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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL,

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024, AT 6:30 PM

CITY HALL-204 WEST CHURCH STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION-Pastor Calvin Askew
3. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE
4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion-Council Gowen

Second-Council Eason

All in favor motion carried.

1. MINUTES APPROVAL

January and February 2024

Committee Meetings

Work Session Meetings

City Council Meetings

Motion-Council Gowen

Second-Council Eason

All in favor motion carried.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS-Mayor Jeffery Lundy

The Inaugural Men’s March Madness-Male Engagement Summit Resolution

1. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH-Feb. 2024

Public Works Department-Toni Beeks

Fire Department-Antonio Scott

Police Department-Sr. Inv. Aide, Ayana Jackson

Administration Department -Roslyn A. Howell

1. ORDINANCE -Annexation by 100% Method

Second reading of the Ordinance, and adoption by Mayor and Council.

Motion to adopt the ordinance.

Motion-Council Fred van Hartesveldt

Second-Council Juanita Bryant

All in favor motion carried.

1. ETHIC BOARD COMMITTEE (EBC)

Randomly draw five (5) names of members of the EBC to serve as a committee to address the issues of current complaint.

Discussion-

Names of 5 members drawn by Code Enforcement Officer Rhonda Walker.

* 1. Calvin Jones
  2. Jenny Absner
  3. Stanley Williams
  4. Mary Edwards
  5. Rich Adamson

1. RESOLUTIONS
   1. Resolution of Fort Valley City Council to address Mary Bentley’s request to rezone 803 Orange St. Parcel F05A 055 change to R-2 Residential be rejected as recommended by the Planning Board.

Ms. Bentley read a letter in support of reason to approve the rezoning of 803 Orange St.

Ms. Belinda Hudson and Marcus Agostino each commented on reason to not approve the rezoning of 803 Orange St.

* Spot zoning, two laned congested area safety issues for both driver and pedestrians, devaluation of current commercial properties.

Motion to reject the decision of the zoning board and change the property to R-2.

Motion-Council Bryant

Second-Council Eason

Yae-Council Juanita Bryant

Council Laronda Eason

Council Sandra Marshall

Council Henry Howard

Opposed (3)- Mayor Jeffery Lundy, Council Carla Gowen,

and Council Fred van Hartesveldt.

Motion carried vote of 4/3.

* 1. Resolution to approve contract for Interim City Attorney.

Motion- Council Laronda Eason

Second-Council Juanita Bryant

Discussion followed.

All in favor to accept Butler and Snow as Interim City Attorney.

Yea- Council Juanita Bryant, Council Fred van Hartesveldt,

Council Laronda Eason, Council Sandra Marshall, Council Henry Howard and Mayor Jeffery Lundy.

Opposed- Council Carla Gowen.

* 1. Approval of resolution to terminate City Administrator James Woods.

Mayor Lundy pointed out that the resolution stated suspended with pay pending completion of the requirements of city charter section 19(c).

Motion -Council Bryant to terminate James Woods March 21, 2024.

Motion dead for lack of Second.

Motion-Council Laronda Eason to approve the resolution as it is stated, to accept the process as written.

Second- Council Henry Howard

All in favor. (4)

Council Eason, Bryant, Marshall, and Howard.

Opposed (3).

Council Gowen, Hartesveldt, and Mayor Lundy.

Motion carried vote of 4/3.

1. REPORTS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

Fire Department-Chief Woodard

Police Department-Chief Evans

Police Citizen’s Academy

Chief Evans presented graduation plaques to students at the meeting.

Public Works Department-Walter Johnson

Economic Development-Gary Lee and Tisa Horton.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION -Yes

Motion to enter executive session. 7:45 pm.

Motion-Council Laronda Eason

Second-Council Henry Howard

ADJOURNMENT