

CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 12, 2007
6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **INVOCATION** *Councilmember LJ Williams*
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **ROLL CALL** **QUORUM: YES___ NO___**
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *January 8, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes*
January 8, 2007 City Council Organizational Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2007 First Quarter Town Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2007 Special City Council Meeting Minutes
- VI. **PRESENTATION:**
COMMENDATION - *Steve Batten, Public Works*
- VII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *Personnel*
- VIII. **GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC:**
- IX. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. **TREE ORDINANCE** : **(POSTPONED 1/16/07)**.....TAB “A”
- X. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Legislative Computer Equipment*.....TAB “B”
 - B. **TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN:** *Kings Bay Road at Pro 3*.....TAB “C”
 - C. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Fire Department Vehicle Repair*.....TAB “D”
 - D. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Fire Department GEMA Grant Equipment*.....TAB “E”
 - E. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Fire Department Capital Lease Breathing Apparatus*..TAB”F”
 - F. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Fire Department Fire Truck*.....TAB “G”
 - G. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Fire Department 2006 GEMA Grant*.....TAB “H”
 - H. **RESOLUTION:** *Accepting the Streets at Kings Bay in the Atrium & Village*....TAB “I”
 - I. **LIFT STATION #6:** *Emergency Repairs*.....TAB “J”
 - J. **TOURISM BILLBOARD:** *Councilmember Williams*.....TAB “K”
 - K. **2007 WASHINGTON FLY-IN:** *Nomination of Two Representatives*.....TAB “L”
 - L. **RESOLUTION AND QUIT-CLAIM DEED:** *Winding River, LLC*.....TAB “M”
 - M. **BUDGET ORDINANCE:** *Public Works Department Gradall Truck*.....TAB “N”

N. CITY CHARTER CHANGES: *City Attorney Gary Bacon*

O. CHAPLIN'S ANNUAL TRAINING & TRAVEL EXPENSES: *Reverend Verdell Griffin.....TAB "O"*

XI. REPORT OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

A. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT.....TAB "P"

1. Max Watson requests the deeding of 2-lots to the City located on Dufour Drive.
2. Deannexation Ordinance: *Tax Map 108 Parcel 030B – Westberry Property*
3. Gregory and Martha Smith request a Special use permit for property located on Tax Map S36-05-001 as a "bed and breakfast". The lot is zoned R-1, located at 300 W. Conyers Street, presently known as Emma's Bed and Breakfast.
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5. Mike Dixon requests a special use permit for the "sale of up to 4 vehicles at one time". The property zoned C-2, located at 1101 Charlie Smith Sr. Highway, Tax Map 135C, Parcel 011F.
6. D.C.Robertson, Inc. Appeal: Rear Variance from 25 feet to 15 feet for a parcel located at 102 Greenbay Court in Cumberland Harbour Phase 2 (Lot 224); Tax Map 160C-224 for the construction of a freestanding garage.

B. SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD

C. ST MARYS SUBMARINE MUSEUM REPORT

D. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE REPORT

XII. REPORT OF MAYOR:

XIII. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER:

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Real Estate & Legal*

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

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6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

The Mayor and City Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia met for its regular City Council session on Monday, February 12, 2007 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

PRESENT WERE:

Mayor Rowland Eskridge
Councilmember Gary Blount
Councilmember William DeLoughy
Councilmember Larry Johnson
Councilmember Jerry Lockhart
Councilmember Gull Weaver
Councilmember LJ Williams

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

William Shanahan, City Manager
Gary A. Bacon, City Attorney
Max Tinsley, Planning Director
Wiley King, Building Director
Tim Hatch, Police Chief
Bobby Marr, Public Works Director
Alyce Thornhill, Economic Development Director
Robby Horton, Fire Chief
Gene Rudy, IT Director
Corporal Joe Pendleton, Sergeant-At-Arms

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eskridge called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Councilmember LJ Williams gave the invocation. Mayor Eskridge led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Council roll call indicated a quorum of council members present for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

*January 8, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
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January 8, 2007 First Quarter Town Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2007 Special City Council Meeting Minutes*

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the minutes with the following changes to the January 8, 2007 First Quarter Town Meeting Minutes, page 1: *Barbara Bernasek* should be *Margaret Bernasek*. Councilmember Blount seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

PRESENTATION:

COMMENDATION: *Steve Batten, Public Works*

Public Works Director, Bobby Marr presented Mr. Batten with a commendation for superior performance of duties as a Mowing Crew Leader. He stated Mr. Batten recognized a fellow employee was not feeling well and said Mr. Batten's quick thinking, prompt actions and cool headedness in a time of crisis directly resulted in the employee receiving the medical attention needed, preventing further complications and quite possibly saved the employee's life. Mr. Marr further commented that Mr. Batten brings great credit upon himself, the Public Works Department and the City of St. Marys and thanked him for a job well done.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Personnel*

Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to adjourn to executive session. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Mayor and Council adjourned to executive session on personnel issues at 6:12 P.M., returning at 6:26 P.M. with Mayor Eskridge calling the Council meeting back to order.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to instruct the City Manager to develop a Senior Advisory Committee, which will consist of 5 members of the public and 1 councilmember. Anyone interested should contact the City Manager by 5:00 pm Friday. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC:

Sanford Fellow: spoke regarding TAD and questioned why two separate House Bills have been presented- one for the county and one for St. Marys.

Councilmember DeLoughy explained that because TAD would affect taxes in both entities, the legislation has to be approved at both the city and county, which would result in two separate referendums. After further discussion, Mayor Eskridge stated that someone would contact Cecily Hill for clarification.

Keith Post: thanked the Mayor & Council, city staff and area business for their support during the visit of Admiral Mullens. He also expressed concerns about the St. Marys CVB. He stated he had recently attended Tourism Day in Atlanta and expressed concerns about what he heard of the reputation of St. Marys, with members of tourism on the state level. He also expressed his concern for the lack of an ad for St. Marys in the current Georgia travel guide. He also added that he felt St. Marys should foster a better working relationship with Kingsland and other tourism partners in the coastal Georgia area, as well as other states.

Lee Bernasek: Member of CVB of St. Marys spoke on behalf of the CVB board stating that the objective of the board is to develop the CVB into something Georgia and other states will look at as being a principal element of St. Marys. He further stated the board will work positively to counteract the perception of the St. Marys CVB and asked for the support of the city to help make the City of St. Marys a destination rather than a pass-through to another location.

Councilmember Williams commented that he and Mr. Bernasek have scheduled a meeting with the City Manager to address some of these issues and to begin developing a plan to work together with other areas.

Joyce Flenniken: former CVB board member spoke regarding the lack of an ad in the Georgia Tourism book and explained that money that would normally go to this ad went to the website instead. She further stated most decisions made by the board are made because of budget constraints.

Tom Turner: commented that he felt more should be done as a joint effort with Kingsland, Woodbine & Camden County to co-fund advertisements and billboards.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. TREE ORDINANCE

City Attorney Gary Bacon presented Mayor & Council with a handout outlining changes to the Tree Ordinance and spoke regarding the changes. Councilmember Blount made a motion to postpone the item to the next meeting, which would allow time for review and public comment. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. BUDGET ORDINANCE – *Legislative Computer Equipment*

The City Manager stated the Mayor's laptop was having numerous problems. Upon investigation, it was determined that the workstation was over 5 years old. Due to the advance in technology and the plan of the IT Department, this laptop was to be replaced next budget year. Before any more damage was done to the workstation it was decided to be pulled to prevent the potential loss of data.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN – *Kings Bay Road at Pro 3*

The City Manager stated a traffic study was performed by an engineering consultant for the developer of a project called Haven Park located at the old Pro 3's golf course, which is adjacent to the new soccer complex located just north of Kings Bay Road. The results of that study indicated that a traffic signal was needed at this intersection even without the development going in. Therefore, a proposal was obtained from EMC Engineering, which was the lowest bidder on the last signal designs, to perform the necessary study and design of a traffic signal for this location. It is the recommendation of the Public Works Department to award this project to EMC Engineering in the amount of \$9,950.00. This price is slightly less than those awarded prior because some of the work (traffic counts) has already been completed by the developer of Haven Park.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to award EMC Engineering the contract in the amount of \$9,950.00. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

C. BUDGET ORDINANCE – *Fire Department Vehicle Repair*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated an accident involving Quint 9 and a Chevy Suburban occurred on October 3, 2006. The fire apparatus was struck on the right rear tire. Funds were received from Farmers Insurance Group in November 2006. Mr. Shanahan recommended approval.

