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JULY 8, 2005

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### PRE-MEETING

Green Room

9:00 A.M.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER** (immediately following the Pre-Meeting)

Commission Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Old Courthouse  
124 Bull Street  
Savannah, Georgia

**II. INVOCATION**

Commissioner Harris Odell, Jr.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

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

**V. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

1. Proclamation to declare week of July 17 through 23, 2005, as “Aquatic Week” in Chatham County.

**VI. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS**

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**VII. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

1. Islands Community Church - see Agenda Item IX-6 (Commissioner Farrell).

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

**I. Call to order.**

**II. Roll call.**

**III. Approval of minutes.**

**IV. New business.**

1. Presentation of proclamation to John H. Jones for his dedicated service while employed as a CAT employee.
2. Request Board approval to award a three (3) year initial contract plus an additional two (2) year contract for a firm to provide Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Planning Service as specified in CAT's Request for Proposal (RFP) 2005OB. *(Note: It may be possible to amend the County's contract with Diversiplex to perform the required service.)*

**V. 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. Civil Rights Education Program.  
**At meeting of May 27, 2005, item was continued to next meeting on June 10, 2005.**  
**At meeting of June 10, 2005, item was continued to next meeting on June 24, 2005.**  
**At meeting of June 24, 2005, item was continued to next meeting on July 8, 2005.**

- \* 2. Purchasing Item H.  
**At meeting of June 24, 2005, item was tabled to next meeting on July 8, 2005.**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
H. Annual contract with automatic renewal options for four (4) additional one year terms to provide elevator maintenance and repair services	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	Otis Elevator Company	\$26,940	General Fund/M & O - Facilities Maintenance and Operations

## **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. Public Hearing as required by State law on the County's intent to levy a millage rate that exceeds the calculated "rollback" millage rate for ad valorem tax purposes.
2. Request Board approve a Resolution clarifying the millage levy for fiscal year July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006.
3. Request Board adopt the FY2006 Budget Resolutions as shown on the attached resolutions and authorize an employee cost of living increase in the following sequence: a) the County funds listed which exclude the General Fund M&O and the Special Service District, b) the General Fund M&O, c) the Special Service District, and d) an employee cost of living adjustment (COLA) equal to the amount funded in the proposed budget presented April 29, 2005.
4. Request Board adopt year 2005 Chatham County General Maintenance and Operations, Special Service District, and Chatham Area Transit District millage levy resolution pursuant to advertisement having been published in accordance with O.C.G.A. 48-5-32.1.

In addition, Form PT-35 County Millage Rate Certification and Form PT 32.1 Computation of Millage Rate Rollback and Percentage Increase in Property Taxes for Tax Year 2005 must be certified and submitted to the Georgia Department of Revenue for digest approval for the tax year 2005.

5. Board consideration of request for tax refund of Rebecca Benton for tax years 2002-2004 in the amount of \$2,906.83 for tax year 2002, \$32,235.14 for tax year 2003 and \$3,530.28 for tax year 2004, on property located in Pooler.  
[District 7.]
6. Request Board approve request of Islands Community Church to forgive or abate any previously assessed taxes for parcels 1-0004-06-27, 1-0044-06-028 and 1-0044-06-029.  
[District 4.]
7. Six-month review of land use history in accordance with Section 11-3 of the County Zoning Ordinance. (Information report.)

**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 for the pre-meetings and regular meetings of June 10 and 24, 2005, as mailed. **Note: Due to illness of Clerk of Commission, minutes of the June 10, 2005, meeting are not yet available.**
2. Claims vs. Chatham County for the period June 16 through June 29, 2005.
3. Request from Thomas & Hutton Engineering Company, engineer for the developer, Focus Development, Inc., to record the subdivision plat for Berwick Plantation, Tract A, and accept the subdivision agreement and financial guarantee.  
[District 7.]
4. Request from Thomas & Hutton Engineering Company, engineer for the developer, Southbridge Development Company, approve the constructed improvements for Southbridge at Berwick, Phase F-2A, initiate the warranty period, and reduce the financial guarantee.  
[District 7.]
5. Request Board approve an agreement with Armstrong Atlantic State University to formalize an action by the Board on December 7, 2003, for a County contract for construction of the intersection of State Route 204 and Arts Drive.  
[District 6.]
6. Request Board approve an Agreement for the Distribution of Special Purpose Sales Tax Proceeds from the 2003-2008 SPLOST to the Telfair Museum of Art for Capital Outlay Projects.  
[All districts.]
7. Request Board approve an Agreement for the Distribution of Special Purpose Sales Tax Proceeds from the 2003-2008 SPLOST to the Coastal Heritage Society for Capital Outlay Projects.  
[All districts.]
8. Request for new beer, wine and liquor pouring and Sunday sales licenses for 2005. Petitioner: Thomas E. White, d/b/a Grand Lake Lodge and Spa, located at 815 Southbridge Boulevard.  
[District 7.]

9. 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.).

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
A. Moving services for records from the Judicial Courthouse and "Old Jail"	Administrative Services	Port City Logistics	\$48,000	CIP - Bond Funds - Records Storage Facility
B. Renew the annual contract and extend it for one year for towing services	Fleet Operations	Sapp's Wrecker Service	No charge to the County	N/A
C. Renew liability and hull insurance for four (4) Mosquito Control aircraft	Finance	Phoenix Aviation	\$80,151	Risk Management Internal Service Fund
D. Contract for Causton Bluff Bridge Deck Replacement	Bridges	TIC, Inc.	\$321,422	M & O, CIP - Bridge Repairs (Pending Board approval of budget amendment)

## **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.

On first reading, presentation by MPC staff and discussion only by Commissioners will be heard.

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. Adopt new Animal Control Ordinance (see alternatives). *(NOTE: The County Attorney met today with several representatives from animal welfare organizations. Because of their last minute suggestions, the related agenda item will not be available until Wednesday.)*

## **XII. SECOND READINGS**

1. Amendment to Article VII of the Chatham County Taxation and Revenues Ordinance to add Section 7-707 in order to change the deadline for the filing of personal and real property returns from April 1 to March 1.
2. Adopt a new Ethics Ordinance. (*Please see memo from the County Attorney regarding hypothetical questions.*)

### **XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. List of purchasing items between \$2,500 and \$9,999 (see attached).
2. Roads and drainage reports.

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