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The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall May 9, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor A. Drew Ferguson IV presiding.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III  
Councilmember Donald Gilliam  
Councilmember M. Darren Kelley  
Councilmember Sandra Thornton  
Councilmember Annie Wallace  
Councilmember Judy L. Wilkinson

Members Absent:

The following public hearings were held prior to opening the Council meeting for business:

- 1.) Public Hearing to receive comments concerning a petition to annex into the City of West Point. Land Lot 217, 218, 241, & 242 of the Fifth Land District of Troup County GA. Owner Copper Station Holdings, LLC.

Mr. Steve Mills and Rich Roher representatives of Copper Station Holding, LLC gave an overview of the project and answered some of the questions that were asked by citizens that live in the area.

Mr. Steven Johnson stated he was not for or against the project but wanted to know if there is going to be a fence or some type of buffer on the south end of the property.

Ms. Patty Knox had some concerns about entrance roads, and traffic.

Mr. Lee Grover had questions related to city services, schools, and financing of the project.

Ms. Sue Ellen Mason wanted to know the size of the town houses, apartments, and condominiums and lighting.

Mr. Chris Smith stated he oppose the project and had questions about public transportation.

Mr. Bill Gilmore asked about other projects that Copper Station Holding had completed.

Mr. Gary Knox was concerned about getting in and out of his property during construction since he shares the public drive to access his property.

Mr. Larry Hamick stated he was against the project and wanted to know where the 3,500 people were going to come from.

Ms. Mason wanted to know in case of a natural disaster how would you evacuate 3,500 people with only two roads.

**There were no other comments and the public hearing was closed**

- 2.) Public Hearing to receive comments concerning a petition to rezone Map #0770-000-008 Land Lots 217, 217, 241, 242 of the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Troup County GA Owner Copper Station Holdings, LLC from R-2 (Multi-Family Dwelling District to MXD-1 (MIXED-USE).

**There were no comments and the public hearing was closed**

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting of the Mayor and City Council to order and welcomed everyone.

## **MINUTES**

Minutes from the April 11, 2011 regular meeting of the City Council were **approved without change.**

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Councilmember Donald Gilliam presented the April financial report with the May cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Annie Wallace **passed unanimously.**

## **ORDINANCE FOR REZONING REQUEST BY COPPER STATION HOLDING, LLC**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to rezone 0770-000-008 Land Lots 217, 217, 241, 242 of the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Troup County GA Owner Copper Station Holdings, LLC from R-2(Multi-Family Dwelling District to MXD-1 (MIXED-USE).

Councilmember M. Darren Kelley made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Donald Gilliam **and passed 5 to 1 vote Councilmember Joseph R. Downs abstained.**

**ORDINANCE FOR ANNEXATION REQUEST BY COPPER STATION HOLDING, LLC**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to annex 0770-000-008 Land Lots 217, 217, 241, 242 of the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Troup County GA Owner Copper Station Holdings, LLC into the City of West Point. Councilmember Donald Gilliam made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Darren Kelley. During the discussion Councilmember Judy Wilkinson stated she was sure the developers would work with the adjacent land owners, motion **passed 5 to 1 vote Councilmember Joseph R. Downs abstained.**

**RESOLUTION FOR TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION MONTH**

Mayor Ferguson read a proclamation supporting the work of the current Troup County Teen Pregnancy Prevention Task Force and calling on its citizens to support the Teen Maze project sponsored by the Troup County Health Department in collaboration with District 4 Health Services October 24 through October 28, 2011. Ms. Kay Durand accepted the resolution and thanked the Mayor and Council for their support.

**MALT BEVERAGE & WINE LICENSE FOR WEST POINT KWICK STOP**

Councilmember Sandra Thornton made a motion to grant an Alcohol Beverage License for Kwick Stop Convenient Store located at 501 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to Mr. Samirkumar Patel. Councilmember Annie Wallace seconded the motion and **passed unanimously.**

**10<sup>TH</sup> STREET REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION**

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs made a motion to pass a resolution designating the boundaries of the City of West Point 10<sup>th</sup> Street Redevelopment Plan and adopting the Redevelopment Plan for the area. The financing for the Redevelopment Plan was approved when the Mayor and Council passed the TAD Resolution in February 2010. The TAD start up cost was \$150,000, \$35,000 to \$50,000 for attorney fees and legal papers and \$100,000 for a master development plan for the district. The costs would be paid out of the City of West Point's Sewer Capacity Fund Account. Councilmember M. Darren Kelley seconded the motion and **passed unanimously.**

**RE-APPOINT ROSS HOFFMAN TO TROUP COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to re-appoint Ross Hoffman to the Troup County Airport Authority Board. Councilmember Judy Wilkinson made said motion and seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton and **passed unanimously.**

**AWARD UNITED CONSOLIDATED GROUP, INC THE FIRE STATION SITE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Councilmember Judy Wilkinson read a resolution in a form of a motion to award United Consolidated Group, Inc. the contract in the amount of \$484,377.30 for the Fire

Station Site Construction Project, subject to the approval of USDA. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Darren Kelley and **passed unanimously**.

**YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING LEASE AGREEMENT**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to allow City of West Point to enter into a Restricted Use Lease Agreement with Troup County for use of the commercial building and lot located 1128 O.G. Skinner Drive. The terms of the lease shall be (5) five years. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Annie Wallace and **passed unanimously**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Ferguson recognized Councilmember Sandra Thornton for raising the second highest amount of funds for Hike Bike Run. Councilmember Thornton stated she could not have done it without the community support and she thanked everyone who participated.

Mayor Ferguson thanked Ms. Lakey Boyd and Mr. Aaron Fortner of Market + Main for their work on the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Redevelopment Project. He also thanked City Manager Ed Moon and his staff for their work toward helping develop the project.

Councilmember M. Darren Kelley expressed his thanks to the Mayor and Council for having the far site to invest over \$100,000 toward developing a plan for the City's future.

City Manager Ed Moon stated the build out day for the Fire Station is targeted for year end.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Richard McCoy  
City Clerk

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A. Drew Ferguson IV  
Mayor