

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020
HYBRID
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET
&
STREAMED LIVE AT THE BELOW WEB ADDRESSES:
<https://www.facebook.com/citybwkga>
or
<https://cityofbrunswick-ga-gov.zoom.us/j/94278220900>

PRESENT: Honorable Mayor Cornell Harvey, Mayor Pro-Tem Julie Martin, Commissioner John Cason III, Commissioner Felicia Harris and Commissioner Vincent Williams

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Harvey - *meeting begin at 5:02 p.m.*

INVOCATION: Commissioner Williams

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *Recited by Mayor Harvey and all in attendance at 1229 Newcastle Street*

PUBLIC HEARING(S)- LAND USE

1. Conditional Use Petition No. 20-05; from Coastal Animal Hospital, Petitioning for a Conditional Use for 3389 Cypress Mill Road, for an Animal Clinic and Animal Boarding. (*J. Hunter*)
Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the conditional use.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

The following people addressed the commission:

1. Dr. Alan Tucker, Jr., Veterinarian, stated he was there to answer any additional questions.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

2. Conditional Use Petition No. 20-06; from Alicia Gray, Petitioning for a Conditional Use for 1910 Tillman Avenue for a Group Dwelling. (*J. Hunter*)
Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the conditional use with the condition that the Fire Marshal establish maximum occupancy for the residence.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

No one came forth to address the commission.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

- 3. Rezoning Petition No. 20-03; from Christopher Atkinson, Owner, Petitioning to Rezone Subject Parcels from R-6 One-Family Residential (R6) to General Commercial (GC). Property Located at 3129 Brailsford Avenue. (J. Hunter)

Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported the following:

- staff recommends denial of the rezoning as it would create Spot Zoning, which is prohibited under Section 23-27-6 (b) of the zoning ordinance.
- The Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the rezoning with the following conditions: 1) A vegetative screen be added along Brailsford in addition to the proposed fence to soften the view from residential properties. 2) Staff be instructed to initiate rezoning the National Guard Armory and JWSC properties from R9 to General Commercial. This rezoning would eliminate the spot zoning concerns and be more consistent with their use and proximity to Norwich Street.

*** 5:43 p.m. ~ Mayor Harvey called for a recess due to technical difficulties. ***
*** 6:03 p.m. ~ Mayor Harvey reconvened from recess and call meeting to order. ***

The following people addressed the commission:

- 1. Christopher Atkinson In Favor
- 2. Audrey Gibbons In Favor

Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to temporarily defer consideration of the above-referenced petition until Rezoning Petition 20-05 and 20-06 are considered; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition and the conditional use for towing for a period of five (5) years and ensure that the conditions of the Planning and Appeals Commission referenced above are adhered to; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

- 4. Rezoning Petition No. 20-05; City Commission, Petitioning to Rezone 1100 First Street (National Guard Armory) from R-6 One-Family Residential to General Commercial (GC). (J. Hunter)

Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the rezoning.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

No one came forth to address the commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

- Rezoning Petition No. 20-06; City Commission, Petitioning to Rezone 3101 Brailsford Avenue from R-6 One-Family Residential to General Commercial (GC). (*J. Hunter*)

Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the rezoning.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

No one came forth to address the commission.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – (New) – PUBLIC HEARING – (*R. Monday*)

- Consider Approval of New Alcohol Beverage License:

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Owner/Mgr.</u>	<u>Location of Business</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Five Point Mini Mart	Jinnal Patel	2806 Altama Ave.	Retail sale of beer and wine

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the above-referenced new alcohol license.

No one came forth to address the commission.

Commissioner Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

UPDATE(S)

- Lea King-Badyna, Executive Director of Keep Golden Isles Beautiful to give an Update on Keep Golden Isles Beautiful Efforts.

Commission thanked Ms. Badyna for the update and the efforts of Keep Golden Isles Beautiful.

ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

- Consider Approval of November 18, 2020 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. (*subject to any Necessary changes.*) (*N. Atkinson*)
Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
- Consider Approval of Twenty-One (21) Alcohol Beverage License Renewals. (*R. Monday*) (*see attachment*)
Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced renewals; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
- Consider Approval of Risk Management Benefit Plan. (*M. Maloy*)
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced plan; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
- Consider Approval of Amendment No. 14; Administration, Section 9.2, Pension Advisory Committee, and Section 9.2A, Pension Committee. (*C. Cartwright*)

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced amendment; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

12. Consideration Approval of an Authorizing Resolution Georgia Department of Transportation/Federal Transportation Administration 5307 Transit Funding Application. (*J. Hunter*)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1 with Commissioner Cason voting no.

13. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of October 31, 2020. (*K. Mills*)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced reports as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

14. Consider Approval of Human Resources Policy Update – Section 4.7 – Other Leave. (*R. McDuffie*)

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced policy update; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEM(S)

15. Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. 1069 – Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to adopt the above-referenced ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

UPDATE(S)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Alberson gave a brief update on the “L” Street project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Williams made a motion to hold an executive session to discuss litigation and personnel; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION – (*8:32 p.m.*)

Following executive session Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

MEETING ADJOURNED – *meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.*

/s/Cornell L. Harvey
Cornell L. Harvey, Mayor

Attest: /s/ Naomi D. Atkinson
Naomi D. Atkinson, City Clerk