

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

June 8, 2021

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Lester M. Miller.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Lester M. Miller
Mayor Pro Tem Seth Clark
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Paul Bronson
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Raymond Wilder
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman

VISITORS PRESENT:

Jaime Arnold, Eisenhower Business
Improvement District
Warren Selby, Warren Associates

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Sheriff David Davis
Frank Howard, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Wanzina Jackson, ECD
Edna Ruiz, Communications
Olivia Walter, Communications
Sherita Jones, Budget and Strategic Planning
Dr. Henry Ficklin
Spencer Hawkins, EMA Director
Henderson Carswell, Bibb County Sheriff's Office
Mike Scarby, Bibb County Sheriff's Office
Charles Brooks, Director of Engineering

1. Announcements

Sara Davis, Assistant County Attorney, announced a new movie filming in town. She announced the streets that would be closed during the filming.

2. Approval Of Minutes From The May 25, 2021 Meeting

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the minutes were approved.

3. New Alcohol Beverage Licenses

- A. New Alcohol Beverage License for Shiv 786 LLC located at 4505 Broadway, Macon, GA 31206

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the license for Shiv 786 was approved.

- B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Macon Beverage, LLC d.b.a. Beverage South located at 4375 San Carlos Drive, Macon, GA 31206

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the license for Macon Beverage was approved.

- C. New Alcohol Beverage License for Sprint 5 located at 3927 Napier Avenue, Macon, GA 31204

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Tillman and carried unanimously the license for Sprint 5 was approved pending the completion of the questionnaire.

4. Contracts For Implementation Or Renewal

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Hughes, Good, O'Leary and Ryan Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$130,955 for the preparation of an engineering and design plan for Rosa Park Square to be paid by the Rosa Parks Square Fund (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Tillman and carried unanimously, the agreement with Hughes, Good, O'Leary and Ryan for engineering and design plan for Rosa Parks Square was approved.

- B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc for ARCGIS software licenses in the amount of \$240,000 for Three Years, payable at a rate of \$77,500 for Year One, \$80,000 for Year Two and \$82,500 for Year Three from the I. T. Department Budget for Software Licenses (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the software license was approved.

5. Five Year Short Term Work Program

- A. A Resolution approving the submission of the Five Year Short Term Work Program and Capital Improvement Element to the Middle Georgia Regional Commission for Compliance Review (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the Five Year Short Term Work Program was approved.

6. Eisenhower Business Improvement District

- A. An Ordinance re-establishing the Eisenhower Business Improvement District to include all properties identified herein along Eisenhower Parkway, running from the intersection of Eisenhower Parkway and I-475 up to and including the Macon Mall (sponsored by Commissioner Al Tillman)

On motion of Commissioner Tillman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the Eisenhower Business Improvement District was approved.

7. Appropriations And Transfers

- A. An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of up to \$721,065f from 2018 SPLOST Proceeds, Roads and Bridges - Bass Road Line Item, for the payment of costs related to additional design work required by the Georgia Department of Transportation in relation to the Bass Road Widening Project (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Valerie Wynn, Commissioner Mallory Jones)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Appropriation from SPLOST for Bass Road widening was approved.

- B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve modification #1 to contract no. C-16-0056 with ATLAS COMPANY for the provision of additional professional design services, as newly required by the Georgia Department of Transportation, in connection with the Bass Road Widening Project, in the additional amount of \$2,066,175.00 to be paid from 2018 SPLOST Revenues - Roads and Bridges - Bass Road Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Valerie Wynn, Commissioner Mallory Jones)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Appropriation from SPLOST for Bass Road widening was approved.

8. Amendment To The Code

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- A. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 9 of the Code and Article 5 Division 1 SEC 2-351- and SEC 2-352 of the Code relating to the Emergency Management to address Emergency and Disaster Management (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Code, Chapter 9, Article 5 was approved for amendment.

9. Grants

- A. A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program Grant in the amount of \$10,326.00 from the Environmental protection Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, with no local match requirement (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Resolution accepting the Scrap Tire Abatement grant was approved.

- B. A Resolution Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Council Of Accountability Courts Judges State Of Georgia Grant Award From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2022, In The Amount Of \$163,522.00, With Matching Funds In The Amount Of \$18,169.00, Awarded To The Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program In Substantially The Same Form As The Hereto Attached Exhibit "A"; (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Council on Accountability Courts Grant for the Adult Felony Drug Court was approved.

- C. A Resolution Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Council Of Accountability Courts Judges State Of Georgia Grant Award From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2022, In The Amount Of \$208,889, With Matching Funds In The Amount Of \$23,210, Awarded To The Macon Judicial Circuit Mental Health Court Program In Substantially The Same Form As The Hereto Attached Exhibit "A"; (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Council on Accountability Courts Grant for the Mental Health Court was approved.

- D. A Resolution Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Council Of Accountability Courts Judges State Of Georgia Grant Award From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2022, In The Amount Of \$116,717.00, With Matching Funds In The Amount Of \$12,969.00, Awarded To The Macon Judicial Circuit Veterans Court Program In

Substantially The Same Form As The Hereto Attached Exhibit "A"; (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

10. Informational Item

- A. An Ordinance to amend Article II of Chapter 24 of the Code now reserved for the purpose of adopting the Macon-Bibb County Complete Streets Policy (Sponsored by Commissioner Elaine Lucas)

11. . Update From Sheriff

- A. Update from Sheriff David Davis

Sheriff David Davis and Warren Selby gave an update on the condition of the jail and the steps being taken to improve the cell doors, HVAC system. They thanked the Commission for the funds previously approved.

12. Executive Session

- A. Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against Macon-Bibb County or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1); Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E); and Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2);

Mayor Miller stated that there was no need for an executive session.

13. Work Sessions For Fy22 Budget

Informational only.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission