

Meeting Begins at 2:00pm

October 10, 2019, City Council Regular Meeting

**SAVANNAH CITY GOVERNMENT
SUMMARY/FINAL MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
October 10, 2019 – 2:00 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held at 2:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Eddie W. DeLoach, Presiding
Mayor Pro-Tem Carolyn H. Bell
Alderman Julian Miller, Chairman of Council
Alderman Brian Foster, Vice-Chairman of Council
Alderman Van R. Johnson, II, District 1
Alderman Bill Durrence, District 2
Alderman John Hall, District 3
Alderman Dr. Estella E. Shabazz, District 5
Alderman Tony Thomas, District 6

OTHERS PRESENT:
Assistant City Manager Heath Lloyd
Assistant to the City Manager Bret Bell
City Attorney Bates Lovett
Deputy City Attorney Jen Herman
Assistant City Attorney William Shearouse
Clerk of Council Mark Massey
Deputy Clerk of Council Margaret Fox

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, which was recited in unison, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell offered the invocation.

Date: Oct 10 2019 (2:00pm)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

[1. Motion to Adopt the Agenda for the October 10, 2019 City Council Regular Meeting](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Item #52, Motion to Approve a Class E (Beer and Wine) (By the Package) Alcohol License to Kalpesh Patel of Jay Ram at 3207 Waters Avenue (Aldermanic District 4), Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[2. Approval of Minutes for the Work Session & City Manager's Briefing on September 26, 2019](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #2, #3 and #4, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[3. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting on September 26, 2019](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #2, #3 and #4, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[4. Approval of Minutes for the Special Called Meeting \(re: Use of Eminent Domain\) on September 26, 2019](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #2, #3 and #4, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

[5. Appearance by SAFE Shelter Representatives to Receive a Proclamation Designating October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month](#)

First Presentation:

Mayor DeLoach read and presented a Proclamation Designating October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month to Ms. Cheryl Branch, Executive Director of SAFE Shelter.

Ms. Branch acknowledged October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and shared that last year SAFE Shelter provided assistance to more domestic violence victims than any other shelter in Georgia. She thanked and invited all in attendance to visit the SAFE Shelter and asked for their support.

Ms. Branch introduced the following Board Members of SAFE Shelter: Julie Tolbert, Assistant Chief; Major Robert Gavin, President; Jean Abram; and Jennifer Davenport, Vice President.

Ms. Davenport, Gala Chairperson, thanked the City for all the support to the Shelter and invited the Mayor and Council to the SAFE Shelter Gala on October 23, 2019. This Gala represents eighty-five percent of the funds raised to operate the Shelter. She asked for the continued support of the City.

Alderman Johnson thanked the SAFE Shelter for all they do and informed everyone that men and young people are also victims of domestic violence but are often forgotten. He asked Ms. Branch for the direct phone lines for support. The twenty-four hour crisis line is (912) 629-8888, which is answered twenty-four hours/seven days a week by a trained crisis person and (912) 651-0004 for a temporary protective order in which you don't need to come into the Shelter, which is used by a lot of men.

[6. Appearance by Savannah Pride Representatives to Speak about Pride and Invite Council to Attend the 2019 Savannah Pride Festival](#)

Fourth Presentation:

Mayor DeLoach announced the appearance by Savannah Pride Representatives to speak about Pride and the 2019 Savannah Pride Festival.

Mr. Dustin Church, Executive Director of Savannah Pride introduced Board Members, Chip Colley, Deena Cattamach and Jesse Hall. Mr. Church shared an overview of the Savannah Pride events over the past year. On October 25-26, 2019 there will be a celebration/festival of Savannah Pride's 20th year, with the first Savannah Pride Parade and he invited all to attend the festival and parade.

Alderman Johnson informed Mr. Church that in 2015 he presented to the City of Savannah a non-discrimination ordinance which was passed unanimously by Council and is still on the books. He asked Mr. Church what additional assistance is needed from the City. Mr. Church asked the City for protections that are provided by federal laws, age, race, religion, disability, national origin, etc.

Alderman Durrence praised the City of Savannah for its innovative thinking in accepting domestic partnerships long before the State enacted laws.

Alderman Durrence announced to the public that Item #44 will be continued/delayed to the next meeting, October 24, 2019, to give time to make modifications to shorten the southern boundary and #46 will remain on the agenda for a first reading only.

[7. Proclamation Designating October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and October 18, 2019 as Mammography Awareness Day](#)

Third Presentation:

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell read and presented the Proclamation Designating October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and Mayor DeLoach read October 18, 2019, as Mammography Awareness Day to AKA Sorority President Savannah Chapter Denise Cooper.

