



SAVANNAH CITY GOVERNMENT

SUMMARY/FINAL MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

FAIRGROUNDS PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT PRESENTATIONS

JULY 15, 2021 – 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The special called meeting of the City Council was held at 2:04 p.m. via Zoom communication, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

PRESENT: Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, Presiding

Alderwoman Kesha Gibson-Carter, At-Large, Post 1, Chairman

Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, At-Large, Post 2

Alderwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1

Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2

Alderwoman Linda Wilder-Bryan, District 3

Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4, Vice-Chairman

Alderwoman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5, Mayor Pro-Tem

Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

ALSO, PRESENT:

Assistant City Manager Heath Lloyd

Assistant to the City Manager Joe Shearouse

City Attorney Bates Lovett

Clerk of Council Mark Massey

Special Meeting Agenda Items

[1. Fairgrounds Property Development Concept Presentations](#)

Mayor Johnson gave the overall purpose and format for conducting the meeting.

The following vendors made presentations:

1. **The Savannah Bridge Development Team.** (PRESENTED by Benjamin Polote, Sr., Benjamin Polote, Jr., Jessie Wiles and David Murphy. Also on-screen were Charles H. Johnson IV, Mike Garcia and Mary Fellows.)
2. **Knott Development Team.** (PRESENTED by Frank Knott, Denise Grabowski and H. Lamar Willis)
3. **P3 Joint Venture Group.** (PRESENTED by J. Craig Gordon, Robert Gould, Meredith Stone, Patrick Shay, Nancy Dozier, Katie Porco, Bill Gross, Reverend Thurmond N. Tillman, and Steven Nielsen. Also on-screen were Mac Sims, Kirk Johnson and Joyce Fownes.)

Mayor Johnson asked Councilmembers to send any additional questions for the proposers to Joe Shearouse by Friday, July 16 at 2 p.m. Responses to the questions will be due by Monday, July 19 at 5 p.m.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the work session at 4:03 p.m. (No action was taken.)

A video recording of the Special Called Workshop can be found by copying and inserting the link below in your url:

<https://savannahgovtv.viebit.com/player.php?hash=sMlx3UIHvXOv>

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Initials: _____

