



City of West Point

Council Work Session Minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 2020 @ 5:30 PM

Via teleconference

The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held by Teleconference September 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Steve Tramell presiding.

Members Participated:

Mayor Pro-Tem Alanteo “Henry” Hutchinson
Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Deedee Williams

Members Non-Participate:

Agenda Reviewed

Mayor Steve Tramell reviewed the agenda and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion; seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; During the discussion Councilmember Deedee Williams asked to add four items to the agenda. (1) Update of the Census (2) West Point Day (3) Garbage collection (4) City Charter. Councilmember Williams did not ask for a motion to amend the agenda. The motion to approve the presented agenda; **passed unanimously**

New Business

- Board & Committee Appointment

City Manager Ed Moon stated there were no changes from the last work session. He has received (1) application for an appointment to a board. Andra Haynes wishes to be considered for appointment to the Board of Adjustments. Her application will be on the next business meeting agenda for consideration. Councilmember Deedee Williams reiterated Ms. Haynes will be an asset serving on the Board of Adjustments.

- Property Donation

City Attorney Alex Dixon stated the Morgan Real Estate Company, owner of the lot/property located 100 1st Avenue across the street from City Hall would like to initiate an open dialogue with the City of West Point about possible donation of said property. Some of the conditions they are proposing are the property may be used for greenspace or a park, for future City Hall expansion or administrative type structure, but not a playground, not for use as Jail, police facility, parking lot, fire station or street department. The property cannot be used for any commercial use, the property cannot be sold to a private person or entity. If accepted, the City will place a plaque or other commemorative adornment for the purpose of honoring the memory of Dr. John and Ms.

Katie Morgan. City Attorney Alex Dixon stated he has drafted a proposed agreement between the City and the Morgan family for the City to take ownership of the property. He has been talking with Larry Nix the Attorney for the Morgan family. He hoped to have something completed before the Council act on the donation. He will forward the information to the Council when he receives it. The item will be on the next agenda for consideration.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Sandra Thornton the Southwest Pageant will take place in March 2021. She has tickets if anyone is interest in attending. She also asked the Mayor and Council to continue praying for Councilmember Marshall's family.

Councilmember Deedee Williams asked about the West Point Day. She stated she had no complaints. She also stated someone apparently turned the outside water facet on at her residence. Mayor Tramell stated the event was not approve by the City of West Point and several other Councilmembers stated they had many complaints.

Councilmember Williams asked about the low census count and the impact it may have on the City. City Manager Ed Moon started he didn't have that information available.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton; **passed unanimously**.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned