

CITY OF ELBERTON
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
Monday, June 4, 2018 – 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the meeting of the Mayor and Council convened at 5:30 p. m. on Monday, June 4, 2018 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

Present were: Council Members Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Parham, and Prince; City Attorney Jenkins, City Manager Dunn, and City Clerk Churney.

Mayor Guest called the Public Hearing to order. A Notice of Hearing was issued in accordance with law for the purpose of obtaining comments on the FY 2019 proposed budget. Mayor Guest asked if there were any comments on the proposed budget. There were no oral or written comments. Council Member Colquitt motioned to adjourn the public hearing, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motion to adjourn the public hearing passed unanimously (Hunt, Butler, Prince, Parham, Colquitt).

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. City Attorney Jenkins led the assembly in prayer.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the minutes of the March 5 meeting, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Parham, Prince).

There were no speakers from the floor.

Council Member Colquitt introduced the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Mayor and Council of the City of Elberton on May 29, 2018, after due and legal notice, reviewed the Annual Budget estimate for Fiscal Year 2019 as prepared by the City Manager in accordance with Section 33 of the Charter; and

WHEREAS: The General Fund budget is proposed at \$4,834,334; and

WHEREAS: The Solid Waste Fund budget is proposed at \$922,136; and

WHEREAS: The ElbertonNET Technology Services Fund budget is proposed at \$5,240,892; and

WHEREAS: The Hotel/Motel Tax Special Revenue Fund budget is proposed at \$70,000; the 2017 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Capital Projects Fund budget is proposed at \$720,200; the Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund is

proposed \$24,000; the Elbert Hotel Enterprise Fund is proposed at \$454,400; and the Elbert Theatre Enterprise Fund is proposed at \$170,500; and

WHEREAS: The Combined Public Utilities System Fund budget is proposed at \$22,982,888; and

WHEREAS: The rates and fees schedule of the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget is hereby included as Attachment “A”; and

WHEREAS: The total combined Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2019 is \$35,419,350.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved that the Mayor and Council do officially approve and adopt the aforementioned Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2019 as submitted including the rates and fees schedule designated Attachment “A”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Manager, and/or City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the necessary documents in order to enact actions authorized by Council with the adoption of this Annual Budget.

This 4th day of June, 2018.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Council Member Parham motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Council Member Colquitt and the motioned passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0 (Butler, Hunt, Colquitt, Parham, and Prince).

Council Member Hunt introduced the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Downtown Development Authority of the City of Elberton has presented a budget to the Mayor and Council for the operation of the Samuel Elbert Hotel for Fiscal Year 2019 as prepared by its Executive Director and the City Manager; and

WHEREAS: The operating budget for fiscal year 2019 is proposed at \$457,533; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor and Council have had the opportunity to review the DDA’s budget proposal at a work session on May 29, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved that the Mayor and Council do officially approve, adopt and accept the aforementioned Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2019 as submitted for the Samuel Elbert Hotel and Conference Center as operated by the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Elberton.

This 4th day of June, 2018.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Council Member Hunt motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motioned passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0 (Butler, Hunt, Colquitt, Parham, and Prince).

Council Member Butler motioned to approve the consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Council Member Parham and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Hunt, Parham, Prince, and Colquitt).

1. Approved expenditures that exceed the city manager's purchasing authority.
2. Authorized the Mayor and/or City Manager to execute the necessary documents with Rushton & Company for FY2018 audit services. The fee is the same as the last four years, \$36,900.
3. Approved the issuance of a public assembly permit to close portions of the square to vehicular traffic for the Annual Elberton Cruise-In sponsored by Main Street Elberton and the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce.
4. Approved the issuance of a public assembly permit to close portions of the square to vehicular traffic for the 11th annual Granite City Barbecue Festival sponsored by Main Street Elberton and the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce.
5. Authorized the City Manager to execute a contract with the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce for tourism services.
6. Authorized the Mayor and/or City Manager to execute the necessary with the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority for a loan and grant package for a water main extension.

City Manager Dunn presented the following reports:

- Financial Report ending April, 2018.
- City Manager reported that the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council previously scheduled for July 9 has been rescheduled for July 12.
- Monthly report on the activities of various departments

Matters to be presented by the City Attorney:

- Dilapidated housing report.

There being no further business to come before Council, upon proper motion by Council Member Colquitt and second by Council Member Butler the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF ELBERTON
CALLED MEETING OF THE ELBERTON MAYOR AND COUNCIL
Wednesday, June 27, 2018 - Noon

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the Called Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Elberton convened at Noon on Wednesday, June 27, 2018, in the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

Present were: Council Members Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, and Parham; City Manager Dunn, and City Clerk Churney.

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and in prayer. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the purchase of a building on N. McIntosh Street and to accept the Comprehensive Plan Final Update.

Council Member Butler introduced the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: A condition of blight and dilapidation has existed on North McIntosh Street for many years; and

WHEREAS: Several buildings no longer fit for habitation or commercial use have been removed by property owners, and two buildings were donated to the City for the purposes of demolition and remediation; and

WHEREAS: A two-story building located at 123 North McIntosh Street is attached physically by a common wall to other dilapidated buildings in a state of collapse which presents a public health and safety hazard; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor and Council does hereby find that it is in the public interest of the citizens of Elberton to acquire this parcel of property to facilitate immediate remediation of these hazards by the least expensive method possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Elberton, Georgia hereby resolves to purchase the following parcel of land on North McIntosh Street for the selling price of \$ 21,000.00 :

Description

A parcel of land consisting of 0.09 acre, more or less; identified as Elbert County tax map number E18-024, owned by Imagine Construction Company, Inc., located at 123 North McIntosh Street, and being bounded by North McIntosh Street on the east, and property of the City of Elberton on the north and south, and property of Georgia-Alabama Commercial Investments on the west, dimensions of the land being approximately 49' x 98'.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk are authorized to execute the necessary documents to effect this purchase of land.

RESOLVED at a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council on June 27, 2018.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Council Member Butler motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Council Member Hunt and the motioned passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0 (Butler, Hunt, Colquitt, Parham, and Prince).

Council Member Colquitt introduced the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 1989 Georgia General Assembly enacted House Bill 215, the Georgia Planning Act, requiring all local governments to prepare a comprehensive plan in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures promulgated by the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Partial Update for Elbert County's Comprehensive Plan for the City of Elberton, Georgia was updated and submitted to the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission for review and comment in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Elberton that the Partial Plan Update for the Elbert County Comprehensive Plan, as amended and approved by the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission is hereby adopted, and furthermore, that this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 27th day of June, 2018.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Council Member Parham motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Council Member Colquitt and the motioned passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0 (Butler, Hunt, Colquitt, Parham, and Prince).

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with a motion duly made and seconded.