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### MAY 8, 1998

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District 7

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

9:00 A.M. - Commission Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Old Courthouse  
124 Bull Street  
Savannah, Georgia

#### II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Eddie W. DeLoach

#### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### IV. ROLL CALL

• At noon the County Commission will recess for approximately 30 minutes.

**V. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS**

1. Tybee Pier fees.

**VI. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

1. Appreciation for participants in Youth Rally and County Government Week (Commissioner Thomas).
2. Discussion regarding forensic pathologist (Commissioner Saussy and Commissioner Murray).
3. Consideration of RFP, County's water and sewer systems (Commissioner Price).
4. Mother Matilda Beasley Park beyond Phase I (Commissioner Rivers).

**VII. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

- 1.** Proclamation for National Tourism Month.
- 2.** Proclamation for ABATE - Motorcycle Awareness and You Month.

**Recess as County Commission and convene as Chatham Area Transit Authority.**

**I. Call to order.**

**II. Roll call.**

**III. Approval of minutes.**

**IV. Proclamation for Try Transit Week, May 11 - 15, 1998.**

**V. New business.**

1. Review the 1997 Financial and Independent Audit Reports.
2. Review CAT's first quarter 1998 financial statements.
3. Information on premium quotes for additional coverage on the excess-auto liability policy.
4. Information that staff is issuing a Request for Proposals for the operation of TELERIDE
5. Request Board approval to award a three-year contract with a two-year renewal option for Federal lobbying services.

**VI. Adjourn.**

Reconvene as County Commission

## VIII. TABLED/RECONSIDERED ITEMS

Unless action is contemplated at today's meeting, staff report and file material has not been duplicated in your agenda packet. The files are available from the Clerk. Those on which staff is requesting action are indicated by asterisk (\*).

1. Board consideration of action regarding advisory boards and committees. **Tabled at meeting of April 25, 1997. Further note: Assigned to committee at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
2. Board consideration on changing the County's fiscal year. **Tabled at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
3. Board consideration of modification to Employee Assistance Program regarding notification as to participating employees. **Tabled at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
4. Salary adjustments, Chairman Hair. **Tabled at meeting of October 24, 1997, until budget deliberations.**
- \* 5. Request Board concurrence for Jones, Hill and Mercer's (Chatham County's Third Party Administrator), to contract with St. Joseph's/Candler Health System, through the Savannah Business Group as the primary health care provider for Chatham County employees, retirees and their families. (See supplemental information provided.) **Tabled at meeting of April 10, 1998.**
- \* 6. Request for new beer, wine and liquor pouring license for 1998 in conjunction with new excursion vessel "Southern Elegance." Applicant: Eric M. Rahn, Winning Streak, Inc., d/b/a Southern Elegance, located at 618 Wilmington Island Road, formerly The Lightship Tavern (*for sales at this location*). **Tabled at meeting of April 24, 1998.**  
[District 4.]
- \* 7. Request for new beer, wine and liquor pouring license for 1998 in conjunction with new excursion vessel "Southern Elegance." Applicant: Eric M. Rahn, Winning Streak, Inc., d/b/a Southern Elegance, located at 618 Wilmington Island Road, at Sail Harbor (*for sales aboard the vessel while at sea*). **Tabled at meeting of April 24, 1998.**  
[District 4.]
- \* 8. Request from engineer for the developer, Wilmington Island Associates, to record the subdivision plat for Olde Towne, Phase 8, accept the financial guarantee and recombine the subdivision into the existing Olde Towne streetlighting assessment district.  
[District 4.]
- \* 9. Rejection of bids to purchase Henderson Golf Course.  
**NOTE: See "Second Readings" for item of reconsideration.**

## **IX. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL ACTION**

(Unless the Board directs otherwise, adoption of an Action Item will mean approval of the respective County staff report and its recommended action.)

1. Request Board approve the following: One Percent Sales Tax Extension Fund (1993-1998) Budget Amendment totaling \$1,785,350 to recognize \$800,000 reimbursement from City of Savannah and future transfer from General Fund M & O of \$985,340 for the Hutchinson Island Utility Extension project; a Special Service District Fund budget amendment to recognize \$71,040 in revenue from a Local Law Enforcement Block Grant and to appropriate \$71,040 for purchase of equipment for the Police Department; a Confiscated Special Revenue Fund Police Department Contingency transfer of \$3,340 for equipment for the Bomb Squad.
2. Board consideration of request from Darryl F. Petermann, d/b/a DFP Manufacturing Corporation, located at 101 Coleman Boulevard for waiver and refund of late penalties paid for tardy business tax certificate.  
[District 7.]
3. Request Board approval to surplus for subsequent sale three parcels of County property.
4. Board consideration of County funding for septic tank study. **Final proposal yet to be submitted from Health Department.**
5. Request Board approval to waive the 90-day hiring freeze and authorize Human Resources to advertise positions that the department deems more cost efficient to fill.
  - Jail - Clerical Assistant II/Cashier (one position)
  - Child Support Enforcement - Child Support Specialist I (one position)

## **X. ACTION CALENDAR**

(The Board can entertain one motion to adopt the below-listed calendar. Such motion would mean adoption of staff's recommendation. Any Board Member may choose to pull an item from the calendar and it would be considered separately.)

