

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE VALDOSTA CITY COUNCIL
5:30 P.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor John Gayle called the regular meeting of the Valdosta City Council to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were: Joseph “Sonny” Vickers, Tim Carroll, Sandra Tooley, Eric Howard, and Vivian Miller-Cody. Councilman Ben Norton and Councilman Andy Gibbs were absent. The invocation was given by Reverend Willie Harris, Macedonia First Baptist Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 6, 2019 were approved by unanimous consent (5-0) of the Council.

BIDS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AND EXPENDITURES

Consideration of bids for office supplies for the City of Valdosta.

Greg Brown, Purchasing Agent, stated that office supplies are used throughout the City by all Departments in the daily function. This bid contains items that are classified as high use such as printer and copy machine paper, specific printer cartridges, and many other items typically used by the Departments. When furniture is needed, the City obtains State contract pricing through Lee Office Equipment with delivery and installation. An estimated usage list was prepared using the prior 12 month sales report for bid purposes. This is a one year contract with options to renew. Sealed bids were received on June 11, 2019 with the low bid submitted by Lee Office Equipment in the amount of \$24,036.65 and up to 70% discount on other items. Lee Office Equipment has been our provider for the past couple of years. Greg Brown recommended that Council approve the low bid submitted by Lee Office Equipment in the amount of \$24,036.65 and up to 70% discount on other items.

A MOTION by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilwoman Miller-Cody, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to approve the low bid submitted by Lee Office Equipment in the amount of \$24,036.65 and up to 70% discount on other items for office supplies for the City of Valdosta.

Consideration of bids for the electrical improvements for Wells 4, 6, and 7.

Darryl Muse, Utilities Director, stated that in order to improve reliability and capacity needs of its well field, the City of Valdosta implemented a well field Evaluation and Rehabilitation Program. The Program elements included the evaluation and improvements of Wells 4, 6, and 7, which have not been upgraded since 1993. The City contracted with CDM Smith Inc. to provide professional engineering services that included the development of the contract documents, project specifications, and general coordination. The work to be performed includes the replacement of the existing electrical and control components, site fencing, painting, minor civil improvements, and the installation of a new generator connection box and pole-mounted lighting. The electrical improvements will allow for integration of the existing mag meter and other instruments into the Water Plant’s SCADA system. On May 8, 2019, the Utilities Department advertised for bids for the Project to improve the electrical systems for Wells 4, 6, and 7. A mandatory pre-bid conference was held on May 23, 2019 with one potential bidder attending. Instructions were given to potential bidders to submit a Base Bid and two alternate Bids. The Base Bid included all three wells with SCADA System and Services included under the General Contractor (GC). Bid Alternate No. 1 included all three wells without SCADA System and Services from the GC. Bid Alternate No. 2 included only one well without SCADA System and Services from the GC. The Bid was received from Standard Contractors, Inc. and opened on June 4, 2019. Their initial Base Bid was \$824,565, Alternate 1 was \$662,483, and Alternate 2 was \$240,416. Because they were the only Bidder, the City requested Standard Contractors, Inc. to consider engineering alternatives that would lower the bids without compromising Well improvements. Standard Contractors submitted the following revised Bids. The Base Bid did not change from \$824,565, Revised Alternate 1 was \$625,318, and Revised Alternate 2 was \$226,601. As the Design Engineer, CDM Smith reviewed the Bid documents and made its recommendation to the City to award the contract to the sole bidder, Standard Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$625,318.00 for Revised Alternate 1. Darryl Muse recommended that Council approve the

Revised Bid Alternate No. 1 in the amount of \$625,318 which includes a contingency of \$29,777 and \$15,000 allowance for miscellaneous testing and optional services.

A MOTION by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilman Vickers, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to approve the Revised Bid Alternate No. 1 submitted by Standard Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$625,318 which includes a contingency of \$29,777 and \$15,000 allowance for miscellaneous testing and optional services for the electrical improvements for Wells 4, 6, and 7.

Consideration of bids for the Ulmer Avenue Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvement Project.

Pat Collins, City Engineer, stated that Ulmer Avenue is a two lane major collector road. The vehicle speed limit is 35 miles per hour. Locations on Ulmer Avenue between Old Statenville Road and Griffin Avenue that generate foot traffic are the Coastal Plain Headstart facility, which includes childcare, and the Valdosta Fire Department Station No. 3. The daycare experiences significant pedestrian use in the morning when children are taken to school and in the afternoon when children are discharged. Currently, there is no sidewalk so children and parents can often be seen walking on the grassed shoulder or in the street. At Fire Station No. 3, the driveway is lower than surrounding surfaces and holds standing water after rainfall within the wheel path of firetrucks. Constructing this missing sidewalk link along Ulmer Avenue will complete a loop of pedestrian movement from East Martin Luther King Drive to the south end of South Lee Street via Fry Street, Lake Park Road, Ulmer and Griffin Avenues. This looped corridor contains popular walking destinations such as the Mildred Hunter Homes, at least three churches, two convenience stores, and a health care facility. The Project constructs 1,000 feet of sidewalk, curb and gutter, and storm drainage on the east side of Ulmer Avenue from Old Statenville Road to Griffin Avenue. It was included in the FY19 Capital Budget. The new sidewalk will provide a safe and much needed pedestrian link. The Project was advertised in the local newspaper and on the City's website. Bids were opened at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, June 6, 2019. The low bid was submitted by Southland Contractors in the amount of \$274,869 with a 10% contingency (\$27,486.90) for a total of \$302,355.90. Pat Collins, City Engineer, recommended that Council approve the low bid submitted by Southland Contractors in the amount of \$274,869 plus a 10% contingency (\$27,486.90) for a total of \$302,355.90 for the Ulmer Avenue Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvement Project.

A MOTION by Councilman Vickers, seconded by Councilwoman Tooley, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to approve the low bid submitted by Southland Contractors in the amount of \$274,869 plus a 10% contingency (\$27,486.90) for a total of \$302,355.90 for the Ulmer Avenue Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvement Project.

Consideration of an Agreement for governmental affairs representation for the City of Valdosta.

Mark Barber, City Manager, stated that Government Solutions, LLC serves as a governmental affairs consultant and provides representation for municipalities and counties in the State of Georgia. The overall scope of their work is to collaborate in the development of governmental affairs strategies for the State of Georgia and for the Georgia Congressional Delegation. The Staff of Government Solutions, LLC consists of the following: Terry Mathews, a founding partner of Mathews & Maxwell, Inc. and a long-time senior advisor to former U. S. Senator Sam Nunn, Scott Maxwell, a founding partner of Mathews & Maxwell, Inc. and who has successfully represented major companies and associations at the State Legislature, and Terry L. Coleman, Speaker Emeritus of the Georgia House of Representatives and who retired after 34 years of service. Government Solutions, LLC has long established relationships with key legislative and executive leadership and they will work with the City of Valdosta to implement a public policy agenda and communicate directly with members of the General Assembly, Governor Brian Kemp and Staff, Lt. Government Geoff Duncan and Staff, various state agencies and others as appropriate to advocate for policies that best serve the City of Valdosta. Government Solutions will develop a well-planned strategy to educate and influence the opinions of government leaders. The current Agreement expires June 30, 2019 with the current payment being \$4,000 per month. The proposed Agreement will begin on July 1, 2019 and end on June 30, 2020 with no change to the monthly payment. Also, either party can reserve the right to terminate the Agreement without cause by a 30-day notice. Mark Barber, City Manager, recommended that Council approve the Agreement with Government Solutions, LLC for governmental affairs representation for the City of Valdosta.

A **MOTION** by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilman Vickers, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to approve the Agreement with Government Solutions, LLC for governmental affairs representation for the City of Valdosta.

LOCAL FUNDING AND REQUESTS

Consideration of compensation for the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, and City Council Members.

Mark Barber, City Manager, stated that the base salary for the City's elected officials is rarely adjusted. The last change was when the Council salary was increased from \$10,500 annually to the current level of \$15,500 and Mayoral compensation was increased from \$16,500 annually to the current level of \$25,000. Prior to 2002, the last increase was in 1992 when Council and Mayoral compensation increased from \$9,500 to \$10,500 and \$11,500 to \$16,500 respectively. Base compensation for elected officials has been adjusted only once since 1992 and there have only been two changes of any kind in that same period. Increases in the cost of living (COLA) are tracked by the Federal Reserve which publishes the Consumer Price Index (CPI) each year to measure inflation. This data yields a CPI of 1.39244 for 2018 (the last complete year) using 2002 as the base year. This means that a 2002 dollar is equivalent to \$1.39 in 2018. In other words, it would take \$1.39 to buy what \$1.00 would buy in 2002. Another example would be a gallon of gas was \$1.75 in 2002 and \$2.79 in 2018. Compensation of the Mayor and Council must be reviewed and considered separately from that of City Employees. The budgeted COLA does not apply to elected officials, and base salary for the Mayor and Council has not been adjusted since 2002. City Ordinance requires that salaries for Mayor and Council be reviewed and set prior to each election. This must be done prior to qualifying for office by both City Ordinance and State Code. The current salary schedule for the Mayor and Council was adopted in 2002. Council compensation should be reviewed prior to each election to ensure that it remains appropriate. In the case of elected officials, changes in compensation are regulated as to timing and procedure by O.C.G.A. §36-35-4 and Section 2-51 of the City's Municipal Code Book which states the following: The Mayor and Council shall, before the date that candidates for election to the Mayor and Council of the City may first qualify as such candidates in the next regular Municipal Election, set the compensation of the Mayor and Council to be elected at the next regular Municipal Election. Action to increase such compensation shall not be taken until notice of intent to do so has been published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City at least once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding the week during which such action is taken. Any action to increase the compensation of the Mayor and Council shall be done in accordance with O.C.G.A. §36-35-4. A 2% increase in base salary for the Mayor and Council has been suggested. This would result in increases of \$500 for the Mayor, \$330 for the Mayor Pro Tem, and \$310 for Council Members. Any increase would take effect on January 1, 2020 when the new Council is seated.

A **MOTION** by Councilman Vickers, seconded by Councilwoman Tooley, was adopted (4-1) with Councilman Carroll voting in opposition to approve a 2% increase in base salary for the Mayor and Council to take effect on January 1, 2020 when the new Council is seated.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Gerald Rose, President of the New Order National Human Rights Organization, stated that he was not a resident of Valdosta but he would be starting a local Chapter in Valdosta. He has been in Valdosta for a week motivating people in the community. He has been following the situation on renaming the street to Barack Obama which he supports. Time is running out and hopefully they will cross the finish line on that. The last time he saw this Court Room he saw his dad getting escorted out and as his son he was very concerned because his father is 80 years old. He did not mean any harm, but it is just the fact that they need to do the right thing. The New Order National Human Rights Organization is not radical. They go into homeless shelters and the other day he spoke at a Recreation Center to approximately 20 children letting them know that they are the future and that they need to vote when they get older because they have the power. His job is to come down here and motivate these people. Since he has been in the City it is too quiet, especially among the young people. Mr. Rose stated that he teases his father because he is strong on the local level but he is strong on the national level. He wanted to come down here not to be against everyone but to work with you to make everybody's job easier which is very important because there is so much going on in this community and across the country. He knew he only has three minutes to speak and he did not want to be the next Rose to get escorted out of the Council Chambers. God bless you.

Frank J. Lathron stated that he is a retired, 33 year Veteran of the military and he is a personal friend of Rev. Floyd Rose who he respects very much; however, he does not agree with the changing of the street name. He found out in the very recent past that the People's Tribunal did not meet the requirements of the City's street renaming requirements and that they were given time to again get the proper amount of signatures which they did not achieve. This is in the record. Therefore, prior to Rev. Rose taking any other action on the changing of the street name, they first need to get the requirements that are required by the City Council and the City rules and then bring it forward so that the Council can vote on it. The Council cannot vote on the street name change today because they did not meet the requirements.

