



AGENDA
CITY OF FORT VALLEY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16TH, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.
CITY HALL
204 WEST CHURCH STREET
FORT VALLEY, GEORGIA 31030

Mayor Barbara Williams presided.

Council members in attendance: Juanita Bryant, Jimmy Barnes, and Carla Gowen. City Administrator, Raphel Maddox, Public Safety Director, Chief Spurgeon, and Public Works Assistant Director, Antonio Lopez was present. City Clerk, Scakajawea Wright served as recorder.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER- 6:30 P.M.

Moment of Silence for Ms. Sarah Harris & Dr. Ernest Corker

II. INVOCATION- Pastor LaDamiun Raines, Cool Springs Baptist Church

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PLANNING AND ZONING HEARING

Motion to deny the request to rezone Hardeman Avenue from R1 to R2.

1. Motioned- Gowen
2. Seconded- Barnes
3. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - i. Motion carries.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the Agenda.

- i. Motioned- Barnes
- ii. Seconded- Gowen
- iii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - i. Motion Carries.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Fort Valley State University will kick off their 125th Year Anniversary February 14th.
2. Strategic Planning Retreat in February.
3. Fort Valley State University plays Savannah State Saturday.

VII. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

1. Public Works
 - i. November- Ronnie Daniely

ii. December- Michael Taylor

2. Public Safety- Tasha Bouza

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion to approve the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement.

i. Motioned- Brown

ii. Seconded- Gowen

iii. All In Favor- Unanimous

1. Motion Carries.

II. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. Public Safety Committee Meeting- November 5th, 2019

2. Public Works Committee Meeting- November 19th, 2019

3. Finance Committee Meeting- November 19th, 2019

4. Work Session Meeting- November 19th, 2019

5. Regular Council Meeting- November 20th, 2019

6. Public Safety Committee Meeting- December 5th, 2019

7. Called Meeting- December 13th, 2020

8. Public Works Committee Meeting- December 17th, 2019

9. Finance Committee Meeting- December 17th, 2019

10. Personnel Committee Meeting- December 17th, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes from the month of November and December.

i. Motioned- Bryant

ii. Seconded- Gowen

iii. All In Favor- Unanimous

1. Motion Carries.

Motion to initiate the Storm Water Utility Contract.

i. Motioned- Barnes

ii. Seconded- Bryant

iii. All In Favor- Unanimous

a. Motion Carries

Motion to approve Alcohol License for Shaquil Barfield on 607 MLK Drive- Showtime Lounge, LLC

iv. Motioned- Bryant

v. Seconded- Brown

vi. All In Favor- Mayor, Barnes, Bryant, Brown

vii. Opposed- Gowen

i. Motion Carries.

Motion to approve the purchase of a scale for the transfer station at Public Works.

i. Motioned- Barnes

ii. Seconded- Bryant

- iii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - 1. Motion Carries.

Mayor Williams announced the swearing in of the elected officials Tuesday, January 16th at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers. She further shared, The Utility Commissioners had been sworn in and had a meeting.

Motion to acknowledge the swearing in of Mr. Alonzo Allen, Mr. Jimmy Barnes, and Mr. Alonzo Allen.

- i. Motioned- Gowen
- ii. Seconded- Bryant
- ii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Mayor Williams recommended Mr. Jimmy Barnes as the new Mayor Pro-Tem for this year.

Motion to appoint Jimmy Barnes as Mayor Pro-Tem.

- i. Motioned- Gowen
- ii. Seconded- Barnes
- ii. All In Favor- Mayor, Barnes, Gowen
 - a. Motion Carries.

Motion to approve update of 911 center software.

- i. Motioned- Gowen
- ii. Seconded- Brown
- ii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Motion to approve the error and release of property taxes for Usher Temple.

- iii. Motioned- Bryant
- ii. Seconded- Brown
- iv. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Motion to accept the resolution to accept funds from Habitat for Humanities to be deposited in the General Funds.

- v. Motioned- Brown
- ii. Seconded- Gowen
- vi. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Mayor Williams announced the 2020 Council Committee

ADMINISTRATION

Alonzo Allen, Chair
Carlo Gowen
Juanita Bryant
Mayor Williams

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Marvin Crafter, Chair
Jimmy Barnes
LeMario Brown
Mayor Williams

FINANCE

Jimmy Barnes, Chair
Alonzo Allen
Marvin Crafter
Mayor Williams

PERSONNEL

LeMario Brown, Chair
Carla Gowen
Juanita Bryant
Mayor Williams

PUBLIC SAFETY

Carla Gowen, Chair
Alonzo Allen
Marvin Crafter
Mayor Williams

PUBLIC WORKS

Juanita Bryant, Chair
Jimmy Barnes
LeMario Brown
Mayor Williams

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

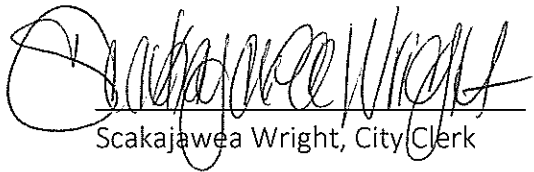
Finance Committee- Juanita Bryant
Personnel Committee- Carla Gowen
Public Works Committee- Jimmy Barnes
Public Safety Committee- LeMario Brown

Motion to enter Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege.

- i. Motioned- Brown
- ii. Seconded- Barnes
- ii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.

Motion to exit Executive Session.

- i. Motioned- Gowen
- ii. Seconded- Bryant
- ii. All In Favor- Unanimous
 - a. Motion Carries.



Scajajawea Wright, City Clerk