

APRIL 11, 2017

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF  
ALBANY, GEORGIA  
GOVT. CENTER – RM 100

PRESENT: Mayor Dorothy Hubbard  
Mayor Pro Tem Roger Marietta  
City Commissioners: Jon Howard, Bobby Coleman, BJ Fletcher, Bob Langstaff,  
Jr, and Tommie Postell  
City Manager: Sharon D. Subadan  
City Attorney: C. Nathan Davis

Mayor Hubbard called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed a moment of silence.

Commissioner Postell moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Marietta; the motion unanimously carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Commissioner Coleman moved to approve the following Alcohol License Applications, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher; the motion carried 6-1 with Commissioner Howard voting no.

1. Northside Lounge, LLP, d/b/a Northside Lounge; 2238 Palmyra Rd., C. Ross & R. Sherman/Agents; Liquor, beer and wine consumption

Commissioner Fletcher moved to approve the following Alcohol License Applications/Transfer of Ownership, seconded by Commissioner Coleman; the motion carried 6-1 with Commissioner Howard voting no.

1. Mel's Bar; 1408 W. Broad Ave; C. Bence/Agent; Liquor, beer and wine consumption; Transfer Ownership from M. Suber

Commissioner Langstaff moved to approve the following purchases (items 1-6), seconded by Commissioner Fletcher; the motion unanimously carried.

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| 1. | Generators – 401 Pine Ave; Yancy Powers Systems, Austell, GA                     |              |
|    | Total expenditure  | \$148,160.00 |
| 2. | Walking Gas Leakage Survey, Gulf Coast Survey Co., Troy, AL                      |              |
|    | Estimated expenditure  | \$79,875.19  |
| 3. | Street Light Rehabilitation; Over & Under General Contractors, Inc., Suwanee, GA |              |
|    | Estimated expenditure  | \$134,979.00 |
| 4. | Street Lights – E. Sam Jones Distributor, Inc., Atlanta, GA                      |              |
|    | Total expenditure  | \$148,932.50 |
| 5. | Reclosers – Power Connections, Dothan, AL  |              |
|    | Total expenditure  | \$235,248.00 |
| 6. | Pump Repairs – Xylem Water Solution USA, Inc., Garden City, GA                   |              |
|    | Estimated expenditure  | \$178,456.98 |

Commissioner Langstaff moved to approve the following purchase, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher.

7. FF&E – 401 Pine Ave; State Contract
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|  | Estimated expenditure | \$406,714.00 |
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Commissioner Howard expressed concern about exceeding the budget, which is his reason for voting no.

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Commissioner Langstaff said that initially he had concerns also; however, after realizing the age of the current furniture, it will be necessary to be replaced in the near future and, he said he feels it is appropriate to move forward with the purchase at this time. He mentioned that he had suggested making the old WG&L Building into residential use. Regarding the cost of the furniture/fixtures/equipment (FF&E), he stated that even though it is a lot of money, it is less than what was paid to furnish the LEC building and is in line with what we should expect to spend.

Commissioner Postell asked the cost spent for repairs of the building at 401 Pine Avenue with Ms. Subadan stating that she can provide the information. She advised that the building itself cost \$1.05 million, which included the drive-thru, parking and the back building that will become a consolidated call center for customer service and 311 and briefly discussed the benefit of this strategy, adding that approximately \$3.0 million has been spent on repairs, roofing, etc. She said that the cost to renovate 207 Pine, which did not include the other three floors, exceeded the cost.

Mayor Hubbard stated that it is still less than the cost to renovate the WG&L Building. Commissioner Postell asked that the information be provided to all of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Coleman mentioned the parking issue at the WG&L building, which presented safety issues. Commissioner Langstaff stated that he agreed with the move and the investment in the purchase of the furniture, etc.

Hearing no further comments, the motion carried 6-1 with Commissioner Howard voting no.

#### APPOINTMENTS

1. Seven appointments to the Downtown Development Authority - two for 2-year terms ending April, 2019; five for 4-year terms ending April, 2021; and one of the seven appointments can be the Mayor, a Commissioner or Commission appointee, including those who have submitted letters/resumes for consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem Marietta moved to appoint # 3-7 as noted on the agenda item [copy on file] as follows: (Thelma Johnson, Omar Salaam, Martin Carter, Carl White, Jr., and Michael Stewart) for 4-year terms ending April, 2021; to appoint CaMia Hopson for a two year term ending April, 2019 and to appoint Commissioner Langstaff as the Commission appointment, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher.

Discussion followed with Commissioner Langstaff asking if he can vote for himself or if he should abstain on his appointment vote. Mr. Davis advised that he could vote on all appointments. Additional discussion followed regarding who on the list currently serves on ADICA with LaToya Cutts, Downtown Manager advising that Mr. Salaam and Mr. Carter currently serve on ADICA.

Commissioner Coleman suggested term limits for the commission appointment so that it coincides with the election process every four years. Mr. Davis suggested that Ms. Johnson, Mr. Salaam, Mr. Carter and Mr. White be appointed for four-year terms and Mr. Stewart and Ms. Hopson appointed for two-year terms.

Mayor Pro Tem Marietta amended his motion as follows: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Salaam, Mr. Carter and Mr. White be appointed for four-year terms with Mr. Stewart and Ms. Hopson being appointed for two-year terms and Commissioner Langstaff being the Commission appointee, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher; the motion unanimously carried.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Commissioner Fletcher moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Marietta; the motion unanimously carried.

A RESOLUTION NO. 17-R114

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Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Albany and Albany State  
University re: Transportation Services

Commissioner Fletcher moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Commissioner  
Coleman, the motion unanimously carried.

A RESOLUTION NO. 17-R115

Authorizing SPLOST VI funds for purchase of Training Simulator for the Albany Police  
Department

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

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MAYOR

ATTEST

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CITY CLERK