



**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 – 5:00 PM**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Waycross City Commission Meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 5:00 pm by Mayor James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present were Commissioners Diane Hopkins, Katrena Felder, Sheinita Bennett and Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson.

**A. Invocation:** City Manager

Invocation led by James Smart, Public Works Director

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Attorney, Huey Spearman, read the following for the record before. Alvin Nelson took his seat as Commissioner for District 1-

SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA  
Case No. S24A1386

September 13, 2024



The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

ALVIN NELSON v. HENRY STRICKLAND et al.

Appellant Alvin Nelson appealed from two orders issued by the Superior Court of Ware County on May 2, 2024. One of those orders granted appellee Henry

Strickland's petition challenging the results of the November 7, 2023 election for District 5 City Commissioner for Waycross, Georgia, and scheduled a new election for November 5, 2024. The other order denied Nelson's motion to dismiss Strickland's petition for insufficient process and insufficient service of process. We docketed Nelson's appeal of both orders on July 31, 2024.

Nelson has now moved for a stay of the superior court's orders pending appeal. Upon consideration of the motion and the responses from the appellees, the motion is hereby GRANTED and the orders on appeal are STAYED until further notice from this Court.

*All the Justices concur, except Boggs, C. J., not participating.*

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF  
GEORGIA**

Clerk's Office, Atlanta

I certify that the above is a true  
extract from the minutes of the Supreme  
Court of Georgia.

Witness my signature and the seal of said  
court hereto affixed the day and year last above  
written.

  
Clerk

**C. City Clerk to Read Section 2-66 (a) – Decorum**

Read by Jacqueline Powell, City Clerk

**D. Request Motion to Approve Agenda**

There was a motion made by Commissioner Hopkins to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**II. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS**

**III. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:**

**IV. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

**A. City Manager's Report**

**B. Mayor's Report (To Include Any Public Service Announcements).**

**V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:**

**A. Consent Calendar:**

1. Approval of Minutes n/a
  - a. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Monday August 5, 2024, at 5:00pm.
  - b. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday August 6, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
  - c. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Tuesday, August 12, 2024, at 5:00pm
  - d. Waycross City Commission Budget Public Hearing, Tuesday, August 13, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
  - e. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Tuesday, August 19, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
  - f. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

2. Ordinance Second Readings:

An Ordinance to Close Alley in the City Block Created by The Boundaries of Pendergast Street on the South Plummer Street on the West, Wadley Street on the North, and Wilkerson Street on the East; To Authorize Quitclaim Deeds; To Establish An Effective Date; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; and for Other Purposes.

3. Privilege License Renewals: n/a

There was a motion made by Commissioner Bennett to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Hopkins. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**B.** Privilege Licenses: n/a

**C.** Bids:

1. Request for Approval of Offer on City Blvd-Lot 3

There was a motion made by Commissioner Bennett to approve. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**D.** Ordinances: n/a

**E.** Resolutions:

1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve New Ameris Bank Credit Card Contract with the City of Waycross, Georgia, and to Authorize Designated City Officials As Users of the New Credit Card; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion made by Commissioner Bennett to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Hopkins. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Authorize Mutual Aid by Waycross Police Department and Ware County Board of Education Police Department Pursuant to the Georgia Mutual Aid Act; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion made by Commissioner Bennett to approve. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

3. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia To Approve the Sale, and Transfer of Certain Real Property Located on City Blvd Lot 3, Consisting of 1.96 Acres, Map & Parcel Number WA1902 036; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion made by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Felder. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**VI. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

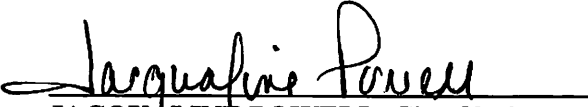
There was a motion made by Mayor Pro Temp, Nelson to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm

**CITY OF WAYCROSS**

**BY:**

  
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**MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**JACQUALINE POWELL, City Clerk**

