



The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall June 7, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Alanteo “Henry” Hutchinson
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III

Public Hearing Amendment to Sign Ordinance

Mayor Tramell opened the public hearing to amend the City’s Sign Ordinance. City Planner Dennis Dutton stated the amendment will identify, define and regulate signage within interstate 85 Commercial sign nodes overlay; to repeal conflicting ordinances, to fix an effective date; and for other purposes. There were no public comments. Mayor Tramell closed the public hearing.

Public Hearing Amendment to Zoning Ordinance

Mayor Tramell opened the public hearing to amend the City’s Zoning Ordinance. City Planner Dennis Dutton stated the amendment will authorize truck stops and fueling centers as permitted use in CGN General Commercial District; to repeal conflicting ordinances; to fix an effective date; and for other purposes. There were no public comments. Mayor Tramell closed the public hearing.

AGENDA REVIEWED

Mayor Steve Tramell reviewed the agenda and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made said motion; seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox; **passed unanimously**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

- **POLICE CHIEF OATH OF OFFICE**

Mayor Tramell swore in Donald Britt as the Chief of Police for the City of West Point. Mayor Tramell and the City Council welcomed Chief Britt to the City of West Point. Chief Britt thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and stated it will take all of them to make a great Police Department.

- **RECOGNIZE LADY STOREM AND CARES YOUTH CENTER**

Mayor Tramell presented certificates to Ms. Storem and some of the youth that participate in the after-school program. He thanked them for their participation. Councilmember Henry Hutchinson praised the program and he asked the Council to continue supporting the program.

- **ROBYN UNDERWOOD, 2017 AUDIT**

J. Robyn Underwood, CPA presented the Mayor and Council with 2017 City of West Point Financial Audit. She stated the City of West Point General Fund increased \$278,284 for FYE 2017 and the net position in the government wide states for governmental funds increased by \$1,936,102. She stated the City continues to be in sound financial position.

- **THREE APPOINTMENTS TO THE TREE BOARD**

City Manager Ed Moon stated Ms. Debra Robertson has shown interest in serving on the Board. The item will be on the next agenda for further consideration.

- **AMEND SIGN ORDINANCE**

City Manager Ed Moon stated there were no changes from the previous work session. The amendments to the Sign Ordinance Section 7 – Quality Development Corridor Overlay District (QDC) to include Interstate 85 commercial sign nodes overlay. 2 maps were provided to show location. This amendment will be on the next business meeting for consideration.

- **AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE**

City Manager Ed Moon stated there were no changes from the previous work session. The amendments to the Zoning Ordinance will include Section 12 CGN _ General Commercial District truck stops and fueling centers with no impoundment lot allowed. Add r-2 multifamily high density: an individual or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, living and cooking together as a single housekeeping unit, exclusive of household servants; or a group of not more than four persons who need not be related by blood or marriage living cooking, sharing in household expenses together as

a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling. This amendment will be on the next business meeting for consideration.

- **MOBLE FOOD VENDOR**

City Manager Ed Moon stated there were no changes from the last work session, The City of West Point current ordinance does not allow mobile food vendors. The City has had interest from vendors to operate in the City. The last page of the Permit Application mentions fees of \$350 for City Decal Certificate (per each mobile food vendor vehicle) and \$200 for Ice Cream Trucks. The ordinance will be on the next work session agenda for further discussion.

OTHER

Councilmember Sandra Thornton recognized members of the Police Department who were in attendance supporting Chief Birtt. She also reminded everyone of the Juneteenth Celebration Saturday, June 9, 2018 on the grounds of Goodsell United Methodist Church.

Mayor Tramell stated June 25th and 27th KIA employees will have a public service day in West Point. They will be doing everything from painting to litter pickup.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Steve Tramell asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Personnel. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and second by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox; **passed unanimously**

ADJOURN

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox; **passed unanimously**.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned