

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF FORT VALLEY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024. AT 6:00 PM CITY HALL-204 WEST CHURCH STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION-Mayor Jeffery Lundy

# PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
* Motion Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt

- Second Councilwoman Carla Gowen o All in favor motion carried.

1. MINUTES REVIEW-2023-December

Committee Meetings

Work Session Meeting

Special Called Meeting

Emergency Special Called Meeting

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS-Mayor Jeffery Lundy

Auditor Mr. Hundley is here, updates on the City's audits are coming soon. The Mayor and Council will travel for training Jan. 25 TH.

1. 2023 URBAN REDEVELOPMENT PLAN-Ms. Laura Mathis - Hand-out maps.

## VIII. PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL

l. Mr. Nathaniel Rayford-Housing repair, and code enforcement.

Addressed concerns of contact with Code Enforcement.

Cited harassment and unfair treatment, concerns for native's houses being demolished and the economic impact on poor families not able to afford to live in the communities due to future high cost of housing. (formal complaint on file).

2. Ms. Patricia Yates-Rand-"Giant Serving Goliath".

 Event: Saturday, February 3, 2024 (9:00 pm) F V SU Pettigrew Building.

IX. APPOINTMENTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON- Mayor Jeffery Lundy

1. Mayor- Jeffery Lundy

1. Mayor Pro Tem- Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
2. Administration/Personnel- Chair Person Councilman Hartesveldt, Council Members Carla Gowen and Henry Howard.
3. Fire Department-Chair Person is Councilwoman Sandra Marshall.

Council Members Juanita Bryant and Fred van Hartesveldt.

1. Police Department-Chair Person Councilwoman Carla Gowen.

Council Members Juanita Bryant and Fred van Hartesveldt.

1. Public Works Department-Chair Person is Councilman Henry Howard.

Council Members Laronda Eason and Fred van Hartesveldt.

1. Finance Department-Chair Person is Councilwoman Laronda Eason.

Council Members Juanita Bryant and Fred van Hartesveldt.

1. Economic Development-Chair Person is Councilwoman Juanita Bryant.

Council Members Henry Howard and Fred van Hartesveldt.

Approval of the appointment as outlined 3 people on each committee will be on the City Council Meeting Agenda for approval.

## X. ORDINANCES

l . Article VI. Alcohol Beverage Consumption Permits.

Chief Evans explained the ABC id card requirements, background check, possession of all who handle alcoholic beverages for sales in businesses to include bars, clubs, restaurants, store cashiers.

Exemption from one-time events (weddings, sip & paint, giving it away and not selling) Ordinance #1 pulled from the City Council Meeting Agenda per Mr. Woods. 1/18/24 at 12:55 pm.

2. Amending Section 18-293-Dwellings or Other Buildings Unfit for Human Habitation. Changes on pg. 2 to (14-days) as changed in State Law.

XI. MANAGEMENT REPORT. City Administrator, James A. Woods

## XII. RESOLUTIONS

l. Resolution to appoint Ginikki Crafter as a Core Board Member to Fort Valley

Downtown Development Authority Board to serve the remaining 3 years of a 4-year term of the vacant seat.

Qualifications- resides and operates a business in the city.

2. Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract of the Municipal Court Judge. Amendment-Resolution for the Council to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract of the Municipal Court Judge.

* Councilwoman Juanita Bryant there should be a total of (3) contracts.
* (Add to the Council Meeting Agenda).

 o The City Attorney contract.

 o The City Administrator contract.

1. Resolution to adopt the Urban Redevelopment Plan, (on the agenda for vote at the City Council Meeting 1/18/24). (Add to City Council Meeting Agenda).
2. Resolution to support the Fort Valley Public Safety Foundation.

Councilwoman Laronda F, Eason ask to see the proposal for the Fort Valley Public Safety Foundation. (Add to City Council Meeting Agenda).

Item #4 pulled from the City Council Meeting Agenda Per Mr. Woods 1/18/24 @ 12:55 pm.

1. Resolution of the Fort Valley City Council to amend Section 18-293 of the City of Fort Valley City Code. (Add to City Council Meeting Agenda).

Amend the agenda to remove resolution #5, it is covered in the Ordinance above.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION-7;48 pm.

Motion to enter executive session.

Purpose-Personnel.

Motion-Councilwoman Laronda Eason Second Councilman Henry Howard

All in favor motion carried.

Meeting Reconvened: 8:55 pm.

Action- Add to the City Council Agenda of 1-18-24.

 o The City Attorney contract,

 o The City Administrator contract.

 Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion-Councilwoman Juanita Bryant

Second-Councilman Henry Howard

All in favor motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**-8:58 pm