

PRE-COMMISSION ACTING AS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

June 7, 2022

The Pre-Commission meeting acting as a 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 Mallory Jones
Commissioner Raymond Wilder
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Adrianna Beavers, Assistant County Attorney
Frank Howard, Assistant County Attorney
Sara Davis, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Dr. Henry Ficklin
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Wanzina Jackson, Director, ECD
Olivia Walter, Communications
Edna Ruiz, Communications
Andrianna Beavers, Asst. County Attorney
Sheriff David Davis
Kim Roberts, Sheriff's Office

ABSENT:

Commissioner Elaine Lucas

GUESTS

Ivey Hall, Exec. Director, Habitat to Humanity

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the Pre – Commission acting as Committee of the Whole from May 3, 2022

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the minutes of May 3, 2022 was approved.

2. ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSES

- A. New Alcohol License for K K 2021 LLC dba Reliance Food at 3590 Napier Avenue

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the License for Reliance Food was denied based on the Business Identification Form provided herein states the Business Location is a "Grocery Store." However, the Business Location does not have the 10,000 sq ft of retail floor space required for a Grocery Store and the Business Location fails to offer the food items required to qualify as a Grocery Store or Food Mart pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Sec. 4-1. The Business Location meets the criteria of that Section's definition of a Vice Mart. Pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code Sec. 4-36(9)(B) "No Vice Mart shall be granted any new or additional license under this Chapter." Therefore, Legal recommends denial.

- B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Joi's Pick 2017 dba Joi's Pick at 3691 Spencer Circle

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously the license for Joi's Pick was denied based on the Business Identification Form

provided herein states the Business Location is a "Food Mart." However, the Business location fails to offer the food items required to qualify as a food Mart pursuant to the Code. An inspection on June 2, 2022 revealed the store did not sell bread and offered eggs for sale which had expired. The location meets the criteria of that section's definition of a Vice Mart.

Commissioner Watkins arrived.

- C. New Alcohol Beverage License for Jaya Food & Gas Inc. d.b.a. Citgo located at 1803 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, GA

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark and seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the license was denied based on the Applicant is seeking initial malt packaged to go and wine packaged to go alcohol licenses for the Business Location. Pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code Sec. 4-122, such licensure shall not be issued to a business location located within 100 yards (300 feet) of school grounds. The Business Location violates Macon-Bibb County Code Sec. 4-122 because it is located within 175 feet of the school grounds of Cirrus Academy located at 1870 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, GA 31204.

- D. New Alcohol Beverage License for H2O Enterprises d.b.a. Stop Shop located at 3290 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, GA 31201

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the license was denied base on the Business Identification Form provided herein states the Business Location is a "Grocery Store." However, the structure fails to meet the minimum retail floor space of a Grocery Store and fails to offer the food items required to qualify as a Food Mart or Grocery Store in Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Sec. 4-1. The Business Location meets the criteria of that Section's definition of a Vice Mart. Pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code Sec. 4-36(9)(B) "No Vice Mart shall be granted any new or additional license under this Chapter. Therefore, Legal recommends denial.

- E. New Alcohol Beverage License for Myron Winery located at 2351 Hubbard Road, Building C Macon, Georgia

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the license for Myron Winery was approved.

- F. New Alcohol Beverage License for Culinary South LLC d.b.a. Pearl located at 470 F 1st Street, Macon, GA 31201

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the license for Culinary South was approved.

- G. G. New Alcohol Beverage License for Bibb Distribution Company located at 6401 Hawkinsville Road, Macon, GA

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the license for Bibb Distribution Company was approved.

- H. H. New Alcohol Beverage License for Kings Food Mart, d.b.a. Kings Food Mart located at 2765 Houston Avenue, Macon, GA

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the license for Kings Food Mart was tabled.

- I. New Alcohol Beverage License for Shesh Narayan, LLC D.B.A Northside Citgo located at 1592 Forest Hill Road, Macon, GA 31204

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the license for Northside Citgo was approved.

- J. New Alcohol Beverage License for 2MForsyth d.b.a. Road Trip located at 4845 Ocmulgee East Blvd, Macon, Ga

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the license for Road Trip was approved.

- K. New Alcohol Beverage License for Johnny's New York Style Pizza located at 6255 Zebulon Road, Suite 200, Macon, GA 31210

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the license for Johnny's New York Pizza was approved.

- L. New Alcohol Beverage License for The Library Tap House and Kitchen, LLC located at 1530 Mercer University Drive Macon, GA

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the license for The Library Tap House and Kitchen was approved.

- M. New Alcohol Beverage License for JEK 2022 d.b.a. JEK Food Mart located at 3565 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, Ga

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the license for JEK Food Mart was approved.

