

Consideration of Items for Consent Agenda

Mayor Sessions called the consent agenda to order at 6:30PM on January 27, 2022. Those present were Brian West, Monty Parks, Nancy DeVetter, Barry Brown, Jay Burke and Spec Hosti. Also attending were Dr. Shawn Gillen, City Manager; Bubba Hughes, City Attorney; Tracy O'Connell, Ellis Painter Law; George Shaw, Director, Community Development; and Janet LeViner, Clerk of Council.

Mayor Sessions listed the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes, City Council Meeting, January 13, 2022
- Agenda Request – Critz Tybee Run Fest – Alcohol License – Beer and Wine/Special Event, February 4-5, 2022
- Agenda Request: Mi Vida- Add liquor to existing beer/wine/Sunday Sales license
- Out of State Travel Request: Campground Director to attend the Carolina State Campground Association Annual Conference, Myrtle Beach, DC, February 3-6, 2022

Mayor Sessions called the regular meeting to order. All those present for the consent agenda were present.

Opening Ceremonies

- Call to Order
- Invocation: Ken Williams
- Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions and Proclamations

Chief Bryson approached Mayor and Council to recognize **Tiffany Hayes** as she is a **recent graduate from the FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia**. Chief Bryson explained the difficult course and training and she is commended for graduating. **Captain Hayes** thanked Chief Bryson and Mayor and Council for the opportunity to attend the class. Mayor and Council gave Captain Hayes a standing ovation.

Major Joel Fobes asked **John Branigin, Former Council Member** to come to the podium. Major Fobes thanked Mr. Branigin for his hard work on the Public Safety Committee and presented Mr. Branigin with a plaque. **Mr. Branigin** thanked Major Fobes and commended the Tybee Island Police Department for their dedication to the residents and City.

George Shaw asked **Demery Bishop and Ron Bossick** to approach the podium. Mr. Shaw presented Mr. Bishop with a Certificate of Appreciation for his years on the Planning Commission as well as being Chairman of the Planning Commission. Mr. Shaw then presented an Certification of Appreciation to Mr. Bossick and thanked him for his years of service on the Planning Commission.

Consideration of Boards, Commissions and Committee Appointments

- Ethics Commission – One Seat Open
 - June Johnson
 - Ken Williams

Monty Parks made a motion to approve June Johnson to the Ethics Commission as a result of the vote (attached) taken by Council. **Nancy DeVetter** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve.

- Main Street Application: Dillon Patel

Monty Parks made a motion to approve Dillon Patel to the Main Street Board. **Nancy DeVetter** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve.

Reports of Staff, Boards, Standing Committees and/or Invited Guest.

Sarah Jones, Tybee Historical Society, approached Mayor and Council to give an update on 2021 (attached). Ms. Jones outlined events for 2022 and objectives for 2022. She encouraged anyone who is interested in volunteer or become a member to visit their website for further information. Mayor Sessions thanked Ms. Jones for her hard work and dedication.

Monty Parks made a motion to approve the consent agenda. **Barry Brown** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0.

Public Hearings

Private Parking Lots 2022:

- **Bramble Family Parking, 215 Lovell Avenue**
- **Renee G. Bridges Parking, 1001 Butler Avenue**
- **Joyce Prescott Parking, 214 2nd Avenue**
- **Jack Rosenberg Parking, 203 14th Street**
- **Ocean Plaza Beach Resort (parking), 1401 Strand**
- **Sunrise Parking, 1511 Butler Avenue**

Monty Parks made a motion to approve the residential parking lot applications with the exception of the Prescott lot. **Spec Hosti** seconded. Voting in favor were Brian West, Monty Parks, Jay Burke and Spec Hosti. Voting against were Nancy DeVetter and Barry Brown. Motion to approve, 4-2.

Monty Parks made a motion to approve the commercial parking lots for 2022. **Brian West** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0.

Marine Science Center - Sea Turtle Tank: Continuation from December 9, 2021. ZONING VARIANCE: requesting to put a free-standing sea turtle pool in the undercroft of building-37 Meddin Drive-40001 03012-zone R-1/NEC-Tybee Island Marine Science Center. NO ACTION TAKEN

Council, Officials and City Attorney Considerations

Spec Hosti addressed the **abandoned meter poles located throughout the Island**. Mr. Hosti stated he did send an email to the City Manager requesting removal of the poles for the coin meters. Dr. Gillen stated the City is slowly phasing out the coin meters throughout the Island and the poles are in concrete and will start being removed. Mayor Sessions as the Clerk of Council to add to the Action Item List. Ms. LeViner confirmed.

Shawn Gillen gave an update on TSPLOST. Dr. Gillen stated he attended the meeting with Chatham County and other municipalities to discuss TSPLOST. It was determined this would not be included in the May Referendum, Governor's race, and now looking at the November election. Dr. Gillen then gave a brief update as to what TSLOST is and possible revenue to be given to Tybee Island for projects on the Island.

Shawn Gillen gave an update on the Modular Buildings for a Temporary City Hall. Dr. Gillen stated he met with Mr. Hosti and Mr. Brown and it was decided to move forward with the temporary office space. Mr. Gulbranson did get costs for temporary office which will be two modular offices space; one smaller and one larger and will located in close proximity to the current fire station. The cost will be approximately \$200,000. **Monty Parks** made a motion to authorize

the Mayor to sign the lease once reviewed and approved by Mr. Hughes and Ms. O'Connell. **Nancy DeVetter** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0. Mayor Sessions asked the Clerk of Council to add this item to the Action Item List. Ms. LeViner confirmed.

Monty Parks made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Litigation, Real Estate and Personnel. **Nancy DeVetter** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0.

Monty Parks made a motion to return to regular session. **Nancy DeVetter** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0.

Monty Parks made a motion to adjourn. **Brian West** seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve, 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM.

Janet R. LeViner, MMC
Clerk of Council