



Mayor and Council Meeting Business Session Minutes February 13, 2012 7:00 PM

The Riverdale Mayor and City Council met on February 13, 2012 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of conducting a regular Business Session. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 7200 Church Street, Riverdale, Georgia 30274.

Call to Order and Welcome

With a quorum present, Mayor Evelyn Wynn-Dixon called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

All members of the governing body were present.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation & Pledge was led by Chief of Police, Samuel Patterson.

OFFICER IN ARMS TO READ RULES OF CONDUCT:

Rules of Conduct read by Officer Stevenson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

The following amendments were made to the agenda:

Addition(s): None.

Deletion(s): None.

Tabled: None.

Postponed: None.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to approve the agenda. Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones moved to second the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

PRESENTATION(S):

Presentation on “Get Home Now” Neighborhood Revitalization Program presented Iris Jessie, City Manager and Mr. Mike Syphoe, RDDA Executive Director.

City Manager, Iris Jessie and Director of Downtown Development, Mike Syphoe, gave an overview of the “Get Home Now” program.

Mr. Syphoe provided further detail regarding the marketing strategy being employed to optimize visibility and access to the program.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Adoption of the January 23, 2012 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to approve the consent agenda with corrections to the cost of the youth basketball camp. Council Member Stamps-Jones moved to second the motion. The consent agenda was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following individual(s) offered public comments:

None.

RESOLUTION(S):

2. Resolution No. 05-02-2012 Request to Authorize the Purchase of a Truck for Facilities Maintenance and General Services by Mr. Bennie Rose, Director of General Services & Facility Management Dept.

A RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERDALE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F150 TRUCK FROM ALLAN VIGIL FORD FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL SERVICES; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

General Services Director, Bennie Rose, requested authorization to purchase a new service vehicle. He advised council as to the cost impact as well as the current alternatives being used to supplement the loss of one vehicle.

No comment was made by any member of council.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones moved to second the motion. **Resolution No. 05-02-2012** was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

- 3. Resolution No. 06-02-2012 Request to waive the alcohol beverage license fee for Riverdale Development Authority by Mr. Mike Syphoe, RDDA Executive Director.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERDALE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE RIVERDALE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FEES; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

No comment was made by any member of council.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones moved to second the motion. **Resolution No. 06-02-2012** was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

Mayor Dixon opened the floor for the public hearing.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the measure:

None.

The following individuals spoke in opposition of the measure:

None.

Mayor Dixon closed the public hearing.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENT(S):

Council Member Wallace

Council Member Wallace thanked the individuals in the audience for attending the meeting.

Council Member Davis

Council Member Davis thanked the public for attending the meeting. He encouraged all attendees to invite three people back with them to the next meeting in order to energize the public and increase awareness.

Council Member Stamps-Jones

Council Member Stamps-Jones encouraged goodwill among citizens, in light of the upcoming St. Valentine's holiday.

Council Member Ruffin

Council Member Ruffin announced the upcoming five-week basketball fundamentals class, February 28, which will cost participants thirty dollars. He proceeded to announce

the Annual Community Night with the Atlanta Hawks in March, as well as plans for an event celebrating fathers in the community.

Mayor Dixon

Mayor Dixon reported her recent visit with the Firefighters Association whereupon she was able to meet a victim of domestic violence and cautioned attendance against the pitfalls of abuse in relationships. She also lauded the efforts of the Department of Cultural Affairs for its work in the hosting of the Super Bowl party. Mayor Dixon went on to describe how the City was going about building relationships within the community through outreach and announced that youth programs would be reinstated within the City.

She introduced Dwayne Colbert, representative of APD Solutions, who was instrumental in planning the “Get Home Now” program.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Wanda Wallace. Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones moved to second the motion. Motion to adjourn was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0. The meeting adjourned at **7:38** PM.