

CITY OF FORT VALLEY
MARCH 21, 2019
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor and Council of the City of Fort Valley held a Regular Council Meeting on Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 6:30p.m. at City Hall.

Mayor Barbara Williams presided.

Council Members In Attendance: Alonzo Allen, Jimmy Barnes, LeMario Brown, Juanita Bryant, Marvin Crafter, Carla Gowen.

City Attorney, Gary Lamar was present.

City Administrator, Carter Crawford was present.

Public Safety Director, Chief Lawrence Spurgeon was present.

Public Works Director, Director Benjamin Carpenter was present

Administrative Assistant Scakajawea Wright, served as recorder.

- I. Call to Order-** 6:30 p.m.
- II. Invocation-** Minister Avis Zanders
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
 - i. Mayor's Briefing- February 4, 2019
 - ii. Called Meeting- February 6, 2019
 - iii. Public Safety Committee- February 7, 2019
 - iv. Administration Committee Meeting- February 7, 2019
 - v. Mayor's Briefing- February 11, 2019
 - vi. Mayor's Briefing- February 18, 2019
 - vii. Work Session Meeting- February 18, 2019
 - viii. Public Works Committee Meeting- February 19, 2019
 - ix. Finance Committee Meeting- February 19, 2019
 - x. Economic Development Meeting- February 20, 2019
 - xi. Regular Council Meeting- February 21, 2019
 - xii. Mayor's Briefing- February 25, 2019
 - xiii. Called Meeting- February 27, 2019

Motion to approve a consent agenda for all the meeting minutes for the month of February.

1. Motioned- Bryant
2. Seconded- Barnes

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2. Seconded- Barnes
3. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - i. Motion Carries.

V. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda.

1. Motioned- Brown
2. Seconded- Bryant
3. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - i. Motion Carries.

VI. Announcements

- Annual Employee Awards Banquet will be at Fort Valley State University's Student Amenities Building on April 20th at 7pm.
- Fort Valley State University will be conducting a Home Buyers Seminar on April 13th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Pettigrew Center. Gifts will be offered to the first ten who arrive, and refreshments will be served. You can register at homefreeusa.org/cfa. If there are any questions you may call.1-855-493-4002
- Annual Ham and Issues Breakfast will be help April 23rd at 8 a.m. in the Pettigrew Center of Fort Valley State University. Legislature representation will be there.
- Mayor attended the Museum of Aviation of behalf of the city. Senator Johnny Issacton and Congressman Austin Scott was present.
- GMA District 6 Spring Meeting will be held April 30th at 6 p.m. at Eighteen 36.
- Fort Valley Middle School Soccer team will be playing for the Lead Championships at 5pm.
- Barnes next baseball game will be held in Charleston South Carolina.

VII. Special Recognition

Employee of the Month

- i. Public Works Department- Antonio Lopez
- ii. Public Safety Department- Skyler Bryant

VIII. New Business

1. **Motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board to rezone 804 Orange Street from Residential to Commercial 2.**
 - i. Motioned- Allen
 - ii. Seconded- Crown
 - iii. All In Favor-Bryant, Brown, Crafter, Gowen, Mayor
 1. Abstained- Barnes
 2. Recused- Allen

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- a. Motion Carries.
2. **Motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board to rezone 105 Pearson Mill Street from Residential 2 to NSI.**
 - i. Motioned- Brown
 - ii. Seconded- Gowen
 - iii. All In Favor- Bryant, Brown, Crafter, Gowen, Mayor
 - iv. Abstained- Allen and Barnes
 1. Motion Carries.

Mayor Williams discussed the revisions that were made to the agreement.

Bryant asked what amount they are expecting when they say, “when the city is financially able”.

3. Motion to accept the Purchasing Police as presented.
 1. Motioned- Bryant
 2. Seconded- Brown
 3. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Crafter believes it’s not fair to just give the property to the developers when dealing with public property. He would like for the property to be bid out. He also would like to change the name of the revised DDA agreement to Intergovernmental agreement.

Motion to table the agreement.

4. Motioned- Bryant
5. Seconded- Crafter
6. All In Favor- Bryant and Crafter
7. Opposed- Brown, Allen, Barnes, Mayor, Gowen
 - a. Motion Failed.

Motion to accept the revised DDA Agreement.

1. Motioned- Gowen
2. Seconded- Barnes
3. All In Favor- Gowen, Mayor, Barnes
4. Opposed- Bryant, Brown, Allen, Barnes
 - b. Motion Failed.

Reports from Departments

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Economic Development Committee- Alonzo Allen

Public Works Committee- Jimmy Barnes

City Marshall Report and Public Safety Report- LeMario Brown

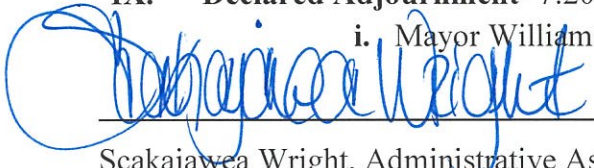
Personnel Committee- Carla Gowen -no report

Finance Committee- Juanita Bryant

The Administration Committee- Marvin Crafter

IX. Declared Adjournment- 7:20 p.m.

i. Mayor Williams



Scakajawea Wright, Administrative Assistant