

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Transportation Advisory Committee

Councilwoman Tammy Grimes D5
Alan Burnette
Erica Williams
Ahli Moore
Bernard Knight
JW Eady

Calvin Lawrence Councilmember George Turner - D4

Darien Senior

Lowe Engineering Ex-Officio Kendra Price

Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: Stonecrest YouTube Live Channel

I. CALL TO ORDER: Erica Williams, Chairperson

II. ROLL CALL: Ashley Waters, Deputy City Clerk

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Councilmember George Turner nominated Erica Williams as chair for the remainder of 2022.

Motion - made by Councilmember George Turner to accept the nomination for chair. Bernard Knight seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember George Turner nominated Ahli Moore as the Vice Chair.

Motion – made by Bernard Knight to accept the nomination of Ahli Moore to Vice chair. Calvin Lawrence seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Tammy Grimes nominated Calvin Lawrence as Secretary.

Motion – made by Bernard Knight to accept the nomination of Calvin Lawrence to Secretary. Councilmember George Turner seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Overall limit for public comments is 20 minutes, limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Speakers can only speak once in public comments. Public comments are restricted to topics regarding transportation projects serving Stonecrest.

V. AGENDA:

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes June 2022

Motion – made by Bernard Knight to approve the June 8th meeting minutes. Ahli Moore seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

b. Initiation of DOT Bridge Scape Design

Councilmember George Turner provided a brief presentation of the Bridgescape ideas and encouraged the committee to begin the conversation about how they would like the Bridges within the city to look. He stated that GDOT has a plan to restructure all four bridges located in the City of Stonecrest in the next 6- 10 years. He asked the committee to set priorities and think of ways the city can distinguish itself and make a statement about who we are. Councilmember George Turner stated that he would be inviting someone from GDOT to come and present to the Committee or at the next Council Work Session.

Mayor Cobble gave a few words and thanked the committee for their commitment to and support of the City of Stonecrest. She encouraged the committee to think of uniform branding designs and mentioned that the City will have large pots of funds available to work with.

Bernard Knight asked if there was a central resource or book of designs that the committee could look at that gives examples and stated that would help move the ideas forward.

c. Freight Cluster Update

Councilmember George Turner gave a brief presentation on the Freight Cluster Plan done by the ARC for the Stonecrest Industrial Council. He stated that he plans to invite the person who made the original presentation to come out as an expert to explain how it works and its impact on this community.

Bernard Knight stated that the Atlanta Regional Committee started the Freight Cluster program and does only a couple studies at a time. The program is designed for the residential community to work with the consultant and the industrial/commercial areas to come up with solutions with designs to infrastructure, land use planning and resolve conflicts. He stated that if you want

the federal funds, you must have the freight cluster plan in place. He reiterated that this plan is designed to serve everyone and not just industry.

Councilmember George Turner suggested that they invite an expert to come out and address Council at a Work Session. He stated that the timeframe on this would be in the next 30 to 60 days.

Councilmember George Turner provided a brief presentation on South Metro CID Freight Cluster Plan. He stated that he would like to invite the Executive Director to come and present to Council as well. He stated that South Metro has seen value in completing this study, they are extremely functional, and they have received funds for projects. He stated that having these plans makes for a better community in terms of a trucking community getting along with the residential community. Councilmember George Turner stated that he would share the information with the members of the Committee.

Motion – made by Bernard Knight to amend the agenda and add the designation of a member to be responsible for contacting Georgia Department of Transportation and requesting a representative to come and speak to Council and the committee about Bridge design. Councilmember George Turner seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**

d. Designate a member to contact GDOT

Councilmember Goerge Turner stated he will be responsible for contacting someone at GDOT.

e. Member comments

No member comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion – made by Councilmember George Turner to adjourn. Calvin Lawrence seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting ended at 7:06 pm.

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