



**Cleveland City Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, May 2, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.  
Cleveland Community Center/Police Department  
342 Campbell Street, Cleveland, GA

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Josh Turner, Council Members Nan Bowen, Rebecca Yardley, Jeremy McClure, and C.J. McDonald (Mayor Pro Tem)

Also present were City Administrator Tom O'Bryant, City Attorney Grant Keene, and City Clerk Lisa Ritchie

- 2. Invocation – Community Care Pastor Cheryl Kennedy, The Bridge Church**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approve Agenda**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Bowen and voted, unanimously, to approve the agenda.

**PRESENTATION**

**5. National Small Business Week Proclamation**

Mayor Turner read the Proclamation.

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure and voted, unanimously, to approve the Proclamation.

Beth Truelove, President of White County Chamber of Commerce, received the Proclamation and expressed appreciation to the Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff for their support.

## **CITY ADMINISTRATOR TOM O'BRYANT**

### **6. LOST Renegotiations Status**

Mr. O'Bryant stated that the Mayor, Council Member Yardley, and himself met with White County regarding the LOST renegotiation. He said the County adopted the Certificate of Distribution with the same parameters as in the past, 60% White County/20% City of Helen/20% City of Cleveland, earlier in the day at their Commission Meeting. He stated that the Distribution Certificate will be on the Council's May 9, 2022 Agenda for their consideration.

### **7. Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Map**

Mr. O'Bryant stated that the DDA is active and meets regularly. He said one of their goals was to update the current DDA map which originated as far back as 1992. He said the DDA established a committee; Gary Adkins, Sam Pellitier, and Terry Goodger to work on the update. He said the update extends the benefits of the community from the corridors through the City Limits.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen and voted, unanimously, to approve the updated Downtown Development Authority Map.

## **CITY ATTORNEY GRANT KEENE**

Mr. Keene did not have any items to report.

## **FIRE CHIEF RICKY PRUITT**

### **8. Purchase of Automatic External Defibrillators (AED)**

Fire Chief Pruitt addressed the Mayor and Council Members to discuss the item and to confirm that the item is a part of the current budget.

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to approve the purchase.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **9. Work Detail Agreement with Georgia Department of Corrections**

Mr. O'Bryant addressed the Mayor and Council Members and stated that the Work Detail Agreement is an annual item. He stated that FY2023 is for the same amount as FY2022, \$49,318.

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to approve the agreement.

10. 2022-08 Resolution to amend Board Appointments – City Administrator Kevin Harris, and Economic Development and Planning Director Tom O’Bryant

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Yardley and voted, unanimously, to approve the 2022-08 Resolution.

11. Approval to add Kevin Harris, City Administrator, to the bank accounts for review and signature purposes

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to approve adding Mr. Harris to the bank accounts.

12. Approval to add Kevin Harris, City Administrator, to the Credit Card account

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member McClure and voted, unanimously, to add Mr. Harris to the Credit Card account.

13. Approve April 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member Yardley and voted, unanimously, to approve the April 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

14. Approve April 11, 2022 Executive Sessions Minutes

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen and voted, unanimously, to approve the April 11, 2022 Executive Session Minutes.

15. Approve April 12, 2022 Called Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member Yardley and voted, unanimously, to approve the April 12, 2022 Called Meeting Minutes.

16. Approve April 12, 2022 Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member Bowen and voted, unanimously, to approve the April 12, 2022 Executive Session Minutes.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to enter an Executive Session at 6:52 p.m.

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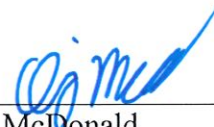
**17. Discussion regarding real estate and personnel**

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure and voted, unanimously, to return to the City Council Meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Council Member McDonald opened the door to allow citizens to return to the regular meeting. There were no citizens waiting to return to the meeting.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Council Member Yardley, seconded by Council Member McClure and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the City Council Meeting of May 2, 2022 at 9:12 p.m.

 _____ Josh Turner	Mayor	 _____ Jeremy McClure	Council Member Ward 3
 _____ Nan Bowen	Council Member Ward 1	 _____ C.J. McDonald	Council Member Ward 4 Mayor Pro Tem
 _____ Rebecca Yardley	Council Member Ward 2	ATTEST:  _____ Lisa A. Ritchie	City Clerk

