MINUTES

WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023 – 5:00 P.M. WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

(417 PENDLETON STREET, WAYCROSS, GA)

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session was called to order on Monday, July 17, 2023, at 5:00 pm by Mayor James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was, Commissioners Norman Davis, Henry Strickland, Katrena Felder, Diane Hopkins, and Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett.

A. Invocation: Ulysses Rayford, City Manager

Invocation led by, James Smart, Director of Public Works

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. GUESTS:

Eunice Dixon, 1207 Emma Street, Waycross Ga. 31501

Mrs. Dixon, spoke on behalf of GICH, Georgia Initiative for Community Housing. The Georgia Initiative for Community Housing (GICH) helps communities improve their quality of life and economic vitality through the development of locally driven housing and revitalization strategies. The local governments are being asked to help aid in this effort by contributing funds to help cover the cost of the GICH conference.

III. TRAVEL/TRAINING SCHEDULE AND REQUESTS

IV. PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION

- A. Bids: n/a
- **B.** Discussion Items:
 - 1. Mayor's Reading Club

The mayor, spoke about the exciting reading club the Mayors Reading Club, which will illustrate different people that work through out the city and their job responsibilities. He spoke on the value of having the program, to engage with our young children and to put a face to our city.

C. Privilege License Renewals: n/a

D. Privilege Licenses:

- 1. Delicious Duo LLC, A. Smith, 215 Pendleton St. Ste 231, Waycross, GA 31501, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premises.
- E. Proposed Ordinances: n/a
- **F.** Proposed Resolutions:
 - 1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ware County Board of Commissioners on the Albany Avenue Grade Separation Project; and for Other Purposes.

There was a consensus to place this on Tuesday Commission Meeting Agenda

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Provide Written Notice to the Georgia Secretary of State and Plant Tiftnet, Inc., Doing Business as Truvista, of the City's Applicable Franchise Fee Rate; and for Other Purposes.

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G. City Attorney's Report:

H. City Manager's Report:

The City Manager spoke briefly on the Priorities for the City.

I. Last Call and/or Adjourn to Executive Session

Commissioner Davis- No last call

Commissioner Felder- Thanked all for coming.

Commissioner Hopkins- Thanked all for coming out.

Commissioner Strickland- Thanked all the staff and citizens for coming. He also thanked the City Manager for all he's doing for the city.

Commissioner Bennett- Thanked all for coming out, also asked the community to pay attention to our children. To many of them are committing suicide.

Mr. Mayor-was grateful to all, it was a Great Meeting! Recognized the City Manager 109th day on the job and job well done!

J. Adjournment

The mayor asked for a motion to adjourn, a motion was given by Commissioner Hopkins and seconded by Mayor Pro Temp Sheinita Bennett. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

ATTEST: