

Regular Council Meeting

August 9, 2018

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 7:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Wright.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Evans.

Present were Mayor John Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman Justin Wright, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward Armijo and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings.

Welcome extended to all by Mayor Harley, recognized former Mayor Ronnie Brand. Mayor Harley stated he had spoken with Commissioner Walker and he is unable to attend meeting.

- Rules of Decorum: Mayor Harley read rules of decorum. See below.

In light of the foregoing, the following rules of procedure and decorum for City Council meetings in general and for public comment time, specifically, shall be observed by all present:

1. Public comment (comment made during a designated time as shown on the meeting agenda and without prior request to bring a matter before Mayor and Council) will address matters that are on the agenda of the meeting at which an individual wants to speak. Comments will address matters that are within the authority of the Council.
2. Non-elected and non-staff individuals shall not comment on each agenda item as it is considered nor shall they address Mayor and Council throughout the meeting. Interrupting during the meeting to ask questions or attempt to voice an objection to a discussion is not a protected exercise of free speech. Such conduct is out of order and disruptive and will be met with a request of the speaker by the presiding Council member to cease.
3. When permitting public comment on agenda items that are directly relevant to city business, the Council creates a designated public forum. In this situation, the Council is well within its rights to enact content-neutral time, place and manner restrictions on speech and expressive conduct. Those restrictions, however, must be narrowly tailored to achieve a significant government interest and must allow sufficient alternate channels of communication. (City of Madison, Joint School District v. Wisconsin Employment Relations Comm'n, 429 U.S. 167 (1976)). Therefore, restrictions on public comment shall include:
 - (a) TIME LIMIT ON SPEAKERS: Each speaker shall limit their comments to three minutes and shall state their name and address for the record at the onset of their remarks. The purpose of this restriction is to keep discussion of issues timely and on point. Each speaker will be asked to yield the floor at the end of the allotted time.
 - (b) POLITELY ADDRESSING COUNCIL AND CITIZENS: A policy on respect for the Council and citizens will ensure that meetings remain orderly and productive. Individuals shall refrain from using the public meeting as a forum for rude or disruptive conduct. The presiding Council member may take the floor away from individuals who act in an unruly manner. Individuals are also prohibited from

private conversations or other distractions during the meeting. Such acts may also be stopped by the presiding Council member. No one, Council, staff, nor the public, shall conduct themselves in a manner that is abusive, profane or disruptive.

Mayor Harley stated when someone is speaking he focuses his attention on them and does not/cannot pay attention to others. Mayor Harley asked the other members of the Council to make him aware of anyone in the audience who is speaking or distracting others. The Mayor stated that everyone should be courteous to those speaking whom are addressing the chair.

(c) FOCUS ON RELEVANT MATTERS: Public comment shall be limited to matters that are on the agenda of the meeting taking place at the time the comments are made and shall be directly related to the business of the body being addressed. In the interest of time and allowing the expression of a variety of viewpoints, redundant or repetitive comments are also prohibited.

(d) COMMENTS DIRECTED TO CHAIR OR PRESIDING OFFICIAL: All comments shall be directed to the Chair or official presiding over the meeting.

Public Comments

None

Adoption of Minutes: Motion made by Councilman Wright to adopt both sets of minutes as written; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

- July 3, 2018 Regular Council Meeting
- July 17, 2018 Council Work Session

Executive Session -Personnel Matters and Futures Acquisition of Land: Councilman Andrews made motion to enter into executive session at 7:06pm; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Mayor and Council reconvened at 7:51pm.

Affidavit & Resolution: Mayor Harley entertained motion to adopt resolution. Motion made by Councilman Evans; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried. City Attorney Tydings read affidavit. Affidavit executed by Mayor Harley and notarized by City Clerk Bedingfield. Affidavit and Resolution attached and made part of official minutes.

Old Business

Proposed Pay Study: Councilman Andrews stated that the goal is to attract the best and the brightest applicants in order to effectively compete in the Mid Ga area for employees. Thanked the department heads and employees and MGRC for doing the work to preparing the pay study. Stated that, starting tonight, we are going to be more competitive and be in a better position to attract the best and the brightest and that it is an honor and a privilege to serve with these guys. The money for this expenditure will come from the unrestricted fund balance. The new pay rates will be effective July 4, 2018. Motion to approve pay study in its entirety made by Councilman Andrews; seconded by Councilman Evans. Councilman Evans thanked those who served on the committee. We are making sure we are paying fairly for the work they do for our

citizens and making sure we can effectively compete for the best applicants. Mayor Harley called for the vote. Motion carried.

New Business

Home Based Business-S & L Cleaning Service: Councilman Andrews made motion to approve; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

United Way-Director, George McClaness & Clero Wright: Mayor Harley informed everyone, that Mrs. Wright contacted City Clerk Bedingfield and will be rescheduling at a later date.

Center Park Project Update: Councilman Wright stated he was excited about this project and recognized Director of Marketing Hogan. Power Point presentation attached and made part of official minutes. See breakdown below.

Budget of Center Park Phase 1

Site Work	\$ 854,733
Design Work	\$ 50,000
Playground	\$ 249,913
Restroom Facility	\$ 250,000
Pavilion	\$ 130,000
Lighting pending: General discussion re: light poles. Pay full installation cost and maintenance cost; \$ 350 per light pole. No motion or action taken.	
Splashpad	\$ 400,000
Additional Accoutrements	\$0
Total	\$ 1,934,646

Point of Information-New CVPD Patch: Councilman Evans recognized Chief Hadden. Chief Hadden reported this is a budgeted item. It has taken some time to find the design that we wanted. This is the final version, ready to move forward. Purchase option, 30-day turnaround, 500 patches, 300 will be standard sew-on, 200 will have Velcro backing, which will save a little wear and tear. \$1,100.00 cost. No motion or action.

Discussion of 2018 Millage Rate: Councilman Andrews made motion to table until Sept 4, 2018 Regular Council Meeting; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

Comments from Council

Post 1 Councilman Andrews, none.

Post 2 Councilman Wright, none.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, none.

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, none.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 8:18pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Date

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield