

# CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

### CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING -MINUTES

# 3120 Stonecrest Blvd., Stonecrest, GA 30038

## Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 6:00 PM

## Mayor Jazzmin Cobble

Council Member Tara Graves - District 1 Council Member Rob Turner - District 2

Council Member Alecia Washington - District 3 Mayor Pro Tem George Turner - District 4

Council Member Tammy Grimes - District 5

Citizen Access: Stonecrest YouTube Live Channel

I. CALL TO ORDER: George Turner, Mayor Pro-Tem

The meeting began at 6:07pm.

II. ROLL CALL: Sonya Isom, City Clerk

All members present.

#### III. AGENDA ITEMS

Council will move Executive Session up after letter b.

**a.** For Discussion - Municipal Court Update - Chief Judge Curtis W. Miller and Court Administrator Mallory Minor

Presentation by Chief Judge Miller. Judge Miller thanked Council for passing legislations and considering issues that were brought forward. He would like the Court to be viewed as a respecter of citizens civil rights. Judge Miller gave an introduction of Judge Sheridan who has been with the courts since the inception of the City. Court sessions can be found on YouTube.

There was a power point presentation by Court Clerk, Mallory Minor, including court fun facts, the cycle of a citation, the court calendar, virtual court flow, the amnesty program, GCIC, and the future of municipal court.

There was a presentation of the pre-trial diversion program by Solicitor Banks. There was also an overview of probation services by Mr. Williams.

There was additional discussion relating to bench warrants, the failure to appear

process, and repeat offenders.

Mayor Cobble stated the Council is in the process of working on an IGA.

**b.** For Discussion - Potential Court Services - Chief Judge Curtis W. Miller

Presentation given by Chief Judge Curtis Miller.

#### c. Executive Session

(When an executive session is required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation, 3) Real Estate)

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Rob Turner to go into Executive Session for legal and personnel matters. Seconded by Councilmember Tara Graves.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Rob Turner to exit Executive Session and return to the scheduled Special Called Meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to adopt the meeting minutes from Executive Session. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

**d. For Decision** - Classification and Compensation Study Vendor Recommendation - *Gia Scruggs* 

Overview by Acting City Manager Gia Scruggs. Acting City Manager Scruggs is requesting to use MGT Consulting. The price is \$55,280.00 and funding is General Fund/City Manager/Professional Services.

Councilmember Grimes asked how long the study will take. Ms. Scruggs confirmed it should have between 90 - 120 days.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the Classification and Compensation Study Vendor Recommendation. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

e. For Decision - Everett Park Parking Lot & Kayak Launch Design - Gia Scruggs

Overview by Acting City Manager Gia Scruggs. Two proposals were received. One from Corporate Environment Risk. The cost is \$95,360.00.

Acting City Manager Scruggs will confirm the number of cars this lot will hold. Staff recommendation is approval.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to move forward with the Everett Park Parking Lot and Kayak Launch Design. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

f. For Decision - 2023 Street Resurfacing Vendor Recommendation - Gia Scruggs

Overview by Acting City Manager Gia Scruggs. The item was published on December 8, 2022 and closed January 17, 2023. The amount is \$1,239,900.00. This will be for 2023 paving. Funding is SPLOST/Transportation/Infrastructure Improvement.

The preamble of the resolution was read by Attorney Thompson.

There was recognition that this is the first time the bid has been ready and out during the 1<sup>st</sup>

month of the year.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to approve the 2023 Street Resurfacing Vendor Recommendation. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

**g.** For Decision - Economic Development Plan Steering Committee - *Mayor Pro Tem George Turner* 

Overview by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner. There was discussion regarding the name of this committee and whether it should be called a Steering Committee or Advisory Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Turner stated council would keep the committee as a steering committee and will address again.

Economic Development Director William Smith stated the next action for this committee is to have a kick-off meeting and formulate ideas. Previous meetings were introductory and brain-storming sessions.

There was a review of the 2023 membership and a need to make one correction, replacing number one with Stonecrest Industrial Council.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the Economic Development Plan Steering Committee with the updated membership. Seconded by Councilmember Tara Graves.

Motion passed unanimously.

h. For Decision - Moratorium for Truck Parking - Mayor Pro Tem George Turner

Overview by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner and an address by Planning and Zoning Director, Ray White. Director White stated staff has been getting an abundance of applications. He stated the moratorium will stop the application process while staff takes a look at the sites and also allow time to do research.

Councilmember Grimes asked if the 60 days could be changed to 90 days during the meeting. This would be the whole process. Attorney Denmark asked Council to be mindful

that the moratorium will not affect pending applications. This item will be on the next Work Session agenda.

Preamble was ready by the City Clerk.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the moratorium for truck parking for 60 days. Seconded by Councilmember Alecia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

**i. For Decision** - Moratorium for Public Storage - *Mayor Pro Tem George Turner* 

Overview by Planning and Zoning Director Ray White. Preamble read by City Clerk.

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to approve the moratorium for public storage for 60 days. Seconded by Councilmember Alecia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

## IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:55pm.

#### Americans with Disabilities Act

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