

**MINUTES  
CITY OF CORDELE COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING – FY2022 BUDGET  
JUNE 15, 2021**

A Public Hearing on the FY2022 Budget was held on June 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m., Cordele City Hall Courtroom, 501 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Cordele, Georgia with the following present:

John Wiggins, Commission Chair	Jeanie Bartee, Vice Chair
Royce Reeves, Commissioner	Vesta Beal-Shephard, Commissioner
Wesley Rainey, Commissioner	Roland McCarthy, City Manager
Janice Mumphery, Recording Secretary	

**Attorney absent:** Tommy Coleman, Attorney

**Others Present:** N/A

**Media present:** Ricky Smarr – South GA TV; Cordele Dispatch – Neil McGaHee.

**CALL THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER** – Public Hearing called to order at 4:30 PM by Commission Chair John E. Wiggins.

**Commission Chair Wiggins stated the purpose:**

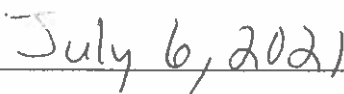
**PUBLIC HEARING:** To hear from the public on the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021. A copy of the budget is available for the public's review in the office of the City Clerk at Cordele City Hall. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-81-36(a), the budget will be adopted at the City Commission Meeting to be held in the Courtroom, Room 217, at City Hall, 501 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Cordele, GA 31015, on June 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No comments were made.

**CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING** – Public Hearing closed at 5:00 p.m.

  
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John E. Wiggins, Chair

  
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Roland McCarthy, City Manager

  
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Date

**MINUTES  
CITY COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION  
JUNE 1, 2021 AT 4:30 PM**

The Cordele City Commission held a Public Hearing and Work Session on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4:30 p.m., Cordele City Hall Courtroom, 501 North 7th Street, Cordele, Georgia with the following present:

John Wiggins, Commission Chair	Jeanie Bartee, Vice Chair
Royce Reeves, Commissioner	Vesta Beal-Shephard, Commissioner
Wesley Rainey, Commissioner	Roland McCarthy, City Manager
Janice Mumphery, Recording Secretary	Tommy Coleman, Attorney

**Staff present:** David Wade, Police Chief Lewis Green, Irene Cantrell, Fire Chief Augusta Telfair, Joy Causey, Debra Perry, Jack Wood, Sr., Jeremy Taylor, Debbie Wright.

**Others Present:** Mr. Rick Garcia, Lisa Garcia, Charlie Butts, Ricky Dawson.

**Media present:** Ricky Smarr – South GA TV; Cordele Dispatch – Neil McGaHee.

**Call to Order:** Commission Chair John Wiggins called the meeting to order.

**Invocation:** Prayer was rendered by David Wade

**Pledge Allegiance to the United States Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC HEARING OPEN:** Public Hearing was opened at 4:35 p.m. by Commission Chair John Wiggins. Commission Chair Wiggins stated the purpose for the Public Hearing:  
To hear comments regarding a proposed amendment to the 1999 Zoning Ordinance to provide manufactured and mobile homes as a conditional use in Multi-Family Residential Districts (R-4) and One-Two Family Medium Density Districts (R-7.5).

**City Attorney Tommy Coleman:**

Mr. Coleman stated, from his recollection the City of Cordele Commission wanted the final approval where a Mobile Home will be placed in the City. He stated that he and other staff with the City of Cordele came up with this Ordinance to include two Zoning Districts. Mr. Coleman stated that the City has to accommodate Mobile Homes and there has to be an Ordinance stating this condition. This Ordinance is conditional use, but it is different because in the past it has been approved only by the Zoning Board of Appeals; now the conditional use is applied for in the same manner, it goes before the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Zoning Board of Appeals then recommends it to the City of Cordele Commission to make the final decision. The City of Cordele Commission has to advertise the Public Hearing 15 days before it is held. Mr. Coleman stated that Mobile Homes will only be allowed in the two categories that are stated in the Ordinance. Mr. Coleman also said, every time the Zoning Code is amended for a piece of property or to make a text change, there has to be a Public Hearing.

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Commission Chair John Wiggins asked there is anyone here that is for or against this Ordinance and would like to be heard:

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Mr. Rick Garcia:** Mr. Garcia stated, Mobile Homes should not be permitted in City Limits, they should only be in Mobile Home Parks.

