

CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

May 25, 2021

Present: Mayor Jim Thornton; Council Members LeGree McCamey, Mark Mitchell, Tom Gore, Nathan Gaskin, Willie Edmondson and Jim Arrington

Also Present: City Manager Meg Kelsey; City Clerk Sue Olson; Assistant City Manager Bill Bulloch; City Attorney Jeff Todd; City Planner Mark Kostial

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thornton, the invocation was given by Rev. Cade Farris of First Baptist Church on the Square, and Mayor Thornton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on May 11, 2021.

Ms. Kelsey reported that the 2021-2022 budget had been presented to the Council as a balanced budget. On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. McCamey, Council voted unanimously to call for a public hearing regarding the 2021-2022 budget on June 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Mitchell seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council voted unanimously to approve a Resolution Approving the Troup County Service Delivery Strategy; Termination of Agreement Regarding Disposal of Construction and Demolition Waste; and Agreement for the Distribution of Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) Proceeds, and authorizing the Mayor to make any necessary changes for approval.

On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. McCamey, Council voted unanimously to approve the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY SO AS TO RECLASSIFY THE USE ZONE OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED ON AARON DRIVE AND OWNED BY WEST GEORGIA STAR, INC.; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO FIX AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone R-5, A1200 (residential district) to R-2 (residential district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 138 of the 6th Land District, Troup County, Georgia, and more specifically designated as Tax Map Number: 051-1B-003-048.

SECTION 2:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3:

This ordinance, after adoption by the Council and upon approval by the Mayor, shall become effective immediately.

INTRODUCED AND FIRST READING _____ May 11, 2021 _____

SUBMITTED TO MAYOR AND ADOPTED _____ May 25, 2021 _____

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BY: /s/ James C. Thornton, Mayor _____

ATTEST: /s/ Sue Olson, City Clerk _____

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Mitchell, Council voted unanimously to approve the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY SO AS TO RECLASSIFY THE USE ZONE OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED ON WHITESVILLE ROAD AND OWNED BY NATIONAL LAND GROUP, LLC; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO FIX AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone R-44 (residential district) to G-I (general industrial district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 173 of the 6th Land District, Troup County, Georgia, and more specifically designated as Troup County Tax Map Number: 060-4-000-014.

SECTION 2:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3:

This ordinance, after adoption by the Council and upon approval by the Mayor, shall become effective immediately.

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BY: /s/ James C. Thornton, Mayor _____

ATTEST: /s/ Sue Olson, City Clerk _____

On a motion by Mr. McCamey seconded by Mr. Arrington, Council voted unanimously to approve the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND THE DOWNTOWN RETAIL PARKING DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THE EAST SIDE OF CHURCH STREET FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH HARALSON STREET TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH NORTH LAFAYETTE SQUARE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO FIX AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That subsection (a) of Section 10-20-100 of the code be amended by deleting said subsection, in its entirety, inserting in lieu thereof a new Section 10-20-100 (a) to read as follows:

“(a) There is hereby created in the City of LaGrange the downtown retail parking district, which is defined as that area within the city which is bounded on the north by the north right-of-way of Broad Street, North LaFayette Square and Greenville Street; on the west by the west right-of-way of West Lafayette Square and Bull Street; on the east by the east right-of-way of Morgan Street; and on the south by the south right-of-way of Byron Hurst Street and East Depot Street; also, (1) that area of Ridley Avenue from its intersection with North Court Square to its intersection with Haralson Street; (2) that area of Greenville Street from its intersection with East Lafayette Square to its intersection with Morgan Street; (3) on the south side of Broad Street, beginning at the curb line of its intersection with Lewis Street east for a distance of 84.91 feet; and (4) on the east side of Church Street beginning at its intersection with Haralson Street to its intersection with North LaFayette Square.”

SECTION 2:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3:

This Ordinance after adoption by the Council and upon approval by the Mayor shall become effective immediately.

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BY: /s/ James C. Thornton, Mayor _____

ATTEST: /s/ Sue Olson, City Clerk _____

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council voted unanimously to reappointment of the following Board members: Board of Planning and Zoning Appeals – Kyle Crawford and Mitch Key, four year terms; Alpha Multi-Purpose Center – Alton West, one year term; Troup Family Connection – Joan Woodson, one year term.

In good news, closing comments, Ms. Van Schoor reported that Sweetland announced four more concerts today:

- Saturday, July 31st Bethel Music
- Sunday August 8th STYX
- Saturday, August 14th Amy Grant
- Friday, August 20th Black Jacket Symphony

Tickets will be on sale Thursday at 10:00 a.m., these concerts that were planned for 2020. We plan to announce more and are working on getting new concerts scheduled. We already announced our first concert is Travis Tritt, Friday, July 16th & Emmylou Harris Saturday, July 24th. Ms. Van Schoor then showed a video to help get everyone excited, and that will be released soon.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. by Mayor Thornton.

Mayor

City Clerk