

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019
OLD CITY HALL
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2ND FLOOR

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cornell Harvey - *meeting begin at 6:06 p.m.*

INVOCATION: Delores Harrison

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited by all in attendance.

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

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Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to add as item one-a (1a) under Update(s) – City Engineer/Public Works Director Alberson to give update regarding the “L” Street Project; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to add as item number eight-a (8a) – Consider Approval of six (6) Alcohol Beverage License Renewals; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- 1) Diana Taylor, 25 Avondale Court, was not present to address commission.
- 2) Earnest Culbreath, 2906 Rosewood Drive, was not present to address commission.
- 3) Al Verheyne, 924 Union Street, addressed commission regarding the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the City and BQK Baseball LLC; speaking against same.
- 4) Robbie Turner, 108 Julienton Drive, addressed commission regarding the Oglethorpe Conference Center; speaking against same.
- 5) Sandy Dean, 1604 Newcastle Street, addressed commission regarding the proposed Multi-Sport Complex at Howard Coffin Park; speaking against same.
- 6) Heddy Bernstein, 914 Richmond Street, addressed the commission regarding small town businesses. She also spoke against the proposed Oglethorpe Conference Center.
- 7) Joshua Butler, 2315 Reynolds Street, addressed commission regarding the proposed Multi-Sport Complex at Howard Coffin Park; speaking in favor of same.
- 8) Mark Ediss, 1095 Murray Townsend Rd., Darien, GA, addressed the commission regarding the proposed Multi-Sport Complex at Howard Coffin Park; speaking in favor of same.
- 9) Jeff Kilgore, 3210 Lakeside Drive, addressed commission regarding the proposed Multi-Sport Complex at Howard Coffin Park; speaking against same.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. Presentation from Tara Bradshaw, Department of Community Affairs Economic Development Specialist Regarding Main Street Brunswick.

Tara Bradshaw, announced Downtown Brunswick was selected as a Georgia’s Exception Main Street (GEMS) and presented Commission and the Downtown Development Authority with a gateway sign designating Brunswick as a GEM (Georgia Exceptional Main Street).

UPDATE(S)

1a City Engineer/Public Works Director Alberson to give an update on the “L” Street Project.
Following update, Commission thanked Mr. Alberson.

ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

2. Consider Approval of December 4, 2019 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes.
(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes with changes discussed; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

3. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of October 31, 2019. *(K. Mills)*

Mayor Pro Tem 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.

4. Consider Approval of Work Order #3, Amending the Architectural Services Contract with Gunn Meyerhoff Shay Regarding the Oglethorpe Conference Center – for a 18,000 square feet Conference Center. *(J. Drumm)*

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced work order; seconded by Commissioner Harris.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

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

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

5. Consider Approval to Purchase Fifty Dollar Gift Cards (\$50.00) for **187** Full Time Employees and Twenty- Five Dollar Gift Cards (\$25.00) for **10** Part Time Employees. *(J. Drumm)*

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

6. Consider Approval of Contract Amendment for Roadway Resurfacing of Various Streets. *(G. Alberson)*

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

APPOINTMENT(S)

7. Boards and Commission *(N. Atkinson)*

a) **Brunswick Historic Preservation Board** – One Appointment

Commissioner Harris made a motion to appoint Heddy Bernstein to the above-referenced board filling the unexpired term of Lianne Williamson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

b) **Pilot Commission** – One Appointment

Commissioner Cason made a motion to appoint Fleming Martin to the above-referenced commission beginning 1/1/2020, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

c) **Tree Board** – One Appointment

Commissioner Cason made a motion to re-appoint Michael Lehman to the above-referenced board; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – PUBLIC HEARING

8. Consider Disciplinary Actions for Alcohol Sales Violation - Krishna Myra LLC, DBA Fountain Package Store. (A. Elliott)

Deputy Marshal Elliott gave an overview of previous violations of an owner of **Krishna Myra LLC, DBA Fountain Package Store**, who is presently out of the country.

Following question/answers.

Public Hearing concluded.

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to approve the alcohol renewal license for Krishna Myra LLC, DBA Fountain Package Store, contingent of Krishna Myra LLC, DBA Fountain Package Store completion of a new application by December 31, 2019; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

8a Consider Approval of six (6) Alcohol Beverage License Renewals. (A. Elliott)

| <u>Name of Business</u> | <u>Owner/Mgr.</u> | <u>Location of Business</u> | <u>Comments</u> |
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| 1. Reid’s Apothecary | Christopher Gantt | 1618 Newcastle St | Request for on premises consumption of beer, wine & distilled spirits (Sunday Sales). |
| 2. Grog Shoppe | Kamini Patel Kamlesh Patel | 1701 Norwich St | Request for off premises consumption retail sale of beer, wine & distilled spirits. |
| 3. In & Out (Sunoco) | Shitul Desai | 4528 Altama Ave | Request for off premises consumption retail sale of beer and wine. |
| 4. Rose & Vine | Danielle Brazell | 1602 Newcastle St | Request for off premises consumption retail sale of beer and wine. |
| 5. Tio Taco | Maria Torres Jose- Gonzolas | 4441 Altama Ave | Request for on premises consumption of beer, wine & distilled spirits (Sunday Sales). |
| 6. Amerimart | Kinjal R. Patel | 1008 Bay St | Request for off premises consumption retail sale of beer and wine. |

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced six (6) alcohol licenses for renewal; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Non- Eligible Renewals

| <u>Name of Business</u> | <u>Owner/Mgr.</u> | <u>Location of Business</u> | <u>Comments</u> |
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| 7. Blue Door | Constance Lindsay | 1706A Second Street | Request for on premise consumption sale of beer and wine. No Application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>No consideration for approval needed at this time.</u> |
| 8. Downtown Grocery | Swapnilkumar Patel/ Dharmendra Patel | 1300 Gloucester Street | Request for off premise consumption retail sale of beer and wine. – Fraudulent application |

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to approve the alcohol license renewal for **Downtown Grocery**; contingent of Deputy Marshal Elliott providing information/documents to Downtown

Grocery required to complete application for renewal by Tuesday, December 24, 2019; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0

CITY ATTORNEY’S ITEM(S)

9. Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. **1065** – To Create Article XVIII, Used and Scrap Tire Businesses, of Chapter 13 of City of Brunswick Code of Ordinances.
Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to adopt the above-referenced ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
10. Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. **1066** – Amend Chapter 22 – Utilities.
Commissioner Cason made a motion to adopt the above-referenced ordinance; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
11. Consider Approval of the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Oglethorpe Conference Center Memorandum of Understanding and Execution of an Amended Quitclaim Deed from Glynn County to the City of Brunswick.
Commissioner Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Oglethorpe Conference Center Memorandum of Understanding and Execution of an Amended Quitclaim Deed from Glynn County to the City of Brunswick; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
12. Consider Approval of the Environmental Facilities Agreement and Supporting Documentation Between Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission and the City of Brunswick.
Commissioner Cason made a motion to defer the above-referenced agreement and supporting documents; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
13. Consider Approval of Two (2) Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Brunswick and BQK Baseball, LLC.
Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to defer the above-referenced item until January 15, 2020; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
City Clerk Atkinson to schedule a Town Hall Meeting before the January 15, 2019 meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to hold an executive session to discuss real estate, personnel and litigation, seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED – *meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.*

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

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