Ms. Cooper thanked the City for acknowledging October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She admonished all women to take advantage of this month to check themselves and get a mammogram. Ms. Cooper introduced the following from the AKA Sorority Savannah Chapter: Ms. Charleen Jones, Vice President & Program Chairman; Alvernia Jackson, Chairman of Women's Health Target; Dr. Connie Cooper; Mrs. Tiwana Jones; Bishop Jacqueline Gilbert-Grant; and Terri Lewis, Members.

[8. Proclamation Designating October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month](#)

Second Presentation:

Mayor DeLoach read and presented the Proclamation for national Disability Employment Awareness Month to Mr. Jason Marshall, Chief Operating Officer of Southeast Georgia Goodwill Industries.

Mr. Marshall thanked the Mayor and Council for the Proclamation and gave a brief background on the work Goodwill Industries does with communities organizations, businesses, community members and the government at large. He invited all to the opening of the new Opportunity Center on November 15th on Sallie Wood Drive to witness all the opportunities afforded to individuals for their advancement.

Mr. Marshall introduced Cynthia Barnes, Vice President of Community Engagement; Alex Vazquez, Senior Director of Business Services of Southeast Georgia Goodwill Industries, who were in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA - (This section shall include all routine items for which it is anticipated there will be no debate or requests for public input. Any Alderman can remove consent items for discussion or separate consideration.)

[9. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 2 with Johnson-Laux Construction for the Central Precinct Facility Construction in the Amount of \\$33,262.05 \(Event No. 5956\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[10. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 2 with Restocon Corporation for the State Street Garage Envelope Repairs in the Amount of \\$13,485 \(Event No. 6542\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[11. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Penn Credit for Collections of Delinquent Code Compliance Fees \(Event No. 7192\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[12. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with HON Company c/o Mason, Inc for Furniture at the Central Precinct in the Reduction Amount of \\$2,799 \(Event No. 7089\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[13. Motion to Approve a Water and Sewer Agreement with Savannah IL-AL Investors, LLC for The Crossings at Savannah](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[14. Motion to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Pre-Application to the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program for the Truman Linear Park Trail Phase IIB in the Amount of \\$3,000,000](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #9 through #14, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PURCHASING ITEMS

[15. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with Xylem Water Solutions for Flygt Pump Repair in the Amount of \\$550,000 \(Event No. 6490\)](#)

Alderman Miller moved to approve Item #15, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[16. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with E&D Coatings for Painting of Water Reclamation Facilities in the Amount of \\$309,690 \(Event No. 6108\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[17. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with Taser International for Taser Devices to be Used by the Savannah Police Department in the Amount of \\$219,280 \(Event No. 7409\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[18. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with SOS Radial Tire Service for Truck and Tractor Tires in the Amount of \\$200,000 \(Event No. 4644\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[19. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Maintenance Agreement with TriTech Software Systems for Tiburon Software Support in the Amount of \\$148,168.65 \(Event No. 7418\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[20. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with JCI Jones Chemical, Inc. for One-Ton Chlorine Cylinders in the Amount of \\$112,500 \(Event No. 6100\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[21. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Ranco Disaster Services for Disaster Base Camp Provision in an Estimated Amount of \\$957,800 \(Event No. 7160\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[22. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with MB Kahn Construction Company, Inc. for Services at the Savannah Cultural Arts Center in the Amount of \\$293,017.47 \(Event No. 2433\)](#)

Assistant City Manager Lloyd explained the construction contract, the communication issues inside the facilities and answered Alderman Thomas questions concerning any overages. Alderman Johnson moved to approve Items #22 and #23, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1 with Alderman Durrence not voting.

[23. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 3 with CHA Consulting, Inc for Project Management Consultant Services for the Cultural Arts Facility Construction in the Amount of \\$35,400 \(Event No. 2124\)](#)

Alderman Johnson moved to approve Items #22 and #23, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1 with Alderman Durrence not voting.

[24. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Procure One Herbicide Spray Truck from Alan Jay Automotive in the Amount of \\$113,279 \(Event No. 7411\)](#)

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Items #16 through #21 and #24 per the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARINGS

[25. Motion to Approve a Class C \(Liquor, Beer, Wine\) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Kevin M. Cadin of the Courtyard by Marriott at 415 West Liberty Street \(Aldermanic District 2\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

No Speakers.

a. Alderman Thomas moved to close the hearing, Alderman Johnson seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Durrence not voting.

b. Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #25 based on the City Manager's recommendation, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Durrence not voting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[26. Second Public Hearing to Receive Comments Concerning the City's 2020 One Year Action Plan](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing to receive comments.

