



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • NOVEMBER 12, 2024

Regular Meeting

City Council Chamber

6:00 PM

107 South Lee Street - City Hall, Kingsland, GA 31548

I. PUBLIC HEARING - STARTS AT 6:00PM

Mayor Day opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 PM.

1. Public Hearing for the Consideration of a Temporary Alcohol License for Alex Wong, owner of Outbanks Seafood and Steaks -

Alex Wong, owner of Outerbanks Seafood and Steaks has applied for a temporary alcohol license for the sale of beer/wine/liquor by the drink at the 2024 Kingsland Catfish Festival to be held on November 23, 2024.

No one came forward to speak.

2. Public Hearing for the Purpose of Considering an Alcohol License for Chooses #1 -

Binal Patel with Shree Raj 108, Inc. is applying for an alcohol license for the sale of packaged beer/wine. The business is located at 113 Scrubby Bluff Road.

No one came forward to speak.

3. Public Hearing for the Purpose of Considering an Alcohol License for Willie Jewels Old School BBQ -

Paul Hinch with My Two Sons, Inc. is applying for an alcohol license for the sale of beer/wine by the drink to be consumed on the premises for Willie Jewels Old School BBQ. The business is located at 1621 E. King Avenue, Suite G.

No one came forward to speak.

II. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS

Mayor Day called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

III. ROLL CALL

James W Galloway

Farran Fullilove

Kristy Chance

Alex Blount

Charles Grayson Day Jr.

Councilman

Councilman (Absent)

Councilwoman

Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor

IV. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Councilman Blount gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge to the Flag.

V. CONSENT DOCKET

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT:	Fullilove

- A. Approve the Council Minutes of the last regular Council Meeting
- B. Approve the Agenda as Presented
- C. Approve the Payments of Accounts Payable as Due and Funds Available

VI. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

No one came forward to speak.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

VIII. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. Approval of Home Occupation - 251 Merriwood Circle - Parcel 082N 029A -

Johnny Franklin has applied for a Home Occupation Permit for a Mobile RV repair business known as "J. Brew Mobile RV Service & Repair, LLC". The applicant has been notified and agrees to the requirements of a Home Occupation as noted in KLADO. Zoning is R-1. **Planning Commission recommends approval.**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
SECONDER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT:	Fullilove

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of: Temporary Alcohol License for Alex Wong, owner of Outerbanks Seafood and Steaks -

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

2. Approval of: Alcohol License for Chooses #1 Store -

Binal Patel with Shree Raj 108, Inc. is applying for an alcohol license for the sale of packaged beer/wine. The business is located at 113 Scrubby Bluff Road

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

3. Approval of: Alcohol License for Willie Jewels Old School BBQ -

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

4. Approval of: Group Health Proposal-Lighthouse Benefit Advisors -

Approval for the adoption of a group health insurance proposal from Lighthouse Benefit Advisors for City employees. The proposed plan offers enhanced benefits with minimal cost increases, aligning with the City's commitment to maintaining a supportive work environment and attracting and retaining high-quality employees.

Staff recommends approval.

Councilman Blount told staff nice job in working to get different quotes for health insurance this year. He stated by changing to Lighthouse Benefit Advisors, the city

was only facing a 5.3% increase instead of 14%, which results in an overall savings of roughly \$172,000.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

5. Approval Of: Adopting Resolution 2024-14 - Kingsland TAD #1 Amended Redevelopment Plan -

Councilman Blount stated that this was only approving the amended plan and was not the final approval for financials.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

6. Approval of: Ordinance 2024-11 Water and Sewer Ordinance -

To amend Code of Ordinances, Chapter 22-Utilities, Article II, water and sewer service, Section 22-26: Rate Schedule for the purpose of increasing current rate schedule by 5%, This adjustment is necessary to provide for rising costs of materials, supplies, and labor. The last rate increase occurred in 2010. Staff has made every effort to keep costs stable over the years. Effective date of change will occur on the January 2025 bill. **Staff recommends approval.**

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

7. Bid Award: Utility Billing Online Payment & Processing Platform -

Current credit card processor fees continue to increase resulting in exceeding the 3% fee paid by the customer. Invoice Cloud platform integrates and has clients with Incode software. They have a robust marketing plan to encourage paperless billing. Their services include online account portal with payment by credit card, text, IVR, or e-check. Credit card fee of 3% is paid by customer. City pays flat \$100 monthly account fee plus \$0.25 per paperless bill. Monthly savings would be approximately \$12,500 in credit card processing fees and online portal fees. Additional monthly savings of \$1,953 if 50% of customers elect paperless billing.
Staff recommends proposal from Invoice Cloud.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

8. Approval of: GIRMA First Responder PTSD Policy -

In compliance with Georgia House Bill 451, the city is mandated to provide insurance coverage benefits for first responders diagnosed with PTSD resulting from their service to Georgia governmental entities. Sole provider is MetLife through GMA/ACCG for an effective date of January 1, 2025 at \$11,407.00.

Staff recommends approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

9. Acceptance of: Quit Claim Deed for All of Al Gay Road -

Al Gay Road is being conveyed and dedicated to the City of Kingsland, and accepted by the City of Kingsland, for use as a public right-of-way.

Staff recommends approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES: Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT: Fullilove

10. Acceptance of: Quit Claim Deed from SawDawg, LLC for Map/Parcel 120 008M -

Acceptance of a Quit Claim Deed for a 20.74 Acre Parcel 120 008M.

Staff recommends approval.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
SECONDER:	Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES:	Galloway, Chance, Blount
ABSENT:	Fullilove

X. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Councilman Galloway thanked the Public Works crew and all staff for their hard work in getting the water main break repaired on November 8, 2024.

XI. ADJOURNED

Councilman Blount made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Councilman Galloway seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.
The meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.