George Boston Rhynes, 5004 Oak Drive, stated that his beautiful brother here is wrong and he thinks that the citizens should address the Council and not the audience. There is one thing that the record will show beyond doubt that there were some changes made to the requirements of getting a street name changed. Everybody knows who was involved in the process and he cannot understand how in Valdosta that we get it wrong and send out wrong information to the general public. We do not have a news media who will clarify what actually happened. This saddens him. He has been here a long time and he retired here. We have got to find a better way to talk to one another and disseminating information through some type of news media outlet because without the truth people will remain in a state of ignorance. There are people who are willing to die because they do not have the right information. Mr. Rhynes also thanked the City Council for the great work they are doing but above all he is praying for a day when Valdosta and Lowndes County will fly the Georgia flag in the City to show respect for our members of the Armed Forces and the people stationed at Moody Air Force Base. He will continue to cry out nationally because he thinks it is an embarrassment for us not to fly the Georgia flag that has been approved by the Georgia Legislators.

Tom Daughtrey, 2409 Spring Valley Circle, stated that he wanted to let the Council know that there is a simple solution to this name change crap and that is what he thinks it is because it is not necessary. He has watched what has gone on around this City since he has been retired from several careers and travelled the world. He lived in New York City for 15 years so he knows a little about the street. When he retired he wanted to come back home to a good place and the place that he has loved ever since he lived in unincorporated Bemiss. He is originally from Hahira but he is a Navy brat and this is his home. He knew he was going to come back here and retire. He is a combat wounded Veteran of the United States Marine Corp. He has been following Rev. Rose and there is one thing that has really disturbed him and that is he had made a statement in the newspaper that if he did not get the right answer from the Mayor and Council he was going to get his Tribunal people and bring them to the streets. That is a veil threat and even though it was towards the Council, it filters down to him. You do not threaten him with insightful riot talk and that is what he was talking about. Mr. Daughtrey stated that his solution from last year is that they should hand the plate out at Rev. Rose's Tribunal and let them collect the money needed and pay for it.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mark Barber, City Manager, stated that the Georgia Municipal Association Annual Conference will be held June 21-25, 2019 in Savannah and he will be arriving there early in the afternoon tomorrow in case any of the Council members need to contact him.

The first annual Food Truck Thursday is being held today across the street. Everyone is encouraged to attend the event after the Council Meeting. This will be a monthly event for the next couple of months.

The Valdosta-Lowndes County Parks and Recreation Authority will be holding a great event planned for July 4, 2019. Fireworks will start at 9:15 p.m. and can best be viewed on the Valdosta Mall side between Exits 16 and 18.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Vickers stated that he and Councilwoman Miller-Cody attended a Lowndes County Board of Elections Meeting which was held early in June and there were a couple of things that came up in the discussion. One thing was that the Cities need to let them know whether we want to have Saturday and Sunday voting. The City Manager told him that the City Clerk, Teresa Bolden, is handling that now. The Elections people indicated

that the cost would be shared between the City and the County because of SPLOST and they will need to know by next month. He would like for us to have dialog with Deb Cox at the Lowndes Co. Board of Elections to make sure we get everything covered.

Councilman Howard stated that next week they will be starting a basketball league like they did last year. They are asking that the Mayor and Council Members come to the first game which is next Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mildred Hunter Center. This league is for children who have not had an opportunity to play on a basketball team before.

Councilwoman Miller-Cody recognized some members of the 2019 Lowndes Leadership Class who were in attendance at the Council Meeting.