Speakers:

-Assistant City Manager Lloyd explained that the Human Services Department would use the 2020 One Year Action Plan to handle initiatives to help out with poverty reduction and help with homelessness throughout the City.

-Kerri Reid, Director of Human Services, asked for Council's approval of the 2020 One Year Action Plan. It is the City's actual application to the Federal Government and how the City will use those funds. She stated there were no public comments that were submitted to her office for the public comment period.

Alderman Johnson moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ZONING HEARINGS • (Policies and Procedures for Conducting Public Hearings on Zoning Decisions are Posted Outside Council Chambers.)

[27. Motion to Amend the Zoning Ordinance \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy for the City of Savannah\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

Speakers:

-Alderman Thomas asked how the Ordinance was amended and if those amendments would impact an owners rights in the Plant Riverside Sign District.

-Bridget Lidy, Director of Planning and Urban Design, along with Marcus Lotson, Director of Development Services at MPC, explained there were some changes to the NewZO Ordinance to correct scribes errors as well as bringing over some Ordinances Council has already approved, such as Plant Riverside Sign District approved in 2016 and scribes error on Factor's Walk. She advised that no owners rights would be affected. The owners are happy that the inclusions are being added.

Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #27 based on the above information from Ms. Lidy, Mr. Lotson and the City Manager's recommendation, Alderman Durrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[28. Motion to Continue the Hearing to Amend the Zoning Map \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy, City of Savannah\)](#)

Due to advertisement requirements that were missed, Bridget Lidy, Director of Planning and Urban Design, requested Item #28 be continued. Alderman Durrence moved to continue Item #28, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[29. Motion to Amend the Zoning Map Regarding Overlay Districts \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy for the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

Speakers:

- Alderman Thomas wanted to make sure the amendments were for the existing Overlay District Map and the boundaries are not going to be affected.
- Bridget Lidy, Director of Planning and Urban Design, indicated the boundaries are not being changed, these are revisions made to the Alcohol Overlay District approved in July that were not included.
- Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz requested an explanation on the expansion of the Montgomery and Ogeechee Streets, and Liberty City Parkway Alcohol Density, as approved on July 18, 2019, what are the changes.
- Ms. Lidy explained that Council approved NewZo prior to July 2019, when Council had already approved the Alcohol Overlay, just making sure the Alcohol Overlay as inserted into the NewZo Ordinance are what Council approved.

Alderman Durrence moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #29, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[30. Motion to Zone 847.15 acres at 3001 Little Neck Road \(Petitioners: Harold Yellin for Waste Management and Bridget Lidy for City of Savannah\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to close the public hearing, Alderman Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to approve Item #30, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[31. Motion to Rezone 1032 Mohawk St from RSF-20 to RMF-2.24 \(Petitioner: Harold Yellin for Sunrise Acquisitions LLC\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

Speaker:

- Mr. Anand Rao, resident at 1023 Mohawk Street - opposed. This is a residential area and residents are against the new zoning for an apartment complex. Mr. Rao brought signed letters from residents that have been submitted opposing the change. They are concerned with the increase in traffic and decrease in property values.
- Alderman Thomas described the area as an evolving area anchored by condominium complexes, residential, churches, parks, etc. that is slowly changing.
- Alderman Durrence explained that in order for an area to grow there must be density and that will mean people living closer to each other, this way services can be provided
- Mr. Marcus Lotson, Director of Urban Planning at MPC, gave an overview of the apartment project. The apartment complex will contain seventy-two, two bedroom, two bath units. MPC has approved the project, being it is consistent with the current area.
- Mr. Corde Wilson, President, Sunrise Acquisitions, described the project as affordable housing that the neighborhood will be proud of that is accessible to public transportation.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Bell expressed how important it was to hear from Mr. Wilson as the Council is concerned with projects that are in line with the WorkForce initiative.

More discussion followed by Council, the City Attorney, Bridget Lidy and the developer. Mr. Wilson spoke concerning the area dynamics as it relates to the Southside neighborhood housing and future development. Alderman Johnson moved to close the public hearing, Alderman Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #31 based on the City Manager's recommendation, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[32. Motion to Rezone 4504 Ogeechee Road from B-C to RMF-2.40 \(Petitioner: Robert L. McCorkle, III for Classic Development Company LLC\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

Speaker:

-Mr. Marcus Lotson, Director of Urban Design at MPC gave a brief description of the property rezoning. He indicated MPC has approved the project.

Alderman Johnson moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Miller not voting.

Alderman Johnson moved to approve Item #32, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Miller not voting.

