

# City Council Regular Meeting Minutes Jefferson Station Council Chambers 1526 East Forrest Avenue Suite 400 East Point, GA 30344 March 21, 2016 6:30 PM

# Mission and Vision Statement for the City of East Point

To provide exceptional city services in the most professional, courteous and effective manner to enhance the quality of life in the City of East Point. East Point is a City of excellence in providing housing and business development opportunities, public safety, recreational and cultural activities.

The Honorable Mayor Jannquell Peters

Ward A Ward C

The Honorable Sharon Shropshire At Large
The Honorable Alexander Gothard
The Honorable Myron Cook
The Honorable Myron Cook

Ward B Ward D

The Honorable Karen Rene' At Large
The Honorable Deana Holiday Ingraham At Large
The Honorable Control of the Honorable Deana Holiday Ingraham At Large

City Manager: Frederick Gardiner

City Attorney: Brad Bowman

City Clerk: S. Diane White

# I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The Honorable Mayor Jannquell Peters called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

# II. ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jannquell Peters	Mayor	Present	
Sharon Shropshire	At Large	Present	
Alexander Gothard		Absent	
Karen Rene'	At Large	Absent	6:50 PM
Thomas Calloway		Present	
Nanette Saucier	At Large	Present	
Myron Cook		Present	
Deana Holiday Ingraham	At Large	Present	
Stephanie Gordon		Absent	
Frederick Gardiner	City Manager	Present	
Brad Bowman	City Attorney	Present	
S. Diane White	City Clerk	Present	

## III. INVOCATION: Pastor Reginald Garmon, Word of Faith Love Center:

## IV. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The pledge was recited in unison.

## V. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

Captain Robinson was the Sergeant-At-Arms.

### VI. PRESENTATIONS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Fire Department is Pleased to Announce the Appointments to the Battalion Chief Position **Presented by: Fire Department** 

Interim Fire Chief Ware announced the promotion of William Tate and Timothy Evans as the new Battalion Chiefs for the Fire Department. Mayor Peters as well as Councilmember Holiday Ingraham, Calloway, Cook and Saucier congratulated them on their promotion and extended appreciation for their service. Interim Chief Ware also announced the Fire Department's improvement of the City's Public Protection Classification Insurance Service Office (ISO) rating from a Class 4 to Class 1, the highest rating on the scale.

### **MAYOR & COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Shropshire announced the Active Shooting Training on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Jefferson Park Recreation Center 1431 Norman Berry Drive, East Point, GA 30344.

Councilmember Shropshire moved to appoint Michael Christopher Herring to the Municipal Utility Authority. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Mayor Peters appointed Carl Semien to the Building Authority. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to appoint Carl Semien to the Building Authority. Councilmember Calloway provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Mayor Peters appointed Jermaine Thomas to the Budget and Finance Committee. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to appoint Jermaine Thomas to the Budget and Finance Committee. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Mayor Peters presented a resolution to Council to move forward on the Blighted Property Task Force with Councilmember Holiday Ingraham, Saucier, and Calloway serving on the committee. Councilmember Rene' moved to open the floor for discussion on the Mayor's Blighted Property & Community Improvement Committee. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Calloway moved to approve the resolution creating the Blighted Property & Community Improvement Committee. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. The motion failed with Councilmembers Rene', Shropshire and Cook voting "no" and Councilmembers Saucier, Holiday Ingraham, and Calloway voting "yes".

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

#### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilmember Cook indicated that the new Budget/Finance Committee held its first meeting on February 24, 2016. The major responsibilities of the committee was discussed at the meeting as well as the tentative schedule for the FY2017 budget year. The next meeting will be held in April with the exact date to be determined.

#### VIII. ADOPTION OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA:

Councilmember Cook motioned to adopt the Council Agenda for March 21, 2016 with moving Item #9 - Audit Report for FY2015 CAFR to the April 11, 2016 Council Work Session Agenda, was seconded by Councilmember Holiday Ingraham. **The motion carried.** 

### IX. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES:

City Council - Special Called Meeting - Mar 14, 2016 6:30 PM

Councilmember Saucier motioned to approve the Special Call Meeting minutes of March 14, 2016 and was seconded by Councilmember Cook. **The motion carried.** 

#### X. PUBLIC HEARING:

2. An Ordinance Amending Part 10, Chapter 14, Article D Headland-Delowe Overlay District PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

## **Presented by: Planning & Community Development**

Councilmember Cook moved to open the public hearing on the ordinance amending Part 10, Chapter 14, Article D Headland-Delowe Overlay District. Councilmember Calloway provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Geneasa Elias, Director of Planning and Community Development presented the ordinance to Mayor & Council. Staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the amendment.

