



5:45 p.m. - Public Hearing - to discuss a requested building height variance for
Extended Stay America Hotel

September 17, 2018

6:00 p.m. Pooler City Hall

AGENDA

Meeting Called to Order

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes of previous meeting as printed

Approval of September 4th Executive Session minutes

Report from the Standing Committees:

Finance

Public Safety

Street/Drainage

Water/Sewer

Recreation

Building/Zoning

Councilman Wall

Councilman Royal

Councilwoman Benton

Councilman Olliff

Councilwoman Black

Councilman Allen

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request for Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages at Bootleggers
2. Conditional use for Enmarket Truck Stop on East Highway 80
3. Second Reading on amendment to utilities ordinance
4. Second Reading on outdoor burning ordinance

NEW BUSINESS

1. Building height variance for Extended Stay America Hotel
2. Site plan for Jones Medical Equipment
3. Final plat for Davenport II, Phase C
4. Acceptance of performance bond/major subdivision plat of a 46.46 acre portion of Tract 12, Southwest Quadrant of Savannah Quarters
5. Alcoholic beverage license for David Ortiz Villasenor at Los Jarritos Tapatios
6. Alcoholic beverage license for Lixin Wang at Sawa Hibachi, Sushi Bar Asian Bistro
7. Alcoholic beverage license for Jon Edward Johnson at Shamrock Distributing LLC
8. Temporary/special event alcoholic beverage license for Karl Williams
9. Special event permit for Touch-A-Truck on February 16, 2019 and to waive fee
10. Special event permit for carnival at Tanger Outlets, October 10th - 13th
11. Staffing Service Agreement with JMA Placement, Inc.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION - to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

September 17, 2018

Approved 10-18 

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Pooler City Council was held on September 17, 2018. Mayor Mike Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. City Manager Robbie Byrd, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and City Attorney Steve Scheer were also present.

The invocation was given by Councilman Allen and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Olliff.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed upon a motion by Councilman Olliff, seconded by Councilman Wall, with no opposition.

The minutes of the September 4th Executive Session were approved upon a motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilwoman Benton, with no opposition.

Report from the Standing Committees:

FINANCE

Councilman Wall presented bills in excess of \$1500.00 for payment and made a motion to pay, subject to funds. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilman Wall reported that the fire department responded to 173 calls since the last meeting, totaling 2973 for the year and that the police department responded to 1262 calls, totaling 22,234 for the year.

STREET/DRAINAGE

Councilwoman Benton reported that the street department picked up trash throughout the City, performed road repairs on Pooler Parkway and Memorial Boulevard, installed speed bumps at 305 E. Mell Street, repaired a drain inlet at the recreation complex, repaired the entrance to Nordic Drive at Jimmy DeLoach Parkway and swept 29 miles of streets. Further, that the drainage department performed routine maintenance and various work orders, removed four (4) trees on the Hardin Canal and two (2) beaver dams in Governor Treutlen Canal, began digging the outfall behind the library, Savannah River Utilities continued work on Quacco Road and digging ditches in the northeast quadrant and as of September 14th, Chatham County has still neglected mowing the canals.

WATER/SEWER

Councilman Olliff reported that the water department inspected 10 new construction meters, repaired a leaking water main on Blue Moon Crossing and 209 S. Morgan Street, changed out or repaired 13 non-functioning meters, repaired three (3) leaking laterals on Governor Gwinnett Way and one (1) leaking lateral at 110 Sonata Circle, coordinated the annual maintenance of the wells and valve stations, notified 30 residents of continuous water usage in an effort to reduce bill adjustments/water loss, witnessed the testing and certification of 37 backflow preventers and performed 288 line locates requested by the Utility Protection Center. Further, that EOM responded to three (3) grinder pump calls, one (1) sewer leak/repair and performed maintenance on lift stations and at the wastewater treatment plant.

RECREATION

Councilwoman Black reported that football, soccer and volleyball games continue.

BUILDING/ZONING

Councilman Allen reported that 12 single-family residential and two (2) commercial permits were issued since the last meeting, with 151 inspections performed.

Councilman Allen made a motion to add Item #12 to the agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wall and passed without opposition.

Under OLD BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Request for Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages at Bootleggers

Reed Blair, owner, submitted a request to serve alcoholic beverages on Sunday at Bootleggers, which now has a full service kitchen. Mr. Blair stated that at least 50% of the total annual gross food and beverage sales are derived from the sale of prepared meals or food, adding that the mobile food apps have increased the sales. Mr. Scheer stated that once the non-conforming use (bar) is no longer valid and the establishment is permitted as a restaurant, it cannot go back to being a bar, which is non-conforming. Mr. Blair replied that he understood, therefore, Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

2. Conditional use for Enmarket Truck Stop on East Highway 80

Doug Carroll of Enmark Stations, Inc. presented a proposed traffic improvement plan for Old Louisville Road, including a decel lane and expanded width of the road as well as a right-in, right-out on Highway 80. After review of the criteria, Councilman Wall made a motion, seconded by Councilman Royal, to approve the conditional use, contingent upon the site plan including the expanded width and decel lane on Old Louisville Road and a right-in, right-out on Highway 80. Motion passed without opposition.

