



City of West Point
Council Work Session Minutes
Thursday, June 29, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m.
West Point Council Chambers

The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Room at West Point City Hall June 29, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

Mayor Pro-Tempore Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Joel B. Finlay
Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Deedee Williams

Members Absent:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshal

Review Agenda

Mayor Tramell called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made said motion. Councilmember Joel B. Finlay seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

Public Comment on Any Items

There were no public comments.

New Business

AMWASTE Proposed changes to the Collection and Disposal Contract

District Manager Artie Scott and Representative Chris Tomey stated garbage collection service in West Point has been hampered by lack of work force. They currently have five trucks running one day a week for garbage pick-up in West Point. To improve services in West Point, they are recommending going to a three-day pick-up Tuesday and Wednesday for garbage and Thursday for recycling. There was some discussion on the start date and ways to notify citizens of the change. The City Manager stated they should wait until the new service agreement is in place before making any changes.

City Manager Update

GDOT Roundabout Project Exit 2

City Manager Ed Moon stated GDOT and CW Matthews are planning to shift lanes on Highway 18 traffic on July 11, 2023. The new completion date for the bridge project is June 2024.

Coca-Cola Bottling Co Building

City Manager Ed Moon stated the Coca-Cola Bottling Co has closed its doors in West Point and intends to donate the property located at 1700 E 10th Street to the city. The 30,000 square feet building has damaged a small portion of the warehouse from a storm earlier this year. The property is about 17 acres with about half located in the flood plain. The value listed on qPublic is 1.5 million. (6000,000 x .0087 = \$6,000). This is a high

value site for commercial and or industrial development. There were some comments on whether incentives would have encouraged Coca Cola to leave operations in West Point.

Bid Award for NWHBP Gas Main Installation

Utility Director Sammy Inman stated the only bid received for the NWHBP 35-acre site (parcel A) Gas Main Installation was from Sikes Underground in the amount of \$69,262.00. The Bid bond and all required forms were included in the bid package.

EZ Blockchain Agreement Amendment

City Manager Ed Moon stated EZ Blockchain Agreement Amendments will have 2 points of Delivery. Electric service will be provided from the following two substations, Pear Street and Pittman Road Substations. The city will provide up to a total of 24MW combined for the Customer from these two substations. The city will provide electric power to the customer within the physical limits of the substation. If improvements are required to provide electrical service beyond the city's current capacity, the customer will be responsible for the cost as determined by the city.

Executive Session to discuss Litigation.

Mayor Steve Tramell asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made said motion seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton; **passed unanimously.**

Other

Mayor Tramell stated items on the July 10, 2023, 5:30 p.m. Business Meeting agenda will be Bid Award for NWHBP Gas Main Installation, and EZ Blockchain Agreement Amendment.

Councilmember Sandra Thornton stated on June 30, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. there will be a bench dedication in Lanett. The Lanett Chapter AKA will present the bench acknowledging loved ones that past during the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Adjourn

Mayor Steve Tramell asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Joel B. Finlay made said motion, seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; **passed unanimously.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.