



# City of Warner Robins City Council Meeting Minutes

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Tuesday, September 5, 2023    immediately Following Pre-Council Meeting    Council Chambers

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**Presiding:** Mayor LaRhonda W. Patrick

**City Officials Present:**

Councilman Kevin Lashley  
Councilman Larry Curtis  
Councilman Keith Lauritsen

Councilman Derek Mack  
Councilman Charlie Bibb  
Councilman Clifford Holmes

**City Officials Absent:**

**Regular Meeting of Warner Robins City Council**

**Call to Order:** 5:27 p.m.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Councilman Lauritsen moved to adopt the agenda with the addition to item #3A – Purchasing Bids to add item #5, addition of item #12 – Mayor Pro-Tem nomination and to remove agenda items #4 and #10. Councilman Mack seconded the motion. Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for adoption of the agenda.

**Opening Prayer:** Pastor Jon Brown; First United Methodist Church

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Northside High School AFJROTC; Cadet Tamyra Benson

**Announcements:**

- Recap of WRHSvNHS Football Game – #5 Greatest Rivalry in Nation

**Proclamations/Awards/Presentations:**

- WRPD – Swearing In – Elizabeth McDaniel
- Proclamation – Central Georgia Mustang Club
- Proclamation – Stormwater Awareness Week

**Action Items:**

<b>Action Item 1</b>	<b>Presentation of Minutes from the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2023.</b>
The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2023 were presented for approval.	

<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Lashley moved for the approval of the minutes for regular meeting of Monday, August 21, 2023.
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Curtis
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

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

Action Item 3 Consent Agenda	
	<p>A. Purchasing Bids</p> <p>B. Employee Promotions</p>
<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Mack moved for the approval of the consent agenda.
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Lashley
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, 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. 5 items	

Action Item 3 (B)	Employee Promotions
<p>The following employees are recommended for promotion by their respective Department Directors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cynthia Bailey, promoted from Administrative Secretary, Job Class #446, Grade 10, Public Works Stormwater, to Sanitation Customer Service Representative, Job Class #447, Grade 13, Public Works Stormwater, to be effective September 4, 2023.</li> </ul>	

- Nilda James, promoted from Administrative Secretary, Job Class #146, Grade 10, Mayor’s Office, to Receptionist, Job Class #150, Grade 12, City Administrator, to be effective September 4, 2023.
- Jamious Descartes, promoted from Heavy Equipment Operator, Job Class #459, Grade 12, Public Works Stormwater, to Public Works Supervisor (Street), Job Class #470, Grade 17, Public Works Stormwater, to be effective September 4, 2023.

<b>Action Item 4</b>	<b>Motion – Keep Warner Robins Beautiful Appointments</b>
<b>Motion:</b>	N/A
<b>Second:</b>	N/A
<b>Outcome:</b>	N/A

<b>Action Item 5</b>	<b>Resolution –Bank Signature Amendment – (GA Fund 1 accounts)</b>
<p>A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins hereby authorize that Mayor LaRhonda W. Patrick, Amanda Stella, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Lydia Humphrey Interim Assistant Finance Director/Principal Accountant, as the official signatories for these investment bank accounts.</p>	
<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Holmes moved for the approval
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Curtis
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

<b>Action Item 6</b>	<b>Resolution –Bank Signature Amendment – (Truist Bank)</b>
<p>A resolution of RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins hereby authorize the execution of documents removing the following signatories Randy Toms, William G. Harte, Holly Gross.</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins hereby authorize the execution of documents making LaRhonda W. Patrick, Mayor, Amanda Stella, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Lydia Humphrey, Interim Assistant Finance Director/Principal Accountant, as the official signatories for the City’s International City Municipal Golf Course checking account and the CWR Public Fund Checking account.</p>	

<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Curtis moved for the approval
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Holmes
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

<b>Action Item 7</b>	<b>Resolution – Purchase and Sale Agreement; Sun-Shine Leasing, LLC</b>
<p>A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, by adoption of this resolution, authorize Mayor LaRhonda W. Patrick to execute a Purchase and Sale Contract for \$850,000.00 with Sun-Shine Leasing, LLC, for the purchase of approximately 1.01 acres of property located at 951, 955 &amp; 999 Watson Boulevard, Warner Robins, Georgia.</p>	
<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Lauritsen moved for the approval
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Bibb
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

<b>Action Item 8</b>	<b>Resolution – Surplus Property (WRPD)</b>
<p>A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins that the value of each individual item on the said Exhibit “A” is less, than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that said property be sold in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.</p>	



<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Bibb moved for the approval.
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Lashley
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

<b>Action Item 10</b>	<b>Resolution – Legislative Affairs Agreement</b>
<b>Motion:</b>	N/A
<b>Second:</b>	N/A
<b>Outcome:</b>	N/A

<b>Action Item 11</b>	<b>Ordinance #31-23– 2023 Millage Rate (FIRST READING)</b>
<p>WHEREAS, Section 6.11 of the Warner Robins City Charter provides that the millage rate for City ad valorem taxes be set by adoption of an ordinance of the Mayor and Council.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins that the millage rate for 2023 is set at 9.980 mills and the due date will be December 20, 2023.</p> <p>If any ordinance, or part thereof, of the City of Warner Robins is in conflict herewith, this ordinance shall have preference. If any provisions of this ordinance are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions which can be given effect without the invalid provision, and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.</p>	
<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Holmes presented Ordinance # 31-23 for a FIRST READING
<b>Second:</b>	N/A
<b>Outcome:</b>	N/A

<b>Action Item 12</b>	<b>Motion – Mayor Pro Tem for September 18, 2023 Meeting</b>
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A motion to nominate Councilman Clifford Holmes as the Mayor Pro –Tem in the absence of Mayor LaRhonda Patrick at the regularly scheduled meeting on September 18, 2023.	
<b>Motion:</b>	Councilman Curtis moved for the approval
<b>Second:</b>	Councilman Mack
<b>Outcome:</b>	Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

**Citizen Comments:** Mr. Warren, Mr. McGee, Ms. Dina Johnson, Mr. Wayne Tyson, Ms. Ernestine Taylor, Ms. Annette Densley

**Executive Session** – Mayor Patrick requested a motion to enter into an executive session for Real Estate and Personnel. Councilman Lauritsen motioned for Executive Session for Real Estate and Personnel. Councilman Bibb seconded the motion for Real Estate and Personnel. Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval of the executive session. The regular council meeting was suspended at 6:18 pm, and the governing body convened into executive session at 6:28 pm; the executive session ended at 6:57 pm. The City Clerk is in possession of the executive session minutes.

Mayor Patrick requested a motion to reconvene the meeting at 7:06 pm. Councilman Holmes motioned for the request. Councilman Bibb seconded. Councilmen Mack, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

**Adjournment:** 7:09 pm

**Next Regular Council Meeting:** Monday, September 18, 2023



Mandy Stella  
City Clerk