MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSTON, GEORGIA

HELD IN-PERSON AND BY TELECONFERENCE, ZOOM AUDIO/VIDEO

IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024

On the 7th day of May 2024 at 7:00 p.m., the City Council of Clarkston, Georgia met in regular session in-person and by teleconference Zoom Audio/Video in said City. Mayor Beverly Burks called the meeting to order. The following members of the City Council were present: Councilmembers Jamie Carroll, Yterenickia Bell, Susan Hood, and Mark Perkins. Absent: Vice Mayor Debra Johnson. The following City staff were present: Tammi Saddler Jones (Interim City Manager), Dan Defnall (Finance Director), Christine Hudson (Police Chief), Marcus Seaton (Public Works Assistant Director), Melissa L. Peñate (Interim City Clerk), and Stephen Quinn (City Attorney).

NOTE: Items appearing in these minutes are in the order they were discussed, not necessarily in the order they appeared on the agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER
   The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL
   Present: Mayor Burks, Councilmembers Carroll, Bell, Hood, and Perkins.
   Absent: Vice Mayor Johnson

   Councilmember Carroll motioned to add item 8E. To consider for approval a proclamation recognizing Public Works Week and change 7B. to "To defer for consideration at the May work session and the June regular city Council meeting Ordinance No. 495 to amend the Chapter 2 of the city code, regarding administration, to delegate to the city manager the authority to purchase goods and services and to enter into contracts on behalf of the city, subject to certain conditions and limitations." Seconded by Councilmember Perkins. Motion passed 4-0.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS/ PRESENTATION
   A. To approve minutes the following meetings:
      - 04/02/2024 – City Council Meeting

   Councilmember Hood made a motion to approve the meeting minutes with changes: on page 2, the discussion of 13 recommendations, spelling of Brocket Triangle Park, and the name of the committee is Community Development and Civic Innovation. Seconded by Councilmember Carroll. The motion passed unanimously.

4. REPORTS
   A. Planning/Economic and Development Report.
      - Lisa Cameron, Planning & Economic Development Director, provided an update from the Planning & Economic Development department on the following.

- Status of Smith & Lincoln Street name change to Davis Drive.
- Update on Business License renewals.
- Update on multi-family report.
- It is Economic Development Week and the staff updated them on upcoming events.

B. City Manager's Report
- Interim City Manager, Tammi Saddler Jones gave an update on the following:
    - Three new employees were introduced: Communications Manager, Retonjah Burdette; Parks & Recreation Manager, Michael Duncan; and Chief Court Clerk, Lillian Triplet.
    - Update on events:
        - Milam Park Pool will be opening on May 23rd and the City will be hosting a community pool opening event.
        - Coffee with a Copp will be on May 17th at 9 a.m. at Refuge Coffee.
        - June 15th the City will have a food giveaway at 8 a.m. at the Police/Court house parking lot.
        - June 15th at 11 a.m. the city will host the Juneteenth celebration at Market Street in downtown Clarkston.

C. City Attorney's Report
- No report.

D. Council Remarks
- The Councilmembers briefly gave an overview of meetings and events they attended, and projects they are currently working on.

E. Mayor's Report
- Mayor Burks gave a brief overview of meetings and events she attended and other news of the city.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following citizens presented comments to the Mayor and Council: Former Councilmember Awet Eyasu provided comments.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. To consider for approval Ordinance No.493 amending Chapter 3 of the Code regarding alcoholic beverages, to allow "late night sales" for consumption on the premises subject to certain conditions.

Councilmember Bell motioned to refer the item to the Public Safety & Legal Committee to be reported back to the City Council in 60 days. Seconded by Councilmember Carroll. There was a discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

B. To consider for approval Ordinance No.496 amending Chapter 2 of the city code, regarding administration, to establish a new procurement policy, and for other purposes.

