

PRE-COMMISSION ACTING AS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

October 4, 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 Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Paul Bronson
Commissioner Raymond Wilder

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Adrianna Beavers, Assistant County Attorney
Frank Howard, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Julie Moore, Assistant County Manager
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Alex Morrison, Director of Planning & Public Spaces
Dr. Henry Ficklin, Exec. Dir. Community Affairs
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Olivia Walter, Communications
Edna Ruiz, Communications

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes from the September 20, 2022 meeting.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the minutes of the September 20, 2022 meeting were approved.

2. NEW ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSES

- A. New Alcohol Beverage License for Manlak3131 d.b.a. Pio Nono Food Mart located at 3131 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, GA

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the license for Pio Nono Food Mart was approved.

- B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Pleasant Mill Store d.b.a. Carr's located at 5988 Mt. Pleasant Church Road, Macon, GA

On motion of Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the license for Pleasant Mill Store was approved.

3. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OR RENEWAL

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for construction with Sam Hall & Sons, Inc. for the renovation of Cotton Avenue Plaza, in the amount of \$570,000 with \$500,000 to be paid by Macon-Bibb County from 2018 SPLOST Fund, Road Work Other - Property Cotton Avenue Plaza 1st Street Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the contract with Sam Hall & Sons for renovations of Cotton Avenue Plaza was approved.

- B. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute a Work Detail Agreement with the Georgia Department of Corrections in the amount of \$147,954.00 for the purpose of hiring offender work detail labor from McEver Probation Detention Center to be paid from the General Fund for Public works, Street and Road Contract Labor Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried by a vote of eight to one with Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Lucas, Jones, Clark, Wilder, Howell and Tillman casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Watkins casting the dissenting vote, the Agreement with Georgia Department of Corrections was approved.

- C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter a Contractor Services Agreement with Gracie Gray Contractor, Inc for guardrail repair and replacement along county roadways in the amount of \$173,543.00 to be paid from 2018 SPLOST Fund, Road Work, LMIG - Property Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the agreement with Gracie Gray Contractor for guardrail repair was approved.

- D. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with the Southern Center for Choice Theory, LLC to provide for an additional 12-Month Term for individual counseling services to participants on Swift Certain & Fair Domestic Violence Probation, with funds from the Swift Certain & Fair Supervision Grant (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the amendment to the agreement with Southern Center for Choice Theory was approved.

- E. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with the Southern Center for choice Theory, LLC to provide for an additional 12-month term for Counseling Sessions to participants on Swift Certain & Fair Domestic Violence Probation who have been evaluated for placement in the Family Violence Intervention Program with funds from the Swift Certain & Fair Supervision Grant (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the amendment to the agreement with Southern Center for Choice Theory was approved.

- F. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with S&K Professionals limited liability company for an additional 12-month term, to provide individual counseling services to participants on Swift Certain & Fair Domestic Violence Probation with funds from the swift certain & fair supervision grant (sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously the amendment to the agreement with S&K was approved.

- G. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an amendment to professional services agreement with the Step After - Evidence based programming, LLC to provide an additional 12-months of counseling certain & fair domestic violence probation who have been evaluated for placement in moral reconnection therapy with funds from the swift certain & fair supervision grant (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the amendment to the agreement with Step After Evidence was approved.

4. ACCEPTANCE OR AGREEMENT FOR GRANTS

- A. A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a FY2023 H.E.A.T. Grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety in the amount of \$90,620.86 with a 40% local match to be paid from funds already appropriated to the Sheriff's Office Budget, to be used by the Bibb County Sheriff's Office to provide for H.E.A.T. related enforcement, operating expense, travel and telecommunications (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the HEAT grant for the Sheriff's Office was approved.

- B. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Meals on Wheels of Middle Georgia, Inc. to provide \$170,114.00 in Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus Funds for the provision of Meals to decrease food insecurity for seniors and assist those that need immediate food assistance (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Tillman and carried unanimously, the agreement with Meals On Wheels for \$170,114 was approved.

- C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with the Macon - Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc. granting a Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus in the amount of \$66,000 for the provision of homeless prevention (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the agreement with EOC for \$66,000 was approved.

- D. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Crisis Line & Safe House of Central Georgia to provide \$7,700 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Funds for the provision of meals, household and medical supplies and prescriptions and services for those involved in domestic violence situations (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and carried unanimously, the agreement with Crisis Line and Sale House for \$7,700 was approved.

- E. A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a Federal Highway Administration Federal Lands Access Program ("FLAP") Grant in an amount to be determined with no local match to be used for constructing improvements to Bondsview Road inside the Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (Sponsored by Mayor Lester Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the FLAP Grant for Bondsview Road was approved.

- F. A Resolution to authorize the acceptance of additional funds awarded by Hazard Mitigation Grant Program in the amount of \$10,435.58 with no local match, for reimbursement of unexpected costs incurred in labor (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the acceptance of the funds in the amount of \$10,435.58 was approved.

5. RIGHT OF WAY ABANDON AND SALE OF PROPERTY

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to close and abandon a portion of Right-Of-Way adjacent to 672 First Street and to remove such path from the Official Road Map of Macon-Bibb County (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the portion of Right of Way adjacent to 67 First Street was approved and the path will be removed from the Official Road Map.

- B. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute a QuitClaim Deed for the sale of property to the Irene Ray and Jimmy Roney totaling approximately 0.33 of an acre located at the corner of First Street and Pine Street for its fair market value of \$143,000.00 (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the quitclaim deed for the sale of the property to the Roneys for \$143,000 was approved.

6. AMENDING THE CODE

- A. An Ordinance to amend Section 22-53 of the Code to increase the minimum fine for dumping Debris and Yard Waste in the streets and drainage systems from \$25.00 to \$250.00 (sponsored by Commissioner Bill Howell and Commissioner Paul Bronson)

On motion of Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried by a vote of eight to one with Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Jones, Clark, Wilder, Howell, Watkins and Tillman casting the affirmative vote and Commissioner Lucas casting the dissenting vote.

7. SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

- A. An Ordinance to authorize a Supplemental Budget Appropriation from General Fund - Fund balance to Sponsored Programs for the Macon-Bibb Friendly Communities Advisory Council in the amount of \$15,000 to provide funding for events and programming (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Jones seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the appropriation for the Age Friendly Communities Advisory Council was approved.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. A. New Alcohol Beverage License for Jaya Food and Gas

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the final denial of the Alcohol Beverage License for Jaya Food and Gas was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

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