Speakers in Favor: None.

Speakers in Opposition: None.

Councilmember Calloway moved to close the public hearing. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

**RESULT:** APPROVED [5 TO 0]

**MOVER:** Myron Cook

**SECONDER:** Sharon Shropshire, At Large

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

### Waive First Reading:

Councilmember Cook moved to waive the first reading on the ordinance amending Part 10, Chapter 14, Article D Headland-Delowe Overlay District. Councilmember Saucier provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

## **Adoption of Ordinance:**

Councilmember Cook moved to adopt the ordinance amending Part 10, Chapter 14, Article D Headland-Delowe Overlay District. Councilmember Shropshire provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

#### **XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Chapter 2 – Section 2-2002(bb) – Rule 28 - The public may speak during the Public Comment section of the agenda. Speakers must complete a comment form prior to the start of the meeting. Subject may include any subject of choice. There will be a (3) three minute time limit for each speaker. Speakers that have signed up to speak may give all or part of their time up to (3) three minutes to another speaker for a total of (6) six minutes of speaking time. Speakers may address the council only once during this time of the agenda. Speakers must identify themselves and their address prior to speaking. Questions from the speakers may not be addressed during the public speaking section of the agenda. East Point residents will have priority over other speakers. There will be a total of not more than 60 minutes for the Public speaking section of the agenda. Speakers may only address the Presiding Officer. Speakers shall observe all rules of decorum. No debate, disrespect or obscenities shall be tolerated. The Presiding Officer shall rule any such individual out of order that fails to comply with the forgoing.

**1. Jean Wilson - East Point, GA:** Ms. Wilson recommended that Mayor & Council become more aware of what is going on in the City as well as to the cleanliness of the City.

2. Kenneth Yancey - East Point, GA: Gave his time to Jean Wilson.

### XII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 3-8. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

3. Recommend to Award Contract for Backflow & Valves Replacement at Water Treatment Plant in the Amount \$54,186.00 to Able Too, LLC- One Bidder Responded

Presented by: Water and Sewer

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

4. Approval to Submit an Application to the Department of Homeland Security for the 2015 SAFER Grant

Presented by: Fire Department Finance

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

AYES: Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

5. Approval of United Pump and Controls, Incorporated Contract to Install a "Fuel Management System" for the City of East Point Fleet Maintenance Division, RFP No. 2015-1551; for the Solicited Bid of \$137, 214.20.

**Presented by: Public Works** 

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

6. Approval of Contract with Peek Pavement Marking, LLC for Citywide Roadway Restriping - Bid No. 2016-1571 in the Amount of \$52,803.25

**Presented by: Public Works** 

**RESULT:** APPROVED [5 TO 0] MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** Jannquell Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

7. Approval of (12) Twelve Substation Voltage Regulators from Irby Utilities, at a Total Cost of (\$153,180.00), for the East Point Power Department.

**Presented by: East Point Power** 

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** Jannquell Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

8. Purchase of (5) New 55 Foot Aerial Lift Devices, (1) New 40 Foot Aerial Lift Device, and (2) 47 Foot Digger Derrick Trucks for the Electrical Department from Altec, Industries for the Amount of (\$1,544,041) Over a Five Year Lease Purchase Period, Yearly Cost for (8) Trucks is (\$332,876.00).

Presented by: East Point Power Finance

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

AYES: Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

### XIII. AGENDA ITEMS:

9. Audit Report for FY 2015 CAFR

Presented by: Finance

**RESULT:** MOVED Next: 4/11/2016 6:30 PM

10. Sickle Cell Foundation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of East Point **Presented by: Economic Development** 

Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to open the floor for discussion and possible action on the Sickle Cell Foundation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of East Point. Councilmember Saucier provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Rene' moved to approve the Sickle Cell Foundation Memorandum of Understanding with the City of East Point in the amount of \$24,500. Councilmember Shropshire provided the second.

Councilmember Holiday Ingraham offered a substitute motion to support the Memorandum of Understanding in the amount of \$15,000 plus the in-kind amount of \$16,491.72. Councilmember Rene' provided the second.

Councilmember Calloway offered a friendly amendment to add the change of language in Sections C & D as noted by the City Attorney and leaving the cash amount at \$15,000. Councilmembers Holiday Ingraham and Rene' accepted his friendly amendment.

Mr. Bowman read into the record the changes to Section C & D:

Section C. Annual Expenses.

The estimated overall expense for the Event is \$85,655 excluding volunteers, health fair, and administrative expenses. The City shall provide an annual cash sponsorship, an amount to be agreed upon in writing each year but in no event to exceed \$15,000. The City's annual cash sponsorship and the inkind value of services will be applied per the Scope. Organization and the City leads will actively seek sponsorship's and other methods of raising funds to produce, sustain, and grow the event.

## Section D. Sponsorship

The description under "Scope of Work" herein shall be carried out by the Organization for a total sum (cash plus value of in-kind services not to exceed \$31,491.72). The City will make a lump sum cash payment of not to exceed \$15,000 and provide in-kind services valued at \$16,491.72.

**The motion carried** to support the Memorandum of Understanding in the amount of \$15,000 plus the inkind amount of \$16,491.72, changing sections C & D as noted by the City Attorney. Mayor Peters indicated her intent to veto this action.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [6 TO 0]

**MOVER:** Deana Holiday Ingraham, At Large

**SECONDER:** Karen Rene', At Large

**AYES:** Shropshire, Rene', Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Stephanie Gordon

11. Ordinance Change to 8-2016 Charge for Installation of Utility Services Commercial and Industrial.

**Presented by: East Point Power** 

**RESULT:** APPROVED [5 TO 0]

**MOVER:** Deana Holiday Ingraham, At Large

**SECONDER:** Myron Cook

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

#### Waive First Reading:

Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to waive the first reading on the ordinance to change Section 8-2016 Charge for Installation of Utility Services - Commercial and Industrial. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

# **Adoption of Ordinance Amendment:**

Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to adopt the change to 8-2016 Charge for Installation of Utility Services - Commercial and Industrial. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

12. Discussion and Adoption of Resolution for National Organization to Insure a Sound Controlled Environment (N.O.I.S.E)

Presented by: City Council At Large Nanette Saucier

Councilmember Saucier moved to open the floor for discussion and action on the Resolution for National Organization to Insure a Sound Controlled Environment (N.O.I.S.E). Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve the resolution for the City of East Point to become a member of N.O.I.S.E. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Nanette Saucier, At Large

**SECONDER:** Deana Holiday Ingraham, At Large

**AYES:** Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

## 13. Approval of Date for Council Retreat

## Presented by: City Council At Large Sharon Shropshire

Councilmember Shropshire moved to open the floor for discussion and possible action on retreat dates. Councilmember Saucier provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Shropshire will put the proposed dates on the April 11th Work Session for a decision by Council.

**RESULT:** MOVED Next: 4/11/2016 6:30 PM

14. Resolution - Georgia Cities Week Recognition - April 17-23, 2016

## Presented by: City Clerk

Councilmember Holiday Ingraham moved to approve the resolution supporting Georgia Cities Week - April 17 - 23, 2016. Councilmember Shropshire provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Deana Holiday Ingraham, At Large SECONDER: Sharon Shropshire, At Large

AYES: Shropshire, Calloway, Saucier, Cook, Holiday Ingraham

**ABSTAIN:** January Peters

**ABSENT:** Alexander Gothard, Karen Rene', Stephanie Gordon

#### XIV. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:

Councilmember Shropshire reminded residents about the Active Shooters Training on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Jefferson Park Recreation Center, 1431 Norman Berry Drive, East Point, GA 30344.

Councilmember Rene' thanked Councilmember Calloway and Holiday Ingraham for Saturday's cleanup in Ward B - East Washington, the Village of East Point and Colonial Hills.

Councilmember Calloway thanked *Keep East Point Beautiful* and Francis Kennedy for putting together the Water Festival. He also thanked Jonathan Penn & Parks and Recreation for their Health and Wellness Senior event. He thanked all of the citizens and neighborhood leaders who came out to help with the Spring Cleaning. He congratulated the new Battalion Chiefs and reminded residents about the Farmer's Market held every Wednesday from 4pm - 7pm at Fire Station No. 1.

### XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilmember Calloway moved to recess into executive session at 8:38 pm for three (3) real estate items and one (1) litigation item. Councilmember Cook provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Shropshire moved to reconvene back into regular session at 8:56 pm. Councilmember Rene' provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve the amendment to the location agreement between the City of East Point and Camp Hero Productions. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve the location agreement between the City of East Point and Topanga Productions. Councilmember Holiday Ingraham provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve the parking agreement between the City of East Point and Zipcar. Councilmember Rene' provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to authorize the City Attorney to negotiate a settlement of the litigation matter as discussed in executive session. Councilmember Rene' provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

Councilmember Saucier moved to approve the executive session minutes. Councilmember Shropshire provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

#### XVI. ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING:

Councilmember Saucier moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. Councilmember Rene' provided the second. **The motion carried.** 

WHEN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS REQUIRED, ONE WILL BE CALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES: 1) PERSONNEL, 2) LITIGATION OR 3) REAL ESTATE