**MINUTES OF THE REMOTE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOODBINE CITY COUNCIL**

**March 7, 2022 6:30 P.M.**

**WOODBINE CITY HALL**

The regular meeting of the Woodbine City Council held on March 7, 2022 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Knight, with the following Councilors present via Remote Video Conference: C.C. Higginbotham Jr., Richard Baird, Louise Mitchell, and Phyllis Drummond. City officials present: City Administrator Samantha Young and City Attorney Brian Corry

The invocation was led by C.C. Higginbotham.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by C.C. Higginbotham.

Mayor Knight asked that the agenda be amended to move 8a. Executive Session – Litigation and 8b. Executive Session – Personnel to follow Presentations.

Motion made by C. C. Higginbotham Jr., seconded by Phyllis Drummond to amend the agenda as requested by Mayor Knight. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

Presentations -

Shawn Boatright, County Commissioner Gary Blount, and Representatives from the Department of Health gave a presentation regarding the new Health Department location and advantages of having all Health Department services in one centralized location. There was discussion regarding the possibility of keeping the Woodbine Health Department location open on a limited schedule. Further discussion will need to follow, regarding any possibility of continued services at the Woodbine location.

Akash Patel of Woodbine Grocery presented a request to petition within the City, for signatures of registered voters in support of opening a package store at 908 Georgia Avenue, adjacent to the existing grocery store.

Motion made by Phyllis Drummond, seconded by Rick Baird to go into Executive Session. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

The Executive Session convened at 8:07p.m.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham Jr., seconded by Rick Baird to reconvene the Regular Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:28 p.m.

Mayor Knight advised that no actions were taken during Executive Session.

Jimmie Cohen gave a Public Works update. Samantha Young gave an Administrative and Finance update.

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham Jr., seconded by Phyllis Drummond to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

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Public Comments –

Sheila Sapp thanked the Mayor and Council for their continued support in trying to keep the Woodbine Health Department open for the citizens.

Old Business –

Motion made by Rick Baird, seconded by C.C. Higginbotham Jr. to fund $33,000, our portion of the new proposed Health Department. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

New Business –

Motion made by C.C. Higginbotham Jr., seconded by Phyllis Drummond to approve the petition process for Akash Patel of Woodbine Grocery, to move forward in the process of obtaining the necessary signatures to place the request for a Package Store to be on the November referendum. Motion was unanimously approved and so declared by Mayor Knight.

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

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Elaine J. Koch

City Clerk

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