



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall October 10, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Pro Tem Steven M. Tramell presiding.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell called Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter for opening Payer.

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven M. Tramell led the Pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Pro-Tem thanked Jim Wood Commissioner from Harris County for attending the meeting.

Ms. Narfunda Ross and Ms. Jatunn Gibson thanked the Mayor and Council for their support with W.H.I.P. Working to Help those In Pink. W.H.I.P. is a local nonprofit organization that provides education and support to breast cancer survivors, care givers, and family members. The 2nd Annual walk will be on October 30th 2016 starting in West Point at John Hoggs Field to Lanett and back to John Hoggs Field. Ms. Ross stated over 250 people participated in the Walk in 2015.

Mayor Pro Tem Tramell called the meeting of the Mayor and City Council to order and welcomed everyone.

MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Tramell asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2016 regular meeting. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion and was seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton; the minutes were **approved unanimously without change.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter presented the September financial report with the October cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton and **passed unanimously**.

AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Tramell asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made said motion and seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter and **passed unanimously**.

REZONE 208 SUNSET DRIVE PARCEL #094-4C-006-013

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell asked for a motion to amend the City of West Point zoning map and ordinances as to classify as R-1A (Residential District) all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of West Point, Georgia containing 0.66 acres, more or less, designated at 208 Sunset Drive according to the street numbering system of West Point, Georgia, and also known as Troup County Tax Map parcel 094-4C-006-013. The property is owned by West Point Investments LLC. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **passed unanimously**.

REZONE 1301 3RD AVENUE FROM R-1 TO R-2 RESIDENTIAL

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell asked for a motion to amend the City of West Point zoning map and ordinances as to classify as R-2 (multi-family dwelling district) all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of West Point, Georgia containing 5.27 acres, more or less, designated at 1301 3rd Avenue according to the street numbering system of West Point, Georgia, and also known as Troup County Tax Map parcel 094-3B-010-007. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox; **passed unanimously**.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made a motion to appoint Larry Duncan to a three year term on the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **passed unanimously**.

Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox made a motion to appoint Joe H. Thompson to a three year term on the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; **passed unanimously**

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to appoint Diane Davidson to the Troup County Board of Election to serve a three year term. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **passed unanimously**.

MUNICIPAL COURT TERM

Councilmember Sandra Thornton made a motion to enter into an agreement between the City of West Point and the Municipal Court Judge and the City of West Point and the Municipal Court Solicitor to serve for a minimum one year term. The Charter of the City of West Point provides that the appointment of Municipal Court judge is an at-will appointment, which is in contravention to O.C.G.A. § 36-32-2. The appointments will be effective with the appointment of the court officials in January, 2017. The Judge and the Solicitor shall serve in said office a minimum term of one (1) year and until a successor is appointed, absent removal from office as provided in O.C.G.A. § 36-32-2.1. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; **passed unanimously**.

OTHER

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Richard McCoy
City Clerk

Steven M. Tramell
Mayor Pro Tem