



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF FORT VALLEY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023, AT 6:30 PM
204 WEST CHURCH STREET**

Attended-Mayor Jeffery Lundy, Councilman Alonzo Allen, Councilman Jimmy Barnes, Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt, Councilwoman Carla Gowen, Councilman David Morrill, City Administrator James Woods, Chief Evans, Major Flores, Walter Johnson, Chief Woodard, Dir. Gary Lee, Code Ofc. Rhonda Walker. **Recorder City Clerk -Diane Brown**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION**-Councilwoman Carla Gowen
- III. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilman Alonzo Allen
Seconded by Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
All in favor Motion carried.
- V. MINUTES APPROVAL- October 2023**

2019-Audit Public Hearing
Committee Meetings
Work Session Meeting
Regular City Council Meeting

Motion by Councilwoman Carla Gowen
Seconded by Councilman Alonzo Allen
All in favor Motion carried.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**-Mayor Jeffery Lundy
- VII. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**

Police Department-Ieshia Faulks
Fire Department-Jordan Austin
Public Works Department-Bernita Davis
Administrative Department- Diane Brown
- VIII. BUSINESS LICENSE**
 1. Flavors Restaurant- Business License to serve alcohol, pour by the drink.
Motion to Table bring back in December.
Motion by Councilman David Morrill
Seconded by Councilwoman Carla Gowen
All in favor Motion carried.
- IX. MANAGEMENT REPORT**- City Administrator, James A. Woods

(Ordinances)-2nd-Read by Title only. Review

Chapter 17-Personnel
Motion by Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
Seconded by Councilman Alonzo Allen
All in favor Motion carried.

Chapter 14- Animal Ownership-Section 14-1 , Section 5.1

Motion by Councilwoman Carla Gowen
Seconded by Councilman David Morrill
All in favor Motion carried.

Chapter 54 -Schools

Offenses Against School Safety

Motion by Councilman Alonzo Allen
Seconded by Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
All in favor Motion carried.

Chapter 54 Police Operations

Administration, Enforcement, Violation and Penalties

Motion by Councilwoman Carla Gowen
Seconded by Councilwoman Juanita Bryant
All in favor Motion carried.

Chapter 62-Offenses and Miscellaneous Provision

Sec. 62-4 -Juvenile curfew.

Sec. 62-14.-Loitering and juvenile curfew (Hotels, Motels, Extended Stay Hotels, Truck Stops).

Sec. 22-328. Rules for wins between Customers and Business Owners, Managers, and Employees of Class B COAM City Approved Locations.

Motion by Councilwoman Carla Gowen
Seconded by Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
All in favor Motion carried.

X. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution to give City of Fort Valley Retirees a COLA raise.
Motion by Councilwoman Juanita Bryant
Seconded by Councilman Alonzo Allen
Recused-Councilwoman Carla Gowen
Nay-Councilman David Morrill
Motion carried vote of 5/2.
2. Resolution to authorize \$30,000.00 to be spent from the Sanitation Fund for the purpose of repairing the pump in the Stormwater Vacuum Truck.

Motion by Councilman Alonzo Allen
Seconded by Councilman Fred van Hartesveldt
Opposed by Councilman David Morrill
Motion carried by vote 6/1.

XI. REPORTS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

1. Police Department-Chief Evans presented a plaque to Mayor and Council "Crime Rate Down by 47% In Fort Valley."
2. Fire Department-Chief Woodard
3. Public Works Department-Mr. Walter Johnson
4. Economic Development-Mr. James A. Woods, Mr. Gary Lee and Code Officer-Ms. Rhonda Walker

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION-No

Motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion by Councilwoman Juanita Bryant
Seconded by Councilman Alonzo Allen
All in favor Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-8:00 pm.