

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
BRUNSWICK CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022
AT 6:00 P.M.**

1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2nd FLOOR

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PRESENT: Honorable Mayor Cosby Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Felicia Harris~ (*via zoom*),
Commissioner John Cason III, Commissioner Julie Martin, and Commissioner Kendra Rolle

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Johnson - *meeting began at 6:00 p.m.*

INVOCATION: Mayor Johnson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited in unison by all in attendance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of December 7, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to adopt the above-referenced agenda; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S) – LAND USE

2. Rezoning Petition No. 22-06; from 2307 Gloucester Street LLC, Petitioning to Amend the Current PD-TN that was approved in 2021. (*J. Hunter*)

Director of Planning, Development and Codes Hunter gave a presentation regarding the above-referenced petition. He reported that staff and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approval of the amendment to the PD-TN.

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

The following individuals addressed the commission:

- I. Semona Holmes 1819 Macon Avenue – expressed questions/concerns regarding projection of the project and how it would impact the immediate community. Questioned route trucks would take to the construction site, flooding, and plans for parking for the apartment complex.
- II. Vickie Green 1601 Macon Avenue – inquired where residents of the apartment complex would park.
- III. Michael Lehman 1626 Tillman Avenue – stated the community had no opportunity for input or involvement regarding the development project. Mr. Lehman also read statement from Rhonda Waller regarding Port City Partners attending Urbana /Perry Park Neighborhood Planning Assembly on June 22, 2021 (meeting can be found on the Facebook page of Urbana/Perry Park and Planning Assembly). Requested a presentation of the design plan for the parcel, asked Port City Partners to consider the impact of the project to the community and asked Port City Partners to attend Urbana/Perry Park and Planning Assembly January 2023 meeting to provide updates.

- IV. Etta Brown 1810 Niles Avenue – stated streets in the area presently need to be paved and inquired on routes trucks would take when construction begins and where the overflow of cars would park.
- V. Victoria Mackey 1804 Niles Avenue – stated Port City Partners met with Urbana Park Neighborhood Planning Assembly June 2021 and stated they would come back again and present what the development would look like. She stated their concerns are traffic, flooding, and roads in need of repair.
- VI. Alice Keyes Resident of Windsor Park and business owner, 7 Glynn Avenue - stated her concerns regarding traffic, run-offs and stormwater.

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Mayor Johnson reiterated that the vote tonight does not have anything to do with about 95% of the development, the commission would only vote on the quarter acre lot. He gave a brief synopsis of the comments from the public hearing below:

- 1. **Construction traffic** What the construction traffic would look like in a smaller congested neighborhood; stating when construction begins – ensure traffic stays on mainline roads.
- 2. **Road repair** Discuss having road repairs in conjunction with development and what timeline looks like.
- 3. **Parking** Developers are trying to mitigate the parking issues, by having parking maintain on the property.
- 4. **Neighborhood Planning Assembly** Ensure Port City Partners attend Urbana/Perry Park Neighborhood Planning Assembly January 2023 meeting and give a presentation of steps being taken regarding completion of the development and maintain a line of communication.
- 5. **Crosswalks** Establish a greater crosswalk ability in the area.
- 6. **Contain Stormwater on Site** Continue to have open conversation about flood water mitigation

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Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced rezoning amendment; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 2, with Commissioner Rolle and Mayor Pro Tem Harris opposing.

APPOINTMENT(S)

3. Commission (*N. Atkinson*)

I. Planning and Appeals Commission – One Appointment – (*Alternate*)

Commissioner Cason made a motion to appoint Alyssa Bruce to the above-referenced commission as an alternate board member, filling the unexpired term of Charles Day; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

ITEM(S) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL

- 4. Consider Approval of November 21, 2022 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 Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of October 31, 2022. (*K. Mills*)
Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced reports as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Consider Approval of Six (6) Alcohol License Renewals. (*A. Brown*)
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the six alcohol license renewals; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously. (*list of renewals attached*)
- 7. Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Brunswick and the Golden Isles Development Authority for Distribution of Community Group Investment Fund Grants. (*K. Ntemo*)
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced Memorandum of

Understanding, subject to City Attorney Corry revisions; seconded by Commissioner Martin.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CITY ATTORNEY’S ITEM(S)

8. Consider Approval of Payment of the Excess Tax Proceeds from the Tax Sale of Parcel No. 01-04148 in the Amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Six and 92/100 dollars (\$29,196.92)

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve payment of excess tax funds referenced above; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

9. Consider Approval to the First Amendment to the 2012 Local Option Sales Tax Agreement Between the City of Brunswick and Glynn County.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was not an executive session held during this meeting.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED – *meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.*

/s/Cosby H. Johnson
Cosby H. Johnson, Mayor

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