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

D. BUDGET ORDINANCE: *Fire Department GEMA Grant Equipment*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated funds were awarded to the St. Marys Fire Department by the Georgia Emergency Management Agency from the Department of Homeland Security. The funds are to help our agency to build and enhance capabilities to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks, major disasters and other emergencies in accordance with the goals and objectives of the State Strategic Plan. He further stated the purpose of this ordinance is to increase the funds for Small Equipment by \$14,675.00 and recommended approval.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

E. BUDGET ORDINANCE: *Fire Department Capital Lease Breathing Apparatus*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated while working on the FY2007 budget, the lease payments in the fire department were recorded at \$1,177 instead of \$11,077. He further stated the ordinance is needed to increase the budget \$9990.00 to cover the lease payment shortage and recommended approval.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

F. BUDGET ORDINANCE: *Fire Department Fire Truck*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated the City entered into a lease for the purchase of the new fire truck for the new fire station. This ordinance allows the City to record the fire truck on its financial statements. He further stated the purpose of this ordinance is to increase the funds for the purchase of the new fire truck and recommended approval.

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

G. BUDGET ORDINANCE: *Fire Department 2006 GEMA Grant*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated he Fire Department received a Department of Homeland Security grant in FY2006. The funds for this grant were received in FY2006; however, some of the equipment was purchased in FY2007. He further stated revenue and expenditures must be increased to cover this cost and recommended approval.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

H. RESOLUTION – *Accepting the Streets at Kings Bay in the Atrium & Village*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated the purpose of this resolution is to accept the proposed dedication of the referenced streets with the Village at Kings Bay and within the Atrium to the City of St. Marys. Tri-City Land Development, Inc the Developer of The Village at Kings Bay and The Atrium has provided the City of St. Marys with a deed conveying the improved streets within these developments. The City has inspected and accepted the improvements made by the developer to the referenced streets. In September of 2005 the City issued a letter of preliminary acceptance for the subdivision. He further stated the one year warranty period has since expired and recommended approval.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to accept the streets at Kings Bay in the Atrium & Village. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

I. LIFT STATION # 6: *Emergency Repairs*

City Manager Bill Shanahan explained while performing work on Lift Station #6, RJ's Underground noticed a sink hole forming around a manhole near their project site. The line was investigated by means of a sewer camera and was determined to be broken. Bids were solicited for emergency repairs from local contracting firms. RJ's Underground's bid was \$18,050.00 and Studio Grassing Company's bid was \$28,000.00. Other contractors were also solicited but either were not able to perform the work at this time or were unable to make the necessary repairs. Due to the nature of the problem, RJ's Underground was awarded the project and repairs have been completed. He further stated the project will need to be declared an emergency project to comply with state mandates. He further stated it is the recommendation of the Public Works Department to declare this project emergency status and to award the project to RJ's Underground. Mr. Shanahan also recommended approval.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to declare the project an emergency and award the project to RJ's Underground. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

J. TOURISM BILLBOARD: *Councilmember Williams*

Councilmember Williams asked for approval from Council to pay \$10,000 toward the billboard for the next year and made a motion to request the funds. Councilmember Blount seconded the motion. Mayor Eskridge stated that he would like to see a telephone number and website included on the sign. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

K. 2007 WASHINGTON FLY-IN: *Nomination of Two Representatives*

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to send Councilmember Blount and Councilmember Johnson to the 2007 Washington fly-in. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

L. RESOLUTION AND QUIT-CLAIM DEED: *Winding River, LLC*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated the purpose of this resolution is to convey a portion of an easement (which lays within the boundaries of Winding River – Phase 1 – Replat No. 1 and Winding River – Phase 2 Subdivisions) to Winding River, LLC. He further stated Rayland Company, Inc gave the City of St. Marys an easement in 1993 for the installation and maintenance of utilities within Rayland Company's property along County Road 78 (Winding Road). In 2005 LandMar Group, LLC contracted with the City of St. Marys for the construction of a wastewater collection and pumping system to replace that section of the sanitary sewer force main that lay within the boundaries of the Winding River Subdivision. The agreed upon improvements along County Road 78 have been inspected and accepted by the City of St. Marys. With this acceptance by the City of St. Marys, the sanitary sewer force main within the boundaries of Winding River Subdivision has been abandoned. Mr. Shanahan recommended approval.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to approve. Councilmember Lockhart seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