- N. New Alcohol Beverage License for Vista Bar & Lounge located at 3642 Napier Avenue, Macon, GA 31204

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried by a vote of six to one with Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Jones, Wilder, Howell, and Watkins casting the affirmative votes and Mayor Pro Tem Clark casting the dissenting vote, the license for Vista Bar & Lounge was approved.

- O. New Alcohol Beverage License for Z-1 Express located at 6620 Columbus Road, Macon, GA

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the license for Z-1 Express was approved.

Commissioner Tillman arrived.

- P. New Alcohol Beverage License for A. K. Express located at 1091 Clinton Road, Macon, GA 31211

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried by a vote of six to one with Commissioners Wynn, Jones, Clark, Wilder, Watkins and Tillman casting the affirmative votes and Commission Bronson casting the dissenting vote, the license for A. K. Express was approved.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS

- A. 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 2023, in the amount of \$128,763.00 with matching funds in the amount of \$17,559.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, awarded to the Macon Judicial Circuit Family Treatment Court program (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant award for Family Treatment Court 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 2023, in the amount of \$149,093 with matching funds in the amount of \$20,331.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, awarded to the Macon Judicial Circuit Veterans Court Program (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant award for Circuit Veterans 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 2023, in the amount of \$202,568.00 with matching funds in the amount of \$27,623.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, awarded to the Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court Program (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant award for Adult Felony Drug 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 2023, in the amount of \$220,529.00 with matching funds in the amount of \$30,072.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, awarded to the Macon Judicial Circuit Mental Health Court Program (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant award for Mental Health Court was approved.

4. SREETS AND PARKS

- A. A Resolution approving a petition for the installation of eight street lights on Regina Drive, pursuant to Article X of Chapter 29 of the Code to be paid from the Facilities Management Budget, Services to Government - Electricity Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the installation of eight street lights on Regina Drive was approved.

- B. An Ordinance to dedicate that portion of Second Street running between Eisenhower Parkway and Houston Avenue in honor of Pastor Eddie D. Smith, Sr., in recognition of his

many years to service and leadership to the Macon-Bibb Community; appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$500.00 from the General Fund - Fund Balance to the Facilities Management Department for the purchase of material and memorial signage (Sponsored by Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the dedication of a portion of Second Street in honor of Pastor Eddie D. Smith, Sr. was approved.

- C. A Resolution to approve the installation and dedication of a donated park bench and signage in memory of Malenday Falling-Jones (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the dedication of a bench in memory of Malenday Falling-Jones. was approved.

5. CONTRACTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OR RENEWAL

- A. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase Agreement with North America fire Equipment Company, Inc in the amount of \$192,918.00 for the purchase of V-Force fire Protective Gear to be paid from SPLOST 2018 Fund, Public Safety, Fire Upgrade, Machinery & Equipment Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Agreement with North America Fire Equipment Company was approved.

- B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Mailsort Macon, Inc for approximately \$225,000 annually, to outsource mail service for Macon-Bibb County (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the agreement with Mailsort Macon was approved.

- C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with DISYS Solutions, Inc in the amount of \$106,019.42 for the purchase of MERAKI MX75 Security Appliances and Associated Licenses and support for the I.T. Department to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund - IT Department Computers & Hardware Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the agreement with DISYS was approved.

- D. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Master Services Agreement with Terracon Consultants, Inc. for the performance of Environmental Testing and Inspection Services (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, agreement with Terracon Consultants for Environmental Testing was approved.

- E. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Geotechnical & Environmental Consultants, Inc., A Terracon Company, in the amount of \$64,405.00 for inspection services for the Macon City Auditorium Renovation, to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the agreement with Geotechnical was approved.

- F. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Old Post Real Estate LLC for the lease of a parking lot located at 473 Hawthorne Street for use by the Bibb County Department of Family and Children Services (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the agreement with Old Post Real Estate was approved.

- G. A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with CorrectHealth Bibb, LLC in the base amount of approximately \$4,615,273.39 payable from the Sheriff's Office Correction Budget, Medical Services and Mental Health Services Line items, to provide medical and mental health services for inmates of the Bibb County Sheriff's Office from July 1, 2022 through to June 30, 2023 (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the agreement with CorrectHealth Bibb for services to inmates was approved.

6. APPROPRIATION

- A. An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of up to \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds for the provision of services to disproportionately impacted communities in the form of housing support - affordable housing to be granted to Macon Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the Ordinance to appropriate up to \$500,000 to Habitat for Humanity for affordable housing was approved.

- B. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing Settlement In The Total Amount Of \$150,000.00 For Any And All Claims, Demands, Or Damages Against The Macon-Bibb County Sheriff's Office Arising Out Of Or Connected In Any Way To Julia Jackson V. David Davis, et al, Civil Action No. 2020-Cv-071775, Superior Court Of Bibb County, State Of Georgia (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the settlement for \$150,000 in the claim of Julia Jackson v David Davis et. Al was approved.

7. 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 there was no need for an Executive Session. The meeting adjourned.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

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