



The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall October 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

Public Hearing on Amendment to Alcohol Ordinance

The following public hearing was held prior to opening the work session:

City Planner Dennis Dutton stated the City of West Point Alcohol ordinance will change the sale of alcohol by the drink from 7:00 a.m. until 1:55 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. On Sunday between the hours of 12:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. and New Year's Eve (January 1) until 1:00 am. The ordinance will not have an impact on package sales.

Agenda Reviewed

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

Public Comments on agenda Item

There were no public comments.

New Business

- **Amendment to Alcohol Ordinance**

City Manager Ed Moon stated there were no changes since the last work session. An amendment to the City of West Point alcohol ordinance will be on the next agenda. The ordinance will change the sale of alcohol by the drink from 7:00 a.m.

until 1:55 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. On Sunday between the hours of 12:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. and New Year's Eve (January 1) until 1:00 am. Malt beverage and wine sales by retailers by the drink shall be between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. On Sunday between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. and New Year's Eve (January1) until 1:00 a.m. Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall asked Ed Moon if the ordinance passes could it be changed at a later date. City Manager Ed Moon stated the Council has the right to make changes to any City ordinances.

- **Harris County Splost**

City Manager Ed Moon stated he and Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Tramell met with the Harris County Board of Commissioners concerning the City of West Point allocation of the SPLOST proceeds for the SPLOST that will be placed on the state wide general primary election ballot on May 22, 2018. The county has submitted a proposal which increases the county portion of the SPLOST from 65.3% to 86.2%. This would reduce the City of West Point allocation from \$1,125,000 to \$382,500 based on population. City Manager Ed Moon stated he was proposing the County use the 1030 population count for West Point that will increase West Point portion to \$535,500 and ask the County to invest an additional \$500,000 of their portion in the Harris County Industrial Park for Industrial development.

- **Purchase property 1008 Avenue D**

City Manager Ed Moon stated an agreement to purchase the property 1008 Avenue and been made with property owners David Scales and Antoinette Bryan for \$90,000. The house will be used for recreation purposes and the land will be used for additional parking for the West Point Recreation.

Consider Agenda Items for Business Meeting

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

Mayor, Council, and other Comments

Councilmember Sandra Thornton stated October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and the West Point Fire Department has partnered with Breast Friends for Life an organization located in LaGrange, GA. Annually the West Point Fire Department sales T. Shirts for \$20.00 and all proceeds go to the organization. Councilmember Thornton stated the organization helped her when she was going through her ordeal.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Tramell asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion; seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **Passed unanimously**. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.