



**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2021 – 5:00 P.M.**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Planning and Information Session of the City of Waycross was called to order December 21, 2021 at 5:17 pm by Mayor Michael-Angelo James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was Mayor James, Mayor Pro Tem Henry Strickland, Marian Solomon-Gaines, John Threat, and Diane Hopkins. Commissioner Norman Davis was not present.

- A. Invocation  
Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines offered the invocation.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor James requested that City Clerk, China Agu read the decorum.

**II. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:**

- A. Employee of the Year – Chief Eddins requested that this item be skipped due to a family emergency of the recipient.
- B. WWDA Board Appointment: Charlie Moore (*Filling Seat Vacated By Phillip Saussy*)

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to appoint Charlie Moore to the WWDA; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

**III. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

- A. City Manager's Report

Chief Eddins announced that if the rain lets up Santa will be out again this evening. The Chief informed us that Santa will be able to make all the streets in the city this year. He also thanked Commissioners John Threat and Marian Solomon-Gaines for their dedicated service to the City of Waycross.

B. Mayor's Public Service Announcements

The Mayor also thanked Commissioners John Threat and Marian Solomon-Gaines for their dedicated service to the City of Waycross.

**IV. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS**

There were no remarks on Official Actions.

**V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:**

A. Consent Calendar:

Mayor James presented the Consent Calendar as read by City Clerk, China Agu for consideration of official action as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes: 1.) Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, December 7, 2021, 5:00 p.m.; 2.) Continued Waycross City Commission Meeting, Thursday, December 9, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
2. Ordinance Second Readings:
  - a. An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Amend Chapter 2 – Administration, Article IV. – Officers and Employees, Section 2-191. – Oath for City Clerk; Subsection D; Relating to Absence of City Clerk and City Finance Director; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide for Severability; To Provide for an Effective Date; To Provide for Codification; To Provide for Renumbering or Relettering; and for Other Purposes.
  - b. An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Amend Subpart B – Land Development Code, Chapter 113 – Subdivisions, Section 113-229. Street and Alley Improvements; To Make Corrections and Deletions By Removing Subsection (D) In Conformity with City's Stormwater Utilities in Code of Ordinances Sections 105-55 Through 106-67; To Provide for Codification; To Provide for Renumbering or Relettering; To Provide for Severability; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide an Effective Date; and for Other Purposes.
  - c. An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Amend Subpart B – Land Development Code, Chapter 105 – Environmental Control, Article II. – Storm Control, Section 105-23. Drainage Requirements and Section 105-25. Design Standards; To Make Additions and Corrections in Conformity with the City's Stormwater Utilities, Code of Ordinances Section 105-55 Through 105-67; To Provide for Codification; To Provide for Renumbering or Relettering; To Provide for Severability; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide an Effective Date; and for Other Purposes.
  - d. An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Amend Chapter 105 – Environmental Control; Article IV. – Stormwater Utilities, Sections 105-56, 105-58, 105-59, 105-60, and 105-66; To Make Certain Revisions, Corrections, Additions and Deletions; To Provide for Codification; To Provide for Renumbering or Relettering; To Provide for Severability; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide an Effective Date; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines motioned to move the Privilege License Renewals from the Ordinance Second Readings in order that they might be voted on separately. Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins motioned to approve the Consent Calendar and Ordinances for Second Readings. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

3. Privilege License Renewals:

1. The Vibe Events, Rupesh Patel, 215 Knight Ave, Waycross, GA 31501  
Consumption on Premises, Beer, Wine, and Liquor
2. Topsy's Inc. dba Topsy's , Prabhuds Patel, 1711 Ossie Davis Pkwy, Waycross, GA 31501, Package Sales Beer, Wine, and Liquor
3. Kroger Company, Kimberly E. Braverman, 1606 Memorial Dr, Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
4. Food Lion, Jessse W. Lee, 1312 Plant Ave. Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
5. Aden's Minit Mkt #48, Kira Batton, 2198 Brunel Str., Waycross, GA 31503  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
6. Thai Smile, Parsert Yakorn, 314 Pendleton Str. Waycross, GA 31501  
Consumption on Premises, Beer and Wine
7. Dollar General, Cindy Norton, 1803 Knight Ave., Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
8. Qee's Company, John Edwards, 670 Oak Str., Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
9. Shree Raj 610 Inc., Raj Bipinbhai Patel, 610 Memorial Dr., Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
10. Ruby Tuesday, Rosa C. Smith, 2263 Memorial Dr., Waycross, GA 31501  
Consumption on Premises, Beer, Wine, and Liquor
11. Khodiyar 1942 Inc., Samir Patel, 507 S City Blvd., Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine
12. Wiley's Top Shelf LLC, Dale R Wiley Sr., 409 Alice Str., Waycross, GA 31501  
Consumption on Premises, Beer, Wine, and Liquor