Mayor Gayle stated that he had asked Mark Barber, City Manager, to give them a rundown on what has happened with the Forrest Street renaming process. Mark Barber, City Manager, stated that on Thursday, August 23, 2018, the Petitioning Group to rename Forrest Street to Barack Obama Boulevard presented a petition to the City Engineer Pat Collins at the City Council Meeting. The next week, the Engineering Staff took the petition of 114 signatures and began to sort through it and verify and confirm the names and addresses that were listed. That took about a week and then on Tuesday, September 4, 2018, he met with Mayor Gayle, Pat Collins, City Engineer, and members of the Petitioning Committee to review the results from the Engineering Department. He wanted to discuss the cursory findings of the petition with the Petitioning Group as well. The Committee Members that were present were told that additional work was needed to meet the 60% of the parcels located on this large corridor or 171 signatures. Also at that meeting, it was explained to the Committee that has been the practice of the City for over 15 years to allow one signature per parcel of land and that the signature could come from the property owner or it could come from that tenant or resident who was leasing or renting that piece of property. Additionally, it was explained that with a large corridor such as Forrest Street, counting parcels rather than people or residents would truly benefit the Committee in trying to get the signatures. There are far less parcels on Forrest Street than there are residences. If you start with a small base and you take 60% of that, then you have a lot less work to do in getting signatures and that is why that is important. Nothing that the City of Valdosta did as far as the procedure in counting parcels changed whatsoever. He will stand by that 110% and nothing changed. As a matter of fact, during this process and legitimately so, Mr. Rose did ask for Open Records Requests for prior street renamings. It was clear that nothing was changed for this Project whatsoever. With that being said, it was further explained that there are 284 parcels of property on this 3.8 mile stretch of corridor and that includes properties that actually face Forrest Street as well as some of the corners that abut Forrest Street. That was 284 parcels and that is something we can all agree on. We do not have to guess that and we really do not know how many residents live on this corridor to be honest; however, we do know that are 284 parcels and we can show that on the tax maps. That is a good starting point for us all to agree on. That is why, in practice, our Engineering Department chose that method because again, fewer parcels than people will make it a lot less cumbersome for a group trying to do a street renaming. If it is a small street like we have done in the past, it is not a big deal; however, when it is a huge Project such as a 3.8 mile corridor, it makes a big difference. Again, he was trying to stress to the Petitioning Group that counting parcels was the most beneficial way and quickest way for them to get the required signatures. Also, during the September 4, 2018 Meeting, they went through the findings of the petition. There were 114 signatures and 52 came from multi-family structures which are apartment complexes and things of that nature. That left them with 62 signatures. As they looked further at the 62 signatures, 22 of those signatures were illegible or a couple of them only had a first name or a last name so they could not verify much from that. They had a couple that the numerical address listed on the petition was not a numerical address on this corridor. They needed a little more information and so the City Staff created a spreadsheet which listed every parcel of property on the corridor. Once they found the 22 illegible signatures, they highlighted in bright yellow on the spreadsheet each one of the residents that needed a little something else. At that time, he even told the Petitioning Committee not to worry about creating a new petition and all they had to do was to go to these 22 residents and addresses and get them to sign on the spreadsheet. That was given to the Petitioning Committee on September 4, 2018. They also created a map and gave it to the Petitioning Committee on the September 4, 2018 Meeting because they thought it would make it easier for them to see where they could concentrate and get additional signatures. The areas highlighted in purple on the map were areas where they already had petition names for so the blank areas were the ones where the Petitioning Group could see and go pick up some additional names. During the first meeting with the Petitioning Committee, they were given all of this information and that left 40 eligible signatures at that point in time. The