M. BUDGET ORDINANCE: *Public Works Department Gradall Truck*

City Manager Bill Shanahan stated an advertisement for bids was sent out for the purchase of a new Gradall. Only one bid was received. The bid was for the amount of \$277,500.00, but there was only \$225,000.00 budgeted for this item. However, other capital items that were budgeted have come in under budget. The additional \$52,500 necessary to purchase this equipment can be found as enumerated on the budget ordinance and attached spreadsheet. He further stated the Public Works Department recommends the approval of this budget ordinance to allow for the purchase of this needed equipment. Mr. Shanahan also recommended approval.

Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to approve. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

N. CITY CHARTER CHANGES: *City Attorney Gary Bacon*

City Attorney Gary Bacon presented Mayor & Council with a resolution and stated that language was changed to match the State Constitution. Councilmember Weaver made a

motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

- O. CHAPLIN'S ANNUAL TRAINING & TRAVEL EXPENSES:** *Reverend Verdell Griffin*
Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve travel expenses in the amount of \$1140.00 for Mr. Griffin. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

REPORT OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

A. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. **Max Watson-** *Request for the deeding of 2 lots to the City located on Dufour Dr.*
Planning Director Max Tinsley stated Mr. Watson is requesting to deed these 2 lots on Dufour Dr. to the city. After discussion regarding what can be done with the lots, Mr. Tinsley was asked to request further information and come back with a recommendation regarding the property. No action was taken.
2. **Deannexation Request** – *Tax Map 108 Parcel 030B- Westberry Property*
Planning Director Max Tinsley stated this was the deannexation ordinance that was passed at a previous meeting; however, the ordinance needs to be signed.
3. **Gregory and Martha Smith**– *Request for a Special-use permit for property located on Tax Map S36-05-001 as a “bed and breakfast”. The lot is zoned R-1, located at 300 W. Conyers St, presently known as Emma’s Bed and Breakfast.*
Mr. Tinsley stated Gregory and Martha Smith plan to purchase Emma’s Bed and Breakfast, continue operating the business as a bed and breakfast and are requesting a special use permit to do so. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the request for the special-use permit. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

FOR

Councilmember Gary Blount
Councilmember William DeLoughy
Councilmember Larry Johnson
Councilmember Gull Weaver
Councilmember LJ Williams

ABSTAINED

Councilmember Jerry Lockhart

4. **W.H. Gross:** *Request of a minor subdivision of 2 lots into 4 lots for South Georgia Professional Park Phase 4. Property is currently zoned C-2, located on Tax Map 121, Parcel 054 between Kings Bay Road and an unnamed easement to the rear.*
Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to approve the subdivision.
Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

5. **Mike Dixon-** *Request for a special use permit for the “sale of up to 4 vehicles at one time”. The Property zoned C-2, located at 1101 Charlie Smith Sr. Highway, Tax Map 135C, Parcel 011 F.*

Mr. Tinsley stated the Planning Commission recommended approval of only 4 vehicles, due to limited space.

Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to approve the request for the special use permit. Councilmember Lockhart seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

6. **D.C. Robertson, Inc. Appeal:** *Rear Variance from 25 feet to 15 feet for a parcel located at 102 Greenbay Court in Cumberland Harbour Phase 2 (Lot 224); Tax Map 160C-224 for the construction of a freestanding garage.*

Mr. Tinsley explained Mr. Robertson had originally asked for a 10 foot variance, but had worked to reposition the garage and is now only asking for a 5 foot variance. However, since the variance has changed since it was before the Planning Commission, Councilmember Weaver made a motion to put the issue back to the Planning Commission for their recommendation. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. **SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD**

This item was addressed at the beginning of the meeting.

