



**Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday June 8, 2021**

ALAN HALLMAN
MAYOR

MIKE RAST
ALDERMAN AT LARGE

TRAVIS HORSLEY
COUNCILMAN AT LARGE

MARK ADAMS
COUNCILMAN WARD I

CHLOE ALEXANDER
COUNCILMAN WARD II

6:00PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mayor Hallman at 6:04 PM
2. **PRESENT:**
 - ✓ Mayor Alan Hallman
 - ✓ Alderman Mike Rast
 - ✓ Councilman at Large, Travis Horsley
 - ✓ Councilman Ward I, Mark Adams
 - ✓ Councilman Ward II, Chloe Alexander
3. **WELCOME:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Hallman.
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of allegiance was recited in unison.
5. **INVOCATION:** given by Mayor, Alan Hallman

AMEND THE AGENDA: The amendment to agenda was needed so that the governing body could take consideration and action to appoint the city clerk.

DISCUSSION: City Manager, Tim Young confirmed the hiring of Sharee Steed as the City Clerk, as the previous Clerk, Ms. Crystal Griggs Epps departed from the city at the beginning of May.

MOTION: Councilman Horsley made motion to amend the agenda, Councilman Adams seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

MOTION: Alderman Rast made motion to appoint Adrienne Senter and Mary Johnson as the interim City Clerk(s), Councilman Adams seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION: Councilwoman Alexander made motion to appoint Sharee Steed as City Clerk, Alderman Rast seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

DISCUSSION: None

RECESS MEETING:

MOTION: Councilman Adams made motion to recess meeting at 6:07pm to sign in Ordinance 2021-10, Alderman Rast. **Motion carried 4-0.**

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion to reconvene back into the Council Meeting at 6:08pm Councilman Horsley seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

6. PRESENTATIONS:

6.I. Spin the District Presentation ATL Airport District Convention & Visitors Bureau Cookie Smoak, President and Andria Towne, Vice President of Marketing and Technology.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Cookie Smoak presented an overall breakdown of logistics for this year's Spin the District Hapeville Criterium. The event is scheduled for Saturday, August 28, 2021.

6.II. LGBTQ+ Pride Month Proclamation

DISCUSSION: Mayor Hallman read a proclamation, which honors the LGBTQ+ Community and celebrates Pride Month.

MOTION: Councilman Adams made motion to amend the agenda, Councilman Horsley seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

7.I. Consideration on the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance 1st Reading

DISCUSSION: City Manager, Tim Young reminded of the May 18th Council Meeting, where a thoroughly walk-through report was discussed with Council about Fiscal Budget 2022. Mr. Young stated that although there are no additional add-ons, there are a couple of topics that he would like to discuss. He summarizes to Council a review of where the city was and currently is. Mr. Young stated during the pandemic, things did become bleak with regards to the hotel/motel sales tax. He informed Council that in 2019-2020 fiscal year the highest revenue month for all the hotels tax was about \$320,000, which was paid directly to the city. The comparison of amount to the amount received in August of last year was significantly different with the max earning of about \$30,000. Mr. Young stated that currently the calendar month of April 2021 results appears to be \$200,000 of tax revenue. This indicates that the economy is clearly back on an up rise. Mr. Young indicated as of now there is no significant increase to the real estate tax base, but he does expect that number to rise within the next year because of new development. He said that the city is currently on an upswing as described previously.

Councilman Horsley asked for clarification on the general funds. **Mr. Young** explained the difference between the 16,699 vs. the 17,209. Mr. Young stated that this will save the city money and allow to break even for the next fiscal year.

Alderman Rast ask if the money from the County is included in next year's budget. Mr. Young replied that the funds will be added to this year's budget.

-No Action was taken

8. QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS – None

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.I. Mayor and Council Work Session Drafted Minutes for May 18, 2021

9.II. Approval of Executive Sessions Minutes

- 9.III.** Consideration and Action on Renewal Agreement With USIS, Inc. For Third Party Worker Compensation Claims Processing in The Amount Of \$5,000 Service Fee, Repricing Fee Of \$5.50 Per Medical Bill, And A 25% Network Savings Fee and to Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Necessary.
- 9.IV.** Consideration to enter into an Agreement with The National Main Street Center, Inc. for Hapeville Main Street Program.

