



SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING OF THE VALDOSTA CITY COUNCIL
5:30 PM Thursday, December 14, 2017
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

1. Opening Ceremonies

- a) Call to Order - **Mayor John Gayle called the meeting to order.**
- b) Invocation - **The invocation was given by Pastor Leroy Butler, Woodlawn Forrest Church of Christ.**
- c) Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

2. Awards and Presentations

- a) Special Presentation for Councilman Alvin Payton, Jr. and Councilman Robert Yost. - **Mayor Gayle made a special presentation for outgoing Councilman Alvin Payton, Jr. and Councilman Robert Yost.**
- b) Presentation of the 2017 Greater Valdosta Christmas Parade Awards. - **Mayor Gayle and members of the Ossipe Temple #65 presented the 2017 Christmas Parade Awards.**
- c) Special recognition of Valdosta State University Students for their Social Media Project with the Valdosta Main Street Program. - **Mayor Gayle and Ellen Hill, Main Street Director, recognized Valdosta State University Students.**
- d) Special Presentation by the Valdosta Fire Department. - **Fire Chief Freddie Broome recognized Lieutenant Robert Mercer for completing the Managing Officer Program and the required Capstone Project.**
- e) Consideration of the December, 2017 Employee of the Month Award (Henry Courson, Valdosta Fire Department). - **Fire Chief Freddie Broome presented the Employee of the Month Award.**

3. Minutes Approval

- a) Valdosta City Council - Regular Meeting - Nov 9, 2017 5:30 PM - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**

4. Public Hearings

- a) Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone 0.58 acres from Single-Family Residential (R-6) to Manufacturing/Heavy Industrial (M-2) as requested by Murray Gaskins, Environmental Audit and Assessment Inc. (File No. VA-2017-16). The property is located at 220 and 224 Myddleton Road. The Greater Lowndes Planning Commission reviewed this request at their November Regular Meeting and recommended approval (5-1 Vote). - **Denied (7-0 Vote).**

- b) Consideration of an Ordinance to amend the Land Development Regulations (LDR) Chapter 218 - Use Regulations, Section 218-13 - Standards of Use and Development as requested by the City of Valdosta (File No. VA-2017-17). The Greater Lowndes Planning Commission reviewed this request at their November Regular Meeting and recommended denial (5-0-1 Vote). **The applicant has withdrawn this request.**

5. Ordinances and Resolutions

- a) Consideration of a Resolution to approve a loan from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) for Water and Sewer Infrastructure Projects. - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**
- b) Consideration of a Resolution for the Georgia Municipal Association's Certified City of Ethics Program. - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**

6. Bids, Contracts, Agreements and Expenditures

- a) Consideration of bids for the purchase of two, 100' mid mount aerial fire trucks for the Valdosta Fire Department. - **Approved the bid of Sutphen Corporation in the amount of \$2,731,946, approved the trade in value of \$170,000 for two older Units, and declared those Units as surplus for a total price of \$2,561,946 (7-0 Vote).**
- b) Consideration of bids for 18-gallon recycling containers for the Public Works Department. - **Approved the bid of submitted by Rehrig Pacific in the amount of \$7.50 per 18-gallon container (7-0 Vote).**
- c) Consideration of the purchase of a FATS Fire Arm Simulator System for the Valdosta Police Department. - **Approved the price submitted by Meggit in the amount of \$81,444.60 for the purchase of a FATS Fire Arm Simulator System for the Valdosta Police Department (7-0 Vote).**
- d) Consideration of bids for stormwater piping and associated ditch improvements on West Alden Avenue. - **Approved lowest base bid was submitted by Rountree Construction in the amount of \$235,624.50, Alternate Bid A in the amount of \$98,549.25, Alternate Bid B in the amount of \$33,390.50, and a 10% contingency (\$36,756.43) to handle any unforeseen circumstances for a total project cost of \$404,320.68 (7-0 Vote).**
- e) Consideration of bids for traffic improvements to the West Alden Avenue approach to Baytree Road. - **Approved the low base bid submitted by Rountree Construction in the amount of \$70,348.75 and Alternate A in the amount of \$31,843 for a total \$102,191.75 plus a 10% contingency (\$10,219.18) to handle any unforeseen circumstances for a grand total of \$112,410.93 (7-0 Vote).**

- f) Consideration of a request to approve an Agreement with the Exchange Club for placement of benches in the City of Valdosta. - **Approved (4-3 Vote with Councilman Carroll, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Payton voting in opposition)**
- g) Consideration of a Contract extension with CSRA Probation Services. - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**
- h) Consideration of an Agreement with Verizon Wireless for reasonable safeguards on the placement and maintenance of wireless equipment and facilities in the City's right-of-way and compensation to be paid by Verizon Wireless for its use of the right-of-way. - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**

7. Local Funding and Requests

- a) Consideration of a request to approve street selections for the Georgia Department of Transportation 2018 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant Program. - **Approved (7-0 Vote).**

8. Citizens to be Heard

9. City Manager's Report

10. Council Comments

- 11. Adjournment - The Regular Session was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Real Estate. The Regular Session reconvened at 7:40 p.m. and no action was taken. The Regular Session was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.**