



CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 07, 2024

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

**2. Invocation and Pledge**

City Manager Charles Penny gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDENCE**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Phil Boyum	Councilmember	Present	9:11 am
Paulette Chavers	Councilmember	Present	
Ginny Hendley	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Shari Barr	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	

Other staff present: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Senior IT Specialist Alan Schleder, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

**3. Recognitions / Public Presentation:**

**A) Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week.**

Mayor McCollar read and presented a Proclamation recognizing May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week to Director of Engineering and Public Works John Washington.

**4. Public Comments (Agenda Item):** None

**5. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda**

**A) Approval of Minutes**

- a) 04-16-2024 Work Session Minutes
- b) 04-16-2024 Council Minutes
- c) 04-16-2024 Executive Session Minutes

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

**6. Public hearing and consideration of a motion to approve application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a):**

**Southern Liquors, LLC  
305 Tormenta Way, Building 3  
Statesboro, Ga 30458**

**License Type: Package Sales: Beer, Wine, and Distilled Spirits**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Phil Boyum

Nobody spoke for or against the request

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

A motion was made to approve the application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a) issued to Southern Liquors, LLC located at 305 Tormenta Way, Building 3 Statesboro, Ga 30458 for License Type: Package Sales: Beer, Wine, and Distilled Spirits.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

**7. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2024-03: An Ordinance amending Chapter 82 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances, Section 62(d) allowing the use of water utility master meters.**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

No one spoke for or against the request

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

A motion was made to approve the first reading and move forward to the second reading of Ordinance 2024-03: An Ordinance amending Chapter 82 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances, Section 62(d) allowing the use of water utility master meters.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

**8. Consideration of a motion to waive the formalities under Sec. 2-2-4 and approve Ordinance 2024-04: An Ordinance to recodify Chapter 14 Article III Apartment Security.**

A motion was made to waive the formalities under Sec. 2-2-4 and approve Ordinance 2024-04: An Ordinance to recodify Chapter 14 Article III Apartment Security.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

**9. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2024-12: A resolution approving application for the 2024 Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Sandra Webb Legacy Grant.**

A Motion was made to approve Resolution 2024-12: A resolution approving application for the 2024 Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Sandra Webb Legacy Grant.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember Boyum

**10. Consideration of a motion to approve an application submitted by Stadium Walk Homeowners Association, Aries Management LLC, and APLL Investments, LLC for funding under the Security Enhancement Incentive Program in amount of \$17,875.00.**

At 9:11 am Councilmember Phil Boyum joined the meeting.

A Motion was made to approve an application submitted by Stadium Walk Homeowners Association, Aries Management LLC, and APLL Investments, LLC for funding under the Security Enhancement Incentive Program in amount of \$17,875.00.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

**11. Consideration of a motion to approve the award of purchase for a 2024 F-550 4x2 with a dump body to J.C. Lewis Ford in the amount of \$95,790.46. This item is funded in the CIP Fund through the GMA Lease Pool.**

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<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

**12. Consideration of a motion to reject Bid Project #2024 STM-38 for the Donnie Simmons Way Culvert Upgrades Project. S. A. Brown Enterprises submitted a sealed bid in the amount of \$609,599.00. The budgeted amount for this project was \$400,000.00.**

A motion was made to approve reject Bid Project #2024 STM-38 for the Donnie Simmons Way Culvert Upgrades Project. S. A. Brown Enterprises submitted a sealed bid in the amount of \$609,599.00. The budgeted amount for this project was \$400,000.00.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Phil Boyum
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

**13. Other Business from City Council**

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr thanked everyone for helping with Downtown Live and reminded everyone there are six more to come.

**14. City Managers Comments**

City Manager Charles Penny stated there will be a Budget Work Session on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm in the Council Chambers. Mr. Penny also reviewed several items in the FYI packet first, is a memo in the packet for Council and the public from the finance director Cindy West recommending that if a utility bill is less than \$5.00 we will not charge a late penalty. The second item is a letter that was sent to the Vault apartment complex putting them on notice due to increased criminal activity at the complex. The Vault apartments has been the scene of several shootings lately. They have had an opportunity to take advantage of the Security Enhancement Grant the city has available, and they have not shown any interest in. They need to take advantage of technology and whatever else to reduce the crime situation in that complex. Lastly people are utilizing the utility assistance funds the city provided from the COVID relief funds we received. As of today we there is a balance of about \$40,000.

**15. Public Comments (General):**

John Ratcliff a retired pilot shared that on May 18<sup>th</sup> he will be holding an event at the Statesboro Airport called “First Flight” where they fly youth around. It will go from 10am-2pm, youth will have to be accompanied by an adult. There will be free food for the kids and concessions for the adults to purchase.

**16. Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters” in accordance with O.C.G.A 50-14-3(b).**

At 9:28 am motion was made to enter into executive session.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

At 9:36 am motion was made to exit executive session.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Phil Boyum
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the regular meeting back to order with no action taken in executive session.

A motion was made to appoint Jim Rackshaw, Judy Godfrey, and Zach VanOttern to the Statesboro Tree Board.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

## 17. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 am.

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk