



City of Warner Robins City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 20, 2023 immediately Following Pre-Council Meeting Council Chambers

Presiding: Mayor LaRhonda Patrick

City Officials Present:

Councilman Kevin Lashley
Councilman Larry Curtis
Councilman Keith Lauritsen

Councilman Charlie Bibb
Councilman Clifford Holmes

City Officials Absent:

Councilman Derek Mack

Regular Meeting of Warner Robins City Council

Call to Order: 4:55 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda: Councilman Lauritsen moved to adopt the agenda with #4 being read by him, removal of item #8 and for #10 to be read by Councilman Curtis. Councilman Lashley seconded the motion. Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for adoption of the agenda.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Jordan Poole; Hope Church

Pledge of Allegiance: Laykin McSwain; Admin. Assistant (Mayor's Office), US Navy Veteran

Announcements:

Thanksgiving Holiday along with November 30, Christmas Tree Lighting event and December 2, Christmas Parade

Proclamations/Awards/Presentations:

- Awards – Employee Service Awards
 - Ofc. Chris Scuderi – 5 years – WRPD
 - Darin Curtis – 10 years – Building and Inspections
 - Lt. James Bish – 20 years – WRPD
 - Sgt. Kirk Lowry – 25 years – WRPD
- Proclamation – Homelessness Awareness Month
- Officer Swearing In – Dillon Rountree

Action Items:

Action Item 1	Presentation of Minutes from the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2023.
The minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 5, 2023 were presented for approval.	
Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen moved for the approval of the minutes for regular meeting of Monday, November 6, 2023.
Second:	Councilman Bibb
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 2	Formal Public Comments Pertaining to Current Agenda Items
Motion:	N/A
Second:	N/A
Outcome:	N/A

Action Item 3	Consent Agenda
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Purchasing Bids B. Employee Promotions C. Home Occupation Permits 	
Motion:	Councilman Lashley moved for the approval of the consent agenda.
Second:	Councilman Holmes
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 3 (A)	Purchasing Bids
Purchasing Bid List item, attached hereto, were presented for approval. 6 items	

Action Item 3 (B)	Employee Promotions
<p>The following employees are recommended for promotion by their respective Department Director:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christopher Jordan, promoted from UT Maintenance Worker I (Water), Job Class #917, Grade 8, Utility Department, to Sign Markings Worker, Job Class #469, Grade 9, Public Works Stormwater, to be effective November 27, 2023. 	

Action Item 3 (C)	Home Occupation Permits
<p>The Planning & Zoning Board recommends approval the following applications as submitted.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Autumn Stylianou – 104 Sonny Dr. – Hair Salon Renita Golphin – 113 S. Pleasant Hill Rd. – Mobile Food Truck Kena White – 301 Chestnut Rd. – Daycare Felicia Holston – 103 Franklin Sq. – Home Health Service 	

Action Item 4	Resolution – Vehicle Exchange
<p>A resolution to authorize Mayor LaRhonda W. Patrick to execute the vehicle title for <i>VIN 1FTEX1C5XMFB95414</i>, as seller, hereby transferring title of the defective vehicle back to the vendor in exchange for the replacement vehicle, <i>VIN 1FTEW1CB7LFC15934</i>.</p>	
Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen moved for the approval.
Second:	Councilman Holmes
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 5	Resolution – James Dodson Contract Amendment
<p>A resolution to authorize Mayor LaRhonda W. Patrick to execute an agreement with James R. Dodson, to amend his existing consulting contract to provide training and support for the City Administrator and Human</p>	

Resources Department Director, to provide advice to Mayor, Council and City Departments, as needed, and other duties as prescribed.

Motion:	Councilman Bibb moved for the approval.
Second:	Councilman Lauritsen
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 6	Resolution – JDA Appointment (Patel)
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A resolution that the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, acting pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-62-5.1, appoint the following one (1) individual who is currently appointed to The Warner Robins Development Authority d/b/a Engage Warner Robins by the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins and elected as Officers of The Warner Robins Development Authority d/b/a Engage Warner Robins, to the Joint Development Authority of Peach County and the City of Warner Robins to act on behalf of the City of Warner Robins:

Name	Effective Date of Appointment	Term to Expire
Chandani Patel	November 20, 2023	November 19, 2025

Motion:	Councilman Holmes for the approval.
Second:	Councilman Lashley
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 7	Resolution – RCS Productions
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A resolution that Mayor Patrick is authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with RCS Productions & Entertainment, Inc. to provide consulting services for the 2024 Independence Day Celebration. This expenditure shall be charged to account 020 018 07540 52322 City Promotions /4th of July Celebration.

Motion:	Councilman Curtis moved for the approval.
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Second:	Councilman Holmes
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 8	Motion – Keep Warner Robins Beautiful Appointments
Motion:	N/A
Second:	N/A
Outcome:	N/A

Action Item 9	Motion – PDE Conceptual Design Revision (The Avondale)
<p>WCH has requested a revision to the previously approved “The Avondale” PDE Townhome project. The plan is an overall redesign that, in summary, adds approximately 7 new units to the previously approved 208 unit townhome development, while also including additional overflow parking and parallel parking throughout the development as well as consolidated common areas to be maintained by the Avondale HOA.</p>	
Motion:	Councilman Lashley moved for the approval
Second:	Councilman Curtis
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 10	Ordinance #41 – 23 – Annexation – RCS Unlimited Properties/1.15acres/East side of W. Wrasling Way, North of Warren Dr. and W. Wrasling Way
<p>Ordinance #41-23 the GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF WARNER ROBINS, GEORGIA, ANNEXING A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.</p>	

WHEREAS, a petition has been received from RCS Unlimited Properties, LLC, to annex the property which is more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in in Land Lot 164 of the 10th Land District, Houston County, Georgia, known and designated as Parcel B-5, comprising 1.15 acres according to a plat of survey prepared by Donaldson Garrett and Associates, Inc., Surveyors, Project No. 3256-002-D1, titled *Survey for JR& R Management Company*, dated February 12, 2003, which is of record in Plat Book 60, Pages 86-87, Clerk’s Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto for all purposes.

The property is located along the east side of West Wrasling Way and south of Chilton Place, Warner Robins, Georgia.

WHEREAS, the said land of RCS Unlimited Properties, LLC, may be annexed pursuant to the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 36-36-20 et seq., said lands being contiguous to the existing corporate limits of the City of Warner Robins and the petitioners being the sole owners of said properties; and

WHEREAS, The City of Warner Robins, relative to its best interest, is desirous of annexing the above-described properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same, that the petition from RCS Unlimited Properties, LLC, on August 30, 2023, is adopted and approved and said properties are hereby incorporated into the City of Warner Robins, Georgia.

Motion:	Councilman Curtis moved for the approval of Ordinance #41-23 and to waive the second reading.
Second:	Councilman Holmes
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 11	Ordinance #42-23 – Brunch Bill
<p>Ordinance #42-23 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia amends Chapter 4, section 4-30 of the code of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia, to allow Sunday sales by the drink between 11:00 am to 12:30 pm; to repeal any conflicting ordinances; and provide an effective date.</p>	
Motion:	Councilman Bibb moved for the approval of Ordinance #42-23 and to waive the second reading for an effective date of November 20, 2023.
Second:	Councilman Lashley
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Citizen Comments: None

Executive Session – Mayor Patrick requested a motion to enter into an executive session for Personnel. Councilman Bibb motioned for Executive Session for Personnel. Councilman Lauritsen seconded the motion for Personnel. Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval of the executive session. The regular council meeting was suspended at 5:19 pm, and the governing body convened into executive session at 5:24 pm; the executive session ended at 5:43 pm. The City Clerk is in possession of the executive session minutes.

Mayor Patrick requested a motion to reconvene the meeting at 5:47 pm. Councilman Lashley motioned for the request. Councilman Curtis seconded. Councilmen, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Mayor Patrick requested a motion to add agenda item #12 – Appointment of Police Chief to the agenda. Councilman Lauritsen motioned to amend the agenda with the addition. Councilman Bibb seconded. Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted in approval.

Action Item 16	Motion – Appointment – Police Chief
<p>A motion to appoint Captain, Wayne Fisher as Police Chief for the Warner Robins Police Department.</p>	
Motion:	Mayor Patrick moved for the appointment and approval.
Second:	Councilman Curtis
Outcome:	Councilmen Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Adjournment: 6:16 pm

Next Regular Council Meeting: Monday, December 4, 2023



Mandy Stella
City Clerk