3. Second Reading on amendment to utilities ordinance

Mr. Byrd presented an amendment to the utilities ordinance to update the uses (categories) for the aid to construction fees. Councilman Olliff made a motion to approve the amendment on Second Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

4. Second Reading on outdoor burning ordinance

Mr. Byrd presented an ordinance regarding outdoor burning, including residential fires and to require air curtain destroyers to be used when land is cleared. Councilman Royal made a motion to approve the ordinance on Second Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

Under NEW BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Building height variance for Extended Stay America Hotel

A public hearing was held prior. Pooler Land Partners, LLC has requested a five foot (5') building height variance for a proposed hotel at 500 Outlet Parkway South. Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the variance, based on the request meeting #1 and #2 of the criteria. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

2. Site plan for Jones Medical Equipment

The intent is to construct a 3,840 sq. ft. medical equipment facility to supply hospitals and large doctors' offices. Councilman Royal made a motion to approve the plan. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

3. Final plat for Davenport II, Phase C

Phase C of Davenport II consists of two (2) single-family residential lots. Councilman Olliff made a motion to approve the plat. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

4. Acceptance of performance bond/major subdivision plat of a 46.46 acre portion of Tract 12, Southwest Quadrant of Savannah Quarters

The developer intends to subdivide a 46.46 acre portion of Tract 12 to create five (5) parcels, a lift station site and a 60' right-of-way for the extension of Easthaven Boulevard. Councilman Wall made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen, to accept the performance bond in the amount of \$1,837,444.05 and approve the plat, contingent upon the city attorney approving the bond. Motion passed without opposition.

5. Alcoholic beverage license for David Ortiz Villasenor at Los Jarritos Tapatios

David Ortiz Villasenor submitted an application to serve alcoholic beverages at Los Jarritos Tapatios. Mr. Byrd stated that Police Chief Ashley Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Royal made a motion to approve the license. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wall and passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

6. Alcoholic beverage license for Lixin Wang at Sawa Hibachi, Sushi Bar Asian Bistro

Lixin Wang submitted an application to serve beer and wine at the Sawa Hibachi, Sushi Bar Asian Bistro. Mr. Byrd stated that Police Chief Ashley Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the license, including Sunday sales. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

7. Alcoholic beverage license for Jon Edward Johnson at Shamrock Distributing LLC

Jon Edward Johnson submitted an application for a wholesale wine license at 1018 W. Highway 80, Suite 508. Mr. Byrd stated that Police Chief Ashley Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the license. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

8. Temporary/special event alcoholic beverage license for Karl Williams

Karl Williams submitted an application to serve alcoholic beverages at a function to be held on October 13th at Cottonwood Suites Hotel. Mr. Byrd stated that Police Chief Ashley Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Royal made a motion to approve the license. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

9. Special event permit for Touch-A-Truck on February 16, 2019 and to waive fee

Pooler MOPS submitted an application to host the second annual Touch-A-Truck event on February 16, 2019 at the recreation complex. After discussion, Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the permit and waive the fee. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Black and passed without opposition.

10. Special event permit for carnival at Tanger Outlets, October 10th - 13th

Amusements of America submitted an application for a four (4) day carnival to be held at Tanger Outlets. Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the permit, contingent upon a security plan (off-duty police officers) being approved by Chief Brown. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

11. Staffing Service Agreement with JMA Placement, Inc.

Mr. Byrd requested the item be removed. This request was honored.

12. First Reading on amendment to General Penalty ordinance

Mr. Byrd presented an amendment to the general penalty ordinance to provide for any offender to be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1000.00 and by imprisonment in jail for no more than six (6) months, to be in compliance with the City Charter.

Councilman Allen made a motion to approve the amendment on First Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

There being no further business to discuss or the need for an Executive Session, Councilman Wall made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:33 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

Respectfully submitted,



Maribeth Lindler
City Clerk



Mayor

Public Hearing

A public hearing was held prior to the regular City Council meeting on September 17, 2018. Mayor Mike Lamb called the hearing to order at 5:45 p.m. Present were Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. City Manager Robbie Byrd, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and City Attorney Steve Scheer were also present.

The purpose of the hearing was to discuss a requested building height variance for the Extended Stay America Hotel at 500 Outlet Parkway South. Travis Burke of Coleman Company presented the request, stating that a five foot (5') building height variance is needed, due to the height of the parapet wall.

There being no further discussion, the hearing was adjourned at approximately 5:47 p.m.