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Councilwoman Alexander seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

10. OLD BUSINESS

10.I. Discussion to Revise Food Truck Ordinance

DISCUSSION: City Planner, Dr. Lynn Patterson welcome questions and concerns from the Council.

Councilwoman Alexander inquired about the wording of section “R” (page 124) and believes there should be some clarification. **Dr. Patterson** clarified the definition of the mobile food vendors and the collaboration with the license holder. Both Councilwoman Alexander and Dr. Patterson agree that it should be struck from the ordinance.

Councilman Horsley asked for the definition of section 93-28-2. **Dr. Patterson** suggests removing the referred section from the Art District overlay; make special exception in residential area.

Alderman Rast asked for clarification on Section 1, is this private property or City property? Dr. Patterson stated that is for private property. Councilwoman Alexander rendered an interpretation of an accessory use. Councilwoman Alexander recommended fee reduction or some type of incentives for the food truck vendors. She also proposed online renewals and creating a map of available parking. A consensus was reached for a one-day fee pass per calendar year.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.I. Consideration and Action of Street Painting for “Pride”.

DISCUSSION: Councilman Adams presented an idea for a PRIDE painting on a crosswalk within the city. The Council agreed that an RFQ is needed for this project and would list possible locations for the art.

MOTION: Councilman Adams made motion to approve, Alderman Rast seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

11.II. Consideration and action on the request to hang banners, utilize City services and close streets for the Spin District Event scheduled August 28, 2021.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION: Councilman Adams made motion to approve, Councilwoman Alexander seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT:

City Manager, Tim Young expounded on the TSPLOST Project list that would post to the city site so it may be viewed by citizens. He informed Council that a vote would be needed at the next Council Meeting for the Board Plus Project list, which will allow the city to continue tracking the for Fulton County Meeting at the end of June. This will allow the city to meet the deadline for the State and have the TSPLOT vote on the November ballot. Mr. Young spoke about adding a discussion item to the next meeting agenda regarding short-time rentals. He stated that he would like to have a discussion about this, similar to the food truck discussion. Lastly, Mr. Young indicated to Council that he has asked staff to send out an email to the Council for potential dates for a single day off-site Planning Meeting. The meeting will allow Council to discuss and suggest future developments for the city.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Ted Neville

Ms. Adriana Pierre

14. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Horsley inquired about when could the Council expect to have the conversation about micro paving within the current TSPLOST. **Mr. Young** advised Councilman Horsley that as soon as the city receives a projected finish for the silent crossing and target what the final cost will be. This will allow Mr. Young to know how much of the remaining amount could be projected out for the other projects.

Councilman Adams asked was there any definitive conversation with the railroads about the pedestrian bridge? **Mr. Young** informed Councilman Adams that there was a definitive answer given by the railroads for the lighting of the pedestrian bridge. Although it is not the answer we wanted to hear, there are available opportunities. **Councilman Adams** asked could we inquire about accommodating the railroad by adding a timeframe for lighting, lowering the illumination? **Mr. Young** stated that those questions have been presented and the outcome still remains the same. **Councilwoman Alexander** asked if the issue was that the railroad does not believe that we ask for adequate permission? **Mr. Young** stated that the issue is more that there is a supporting document in their policy which they will stand by.

15. EXECUTIVES SESSION *(When an Executive Session is required, one will be called for the following issues: Personnel, Litigation or Real Estate)*

MOTION: Councilwoman Alexander made a motion to go into recess, Councilman Adams seconded.

Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Alexander made a motion to go into executive session at 7:15PM. Councilman Adams seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Councilman Adams made a motion to reconvene into the Council Meeting at 7:39PM, Councilman Alexander seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

16. ADJOURN:

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to adjourn at 7:40PM, Alderman Rast seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Hallman, Mayor

Sharee Steed, City Clerk