[33. Motion to Amend the Future Land Use Map for 4504 Ogeechee Road from Commercial-Suburban to General Residential \(Petitioner: Robert L. McCorkle, III for Classic Development Company LLC\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Alderman Johnson moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Miller not voting.

Alderman Johnson moved to approve Item #33, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried, 8-0-1, with Alderman Miller not voting.

[34. Motion to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Permit Microbreweries as a Special Use in the East Broad Market Lofts PD \(William Glass, Petitioner\)](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

Speaker:

-Mr. Marcus Lotson, Director of Urban Design at MPC indicated MPC had approved the zoning request and recommended approval. He gave a brief description of microbreweries.

Alderman Durrence moved to close the public hearing, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Durrence moved to approve Item #34, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[35. Motion to Accept the Withdrawal of the Request to Rezone 1825 Montgomery St](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to approve Items #35 and #36, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[36. Motion to Accept the Withdrawal of the Request to Rezone 2327 E DeRenne Ave](#)

Mayor DeLoach opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to close the public hearing, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to approve Items #35 and #36, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES - FIRST AND SECOND READING

[37. Motion to Amend the Zoning Ordinance \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy, City of Savannah\)](#)

After the first reading was considered the second and based on the City Manager's approval, Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #37, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[38. Motion to Continue the Hearing to Amend the Zoning Map \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy, City of Savannah\)](#)

After the first reading was considered the second and based on the City Manager's approval, Alderman Thomas moved to approve Item #38, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[39. Motion to Amend the Zoning Map Regarding Overlay Districts \(Petitioner: Bridget Lidy for the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah\)](#)

After the first reading was considered the second, Alderwoman Shabazz moved to approve Item #39, Alderman Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[40. Motion to Zone 847.15 acres \(Petitioners: Harold Yellin for Waste Management and Bridget Lidy for City of Savannah\)](#)

After the first reading was considered the second, Alderwoman Shabazz moved to approve Item #40, Aldermen Miller and Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[41. Motion to Amend the Parks and Playgrounds Ordinance: Identifying, Recognizing, and Designating Property Subject to the State Recreational Property Act](#)

Alderman Thomas requested to continue Item #41 for two weeks to obtain more information to make sure there are no limitations on any neighborhoods ability for changes/additions.

Assistant City Manager Lloyd and Attorney Lovett explained the green spaces, parks and other green ways throughout the City of Savannah will have no limitations for City Council to create additional parks.

Attorney Lovett will provide the language to Alderman Thomas for his further review.

First Reading Only.

[42. Motion to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Permit Microbreweries as a Special Use in the East Broad Market Lofts PD \(William Glass, Petitioner\)](#)

After the first reading was considered the second, Alderman Durrence moved to approve Item #42, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

[43. Motion to Approve the Annexation of 1.7 Acres Located on the East Side of Ogeechee Road in the Vicinity of Gamble Road](#)

First Reading Heard.

[44. Motion to Amend Article R. Tour Service for Hire Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances](#)

Alderman Durrence announced to the public that Item #44 will be continued/delayed to the next meeting, October 24, 2019, to give time to make modifications to shorten the southern boundary.

[45. Motion to Amend Chapter 6 of the Parade and Public Assembly Ordinance](#)

Assistant City Manager Lloyd described the amendments to Item #45, Parade and Public Assembly Ordinance on how to monitor and control the events downtown.

Alderman Johnson spoke regarding the re-routing of the parades in downtown. He mentioned the possible rerouting of parades without Council's knowledge.

Assistant City Manager Lloyd asked Mr. Eddie Grant, Assistant Director of Special Events and Tourism, to speak regarding the parade routing. He indicated there had been been conversations about three parades, MLK Parade, Veterans Day Parade and the Savannah State University Parade. There are recommendations on the Veterans Day Parade, but no decisions have been made.

Mr. Grant addressed the application process as outlined in the Ordinance but it does not outline the parade routes.

Alderman Miller expressed concern with the ninety day restriction for special events use of City electricity.

Alderman Thomas expressed interest with including a veteran on the planning committee, and the sensitivity of gasket flags hanging over Broughton Street. A Veteran's Day Parade absent on Liberty Street is not acceptable, and he would like for Mr. Grant's office to work with the Veterans and not dictate to them.

Mayor DeLoach asked how long it took to review the plans for each event.

Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz asked if there was any change in routing for the Savannah State University Parade. Mr. Grant indicated there are no routing changes today.