C. **ST. MARYS SUBMARINE MUSEUM REPORT:**

Tony Cobb, president of Submarine Museum thanked the city for the support over the years and for the use of the museum building. He stated the museum has had over 100,000 visitors in the ten years it has been open. The museum has fostered lasting relationships with the Navy base by providing a place to bring dignitaries. He stated that the museum houses many artifacts and requested changing the current contract to allow six months to vacate the building, instead of thirty days, due to the many items in the building. He spoke of the flooding problems and inquired about plans to remedy the issue. Public Works Director, Bobby Marr explained that in the Storm Water Master Plan, this area is one of the dedicated areas to be looked at and indicated the plan should be finished this summer.

John Crouse, manager of the museum spoke of the museum’s growth over the years. He stated the museum is a major tourist attraction at waterfront and invited everyone to stop by for a visit.

Shelia McNeil thanked the City for their partnership and for helping to make museum a reality. She stated if the museum had not been started, there are many artifacts located there, which would not exist if the museum had not been there to accept them.

D. WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilmember Blount gave a report on the Water/Sewer Committee meeting. The report is attached as part of the minutes.

REPORT OF MAYOR:

- January 9th - met with taxpayer regarding complaint
- January 10th - RDC meeting
- January 11th - Meeting with Councilmember Williams
- January 12th SPLOST
- January 19th Admiral Mullens meeting
- January 19-21 in Atlanta for GMA Conference
- Met with the Shriners in Yulee- it was a good visit and they will be back participating in parades.
- February 6th - Mayor & City Manager met with Amanda Williams regarding court issues
- February 8th - Sewer Committee Meeting
- February 14th - new St. Marys 101 will start
- February 15th - St. Marys Museum Meeting
- February 20- Comprehensive Plan Meeting
- February 20- Bid opening- Meeting street boat ramp
- February 21- Meeting with Jack Kingston regarding financial woes dealing with water/sewer

Mr. Shanahan stated that the meeting with Jack Kingston may have to be changed and as soon as he gets an update, he will let everyone know.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER:

- Gave an overview of various training received by city staff and how it will benefit city
- SPLOST projects- funds will be used on Bartlett St. parking lot, Meeting St. boat ramp and traffic lights on Kings Bay & St. Marys Road
- Mill Creek drainage study- Douglas Asphalt will not be able to complete the project because of bankruptcy. The bonding company has pledged to complete project. The city attorney has sent a letter of termination to cancel the contract and allow the bonding company to finish the project. In the process of acquiring a contract to grade the roads and keep the roads wet to keep dust down.
- Waterfront Theatre project has been relocated to the lot adjacent to the cemetery

Mayor Eskridge noted that "Granting Audience to the Public" had been inadvertently left off the agenda and entertained a motion to have it added. Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to add "Granting Audience to the Public" to the agenda. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Timothy Jones- 106 Bounds St.- spoke regarding his frustration with not being allowed to sell shrimp in the City of St. Marys. He stated he has met the requirements of state agriculture, health department, & DNR and wanted to know what he needs to do to be allowed to sell his

product in the City of St. Marys. Mayor Eskridge commented that the peddlers and solicitors item needs to be readdressed and recommended the item be sent to the Property Committee in order to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

Councilmember Blount made a motion to allow temporary permits and to waive all fees associated, until the Property Committee can meet to discuss the issue further. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. After a lengthy discussion, Councilmember Blount called for the question. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion. A Property Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, February 14th at 4:30 pm.

Sandy Feller: asked about trailers parked on the curb with junk cars on them. Mayor Eskridge commented that the issue has been addressed.

Tom Turner: spoke regarding a centralized control for traffic lights that would allow emergency vehicles to pass safely thru intersections and stated if it could not be funded now, to possibly look for grants or federal funds.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Real Estate & Legal*

Councilmember Blount made a motion to adjourn to executive session on real estate and legal issues. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Mayor and Council adjourned to executive session at 8:20 P.M., returning at 8:55 P.M. with Mayor Eskridge calling the Council meeting back to order.

REAL ESTATE

No official action was taken at this time.

LEGAL

No official action was taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Blount made a motion for adjournment. Councilmember Lockhart seconded the motion. Mayor Eskridge declared the meeting adjourned at 8:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Folsom, Deputy City Clerk