



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 2, 2018 @ 6:30 pm**  
**City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricia Wheeler at 6:32pm. Councilmembers Little, Mailman, Hollis, Johnson, Wells and Bryant were present.

**DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Mayor Wheeler determined a quorum was present.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Councilmember Hollis led the invocation. Councilmember Wells led the pledge of allegiance.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Susan Coletti

5417 E. Mountain Street

She spoke on the need for parking meters in the city. She stated that the property located behind SunTrust Bank is for sale by the owner Steven Orange and that the City would benefit from charging for parking if they lease/owned the property.

Margaret

416 N. Rockborough Court

She thanked the Mayor and City Manager for attending Rockborough's Back to School event. She questioned what type of services will be provided by DeKalb County once they start the sanitation services. The Mayor advised her that DeKalb Sanitation would be presenting their services later in the meeting.

Jim Perra

No address given

He had a complaint regarding Code Enforcement ticketing him for non-compliance of yard and grass with his property. Mayor asked him to set up a time to discuss with the City Manager. He stated that he would like to meet with the Mayor and speak with her. Mayor asked him to stay after the meeting and she would speak with him at that time.

Rev. Parker

Pastor of St. Paul AME Church

821 Third Street

Rev. Parker announced a meeting at the church of concerned citizens on Thursday at 7:00pm.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

- Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting 09/04/18  
Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Councilmember Hollis. No additions or corrections were noted.  
Motion approved 6-0
- Minutes of Special Called Meeting 09/18/18  
Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Councilmember Hollis. No additions or corrections were noted.  
Motion approved 6-0
- Minutes of Council Work Session 09/18/18  
Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Councilmember Hollis. No additions or corrections were noted.  
Motion approved 6-0

**READING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE DAY**

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved to approve the Agenda of the Day, seconded by Councilmember Hollis.  
Motion approved 6-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Consent Agenda – None**

Mayor stated that we would move the presentation of the Solid Waste Management Services Presentation by DeKalb County Sanitation to the top of the Agenda.

### **D. Solid Waste Management Services Presentation – DeKalb County Sanitation**

The presentation was led by Tracy Hutchinson the Director of Public Works Sanitation Department. She introduced her team of employees, covered the Welcome Packet in detail and discussed their sanitation procedures. Questions and comments were had by all Councilmembers.

### **B. City of Stone Mountain FY 2018-19 MS4 Annual Report and Dry Weather Screening Proposal – Clark Patterson Lee**

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Hollis. No discussion.  
Motion approved 6-0.

### **C. Consideration of Procedure for Traffic Calming and Stop Sign Installation Measures**

Discussion only.

Councilmember Wells discussed that this area does not have a four way stop sign at this location and the complaints that he gets from the citizens regarding speeding and the accidents that occur in that area. He thinks that a stop sign would reduce the speed of cars.

Councilmember Mailman gave his reasons why a stop sign needs to be installed as well because of the amount of accidents at that location and cause individuals to slow down as approaching the school zone area.

City Manager Miller Thornton spoke that there needs to be a justification for the installation of the stop sign because there are several areas where residents are asking for stop signs to be installed as well. She mentioned that there is a federal traffic manual that lays out the criteria for having a stop sign installed such as traffic count and number of accidents over a certain period of time.

Councilmember Wells asked what the timeline is to do a study of this area. City Manager Miller Thornton stated that we can just start the process, but we need to make it clear that there is a process.

Councilmember Mailman wants a timeframe such as tomorrow to advise how long this study will take. City Manager Miller Thornton stated that she and Jim, Public Works Director, will get together tomorrow to discuss.

## **NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **A. None.**

## **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. Planning and Zoning**

Mayor Wheeler mentioned the new Permit Tech from Safebuilt has started work for the Administration Office. City Manager Miller Thornton added that a new house construction at 838 Beaver Run went before HPC and there was an Administrative Variance approval for setbacks. She also mentioned a potential new development by Christopher Hunt which will go before Planning and Zoning.

### **B. Economic Development/Downtown Development Authority**

Mayor Pro Tem stated that there was no report, but next Monday's meeting would be held at 6:30pm.

### **C. Historic Preservation Commission**

No report.

## **REMARKS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Councilmember Mailman thanked the Mayor and City Manager for getting DeKalb County Sanitation for our service needs. He also mentioned Michael Lee's passing, a resident of the City of Stone Mountain, and to keep his family in prayer.

Councilmember Wells thanked the citizens for their comments today and advised citizens to please not wait until City Council Meeting to express concerns, but please reach out to the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved to adjourn for Executive Session to discuss personnel, seconded by Councilmember Hollis.

Motion approved 6-0.

Adjourned at 7:54pm.

Mayor Wheeler called meeting back to order at 8:39 am.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson stated that there was no action to be taken out of Executive Session.

Councilmember Mailman stated that DDA should check out the property that Susan Coletti spoke on since it is up for sale and that using it for parking would be a good idea.

Mayor Pro Tem stated that the former DDA Director did approach ARC regarding a parking study and received some grant money, but that they still need to work with the City Administration to finalize that scope and move forward with that parking study. She also mentioned that there is a match for the grant.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Hollis.

Motion approved 6-0.

Adjourned at 8:41pm.

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**Patricia Wheeler, Mayor**

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**Alicia Daniels, Assistant City Clerk**