



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Regular Meeting

Webex

6:00 PM

Online Meeting Via WEBEX, Kingsland, GA 31548

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS

Mayor Pro Tem Blount called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

James W Galloway	Councilman (Remote)
Farran Fullilove	Councilman (Remote)
Kristy Chance	Councilwoman (Remote)
Alex Blount	Mayor Pro Tem (Remote)
Charles Grayson Day Jr.	Mayor (Absent)

III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Councilwoman Chance gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge to the Flag.

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

Item number one under "Old Business" was removed during the consent docket to allow more time for council to research.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Farran Fullilove, Councilman
SECONDER:	Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES:	Galloway, Fullilove, Chance, Blount

- 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

V. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

No one came forward to speak.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of Re-Zoning Request of 307 and 451 East Hilton Avenue -

Matt Ellis and Will Ellis have applied for a re-zoning of parcels K16 01 015 and K16 01 014 containing a total of approximately 3.67 acres located at 307 and 451 East Hilton Avenue. The applicants have been using the properties for a commercial construction business for over 50 years and have been paying commercial taxes as well. The parcels were grand fathered in and not held to the current city zoning requirements. The applicants are now selling the property and are requesting the parcels be re-zoned to C-2 (General Commercial) for the purpose of being able to have continuous commercial uses allowed on the property.

The area surrounding the parcel is predominately single family residential with a few large undeveloped properties along East Hilton Avenue. The re-zoning of C-2 would not be consistent with the area and would go against the city comprehensive plan. To be able to sell the property as commercial and for an existing commercial use to be able to continue, the property would need to be re-zoned to C-2. There is sewer and water available to this immediate area. Current Zoning is R-1 (Single Family Residential).

Staff does not recommend approval. Re-zoning the property to C-2 would allow several types of uses that are not appropriate in a residential area. The Property can still be sold and developed as residential. *Planning Commission does not recommend approval. This was denied with a 5 to 1 vote, with 1 commissioner abstaining.*

This item was removed during the Consent Docket.

RESULT:	POSTPONED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Farran Fullilove, Councilman
SECONDER:	Kristy Chance, Councilwoman
AYES:	Galloway, Fullilove, Chance, Blount

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Of: Ordinance #2022-02 - Amendment to Ordinance Sec. 15-49 Discharge of Firearms and Pellet Guns -

An amendment to allow for the discharge of blank cartridges under certain specified conditions including but not limited to sporting events, theatrical productions, and military funerals and memorials. *Staff recommends approval.*

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: James W Galloway, Councilman
SECONDER: Farran Fullilove, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Fullilove, Chance, Blount

2. Approval Of: ESG Engineering Master Agreement -

Master Service Agreement for ESG Engineering to provide comprehensive engineering consulting services on an as-needed basis. Agreement reviewed and approved by legal counsel. *Staff recommends approval.*

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Farran Fullilove, Councilman
SECONDER: James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES: Galloway, Fullilove, Chance, Blount

3. Bid Award: Purchase of 96-Gallon Wheeled Trash Cans -

The City requested proposals for 96-gallon wheeled trash cans for residential solid waste services. *Staff recommends Toter cans for a total of \$36,893.80 (includes delivery) for a full load, approximately 580 cans. Toter uses medium polyethylene (MDPE) that is engineered for toughness and high impact resistance.*

Vendors who submitted the lower bids use Injection molded carts. These are made with high density polyethylene (HDPE) which are brittle and offer poor impact resistance. In our experience the replacement rate was higher for HDPE cans.

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

4. Bid Award: Purchase of Three (3) Pickup Trucks -

Staff recommends low bid, Duval Ford, as follows:

Water/Sewer Operations (maintenance crew) - 3/4 ton 4X4, 2022 Ford F250-regular cab \$33,810

Fire department - 1/2 ton 4X2, 2022 Ford F150 super cab \$29,300

Public Works (building maintenance) - 1/2 ton 4X2, 2022 Ford F150-regular cab \$26,430

Motion made to approve bids for Tab #1 - Water/Sewer Operations Truck and Tab #3 - Public Works Truck.

Tab #2 postponed due to needing clarification on bid.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Farran Fullilove, Councilman
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Galloway, Fullilove, Chance, Blount

5. Approval Of: Funding for New Public Health Facility -

Approval of a request for \$378,840 in funding for the new County Health Department to be located in Kingsland. This funding represents 31.57% of the \$1.2M funding shortfall and is based on the 2010 Census. Funding source will be General Fund.

Councilman Alex Blount asked for further discussion regarding the shortfall of funding of the new health department. This was originally brought to mayor and council in September 2021. At that time, American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds could not be used for this type of project. It was discussed using SPLOST funds to make up the shortfall, but both city and county legal counsel said no. After the final ruling came out in regards to the ARPA funds, government entity's can claim a loss and use any ARPA funds in their general fund. Councilman Alex Blount stated that it only seemed appropriate that since Camden County was receiving ARPA funds based on the entire county population, that they use those funds to make up the difference without asking the city's for funding.

Mr. Eric Landon, ARPA Grant Manager for Camden County explained how the ARPA funds were calculated based on entitled city's versus non entitled city's.

Camden County Commissioner Gary Blount stated that the CDBG Grant the county received for the health department project was contingent on Kingsland, St. Mary's and Woodbine paying the amount of the shortfall.

Shawn Boatright, Deputy Camden County Administrator, stated St. Mary's had sent a letter committing to their portion of the funding of the project using the 2020 Census numbers.

Councilman Alex Blount stated that there was no debate that this project will benefit everyone in the county, he just wanted to bring back the discussion on using ARPA funds since the final ruling had changed what they could be used for. Councilman Alex Blount then stated the motion on our agenda was for the funding based on the 2010 Census per the request received from Camden County Commissioner Gary Blount and that the letter the county received from St. Mary's would not change our motion.

Councilman Fullilove made a motion to pay the requested \$378,840.
Councilman Galloway seconded the motion.

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

VIII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Councilwoman Chance gave kudos to KBay, Kingsland Downtown Development Authority, City of Kingsland employees and the St. Mary's Pirate Club for the overall success of the Mardi Gras Festival held February 25 and 26, 2022 in Kingsland.

Councilman Fullilove seconded the kudos.

Councilman Blount stated he was sorry to have missed the festival, but he and his family were representing Camden County at the 2022 Georgia National Livestock Show in Perry, Georgia and that all students representing St. Mary's Middle School placed in the show and represented Camden County well.

IX. ADJOURNED

Councilman Fullilove made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 PM.
Councilwoman Chance seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.