

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019
5:00 PM

The Honorable John Knox, Mayor of the City of Waycross called the Regular City Commission Meeting to order on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Members in attendance with Mayor John Knox were: Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins, Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis, and Jon Tindall. City Manager Tonya Miller and City Attorney Rick Currie were also in attendance. Commissioner John Threat was not present.

Mayor John Knox introduced Fire Chief David Eddins, who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor John Knox.

There were 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: Approval of Minutes: 1.) Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Monday, September 16, 2019; and Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

There was one Ordinance Second Reading as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 019-20

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING OF THE
ENGINEERING DIVISION; TO TRANSFER CERTAIN PERSONNEL IN THE
ENGINEERING DIVISION TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.**

There were no Privilege License Renewals, or consent resolutions presented.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins; and approved with a 4-0 vote.

City Manager Tonya Miller informed the Commission and public that there will be a Town Hall Meeting tonight, October 1, 2019 at the C C McCray City Auditorium at 6:30 p.m. on the SPLOST. There will also be another Town Hall Meeting on October 15, 2019 at the C C McCray City Auditorium to inform the public about the SPLOST referendum.

Purchasing Director, Linda Jones, presented Bid #FY20-10 Autoclave. WWTP is in need of a new autoclave unit. The old unit no longer works and cannot be repaired. Bids were solicited, and staff recommends awarding the bid to Environmental Express of Charleston, SC for a price of \$6,876.82 as the lowest and best bid. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve awarding the bid to Environmental Express; Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Purchasing Director, Linda Jones presented WAYX20-04 Surplus Property. A list of items no longer needed by any City department was presented to Commissioners. Staff is requesting that all items be declared surplus. The bicycles will be sent to D. Ray James Prison for repair and then distributed by our Waycross Police Department. The other items will be sold on GovDeals.com. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve declaring these items surplus. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution to Award Bid Contract to NFP for the City's Insurance Broker Services was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. R19-59

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO AWARD BID CONTRACT TO NFP OF MARIETTA, GEORGIA, FOR THE CITY'S
INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross recognizes the continued need for insurance broker services to cover the City's insurance needs for health, life, AD&D, vision, dental and STD / LTD coverage; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened eleven (11) bids tendered; and

WHEREAS, NFP, of Marietta, Georgia, submitted the best proposal to meet all of the City's insurance needs and the best pricing; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Bid Contract for Insurance Broker Services for **calendar year beginning January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020**, be awarded to NFP, with three (3) additional one-year extensions to be awarded as long as it remains in the City's best interests to remain with NFP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk and City Attorney be authorized and directed to execute the Bid 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 1st day of October, 2019.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

A Resolution to Award Bid Contract to NFP for the City's Insurance Broker Services was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis; and approved with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize and Approve a Transportation Investment Act of 2010 Project Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation, Albany Avenue Regional TSPLOST project was presented for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. R19-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT ACT OF 2010 PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; ALBANY AVENUE REGIONAL T-SPLOST PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Georgia adopted the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 which created 12 special districts and authorized elections which would allow each special district independently of any other district to approve and authorize the imposition of a special district transportation sales and use tax to fund transportation projects within the special district; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Georgia special tax district, which includes Waycross and Ware County, voted to levy the special district sales and use tax on May 22, 2018, by voter referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation (hereinafter "GDOT") is authorized to manage the execution, schedule, budget and delivery of the projects on the approved lists for the special districts; and

WHEREAS, the City, qualified and experienced to provide such services, desires to deliver all or part of the scope for Albany Avenue Widen and Resurfacing, SGRC-153, P.I. 0016312, project (herein referred to as "Project"), and as set forth in Exhibit B of the agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been read and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross

that the Mayor and City Clerk be, and the same are, hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 Project Agreement by and between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the City of Waycross, Georgia, in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth, on behalf of the City of Waycross, hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and things done and to be done to give effect to this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED, this 1st day of October, 2019.

CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize and Approve a Transportation Investment Act of 2010 Project Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation, Albany Avenue Regional TSPLOST project was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis; seconded by Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; and approved with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize Agreements with WPD Employees for costs of Peace Officer Standards and Training was presented for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. R19-60

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO AUTHORIZE AGREEMENTS WITH EMPLOYEES FOR COSTS OF PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Waycross Police Department has offered positions of employment to the following persons and they have accepted a scenario under which the employee will be required to become a certified police officer under the laws of the State of Georgia in order to retain said employment:

- (1) Travis Miller;**
- (2) Christian Kirkendall;**
- (3) Travis Smith;**
- (4) Jacob E. Carter;**
- (5) Enum L. Hyers;**
- (6) Amelia N. Pollice; and**
- (7) Kenneth Isaac Rowland; and**

WHEREAS, the City is providing this opportunity to said persons in anticipation of them continuing to work for the Waycross Police Department for at least two (2) years after his / her

successful completion of P.O.S.T. mandated training and said formalized training requirement so that the City will recover some of the benefit of the investment in said training or otherwise, will be required to reimburse the City; and

WHEREAS, each above-named employee has executed and signed a Waycross Police Department Training Reimbursement Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and hereby made part of the public records of the City of Waycross, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1 of the Charter of the City of Waycross gives the City of Waycross the power and authority to “enter into contracts and agreements with other governmental entities and with private persons, firms and corporations”; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City Commission of the City of Waycross hereby approves the agreements with Travis Miller, Christian Kirkendall, Travis Smith, Jacob E. Carter, Enum L. Hyers, Amelia N. Pollice and Kenneth Isaac Rowland upon the terms and conditions as fully set forth in the Waycross Police Department Training Reimbursement Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and hereby made part of the public records of the City of Waycross, Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Waycross Police Department Training Reimbursement Agreement, containing the terms and conditions as heretofore set forth.

SO RESOLVED, this 1st day of October, 2019.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize Agreements with WPD Employees for costs of Peace Officer Standards and Training was presented for approval. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the agreements; seconded by Commissioner John Tindall and approved with a 4-0 vote.

Following last call, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor John Knox.

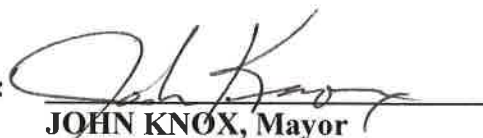
CITY OF WAYCROSS

ATTEST;



JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk

BY:



JOHN KNOX, Mayor