

Atlanta City Council

Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2021

OPEN: The regular meeting of the Atlanta City Council was held on Tuesday December 7, 2021, at the Atlanta City Hall and remotely. The meeting was called to order by Mayor McVey at 7:30PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Colaw- P

Eimer-P

Finchum- P

Dreyer-P

Thomas-P

Evans-P

Motion by Evans second by Dreyer to approve the minutes with correction made.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes

Eimer-yes

Finchum- yes

Dreyer-yes

Thomas-yes

Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Motion by Finchum second by Eimer to pay all bills or as far as money allows.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes

Eimer-yes

Finchum- yes

Dreyer-yes

Thomas-yes

Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

No Public comments.

Mayor states per Randy Brooks the Golf Course is closed for the season as of December 1st.

Tourism Director Whitney Ortiz gave a brief summary of the Thanksgiving Vendor fair. It was well attended. The first Christmas Parade went well. She has had a lot of positive feedback.

The ISU presentation was not completed but would be sent to all council members emails for review prior to meeting in January.

Mayor McVey brought up the Tourism Director's contract and requested the Council honor her full contract.

Motion by Colaw second by Eimer to approve the full contract amount.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes

Eimer-yes

Finchum- yes
Thomas-yes

Dreyer-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Mayor McVey recommended a bonus for Kelly Embery for filling in Clerk duties in the interim.

Motion by Eimer second by Thomas to approve the bonus in the amount of \$100.00 per meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes
Finchum- yes
Thomas-yes

Eimer-yes
Dreyer-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Mayor McVey brought up Christmas bonus/gifts for full time employees. After some discussion by the Council employees will be given \$100 gift cards to the local business of their choice.

Motion by Finchum second by Evans to approve the \$100 bonus in the form of gift cards for full time employees.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes
Finchum- yes
Thomas-yes

Eimer-yes
Dreyer-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Mayor brought up the 1994 Ambulance and request that it be declared surplus property.

Motion by Evans second by Thomas to declare the 1994 Ambulance surplus property.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes
Finchum- yes
Thomas-yes

Eimer-yes
Dreyer-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Attorney Michael Fleshman states he is working with Chief Eimer on Ordinances and with the Mayor on an inter-governmental agreement with the Park District.

Mayor McVey brought up the Grocery store building and asked Alderman Colaw to give a brief description of an application from John Yates Enterprises for TIF and/or Business District monies. This is reimbursement type assistance. After he turns in receipts, he can

be reimbursed up to \$58,500 from the City. His intent is storage and operational. He will expand his Pinball Arcade.

Alderman Eimer asked if a structural engineer has looked at the building. He has paid a contractor to look at it.

Alderman Evans asked if the amount was only phase 1? Yes this is only phase 1.

Alderman Colaw stated trash price going up again, so he requests moving forward with contractual services. He also discussed the MFT plan for 2022 to include \$10,000 for sidewalks.

The Sewer plant sand filters need to be replaced. The Fire Dept had 111 runs for 2021.

Alderman Finchum thanked Whitney and Kelly and Welcomed Vicki Martin.

Alderman Thomas asked if we have 60 days to fill the Treasurers position?

Alderman Eimer praised Whitney for a job well done on the Christmas Parade. Thanked Dale Colaw for his work on all the decorations.

Alderman Evans stated that sidewalk work continues. The broken sections are being fixed first. She has heard positive feedback.

Mayor McVey brought up that the Fire Dept. has 5 new members, so new pagers were ordered. Denis and Ric are reviewing gear and what needs to be replaced.

Mayor states the electronic sign is up and the training is scheduled for December 15th.

Mayor spoke with the school regarding more signs to be put up in Atlanta.

Mayor informed the Council that the Railroad is closing the Elm St crossing. It will be closed for 48 hours starting December 15th. All First Responder departments have been notified.

Motion by Evans second by Finchum to adjourn meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw- yes

Eimer-yes

Finchum- yes

Dreyer-yes

Thomas-yes

Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Vicki Martin

City Clerk