

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018
5:00 PM

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor John Knox at 5:00 p.m. Members in attendance were: Mayor John Knox, Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall, Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines, Diane Hopkins, Norman Davis and John Threat.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines introduced Pastor William D. Simmons, Light of the World Ministries, who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor John Knox.

City Attorney Rick Currie announced a Public Hearing scheduled for Monday, August 23, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Millage Rate. A Special Called Meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. to set the Millage Rate.

Mr. Wilton Deloach, Interim City Manager, reminded the Commission and the public that September 8, 2018 is the football game scheduled between Valdosta State and Fort Valley State University. The Hatcher Point Mall Road Project will be ready to begin by the end of the month.

Mayor John Knox recognized Waycross Journal Herald report, Scott Cooper, who will be retiring this month.

No public remarks on official action.

Mayor Knox presented the Consent Calendar as read by City Clerk Julie Dinkins for consideration of official action as follows:

Approval of Minutes: Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session and Executive Session, Monday, August 6, 2018; Waycross City Commissioner Called Meeting, Tuesday, August 7, 2018; Public Hearing, Rezoning 717 Garlington Avenue, August 7, 2018; Public Hearing, Annex and Rezone, 517 Palmetto Drive, August 7, 2018; and Waycross City Commission Meeting and Executive Session, Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

One Ordinance Second Reading: 1) Amending the Code of the City of Waycross, Yard Sales.

ORDINANCE NO. 018-12

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA; TO AMEND CHAPTER 34 – TAXATION, LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS, ARTICLE XII. – YARD SALES, SECTION 34-352 – NUMBER AND DURATION, PERTAINING TO THE NUMBER OF YARD SALES A PERSON IS ALLOWED; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

There were no consent resolutions, and no privilege license renewals.

The Consent Calendar was approved by motion from Commissioner Diane Hopkins; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall, and approved with a 5-0 vote.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented FY 19-02 Extractor. Purchasing received 3 bids on an Extractor Washer for Fire Station #4. This will be used to wash turn out gear. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Tri-State Laundry, Valdosta, Ga for \$8,828.00 with this being the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications. This purchase will be made with SPLOST funds and a part of the construction cost for Station #4. Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to purchase the Extractor Washer for Station #4 with SPLOST funds. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; all voted positively and the motion was approved.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented FY19 Interest Rates for Financing Vehicles. Finance requested quotes on interest rates for a loan to finance newly purchased vehicles and equipment. Two Ford F150's, 1 Ford Fusion, and 1 Street Sweeper. The lowest rate obtained is with the GMA/BB&T at a rate of 3.98% for five years with no fees. The amount to be financed is \$262,014.00. The financing of the vehicles was approved by motion from Commissioner Diane Hopkins; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall; and approved with a 5-0 vote.

An Ordinance the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia Amending Chapter 30, Parks and Recreation, renaming the City Auditorium to C.C. McCray City Auditorium was presented for the first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 018-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA; TO AMEND CHAPTER 30 – PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE III. – PARK AND PUBLIC FACILITY NAMING BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 30-59 PERTAINING TO THE NAMING OF THE CITY AUDITORIUM AS C.C. McCRAY CITY AUDITORIUM; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Ordinance renaming the City Auditorium to C.C. McCray City Auditorium as presented for the first reading. Commissioner John Threat seconded the motion; Commissioners Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis and Threat voted yes; Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall and Commissioner Diane Hopkins voted no. Ordinance was approved on the first reading with a 3-2 vote.

An Ordinance to Annex and rezone property at 517 Palmetto Drive was presented for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 018-14

AN ORDINANCE UNDER AUTHORITY OF GEORGIA LAW TO ANNEX INTO THE EXISTING CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, CERTAIN PROPERTY AT 517 PALMETTO DRIVE; TO ESTABLISH ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THE ANNEXED PROPERTY; TO ZONE SAID PROPERTY TO R – 75 RESIDENTIAL; TO CHANGE THE LAND USE PLAN; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

An Ordinance to Annex and rezone property at 517 Palmetto Drive as presented for the first reading was approved by motion Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins; and approved with a 5-0 vote.

An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map of the City of Waycross, to rezone the property located at 717 Garlington Avenue was presented to the Commissioners for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 018-13

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA; TO REZONE THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN LOCATED AT 717 GARLINGTON AVENUE FROM LI – LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO R – 50 RESIDENTIAL; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve the Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map of the City of Waycross, to rezone the property located at 717 Garlington Avenue as presented to the Commissioners for the first reading. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

The Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Purchase of an Extractor Washer for the Waycross Fire Department was presented for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF AN EXTRACTOR WASHER FOR THE WAYCROSS FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has approved Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (hereinafter referred to as "SPLOST") funds to purchase equipment for the City of Waycross Fire Department at Fire Station # 4; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened three (3) bids tendered for the project; and

WHEREAS, Tri-State Laundry Companies of Valdosta, Georgia, submitted the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications for the project, at a cost of \$8,828.00, and which bid does not include cost of installation; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Contract for purchase of an Extractor Washer, and which bid does not include cost of installation, for the City of Waycross Fire Department at Fire Station # 4, be awarded to Tri-State Laundry Companies of Valdosta, Georgia, at a cost of \$8,828.00, and to be paid for from approved SPLOST funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk and City Director of Purchasing be authorized and directed to execute the Contract on behalf of the City of Waycross, and to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 21st day of August, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

The Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Purchase of an Extractor Washer for the Waycross Fire Department as presented for approval was approved by motion from Commissioner Diane Hopkins; seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis and approved with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Financing of Newly Purchased Vehicles and Equipment with BB&T through Georgia Municipal Association was presented to the Commissioners for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18-65

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO APPROVE FINANCING OF NEWLY PURCHASED VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT
WITH BB&T THROUGH GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City Commission recently approved the purchase of two (2) Ford F150 trucks, one Ford Fusion and one street sweeper; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department requested that the Purchasing Department obtain quotes on interest rates for a loan to finance said newly purchased vehicles and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the lowest interest rate available is with the Georgia Municipal Association Leasing pool rate of 3.98% on a five (5) year lease at BB&T; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross, Georgia, that a loan to finance the newly purchased two (2) Ford F150s, one Ford Fusion and one street sweeper will be BB&T for a term of five (5) years with the interest rate fixed at 3.98% and no loan fees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk and City Attorney be authorized and directed to execute the promissory note on behalf of the City of Waycross, and to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 21st day of August, 2018.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor**

**ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Financing of Newly Purchased Vehicles and Equipment with BB&T through Georgia Municipal Association as presented to the Commissioners for approval. Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, to Approve Revised Waycross Pay Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 was presented for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18--66

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO APPROVE REVISED WAYCROSS PAY PLAN
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Department is requesting approval of the revised Fiscal Year 2019 Pay Plan in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated herein as if fully set forth; and

WHEREAS, said revised Fiscal Year 2019 Pay Plan will provide for Earning Codes, Annual and Sick Leave, Pay Guidelines, EEO Job Codes and FY 2019 Salary Scale for employees of the City of Waycross; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City Commission hereby approves the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 Pay Plan for employees of the City of Waycross, in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated herein as if fully set forth, as the same is in the best interest of the City of Waycross and its employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Department of Human Resources and her staff are authorized and directed to take the necessary action to forthwith implement this Fiscal Year 2019 Pay Plan, effective August 29, 2018, and hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and things done by said City Officials, in order to give effect to the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 21st day of August, 2018.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor**

**ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, to Approve Revised Waycross Pay Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis and approved by a unanimous vote.

After last call, Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Mayor Knox adjourned the meeting.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: 
JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:


JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk