



City of West Point

Council Work Session Minutes

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 @ 5:30 p.m.

The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall April 27, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Deedee Williams

Members Absent:

Mayor Pro-Tem Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Alanteo "Henry" Hutchinson

Agenda Reviewed

Mayor Steve Tramell called the meeting to order. He reviewed the agenda and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion. Councilmember Sandra Thornton; seconded the motion; **passed unanimously**

Public Comments on any issue

There were no public comments.

New Business

- **Hyundai Transys Seating System, LLC Memorandum of Understanding**

Mayor Steve Tramell stated the City of West Point needs to sign off on the Memorandum of Understanding between the West Point Development Authority and Hyundai Transys Seating Systems, LLC. The 2021 Series bond is not to exceed \$9,500,000. Rob McKenna, attorney for the West Point Development Authority stated the abatement for year one is 87.5%, year two 75%, year three 62.5%, year four 50%, year five 35.7%, year six 25%, year seven 12.5% and year eight and beyond 0%. The Project will create 129 jobs and financial investment on the part of the company, all of which constitutes valuable, non-cash consideration to the Authority, the City, and our citizens. The item will be on the next work session for further consideration.

- **City Council Salary**

At the last work session, Councilmember Sandra Thornton stated she asked the City Manager to conduct a Mayor and Council pay survey. she stated the last time the Council made any changes was 2005. Councilmember Thornton stated she recommend using an independent community group to make a recommendation to the Mayor and Council for setting the salaries. Councilmember Sandra Thornton named Trudye Johnson, Coleman Reeves, and Wiky Gladden. Councilmember Deedee Williams recommended adding Dorothy Roberts and Darren Kelley to the committee. The committee will meet and make a recommendation to the Council.

- **Mural Ordinance**

City Manager Ed Moon stated the proposed Mural Ordinance would allow three types of mural. Historic murals, original art murals and limited message murals. All other similar forms of outdoor visual that do not meet the definitions of these three forms of murals set forth herein shall be regulated as wall signs and will fall under the sign ordinance. He stated the painting that is currently up on several walls downtown fall under the City of West Point sign ordinance. The item will be on the next work session agenda for further discussion.

- **Service Delivery Update**

Mayor Tramell stated there were no major changes from the last work session. Troup County Service Delivery Meeting took place on April 1, 2021 at the Troup County Government Center. The attendees were West Point Mayor Steve Tramell, City Manager Ed Moon, Hogansville Mayor Bill Stankiewicz, City Manager Jonathan Lynn, Cities Attorneys, Andy Welch, and Brandon Palmer. Troup County Chairman Patrick Crews, County Manager Eric Mosley, and Attorney Jerry Willis. The attorneys for all parties are working toward an agreement.

Executive Session for Pending Litigation

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III seconded the motion; **passed unanimously**.

Agenda for Work session Meeting May 6, 2021

Mayor Tramell reviewed the agenda for the May 6, 2021 work session agenda which included Hyundai Transys Seating System, LLC Memorandum of Understanding, City Council Salary, and Mural Ordinance. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made a motion to approve the next business meeting agenda; seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **passed unanimously**.

Other

Adjourn

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; **passed unanimously**.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned