



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Honorable Mayor Jason Lary, Sr.

Council Member Jimmy Clanton, Jr. – District 1

Council Member Rob Turner- District 2

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble – District 3

Council Member George Turner- District 4

Council Member Tammy Grimes – District 5

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: [Stonecrest YouTube Live Channel](#)

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Jason Lary

II. **ROLL CALL:** Megan Reid, City Clerk: All members present.

III. **COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. **COVID CARES Act Relief Fund Report** – Plez Joyner, Deputy City Manager went over the City of Stonecrest COVID-19 Cares Act Plan in full detail and shared plan virtually with the Mayor and Council. Final numbers are underway. Stonecrest COVID CARES Small Business Program – Plez Joyner shared presentation with Mayor and Council. A flow chart was included in the presentation to give a visual of the intake and selection process for applicants through partnerships with other businesses. Qualifications and elimination process was shared by Clarence Boone. 446 applications received, 138 awarded. Further discussion followed.
2. **Stonecrest Convention & Visitors Bureau** – After much discussion, Mayor Jason Lary informed that he would get with Clarence Boone and Attorney Denmark to create recommendations for DMOs and proposed structuring of Stonecrest Convention & Visitors Bureau for Council consideration. DMO needed ASAP.
3. **Announcement of Procurement Manager** – Mayor Jason Lary is pleased to announce Jacobs has hired Gia Scruggs as the City of Stonecrest Procurement Manager. Gia Scruggs made a formal introduction.
4. **Announcement of (interim) City Manager** – Mayor Jason Lary announces he will present several candidates with regards to either interim or permanent City Manager for Council to consider on our next City Council meeting February 22nd.
5. **Establishing a Tree Bank** – Chris Wheeler to submit policies and recommendations for potential tree bank and will work with City Attorney Denmark on legal side of recommendation. He will also work with Ken and Mr. Reed. Chris informs no definitive action until Council reads through what Staff has given. Will pursue an action next month.
6. **Baldwin Park – Final Plat Discussion** – Chris Wheeler informed final plat has gone through review process of staff and Dekalb County GIS and is ready to be approved by Council. It has gone through public comment section and staff will create recommendation for Council to approve later this month.
7. **Housing Study** – Chris Wheeler informed one of the work programs in the comprehensive plan asks for the City to conduct a housing study for housing affordability. Staff would like direction from Council on what type of housing study would the City like to conduct. Staff has done research and found the ARC has already done a housing assessment of the metro area. Chris estimates study will cost approximately 20k but he is still working on the numbers and will have something by end of month. Will have numbers to

share with Mayor and Council soon. Council Member George Turner requests a simple breakdown of plan in addition too expanded version. Mayor Jason Lary is in support of the study.

8. **Planning Commision Stipends** – Mayor Jason Lary would like Council to consider \$75 stipend each per person per month for Planning Commission members.
9. **Stonecrest Development Authority** – Mayor Jason Lary announced several members appointments have expired and he will reconvene with Council Members Tammy Grimes, Jimmy Clanton and George Turner in the next several days to decide on new appointed members. Council Member Jazzmin Cobble informed appointed for member in her district also expired. Mayor Jason Lary plans to reappoint member in district 3. Attorney Denmark will work along side Attorney McCray to create IGA agreement
10. **Announcement** – Clarence Boone announced an invitation for Mayor and Council and Attorney Denmark to attend a private Hard Hat Tour on the 11th of the month. The new new entity is the old Target and has been redeveloped. It will launch by end of April and Clarence Boon will leave it to developer to make formal announcement. Also, Stonecrest has been recognized by international developers and featured in magazine with 2 spreads.
11. **Continuation of 2021 Budget Review** – A date will be set by Council for agenda item “to be determined.”

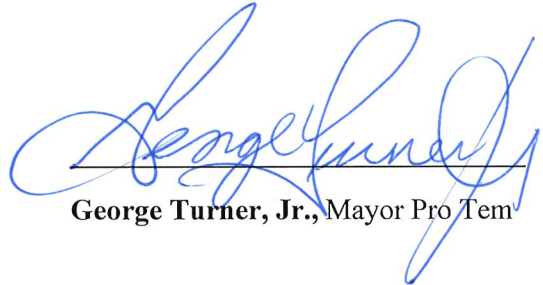
IV. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem George Turner adjourned meeting. All members agreed.


Approval of the February 8, 2021 – City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes

SO APPROVED this 24 day of May, 2021.

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA:


George Turner, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


Sonya Isom, Deputy City Clerk