Engineering Staff began to confirm and verify those 40 names which was done within a week. We were then waiting for the 22 names to come back to us so we could confirm those and we would have 62 names. That did not happen during those few weeks. He did not receive anything back from the Petitioning Committee; however, we did have several meetings with the Petitioning Group during the next month or so. Again, the discussion centered around counting parcels or counting residents and he back through the process of explaining that it was much more beneficial to count parcels than residents. The meetings were always very respectful and cordial. There was no type of ill will and they were just expressing what needed to be done to get the petition to the Council so they could have an opportunity to discuss and vote upon it. During one of the last meetings that he had with the Petitioning Committee, he explained that even if they were trying to use the number of residents on Forrest Street, 114 signatures would not be sufficient. Based on 114 signatures, the assumption is made that there are only 191 residents along this 3.8 mile corridor. The 60% of 190 is 114 so even if they wanted him to count residents, many more signatures would be needed. They had discussions back and forth about parcels and residents. There are approximately 180 single-family homes on this corridor. If you make the conservative assumption that there are two residents in each of these households on average, that is 360 residents and 60% of that is 216. He was trying to explain to the Petitioning Group that just on single-family structures, 114 signatures would not suffice. He was hoping to make the point that they only needed 171 if they would stick with the parcels. He was not even including the apartment complexes, commercial establishments, or vacant lots where the property owner can sign or not. If you go further and included some of the larger apartment complexes along the corridor, Woodland Terrace had 60 units, 1505 Park Avenue has 84 units, Forrest Cove has 32 units, and Perimeter Crossing has 20 units. That would be another 196 that is added to the 180 which is 376. If you made the most conservative assumption on that with one person living in the units you would need 226 signatures; however, more realistically, there would be two people per unit on an average, then the group would have to obtain approximately 450 signatures. Again, the point he was trying to make with the Petitioning Group all these months is to stick with parcels because it is the least amount of names that they could get. After that, they did not meet as much with the Petitioning Group. He did meet with some people individually who had come to the Citizens to be Heard portion of our Council Meeting. He did schedule individual meetings with them to explain the process and where we were at. The process was still open and he was still waiting for names to come in so they could verify and add to the 40 signatures. The last Petitioning Group he met with was Ms. Katherine Harris and Mr. Paul Ransom early in 2019 and he explained the process and what they needed. He felt confident that they could achieve the number of signatures needed. He gave Ms. Harris and Mr. Ransom the same information, the same map, and the same spreadsheet that he gave everyone else that came to talk to him. He even extended the timeframe to accept additional signatures to March 6, 2019 and he relayed that to Ms. Harris which was a week and a half after the moratorium had expired; however, he wanted to give a full six months so he extended the timeframe to March 6, 2019; however, he still did not receive additional signatures other than what was turned in on August 23, 2019. He has had the question asked about what would have happened if the required signatures had been turned in. The next step would have been that we would have advertised a public notice regarding the change of the street name and the time and place of the public hearing which would have been the night of the Council Meeting where they were discussing that. This is required by the City Charter and we have to do it three times within a 10 day period before it can come before the Mayor and Council. He was not able to do that because he did not get the required signatures; therefore, he cannot put it on the Agenda for Council. The public must be involved because you have to do public notices no matter what your opinion is of the process that we follow. The public has to be involved number one. He was not able to do that because he could not say that he received the appropriate number of signatures. That was the process that had been followed and he agreed with Councilman Howard that it is not a matter of right or wrong, but the process was not truly followed and he could not bring anything to Council without the proper procedure being followed. The City Staff went over and beyond, and once again, nothing changed in the process of this Project that we have not been doing for the last 15 years.

Councilman Vickers stated that he was the only Council Member that was here when they started the petition and he could tell them the history of it. They had done J. L. Lomax and Branch Street and a Council Member said that they might need to have an Ordinance so they got together and wrote an Ordinance. The signature part of it was the important thing because it let the Council Members know that 60% of the individuals that live on the street knew about the issue. That is what the petition is for. It lets the Mayor and Council know that the community is aware of it. He was not the one who proposed the Ordinance, which passed 7-0 vote, but he did not see anything wrong with it. We have used it 10 or 11 times during the past 30 years. They have had two cases with a petition and after Council got to the public hearing portion, they heard some things they did not know.

The petition helped get it before the Council and it tells him that the group of individuals did their work in letting the community know about it. There was a lot made about who Forrest Street named after and that has never been an issue with the Council Members. That came from the streets and the Committee and he encouraged them to drop that because they did not need that. He felt that the President that they were trying to rename the street after was tall enough to stand on his own two feet. That has never been an issue with the Council. Councilman Vickers stated that he has said that publicly here, in the newspaper, and to individuals.

Mayor Gayle stated that we have been without an Ex Officio Member on the Public Art Advisory Committee because he was supposed to serve as an Ex Officio Member. He is not an artist and does not know a lot about it so he wanted to ask Rachel Thrasher, Main Street Program Coordinator, to serve in his place as an Ex Officio Member on the Public Arts Advisory Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gayle entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate.

A MOTION by Councilman Vickers, seconded by Councilman Carroll, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to adjourn the June 20, 2019 meeting of the Valdosta City Council at 6:22 p.m. and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate.

Mayor Gayle reconvened the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:38 p.m. and stated that there was discussion of real estate in the Executive Session and no action would need to be taken.

Mayor Gayle entertained a motion for adjournment.

A MOTION by Councilman Vickers, seconded by Councilman Carroll, was unanimously adopted (7-0) to adjourn the June 20, 2019 Meeting of the Valdosta City Council at 6:38 p.m. to meet again in Regular Session on Thursday, July 11, 2019.

City Clerk, City of Valdosta

Mayor, City of Valdosta