

JANUARY 22, 2019

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

PRESENT: Mayor Dorothy Hubbard
City Commissioners: Jon Howard, Matt Fuller, BJ Fletcher, and Roger
Marietta
City Manager: Sharon D. Subadan
City Attorney: C. Nathan Davis

Mayor Hubbard called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m., and, following a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance, she instructed the audience on the policy to address the Commission, whether through Citizen's Comments or Speaker's Appearance Forms.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Commissioner Howard moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fuller; the motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Zoning Case # 18-063 - Lanier Engineering, Inc./Applicant; Swami PM, LLC/Owner; request to rezone property located at 2033 N. Slappey Blvd. from C-1 to C-2.

Using a power presentation (copy on file), Paul Forgey, Planning Director, showed a map of the location and advised that the rezoning will allow for a convenience store. He also showed the 100 year floor plan, discussed the zoning history, showed surrounding zoning and discussed planning considerations, land use map, the aerial map, existing/changing conditions regarding setbacks and advised that the Planning Commission recommended approve.

In reply to Commissioner Fuller, Mr. Forgey agreed that the reason for the rezoning request is because of the setback. Existing zoning would require the building to be basically on the street with the fuel pumps and parking behind it, while the requested zoning allows a more typical convenience store layout, with parking and fuel pumps in the front.

Commissioner Fletcher commented on the current location and eyesore and agreed with the request to rezone.

Tod Lanier, applicant, advised that he signed up to speak to answer any questions.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Hubbard closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

APPOINTMENTS

(See January 22, 2019 work session minutes re: tabling this item to the Feb. 12, 2019 meetings.)

ORDINANCE

Commissioner Fletcher introduced

AN ORDINANCE NO. 19-100

Amending the Zoning Ordinance and Map of the City of Albany to change the status of property located at 2033 N. Slappey Blvd., from C-1 to C-2

Commissioner Fletcher then offered the ordinance and asked for unanimous consent to dispense with the second reading and asked for its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Marietta; the motion unanimously carried.

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RESOLUTIONS

Commissioner Fletcher moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by
Commissioner Marietta.

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R105

Approving execution of Special District Mass Transportation Sales and use Tax
Intergovernmental agreement with Dougherty County (re: TSPLOST)

Commissioner Howard stated that he will not vote in favor of this item due to the
concerns of recent natural disasters and extending another tax on citizens for five years.
He asked the rush [in approving this item].

Commissioner Fletcher commented on the bad roads and alleys – both tearing up cars,
being an embarrassment, etc., adding that this is needed. She suggested that if something
like this is not done, the City will be raising taxes sooner than later.

Commissioner Marietta suggested to let the public decide and mentioned how this will
help [the City] prepare for the next storm, adding that it is also an economic development
booster for future jobs, etc.

Mayor Hubbard agreed with the comments, adding that maintenance is a problem [and
this vote] allows the citizens to decide.

Hearing no further comments, the motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Howard voting
no.

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

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R106

Fixing and publishing Qualifying Fees in the City of Albany

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

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R107

Establishing alleys that are approved for application of crushed asphalt; Authorizing
Procurement to initiate the bid process for crushed asphalt; once bids have been received
and approved by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners, the use of SPLOST
VII funds for purchase of crushed asphalt material is approved

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

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R108

Establishing streets that are approved for resurfacing; Authorizing Procurement to initiate
the bid process; once bids have been received and approved by the Mayor and Board of
Commissioners, the use of SPLOST VII funds to supplement LMIG Funding or
resurfacing streets

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

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A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R109

Authorizing use of SPLOST VI funds for stadium seating at the Paul Eames Sports Complex

Commissioner Fletcher moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Commissioner Howard.

Mr. Davis interjected that the wording will change to ‘street light upgrades’ as discussed earlier.

Commissioner Fletcher agreed to the change noted by Mr. Davis. Hearing no further comments, the motion unanimously carried.

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R110

Approving use of SPLOST VII funds for underground street light cable replacement

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

A RESOLUTION NO. 19-R111

Authorizing execution of airline use and Lease Agreement with Delta Air Lines, Inc., Authorizing the City Manager to execute said Agreement

OTHER BUSINESS

Referring to a question from Commissioner Fuller during the work session re: the economic impact of SIAC tournaments [that are held at Eames Park], Ms. Subadan advised that one tournament brought in approximately \$381,521.

Commissioner Fuller moved to approve the absence of Commissioner Langstaff, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher; the motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Howard moved to approve the absence of Commissioner Postell, seconded by Commissioner Marietta; the motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

MAYOR

ATTEST

CITY CLERK