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 24, 1998, as mailed.
2. Claims vs Chatham County for the period April 16 through April 29, 1998.
3. Request from engineer for the developer, Eagle Development Group, to record the subdivision plat for St. James Place, Phase 2, accept the financial guarantee and create a Streetlighting Assessment District.  
[District 1.]
4. Request Board approve two revised contracts with GDOT for right-of-way acquisition for the Highway 17 widening projects from Bryan County Line to S.R. 204 (Abercorn) and S.R. 204 (Abercorn) to Dean Forest Road.  
[Districts 6 and 7.]
5. Request Board authorize the sale of the sewerage lift station for the Mighty 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force Heritage Museum to the City of Pooler.
6. Request Board authorize the Chairman to sign a grant application to the Governor's Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for a 1998 Edward Byrne Memorial Drug Control and System Improvement Formula Grant Program, and commit \$28,052 from the Police Confiscated Funds Account as the cash match required by the grant.
7. Request Board approve and formally submit the grant application (on file in the office of the Clerk of Commission) written by the Sheriff's Department. The grant application is in conjunction with reimbursable funds already approved by the Commission for continuation of a Statewide K-9 certification program and regional K-9 team and also to increase local K-9 response to explosive (bomb) incidents.
8. Request Board approval to apply for and receive \$51,900 in disaster mitigation funds from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and to create the position of "Project Impact Community Coordinator."
9. Request Board approve contract with Georgia National Guard for use of Armory by Board of Elections to train poll workers on new voting system.
10. Request Board approval of Quitclaim Deeds.
11. Request Board approval to award bids as follows: (Please note that new purchase thresholds of \$10,000 or more have been enacted; however, contracts and change orders of a lesser amount still will appear.)

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DEPT.</b>	<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FUNDING</b>
A. Approve surplus property for sale (see staff report for list)				Revenue Producing
B. Exercise the first renewal option to the annual contract for automotive repair parts to replenish inventory stock on an as-needed basis	Fleet Operations	Brook Auto Parts	Same terms, conditions and no price increase	General Fund/M & O - Fleet Operation Inventory Account
C. Change Order No. 2 to the contract to raise DMCA 13A dikes and install weirs, underdrain pipe and construct additional dike embankments	Harbor Maintenance	Tri-State Consultants	\$3,667,505.50	General Fund/M & O - Harbor Maintenance (100% reimbursable by GDOT)
D. Agreements to provide funding to Chatham County for construction of dikes and drainage structures in DMCAs	Harbor Maintenance	GDOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•No. 50927-23-00-005 - \$487,614</li> <li>•No. 50927-24-00-001 - \$406,020</li> <li>•No. 50924-00-002 - \$3,350,000</li> </ul>	Agreements make funds available to reimburse Chatham County for expenses incurred in maintenance of the Savannah River Harbor DMCAs
E. Forty (40) computers (less monitors)	Police	Dell Marketing	\$51,800	SSD - Police
F. 300 software licenses	I.C.S.	Entré Computer (MBE)	\$13,500	CIP - NetPlan
G. Amendment to lease/purchase agreement for the optical scan voting system	Board of Elections	Global Election Systems	\$8,395.32	Lease/Purchase - Board of Elections

## **XI. FIRST READINGS**

Proposed changes to ordinances must be read or presented in written form at two meetings held not less than one week apart. A vote on the following listed matters will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Comments, discussion and debate from members of the public will be received only at the meeting at which a vote is to be taken on one of the following listed items.

1. Amendments to retirement plan.
2. Open Space Maintenance Assessment Ordinance.

## **XII. SECOND READINGS**

1. Petitioner, Fran Williams (Realty Executives), Agent (for Perry E. Luten, Owner) is requesting that a 0.7 acre tract of land located in the 7300 block of Skidaway Road between Montgomery Crossroads and Ferguson Avenue be rezoned from R-1 (One-Family Residential) to a P-B (Planned Business) zoning classification in order to allow a retail “dollar” store. The MPC recommended that the request be **denied**. ***NOTE: At meeting of April 24, 1998, reconsideration was requested for this item.***  
MPC File No. 98-12104-C  
District 1.
2. Request Board adoption of 1998 Revenue Ordinance for Chatham County.

**XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Progress report on General Fund Contingency Account - M & O and the Special Service District (see attached).
2. List of purchasing items between \$2,500 and \$9,999 (see attached).
3. Staff response to State of Trees III report.
4. Presentation by Architect Pat Shay and staff comments regarding an alternative of relocating Tag Office to Southchase property.
5. Status of Mother Matilda Beasley Park construction.

**Recess to Executive Session, if necessary.**

Appointments - board and number of vacancies to be filled.

<b><u>Board</u></b>	<b><u>Vacancies</u></b>
A. South Georgia Hospital Authority Board of Trustees	1
B. Veterans Council of Chatham County	3
C. Housing Code Board of Adjustments and Appeals	3
D. Mosquito Control Commission	1
E. Development Authority of Chatham County	3
F. Handicapped Grievance Committee	4
G. Aging Services Advisory Council	1
H. Economic Opportunity Authority	1
I. Youth Futures Authority	2
J. Chatham County Zoning Board of Appeals	1
K. Coastal Area District Development Authority	1