



City of Savannah Council Workshop

July 27, 2023

City Manager's Update



#25. Short-term Vacation Rental (STVR) Management Software with Deckard Technologies, Inc.

- ▶ City receives daily complaints about STVRs (illegal or Code violation)
- ▶ 1,603 STVR certificates have been issued
- ▶ Contract provides STVR Management Software referred to as Rentalscape to improve:
 - Enforcement (Code Compliance)
 - Application Process & Reporting (Planning & Urban Design)
 - Annual Business Licensing & Hotel/Motel Collections (Revenue)
- ▶ Contract not to exceed \$290,000 for three years

Police New Weapons System

Replaces the 26-year-old weapons currently in use

Improves recruitment and retention as this system includes optics, lights and improved safer holsters, all requested by officers.

Reduces the failure rate for new recruits in the academy (*currently the top reason for failure from the academy*)

Assists current officer with maintaining yearly state certification.

The new system will improve accuracy, allowing for a greater field of vision, which is minimized when focusing with current weapons. The field of vision will improve safety of bystanders and officers during critical incidents.

The new holsters will be fitted with the AXON weapon draw activation system. The Body Worn Camera will activate whenever the weapon is removed from the holster. Reducing officers unnecessarily unholstering their weapon.

IA Pro Public Portal

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Purchase will allow work with our current Internal Affairs database.

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The Public Portal will make it easy for citizens to file complaints and commendations

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The complaints and commendations can be routed directly to investigators and commanders.

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Citizens can use this items to follow up on prior complaints, updating them on the status of cases.

FUSUS Technology Platform

- ▶ The FUSUS platform will enable SPD to unify our data and different technologies into a single platform, enhancing and expanding the current city-wide camera systems, and creating a public private partnership and better communications with neighborhoods citywide.
- ▶ FUSUS will optimize the Savannah Police Departments performance through Integrating many of our current technologies, such as ShotSpotter, FLOCK License Plate Reader LPR's, AXON Body worn Cameras and Public /private home surveillance cameras, such as NEST and Ring cameras.
- ▶ FUSUS Platform is the key component needed to establish our Real Time Crime Center.
- ▶ FUSUS Community Connect will help gather and share information with the community better easier and faster.

Stratified Policing -Departmental Training

Chief Gunther's primary public Safety Crime Reduction Strategy.

Doctors Roberto and Rachael Santos, Created this program and will train the entire department. SPD will accomplish full organizational change by institutionalizing Stratified Policing.

Evidence-based crime reduction strategies that are systematically carried out, personnel are held accountable within the day-to-day operations.

This Training will ensure that the appropriate ranks and personnel have an overview of the underlying foundation and components as well as guidance on the specific responsibilities for each rank and how to carry out the proactive crime reduction strategies.

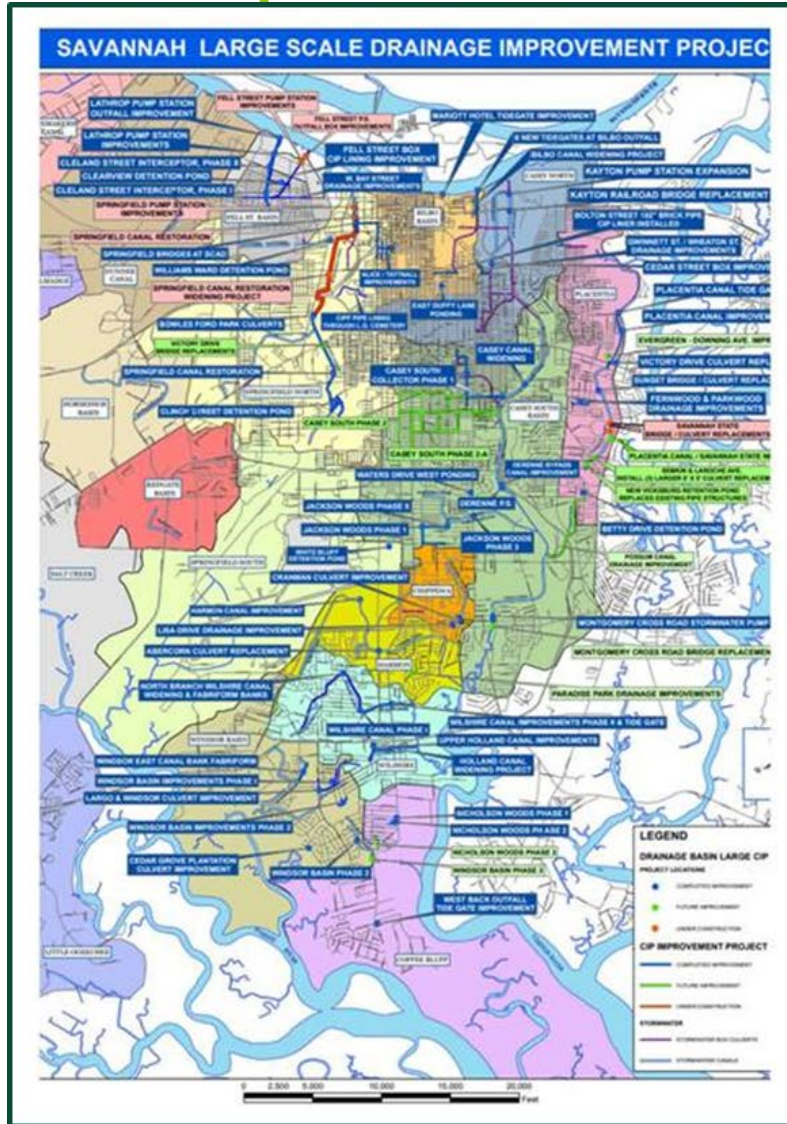


2023 Final Millage Rate Setting

Homestead Property							
Implied FMV	2022 Stephens Day Taxable Value	2023 Taxable Value Increase	2022 Total Taxes at 12.2 mills	2023 Total Taxes at 11.119 mills (rollback rate)	2023 Tax Reduction at 11.119 mills (rollback rate)	2023 Total Taxes at 12.2 mills	2023 Tax Increase at 12.2 Mills
\$ 170,000	\$ 68,000	0.00%	\$ 830	\$ 756	\$ (74)	\$ 830	\$ -
170,000	68,000	1.00%	830	764	(66)	838	8
170,000	68,000	2.00%	830	771	(58)	846	17
170,000	68,000	3.00%	830	779	(51)	854	25
170,000	68,000	4.00%	830	786	(43)	863	33
170,000	68,000	5.00%	830	794	(36)	871	41
170,000	68,000	6.429%	830	805	(25)	883	53

Commercial Property					
2022 FMV			2022 Total Taxes at 12.2 mills	2023 Total Taxes at 11.119 mills (rollback rate)	2023 Tax Difference
\$ 250,000			\$ 1,220	\$ 1,112	\$ (108)
500,000			2,440	2,224	(216)
750,000			3,660	3,336	(324)
1,000,000			4,880	4,448	(432)
1,500,000			7,320	6,671	(649)
2,000,000			9,760	8,895	(865)
10,000,000			48,800	44,476	(4,324)

Proposed Drainage Projects



Millage Rate 12.2 \$7,862,438



Victory Drive Drainage Improvements
(Springfield Canal)- \$3M



Liberty City Improvements
(Springfield Canal)- \$862,438



Montgomery Crossroads
(Hayner's Creek)- \$4M





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