



The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall January 24, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. with Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III  
Councilmember Sandra Thornton  
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter  
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall

**Agenda Reviewed**

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Tramell reviewed the agenda and proceeded with the work session.

**Public Comments on any Item**

There were no public comments.

**New Business**

- **Discuss Downtown Market**

City Manager Ed Moon stated the City of West Point, the Downtown West Point Development Authority, and the Main Street Program would like to start a 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Main Street Market. The Market will be held during the month of April through December from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. It will be for locally grown farm products, baked goods, and homemade crafts. No business license will be required, vendors are responsible for any taxes, and space will be approximately 10x10. The sidewalks must be passable at all times. The annual fee of \$100.00 will be forfeited if vendor miss three consecutive weeks and they will lose the space. There will be no refunds and will require a part-time staff person. He asked the Council for their input on this project.

- **GDOT Option for Right of Way**

City Manager Ed Moon stated Georgia Department of Transportation has requested an Option for Right of Way for 0.810 acre of easement on Georgia Highway Project number 0011430 Harris County. The easement will be used for a passing lane on Highway 103. DOT has agreed to pay the City of West Point \$2,272.00 for the easement.

- **KMMG Vehicle Grant Agreement**

City Manager Ed Moon stated KMMG furthering its civic and business interests will provide certain grant funds to the City of West Point which shall be used exclusively to reimburse the City for its purchase of a new automobile having the following specifications: 2017 Kia Sorento EX, V6 engine, all-wheel drive, red exterior with black interior. The grant will be in the amount of \$30,000.00. The promissory note shall be treated as financing to assist the purchase of the automobile by the City of West Point. The vehicle will be used in the West Point Fire Department. The Vehicle Grant Agreement will be on the next business agenda for consideration.

- **Contract for Election Services**

City Manager Ed Moon stated a contract between the City of West Point and the Troup County Election Board in the amount of \$9,500.00 will be on the next business agenda. The Troup County Election Board will provide all election materials, personnel and equipment associated with the election. The City of West Point will handle the qualifying and the advertisement.

### **Consider Items for Business Meeting**

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell reviewed the items on the next business agenda.

### **Mayor, Council, and othe Comments**

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell stated the City of West Point was a recipient of the 2017 Live, Work, and Play City Award presented by Georgia Municipal Association. The City of West Point won in the small city category along with the City of Grayson and Madison. The Cities were recognized for their achievements in job creation, housing, and recreation amenities.

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell gave credit to an engaged Council and City Staff. Mayor Pro-Tem asked everyone to participate in celebrating MLK at LaGrange College on Thursday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. The speaker will be Civil Rights trailblazer and Georgia Congressman from the 5<sup>th</sup> district John Lewis.

He also announced the Valentine's Dance will be held on Friday February 17 at the Senior Citizen Center on O.G. Skinner Drive.

Councilmember Sandra Thornton thanked everyone for coming to the MLK Breakfast. She stated it was a huge success.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned