

CITY OF STATHAM



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Statham City Hall

327 Jefferson Street, Statham, GA 30666

WORK SESSION

OCTOBER 8, 2020

6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Piper called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Piper and Council Members Crawley, Lyle, McCormic, Thrasher, Venable

Also present: Sandra Bennett, City Clerk, Jody Campbell by ZOOM, City Attorney, and Jerry Weitz, Planning & Zoning Administrator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Piper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **R-20-01** Mrs. Kurtz Moore Estate and Jack Rivers Stapleton Estate, property owners and applicants, by Timothy Casper of Macas Development, seek to rezone 75.52 acres (Map/Parcels ST05/029 and ST05/030) (541 and 546 Moore Drive) fronting on Moore Drive and the south side of Atlanta Highway SE from SR-1 (Suburban Residential 1) District to UR (Urban Residential) District. Proposed use: Single-family detached subdivision (197 lots/homes).

Mayor Piper ask for a motion to remove R-20-01 from the agenda per applicant request. Councilmember Crawley made the motion to table R-20-01, and Councilmember McCormic seconded. The motion passed unanimously. This item will be placed on the November 5, 2020 Public Hearing agenda.

2. **V-20-01** Laurene Hall Estate, Shirley McElroy, co-executor, as property owner, T. J. Gay, applicant, seek a variance to the Statham Unified Development Code, Article 2, "Zoning Districts and Official Zoning Map," Section 2-205, "SR-2, Suburban Residential-2 Zoning District," to reduce the required front principal building setback from 30 feet to 20 feet for property (2.678 acres) (Map/Parcel ST04/088) fronting on the east side of 2nd Street (State Route 211) and the north side of Lakewood Drive. Proposed use: Single-family detached subdivision (3 lots/homes).
3. **V-20-02** Laurene Hall Estate, Shirley McElroy, co-executor, as property owner, and T. J. Gay, applicant, seek a variance to the Statham Unified Development Code, Article 4, "Overlay Districts," Division I, "Water Supply Watersheds," Section 4-109, "Regulations for Small Water Supply Watersheds," to reduce the required minimum impervious surface setback of 150 feet and minimum required buffer of 100 feet from the stream on the property feet for property (2.678 acres)

(Map/Parcel ST04/088) fronting on the east side of 2nd Street (State Route 211) and the north side of Lakewood Drive. Proposed use: Single-family detached subdivision (3 lots/homes).

V-20-01 and V-20-02 were discussed simultaneously. Planning & Zoning Administrator Jerry Weitz detailed the request being made by the applicant. He then explained the setbacks, overlay and buffers that are required by the City and State for this property. Applicant T.J. Gay answered there was sewer available, and with the approved variances, three houses could fit on the property.

Speaking against the variance requests were Ken Casper, Robert Bridges, Pat Holiday and Tim Jump, who brought up flood and traffic issues, and the smaller-sized homes that would be brought to the neighborhood.

Mayor Piper is concerned about flooding that has happened previously, with neighbors showing pictures and videos. Councilmember Lyle spoke about the one lane road that fronts the property and the issues of adding that many homes to the area.

These variance requests will be voted at the next Council Meeting October 20, 2020.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:50 p.m.

CITIZEN INPUT None.

MINUTE APPROVAL

1. September 15, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Venable made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Crawley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Piper asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Venable made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Crawley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Joe Piper, Mayor

Sandra Bennett, City Clerk

Date