

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
May 14, 2018
6:00 pm**

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a **Regular** meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Puckett presiding and with Council members Coney, Griffin, Jefferson, Johnson, Roberts, Tillman, Webb and Williams being present.

Minutes of April 19, 2018, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Roberts made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Council Person Coney. Having a motion and a second, Mayor Puckett asked if there were any additions or corrections. With none being heard, called for a **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett welcomed all in attendance: Brad King and Shirley Brooks.

Mayor Puckett visited the Jessamine Place and thanked Shirley Brooks for providing a great tour and valuable information regarding functions of the Jessamine Place.

A communication was read from Penson and Claudia Kaminsky.

A communication was read from Dennis Jefferson and family.

Under reports of city officers, Mayor Puckett called attention to the calendar items. He asked if there were any questions of the department heads and with none moved to Ordinances and Resolutions.

Mayor Puckett called on Counselor Gill Braddy.

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Ordinance 18-1515**: an *Ordinance* to set fees for zoning map amendments as provided for in Section 13-2 "Application for Amendment" of Section 13 "Zoning Decisions and Ordinance Amendments" of the zoning ordinance of the City of Fitzgerald.

Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Ordinance 18-1515** Council Person Coney moved to approve **Ordinance 18-1515**, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Ordinance 18-1517**, an *Ordinance* to amend Article III "City County Planning Commission" of Chapter 20, "Planning and Development" of the Code of

Ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Ordinance 18-1517**. Council Person Coney motioned to accept **Ordinance 18-1517**, seconded by Council Person Roberts. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented the following Ordinance Captions:

- An ordinance to close to vehicular traffic that certain alley that lies adjacent to and immediately north of Lot 89 in Deerwood Subdivision, first addition, in land lot 180 in the third land district in the City of Fitzgerald, Ben Hill County, Georgia; to abandon said alley, to sell and convey said alley to one or more of the adjoining landowners according to the procedures established by law, subject to the reservation of an easement with respect to the maintenance, repair and replacement of all utilities located over, upon or under all or any portion of said alley.
- An ordinance to implement Title 48, Chapter 13, Article 3, Section 51 of the official code of Georgia Annotated "excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations" and to provide for the collection by operator; and to provide for administration.
- An ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, as adopted February 13, 1989 and readopted by Ordinance Number 1122 on April 10, 1989, specifically to provide for regulation of solar electrical systems.

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-010**, a Resolution to authorize and direct the Mayor to execute one or more lease supplements for a lease or leases under the GMA direct leasing program, and to designate such leases as qualified tax-exempt obligations. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-010**. Council Person Coney motioned to accept **Resolution R18-010**, seconded by Council Person Roberts. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-011**, a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of certain amendments to power sales contracts previously entered into with the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading, seconded by Council Person Johnson. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-011**. Council Person Coney motioned to approved **Resolution R18-011**, seconded by Council Person Johnson. Mayor Puckett asked if

there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-012**, a Resolution authorizing, approving and directing the employment of certain law firm to represent the City of Fitzgerald in potential litigation against contributors of opioid addiction crisis. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-012**. Council Person Coney motioned to approved **Resolution R18-012**, seconded by Council Person Johnson. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Cristina Evans

CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink is written over a solid horizontal line. The signature is stylized and appears to be 'J. Puckett'.

MAYOR