Commissioner Diane Hopkins motion for approval of the Privilege License Renewals. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

B. Privilege Licenses:

1. Rushiqm Inc. dba/Quick Mart, Rupesh Patel, 800 Ossie Davis Pwky, Waycross, GA 31501  
Package Sales Beer and Wine

Commissioner Diane Hopkins motion for approval of the Privilege License. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

C. Bids:

1. Bid # 22-14 Realtor Services

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the bid; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

2. Emergency Purchase of Pipe for Alpha Street Drainage
3. WAYX 22-05 Surplus Property
4. Sale of Real Property – FY22-11 913 G Street
5. Sale of Real Property – FY22-12 Clough Street
6. Sale of Real Property – FY22-07 MLK Drive
7. Sale of Real Property – FY22-15 MLK Drive

D. Ordinances: n/a

E. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution to Declare the Results of the 2021 Election and to Declare those Elected to Commission Posts for the Commission of the City of Waycross, Georgia – District 1, District 2, and District 3; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Award Emergency Contract to Consolidated Pipe and Supply Company, Inc. for Pipe to Repair Alpha Street Drainage Issue; To Pay Invoice; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

3. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Award Contract to Gateway Realty to Market and Sell Certain Designated City-Owned Properties; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

4. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Approve the Sale and Transfer of Certain Surplused Real Property; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

5. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Approve Additional Holiday for Calendar Year 2021; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

6. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Submit FY2022 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant Application Form; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Henry Strickland seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

7. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Award Contract to Travelers Insurance Company for the City's Workers' Compensation Insurance Needs and Services for Calendar Year 2022; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

#### VI. GUESTS:

- A. Tim Peacock – 906 Euclid Avenue, Waycross, GA,  
Mr. Peacock took a moment to thank Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines and John Threat. He then pointed out how important it is to be present at Commission Meetings, and how important it is for people to be able to talk to them.

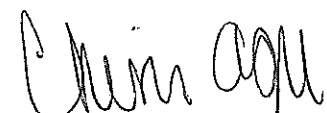
#### VII. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Diane Hopkins motioned to adjourn the meeting; Mayor James adjourned the meeting.



ATTEST:

  
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CHINA AGU, City Clerk

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

  
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MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

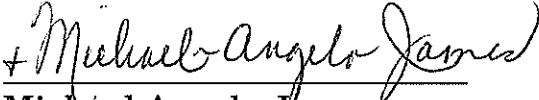
**AFFIDAVIT  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Michael-Angelo James, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

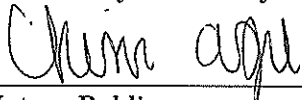
1. I am competent to make this Affidavit and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein.
2. Pursuant to my duties as Mayor of the City of Waycross, Georgia, I was the presiding officer of a meeting of the City Commission on the 3rd day of January 2022.
3. That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A 50-14-4 (b) provides as follows: "When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion hereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions providing by law and identifying the specific relevant exception".
4. This subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 3rd day of January 2022, which was closed for the purpose(s) of Personnel and Litigation as allowed by O.C.G.A, Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with mandate of O.C.G.A 50-14-4 (b) that such affidavit be executed and is to be filed with the official minutes of the aforementioned meeting.

This 3rd day of January 2022.

  
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**Michael-Angelo James,**  
**Mayor, City of Waycross**

Sworn and subscribed before me  
This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2022.

  
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Notary Public  
My Commission Expires 9/26/25

