

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA  
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021  
HYBRID  
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET  
&  
STREAMED LIVE AT THE BELOW WEB ADDRESSES:  
<https://www.facebook.com/citybwkga>**

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**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 6:00 p.m.*

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Harvey

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *Recited by Mayor Pro Tem Martin*

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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*Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to add as item number ten ~a (10a) “Consider approval of resolution requesting Glynn County Commission commence the process to impose an one percent sales tax and use; and requesting the call for an election of the voters of Glynn County to approve the imposition of such tax; and for other purposes”; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.*

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*Commissioner Williams made a motion to move item number 5 as item number 1a on the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.*

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**APPOINTMENT(S)**

1. Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.;

Commissioner Williams made a motion and Mayor Pro Tem Martin seconded the motion to appoint Commissioner Harris as Mayor Pro Tem for the year 2021; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**PRESENTATION(S)**

- 1a Brunswick's Semiquincentennial Kick-Off. (*M. Hill*)

Former Mayors Bradford Brown and Bryan Thompson along with current Mayor Cornell Harvey gave a brief overview regarding their tenure as Mayor.

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

2. Consider Approval Alcohol Beverage License:

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Owner/Mgr.</u>	<u>Location of Business</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Ameri-Mart #1	Kinjal R. Patel	1001 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	Retail sale of beer, and wine

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

No one came forth in person or via zoom to address the commission.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced new alcohol license; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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*Commissioner Williams announced that he would be running for Mayor of the City of Brunswick this year.*

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### **PUBLIC HEARING(S) - LAND USE**

3. Rezoning Petition No. 20-07; from Jennifer Beato, Owner, Petitioning to Rezone 1502 – 1506 George Street from General Industrial (GI) to General Commercial (GC). (*J. Hunter*)

Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff recommends approval of the rezoning and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval with the following uses within GC zoning **not** allowed:

*Seafood processing facilities and/or dock operations involving seafood processing.*

*Private or semi-private club, lodge, union hall or social center.*

*Church (Conditional Use).*

*Hotel, tourist home, and motel.*

*Commercial recreation facility, specifically including: Bowling alley - Billiard parlor, Roller- or ice-skating rink - Theatre, but not including drive-in type of facility.*

*Transportation terminal.*

*Commercial trade or vocational school.*

*Radio and/or television station and/or transmission tower.*

*Public utility installation or sub-installation, including water towers.*

*Group dwelling in compliance with section 23-6-4. (Conditional Use)*

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

No one came forth in person or virtually to address the commission.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition with the recommendation of the Planning and Appeals Commission that the above-referenced uses not to be allowed; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

### **UPDATE(S)**

4. City Engineer/Public Works Director Garrow Alberson to give an Update Regarding the “L” Street Project.

Commission thanked Mr. Alberson for the update.

### **PRESENTATION(S)**

5. Brunswick's Semiquincentennial Kick-Off. (*M. Hill*)

*\*This item was moved-up as item number one~a (1a) on the agenda.\**

### **ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL**

6. Consider Approval of December 16, 2020 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. (*subject to any necessary changes.*) (*N. Atkinson*)

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by

Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously

- 7. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 2021-01 to Adopt Qualifying Fees for 2021 Election. (N. Atkinson)

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

- 8. Consider Approval for Submittal of a Joint Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Application with Glynn County Board of Commissioners. (M. Hardin)

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

- 9. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of November 30, 2020. (K. Mills)

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

- 10. Consider Approval to Contribute Matching Portion of \$16,000 to Support the Grant Application for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard/Altama Avenue Bicycle Corridor Study. (R. McDuffie)

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above matching portion of \$16,000 for the above-referenced study; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

- 10a Consider approval of resolution requesting Glynn County Commission commence the process to impose a one percent sales tax and use; and requesting the call for an election of the voters of Glynn County to approve the imposition of such tax; and for other purposes. (B. Corry)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Commissioner Martin.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

Commissioner Cason	Yes
Commissioner Martin	Yes
Commissioner Williams	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Harris	Yes
Mayor Harvey	Yes

Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

- 11. Review of Updated List for Proposed Special-Purpose Local-Option Sales Tax VII. (R. McDuffie)

City Manager McDuffie reported that the amount the City should receive if SPLOST VII is approved has not been confirmed. She gave an overview of proposed City projects for SPLOST VII.

**CITY ATTORNEY ITEM(S)**

- 12. Discussion ~ Amendment to City of Brunswick Clean Community Ordinance.

City Attorney Corry gave an overview of the above-referenced proposed revisions to the above-referenced ordinance.

City Clerk Atkinson was directed to advertise ordinance for consideration at the January 20, 2021 commission meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED** – *meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.*

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

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