

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021
VIRTUAL TELECONFERENCE VIA ZOOM
STREAMED LIVE AT THE BELOW WEB ADDRESSES:**

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Harvey (*meeting began at 6:00 p.m.*)

INVOCATION: Commissioner Martin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited by Mayor Pro Tem Harris

INTRODUCTION

1. Introduction of the Director of Neighborhood and Community Services. (*R. McDuffie*)
City Manager McDuffie announced Sabrina Nixon as the new Director of Neighborhood and Community Service and stated Ms. Nixon would begin work on October 4, 2021.

~ *No action required informational only.* ~

ITEM(S) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL

2. Consider Approval of September 1, 2021 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. (*subject to any necessary changes.*) (*N. Atkinson*)
Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
3. Consider Approval of Coastal Incentive Grant Agreement with Georgia Department of Natural Resources for East Brunswick Tide Control. (*G. Alberson*)
Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced agreement; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
4. Consider Approval of Agreement with Georgia Water and Environmental Services in the amount of \$98,580 for Design and Permitting of Tide Control Structures as Designated in the Coastal Incentive Grant – Tide Control Project. (*G. Alberson*)
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced agreement in the amount of \$98,580; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
5. Consider Approval of Resolution Number 2021-13 ~ Recognizing Georgia Cities Week, October 3-9, 2021, and Encouraging all Residents to Support the Celebration and Corresponding Activities. (*R. McDuffie*)
Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
6. Consider Approval of COVID Vaccination Incentive. (*R. McDuffie*)
Commissioner Martin made a motion to defer the above-referenced agenda item until the October 6, 2021 commission meeting. Motion failed due to a lack of a second.
Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced COVID vaccination incentive of \$500 for city employees; seconded by Mayor Harvey.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

Commissioner Cason	No
Commissioner Williams	Yes
Commissioner Martin	No
Mayor Pro Tem Harris	Yes
Mayor Harvey	Yes

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 2; with Commissioner Cason and Commissioner Martin voting no.

- 7. Consider Approval of FY 2021/2022 Budget – Expenditures for Improvements at Old City Hall/City Hall. (R. McDuffie)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve above-referenced expenditures and have City Manager McDuffie proceed with researching cost for audio, video, and internet capabilities for Old City Hall; seconded by Commissioner Martin.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

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

Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CITY ATTORNEY’S ITEM(S)

- 8. Discussion - Revisions to the City of Brunswick Mary Ross Dock Ordinance and Regulations.

It was the consensus of the commission to have City Attorney Corry proceed with revisions/ regulations for Mary Ross Waterfront Park and bring back before the commission at a later date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Williams made a motion authorizing Mayor Harvey to sign settlement agreement with Georgia Outdoor LLC; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to commence with legal action in regard to 2400 Reynolds Street; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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 8:44 p.m.*

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

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