CITY OF STATHAM

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA Statham City Hall 327 Jefferson Street, Statham, GA 30666



WORK SESSION

SEPTEMBER 3, 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, Asst. City Clerk and Jody Campbell, City Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Piper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN INPUT None.

MINUTE APPROVAL

1. August 18, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Crawley made a motion to approve the minutes pending changes suggested by council. Councilmember McCormic seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

- A. Mayor Piper Code enforcement update and discussion
- B. Councilmember Venable Beautification and Tree Committee update
- C. Statham Public Library (included in packet)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. <u>Planning and Zoning Fee Schedule</u> Approve the new Planning & Zoning fee schedule. This item was tabled at the August 18, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.
 - Mayor discussed that the proposed new fee schedule would be more in-line with surrounding municipalities and goes hand-in-hand with our future land use map and UDC.
- 2. <u>Tree Ordinance</u> First reading of a new tree and care standards ordinance presented by the Beautification and Tree Committee to enhance the quality of life; to ensure proper planting and

care of trees within the city; to make provision for emergency removal of trees; and for other purposes.

Mayor Piper stated that the Public Works Director should not be mandated to attend each tree committee meeting, and exceptions would be considered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. 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 <u>pending</u> or potential litigation.

At 7:32 p.m., Mayor Piper asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. Councilmember Venable made a motion to enter, and Councilmember Thrasher seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:57 p.m., Mayor Piper asked for a motion to exit Executive Session since no action was taken. Councilmember McCormic made a motion to exit Executive Session. Councilmember Thrasher seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

At 7:58 p.m., Mayor Piper asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember McCormic made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Thrasher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.