiday): The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution to amend the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City City Council; to eliminate the June 20, 2022, regular meeting of the City Council in observance of Juneteenth, and to establish a meeting of the City Council on June 21, 2022.

Councilmember Morris motioned to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

Informal Public Comment: Mayor Bethune stated that we had no speakers to sign up.

Executive Session – Real Estate / Property: Councilmember Morris motioned to enter into an executive session at approximately 6:13 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed without opposition.

*Transcribed & submitted by: Clerk of Council
Accepted & approved by: City Council 6/21/22*