

**CITY OF JONESBORO
WORK SESSION
170 SOUTH MAIN STREET
February 1, 2021 – 6:00 PM**

MINUTES

The City of Jonesboro Mayor & Council held their Work Session on Monday, February 1, 2021. The meeting was held at 6:00 PM at the Jonesboro Police Station, 170 South Main Street, Jonesboro, Georgia.

I. CALL TO ORDER - MAYOR JOY B. DAY

II. ROLL CALL - RICKY L. CLARK, JR., CITY MANAGER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Pat Sebo-Hand	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	
Bobby Lester	Councilmember	Present	
Tracey Messick	Councilmember	Present	
Billy Powell	Councilmember	Present	
Donya Sartor	Councilmember	Present	
Ed Wise	Councilmember	Present	
Joy B. Day	Mayor	Present	
Ricky L. Clark	City Manager	Present	
Pat Daniel	Assistant City Clerk	Present	
David Allen	Community Development Director	Present	
Joe Nettleton	Public Works Director	Present	
Cable Glenn-Brooks	Executive Assistant	Present	
Derry Walker	Chief Code Officer	Present	
Tommy Henderson	Chief	Present	
Maria Wetherington	Assistant	Present	
Richard Godfrey	Asst. Chief of Police	Present	
Ken Thompson	Finance Director	Present	

III. INVOCATION - MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1. Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Pat Sebo-Hand, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Donya Sartor, Councilmember
AYES:	Sebo-Hand, Lester, Messick, Powell, Sartor, Wise

V. WORK SESSION

1. Council to consider approval of Conditional Use Permit Application 21-CU-001, for a dance studio, by Voyles Properties, property owner, and Brionna June, applicant, for property at 272 North Main Street (Parcel No. 13209D F001), Jonesboro, Georgia 30236.

RESULT:	PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED
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At this time, Ms. Brionna June, applicant was present to speak.

Questions from Council:

Councilmember Sartor wanted clarification on the hours of operation and if there were any restrictions.

Mr. Clark informed that there are no restrictions to the hours of operation at this time. Ms. June stated she will comply with the COVID guidelines as it relates to the number of students that can gather. As the number of students increase, she may have to add additional classes and extend her hours of operation.

2. Council to consider approval of the purchase of a Police Sergeant Promotional Exam.

RESULT:	CONSENT AGENDA ITEM	Next: 2/8/2021 6:00 PM
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At this time, Chief Henderson presented the following breakdown of the total cost of \$4,250.00.

- \$2,250.00 Written Exam - Includes 75 items for a 50-item exam, for (4) distractors for each item, and a map of the test.
- \$2,000.00 Oral Board Competency-Based Structured Interview Questions - Includes 15 questions and a response standard to select from.

Second exam in the same or following year in the amount of \$800.00.

Questions and Concerns:

Mayor Day - What is the source of funding?

Chief Henderson replied that he proposes to make a line item amendment from Education and Training in the amount of \$2,000.00 and Office Supplies in the amount of \$2,250.00 to cover the cost for the exams.

Councilmember Messick - Is this the standard price and did you speak with other agencies before you decided on the pricing?

Chief Henderson replied that other products were more expensive; this was a more reasonable and modified packet as the original price is approximately \$8,000.00.

Councilmember Lester - Can confiscated funds be used?

Chief Henderson stated he does not want to exhaust those funds as he is forecasting additional purchases for the new City Center.

3. Council to consider approval of purchasing Corporal badges and die cast.

RESULT:**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM****Next: 2/8/2021 6:00 PM**

At this time, Chief Henderson provided the following breakdown:

The additional rank of Corporal will produce four new positions and it is necessary to purchase badges to reflect the changes. Additionally, there is a need to create a new die cast for the badges which comes with a life-time warranty with unlimited usage. The turn-around time for badges will be four to six weeks.

Die Cast Charge: \$2,500.00 one-time fee

Badges: \$107.50 each

Total Cost: \$2,293.00

4. Council to consider approval of purchasing and trade in of firearms for the Jonesboro Police Department

RESULT:**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM****Next: 2/8/2021 6:00 PM**

At this time, Chief Henderson informed Council that most of the firearms currently at the Police Department are over twenty years old. As a result, new firearms are needed to standardized weapons across the department. The vendor, Amchar Wholesale Inc, will offer \$350.00 trade-in on each weapon.

Questions and Concerns:

Councilmember Sebo-Hand - Does this require range time?

Chief Henderson informed yes; each user must qualify with the new weapons. Additionally, ammunition will need to be purchased for the qualifications.

5. Council to consider approval of proposal from Georgia Power to convert lights at Battleground Park to an Outdoor Lighting LED System.

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At this time, Public Works Director Joe Nettleton informed that the LED lights require less maintenance and last longer. The monthly cost for the city will increase approximately \$30.00 per month.

6. Council to consider approval of SESAC Music Performance License.

RESULT:**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM****Next: 2/8/2021 6:00 PM**

This is the annual contract required to hold public performances and the ability to play other people's music.

7. Discussion regarding 2021 Strategic Planning Retreat.

Councilmember Sartor - Requests multiple days with shorter meet times; If we continue with a two-day retreat; six to eight hours is too long to sit virtually. Are we moving forward with the Diversity Training?

Councilmember Wise - Requests an abbreviated version or postpone until we can meet in person. We interact better when we are in person.

Councilmember Messick - Requests breaks throughout the day during a six-hour day.

Mayor Joy B. Day - Prefers not to meet face to face, prefers Zoom.

Councilmember Lester - Good with it.

Councilmember Sebo-Hand - Is there a space large enough to accommodate everyone and still be able to social distance.

Mr. Clark replied to everyone as follows; There is no way we can accomplish the retreat in a half-day with all departments reporting. Staff will consider multiple days but recommends no more than three. Mr. Clark advised that breaks will be included throughout the day. Additionally, Mr. Clark stated he will look into the ROC facility as they have areas large enough to accommodate everyone and still comply with social distancing regulations.

Upon hearing from Council of their availability, Mr. Clark stated that we still need a Retreat Facilitator. Mr. Clark will discuss the Facilitator's availability as well as obtain information relative to holding a virtual Diversity Training. Mr. Clark will update Council this week.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

At this time, Mayor Day welcomed Richard Godfrey, Assistant Chief of Police.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn at 6:45 PM.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Pat Sebo-Hand, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Tracey Messick, Councilmember
AYES:	Sebo-Hand, Lester, Messick, Powell, Sartor, Wise

JOY B. DAY – MAYOR

RICKY L. CLARK, JR. – CITY MANAGER