Mr. Doug Andrews, Chairman of Veterans Council, spoke in regard to the Veteran's Day Parade and rerouting the Parade. He shared the information with the twenty-six veterans organizations in the region and they indicated it is too late to change the routing at this late date. He also gave instructions on how to hang the the flags over the street and how the Veterans would march according to how the flag faced.

Assistant City Manager Lloyd recommended continuing Item #45 to the October 24, 2019 Council Meeting to allow for additions/changes of language in the Ordinance.

Item #45 continued to October 24, 2019, Council Meeting for First and Second Reading.

[46. Motion to Amend Part 6, Licensing and Regulation, Chapter 1, Business and Occupations, Article H. Alcoholic Beverages](#)

First Reading Heard.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

[47. Motion to Approve the Annexation of 847.15 Acres Located on the West Side of Interstate 95 in the Vicinity of Little Neck Road \(Waste Management\)](#)

Aldерwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to approve Item #47, Alderman Durrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

[48. Motion to Approve a Resolution Adopting the City's 2020 One Year Action Plan](#)

Alderman Johnson moved to approve Item #48, Alderman Durrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

[49. Motion to Approve a Resolution Adopting the 2020 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal](#)

Mr. Manuel Dominguez, Director of Business Opportunities, gave an overview of the 2020 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goals. Aldерwoman Dr. Shabazz thanked Mr. Dominguez for his work on the Program and requested to continue the work through 2020. She recommended the following as part of the City's goals and performance standards: 1.) review recommendations and ways we can improve prime level participation of DBE/WBE enterprises; 2.) review professional services contracts to small businesses, DBE/WBE enterprises; 3.) review internal contracts and operating procedures for verification of DBE/WBE participation; and 4.) review recommendations for what constitutes a joint-venture enterprise as a benchmark in procurement contracts. Mr. Dominguez will review the recommendations of Aldерwoman Dr. Shabazz and address those recommendations as amendments in the coming year. Aldерwoman Dr. Shabazz moved to approve Item #49 as presented, Alderman Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

AGREEMENTS

[50. Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Union Mission, Inc. for the Litter Clean Team Litter Removal Program in the amount of \\$140,400](#)

Alderman Durrence asked if this was the same program that the City of Albuquerque, NM had instituted.

Assistant City Manager Lloyd asked Patricia Youngquist, Executive Director of Union Mission, to address Council concerning the Union Mission Litter Clean Team Removal Program.

Ms. Youngquist said she was inspired by the work done by the former Mayor of the City of Albuquerque, NM. She felt this would be a good program for the City of Savannah. Last year she shared the Program with the Mayor, City Manager and others, and they worked out the numbers and created a partnership with the City.

Alderman Miller moved to approve Item #50, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

[51. Settlement #1](#)

a. Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to approve Item #51, settlement in the amount of \$161,500.00 for Plaintiff's attorney fees in *Freenor, et al v. Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah*; United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, Civil Action No. CV414-247, Alderman Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Mayor Pro-Tem Bell moved to authorize the Mayor to sign an Affidavit and a Resolution indicating an Executive Session was held for the purpose of discussing litigation for which no action was taken, Alderwoman Dr. Shabazz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADD-ON: ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARING

52. Motion to Approve a Class E (Beer and Wine) (By the Package) Alcohol License to Kalpesh Patel of Jay Ram at 3207 Waters Avenue (Aldermanic District 4).

Heard after Item #25

Mayor DeLoach opened the hearing.

Speaker: Alderman Miller informed the Mayor and Council the item was delayed so the owners could meet with the neighborhood association to work out any differences. He was informed by the neighborhood association that all differences with the owners have been addressed.

a. Alderman Miller moved to close the hearing, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Alderman Miller moved to approve Item #52, Mayor Pro-Tem Bell and Alderman Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor DeLoach reminded everyone about the 5:30 p.m. Special Called Meeting regarding the use of eminent domain.

Alderman Miller congratulated Heath Lloyd, new Assistant City Manager, for surviving the first City Council meeting at the helm.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell announced the launch of the Pre-arrest Diversion program, which gives adult (first) offenders an opportunity for rehabilitation instead of incarceration, as a result of a technical assistance grant awarded to the City in 2017. This program is in coordination with the Police Department and the District Attorney's office. Assistant City Attorney Jen Herman also worked on this initiative.

Alderman Johnson stated that as a Board Member of the National League of Cities it is important that the City of Savannah is at the table on both local and national issues.

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor DeLoach at 4:13 p.m.

The video recording of the Council meeting can be found by copying and inserting the below link in your url:

<https://savannahgovtv.viebit.com/player.php?hash=32wlmy5hSoHI>

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

Date Minutes Approved: October 24, 2019

Initials: mm