

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2015**  
**OLD CITY HALL**  
**1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR**

**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 Cornell Harvey

**INVOCATION:** Rabbi Rachel Bregman

**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE:** Recited by all in attendance

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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*Commissioner Martin made a motion to add under the City Attorney's item as item number nine (9); "Consider approval of Resolution for the Redevelopment Powers Law Referendum"; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.*

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*Commissioner Williams made a motion to add under Recognition(s), Presentation(s) & Award(s); "Presentation from JWM Ventures"; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

- 1) Sandy Dean, 1127 Union Street, addressed the Commission regarding consolidation and placing consolidation on 2016 election ballot.
- 2) Christopher Lyons, 201 Leeswood Circle, addressed the Commission regarding alcohol license fees regarding smart brew system.
- 3) Reverend Zack Lyde, 2509 Bartow Street, addressed the Commission regarding consolidation.

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*Mayor Harvey introduced the new City Manager James "Jim" Drumm; who briefly addressed the audience.*

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**RECOGNITION(S), PRESENTATION(S) & AWARD(S)**

1. *Presentation from JWM Ventures, LLC.*

*John McDonald, JWM Ventures, LLC; gave a presentation regarding the company plans for the development of the Oglethorpe Block.*

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

1. Conditional Use Petition No. 15-06; from Bruce Whitehurst, Agent, Petitioning to Obtain a Conditional Use Permit to Allow a Repair Garage at 1501 First Street. (*A. Glaeser*)

Arne Glaeser, Planning and Development Manager, gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff recommends in favor of granting the requested conditional use with the following stipulations:

- 1) All development shall be in substantial compliance with the development concept plan date stamped 7/29/2015.
- 2) The repair of all automobiles must occur within fully enclosed buildings.

- 3) There will be no open storage of wrecked vehicles, dismantled parts, or any other materials until a minimum 6 foot high opaque fence is constructed. No such materials shall be visible above the fence.
- 4) The new ramp proffered by the applicant must be permitted and constructed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.

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

No one came forth to address the Commission.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition, with stipulations recommend by staff and to add additional fencing along the front of the building; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

2. Variance Petition No. 15-03; from John Greene, Owner, Petitioning for a Wall Sign Variance for the Property at 500 Glynn Isles. *(A. Glaeser)*

Arne Glaeser, Planning and Development Manager, gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff recommends in favor of granting the requested variance.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor to 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 Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

3. Consider Approval of August 4, 2015 Special Called Meeting Minutes, August 5, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes and August 5, 2015 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)*

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

4. Consider Approval to Place Sculptures at the Mary Ross and Overlook Park. *(L. King-Badyina)*

Commissioner Martin made a motion approving the placement of sculptures to be chosen at a later date at the above-referenced locations; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

5. Consider Approval of Appointment of an Employee Representative to the Pension Administration Committee. *(K. Mills)*

Mayor Pro-Harris made a motion approving the nomination of Captain John Buglino, Fire Department to the above-referenced committee filling the unexpired term of Jade Heidelberg; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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*The Commission thanked Kathy Mills, Finance Director for serving as Acting City Manager during the time the City was searching for a City Manager.*

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6. Consider Approval for the Execution and Transmittal of the Fiscal Year 2016 Emergency Solutions Grant. *(S. Walker)*

Mayor Pro-Tem Harris made a motion approving the execution and transmittal of the above-referenced grant to Georgia Department of Community Affairs; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

### **COMMISSIONER CASON'S ITEM(S)**

7. Update on the Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission.

Stephen Swain, Executive Director, Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission

introduced Mark Ryals, Superintendent Waste Water Plant; and Alvin Lang, Supervisor, Waste Water Plant. Mr. Ryals updated the Commission on the process for controlling the odor at Academy Creek.

**COMMISSIONER MARTIN'S ITEM(S)**

8. Update on the Urban Redevelopment Agency.  
Commissioner Martin reported that at the Urban Redevelopment Agency meeting on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 the agency received presentations from JWM Ventures and from Community Development Partners regarding the development of the Oglethorpe Block.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S ITEM(S)**

9. Consider Approval of Resolution for the Redevelopment Powers Law Referendum.  
Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Mayor Pro- Tem Harris.

Mayor Harvey asked for a call for vote by the City Clerk:

Commissioner Cason	Aye
Commissioner Williams	Aye
Commissioner Martin	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Harris	Aye
Mayor Harvey	Aye

Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Cason made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

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

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