

CITY OF STATHAM

Minutes

Statham Community Center

336 Jefferson Street, Statham, GA 30666



REGULAR MEETING – January 30, 2024

6:30 P.M.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE- Mayor Krause led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Krause called the meeting to order at 6: 30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Krause and Councilmembers Bogenrieder, Burnette, Patterson, and Penn.

Also Present: City Attorney Jody Campbell, City Clerk Ashya Fambrough, Interim City Administrator Cheryl Venable, and PD Personnel.

Absent: Councilmember Terilli.

City Attorney Campbell noted that there is a need to hold an Executive Session since the agenda was posted therefore the agenda needs to be amended to hold an Executive Session to discuss potential or pending litigation. Councilmember Patterson made a motion to amend the agenda to include an Executive Session to discuss potential or pending litigation. Councilmember Penn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

MINUTE APPROVAL

1. January 4, 2024 Public Hearing & Work Session Minutes (Provided to Council January 8, 2024)
2. January 16, 2024 SCM Minutes (Provided to Council January 18, 2024)

Councilmember Bogenrieder made a motion to approve the January 4, 2024 Public Hearing & Work Session Minutes and the January 16, 2024 Special Called Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Burnette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

VOTING ITEMS

1. **R-23-04 Rezoning:** PLG, LLC, c/o Anderson, Tate and Carr, by Melody A. Glouton, applicant, ARJAC Enterprises, Inc., property owner, seeks rezoning from RR, Rural Residential District and SR-2, Suburban Residential District to PUD, Planned Unit Development of 69.59 acres (Map/Parcels ST04/058, 25.074 acres; ST04/059, 26.046 acres; and part of ST04/095B, 18.470 acres) fronting on the north and west side of Jefferson Street across from and north of Bear Creek Middle School. Proposed use: Single-family detached subdivision (123 homes/lots).

The applicant requested to table the rezone until February. Councilmember Patterson made a motion to table Rezone R-23-04 to the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting. Councilmember Bogenrieder seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Statham Place Final Plat:** To approve the final plat of Statham Place Subdivision.

City Attorney noted that this item needs to be tabled to the next voting session to finalize waterline easements on the final plat. Councilmember Penn made a motion to table this item to the next voting session. Councilmember Bogenrieder seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. ARPA (Tabled from December 20, 2023 Regular Meeting):** to approve the project list for ARPA funds.

Mayor Krause noted that Council wants to table this item to gather more information. Councilmember Patterson made a motion to table this item to the next work session. Councilmember Penn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 4. City Administrator:** to approve the appointment of Cheryl Venable as City Administrator.

Councilmember Bogenrieder made a motion to approve Cheryl Venable to the role of City Administrator. Councilmember Burnette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 5. O-23-06: Ordinance to Amend the Charter- Sidewalks: (Fifth Reading) and Vote to Override Veto.** An ordinance to amend section 1.04 of the City of Statham charter to remove from the corporate powers the authority to require property owners to maintain sidewalks.

City Attorney Campbell noted that this is not a 5th reading. The Ordinance has been read twice and approved twice so the item is only to override the veto of O-23-06. Councilmember Penn made a motion to override the veto of Ordinance O-23-06. Councilmember Patterson seconded the override and the motion passed unanimously.

- 6. LMIG 2024 Projects:** to approve the 2024 LMIG projects list.

Councilmember Penn made a motion to approve the 2024 LMIG projects list. Councilmember Patterson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1.** Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege and as provided by Georgia Code section 50-14-2(1), a meeting otherwise required to be open was closed to the public in order to consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the agency or any officer or employee or in which the agency or any officer or employee may be directly involved and the matter discussed was pending or potential litigation.

At 6:37 p.m. Councilmember Patterson made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss pending or potential litigation. Councilmember Penn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The Executive Session ended at 6:51 p.m. with Councilmember Patterson making the motion to exit. Councilmember Penn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. City Attorney Campbell stated that all discussions held in Executive Session are protected as Attorney/Client Privilege and that no votes were conducted during the session.

ADJOURN

At 6:51 p.m., Mayor Krause asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Bogenrieder made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Burnette seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.