Councilmember Carroll motioned to approve Ordinance No. 496 amending Chapter 2 of the city code regarding administration to establish a new procurement policy and for other purposes, seconded by Councilmember Bell. Councilmember Carroll discussed. Councilmember Hood mentioned Item 7B is similar to this item but different. The City Attorney explained the difference between both ordinances. Motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSENT AGENDA
   A. To consider for approval Ordinance No.494 to amend the City Charter to authorize the city manager to purchase certain goods and services and to enter into certain contracts on behalf of the City.
   B. To defer for consideration at the May work session and the June regular city Council meeting Ordinance No. 495 to amend the Chapter 2 of the city code, regarding administration, to delegate to the city manager the authority to purchase goods and services and to enter into contracts on behalf of the city, subject to certain conditions and limitations.
   C. To consider for approval a proclamation designating May 10th as Mayor's Book Club Day.
   D. To consider for approval a proclamation designating May 10th as Kids' Day.
   E. To consider for approval a resolution authorizing an agreement with Bowman moody Enterprise, LLC for professional procurement services in the amount of $3,500 monthly for 3 to 6 months.
   F. To consider for approval a resolution to renew GIRMA Property & Liability Coverage for the policy period 5/1/2024-4/30/2025 through the GMA Property & Liability Self Insurance Program funded through the General Fund Budget.
   G. To consider for approval the uses of the National Opioid Settlement Distributions in the amount of $7,757.76 received by the city.
   H. To consider for approval a resolution to Implement an Increase of FY2024 Sanitation Assessment fee to $317 that was approved at the February 6, 2024, City Council meeting to cover cost of residential garbage and recycling services for FY2024.
   I. To consider for approval a contract with Integrated Science & Engineering (ISE) Scope of Work for MS4 Permitting; in the amount of $10,500 to be funded from the Storm Water Enterprise Program.

   Motion to approve the consent agenda to include items 7A to 7I was made by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Motion carried unanimously.

8. NEW BUSINESS
   A. To consider for approval the SPLOST II projects list and changes recommended by the Housing & Infrastructure and Transportation and Environment committees.

Councilmember Carroll discussed, and they reviewed all the SPLOST programs recommended by staff. Councilmember Perkins moved to approve the SPLOST II projects. Seconded by Councilmember Bell. Motion carried unanimously.

B. To consider for approval a Lease Agreement with G&I X Industrial GA LLC for the Lease of Approximately 27,510 sq/ft of Office Space at the Property Known as 736 Park North for Use as City Administrative Space for a Term of 62 Months.

   Interim City Manager Jones spoke, and City Attorney Quinn discussed the lease. There was further discussion. Councilmember Bell moved to approve the Lease Agreement with G&I X Industrial GA LLC. Seconded by Councilmember Carroll. Motion carried unanimously.

C. To consider for approval a Contract with Paryani Construction, Inc., a Georgia Statewide Contract Number 99999-SPD-520200901-0020 and the Gordian Construction Contract Number GA-A07-040820-PAR under the Sourcewell Contract Number, for the design work to renovate some areas within the building located at 736 Park North for Use as City Administrative Space for a term of six months in an amount not to exceed to $108,000.

   Interim City Manager Jones spoke, and Keisha also spoke. Councilmember Perkins motioned to approve the contract with Paryani Construction Inc. Seconded by Councilmember Hood. Councilmember Carroll made a statement. Motion carried 3-1, with Councilmember Carroll abstaining.

D. To consider for approval a Contract with Southern Computer Warehouse, Inc. (SCW, Inc), a Georgia Statewide Contract Number 99999-SD-0000172-014, to provide a security system for the new proposed City Administrative Space located at 736 Park North for a term of six months in an amount not to exceed $126,000.

   Interim City Manager Jones spoke. Councilmember Carroll made a motion to approve the contract with Southern Computer Warehouse Inc. Seconded by Councilmember Perkins. Motion carried unanimously.

E. To consider for approval a proclamation recognizing Public Works Week.

   Mayor Burks spoke. Councilmember Hood made a motion to adopt a proclamation recognizing May 19-25 as National Public Works Week. Seconded by Councilmember Perkins. Motion passed unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Carroll made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Perkins seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m. with a 4-0 vote.

ATTEST:

Melissa L. Peñate
Interim City Clerk

Beverly H. Burks
Mayor