**City Attorney Tommy Coleman responded:** There have been some law suits concerning this matter, by the Manufactured Home Industry and a place has to be made for Mobile Homes in the Community. A person can vote on a particular Zoning Category, but the City is not legally allowed to give it a preference in the Community. A place has to be made for Mobile Homes.

City Commission Chair John Wiggins stated that the Commission is making a place for Mobile Homes conditional use.

**Commissioner Wesley Rainey:** Commissioner Rainey stated that the Commission addressed this matter a while back and the Commission created a special Zone for Mobile Homes; the Commission changed the Zoning Code; R4 would not accommodate Mobile Homes. Commissioner Rainey stated that R4 was accommodating a lot and the Commission gave a different Zoning Code for Mobile Homes specifically. Commissioner Rainey asked if that paperwork fell through the cracks.

**City Attorney Tommy Coleman responded:** Mr. Coleman stated that there were two Ordinances; if the Commission had a Zoning Code for Mobile Homes specifically, this would create a spot zoning situation, you would be able to put Mobile Homes into any zoning category and rezone the category R4. This Ordinance confines the Mobile Homes to the two categories as conditional use.

**Jack Wood, Sr., Chief Codes Official responded:** Mr. Wood stated that the City is attempting to get away from spot zoning and the way Commissioner Rainey is talking about would create spot zoning. Mr. Wood stated the Zoning the Commission initiated was RM and this zoning would have created spot zoning.

**Commission Chair John Wiggins stated:** "This particular zoning, R4, is only relating to conditional use and it has to be a specific use, you can't live in it and have a family. In other words, it has to be some other use for it. Commissioner Wiggins gave an example: There is a trailer that has been placed on 15<sup>th</sup> Street. It is a commercial building, an office building, and these are the kind of manufactured homes we are talking about; the single-wide, I don't think, it applies to this."

**Mrs. Lisa Garcia:** Mrs. Garcia asked; "Is this strictly Commercial Mobile Homes, that the Commission is talking about or is it residential?"

**City Attorney Coleman:** It is residential Mobile Homes; the Commission is talking about. Residential Mobile Homes does not go into Commercial area at all.

**Mrs. Garcia:** Commissioner Wiggins was talking about Commercial Mobile Homes and I was getting confused.

**Mr. Coleman:** This makes them conditional use in Multi-Family Residential Districts and one-two Family Medium Density Districts, not in a Commercial area.

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**Mr. Garcia:** So, what you all are trying to pass, is putting Mobile Homes within the City Limits, that is residential?

**Mr. Coleman:** The City is in need of brand-new Zoning Ordinances. The present one is old and cumbersome, but the way it works; you have a R1 Zoning, that will be larger house, \$300,000; R2 a smaller house, maybe a R3 is where you would get into very small multi-family neighborhood and that's where we will allow manufactured homes. "You cannot prohibit manufactured homes anymore. A place has to be made for them; you cannot just decide we do not want any in any place in the community. Mr. Coleman stated, he thinks that problem is Mobile Homes have gone in places within our community and without the Commissioners approval or knowledge or the Planning Commission approval, people have just moved them in the area and I thought that was the problem you all wanted to remedy. All Mobile Homes will come before the Commission to be approved.

**Public Hearing Closed:** Public Hearing was closed at 4:57 p.m.

**WORK SESSION – MAY 18, 2021**

**Begin at 4:57 p.m.**

**Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes, May 18, 2021:** Commissioner Bartee moved to approve the meeting minutes of May 18, 2021; it was seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the meeting minutes of May 18, 2021 were approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Departmental Head Reports:**

- a. **Finance Director – Joy Causey reported.**  
Proposed Budget will be presented later in the meeting.  
Revenues are over expenses \$635, 000.00
- b. **Fire Chief – Augusta Telfair reported.**  
One elevator entrapment, One EMS lifting assistance, Nine fire alarms, majority at the hospital where construction was going on, One brush fire, One smoke investigation, One structure fire, Two grass fires, One ventilation call, One gas leak investigation, One motor vehicle accident, One barrel fire.
- c. **Housing and Urban Development – Irene Cantrell reported.**  
CPC - The Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing on Thursday, June 10, 2021, at 10 a.m. to review and consider the annexation of 27 acres of land located in the Southwest section of Cordele. This property is owned by Daniels & Daniels Properties, Inc.
- d. **Chief Codes Official – Jack Wood, Sr.**  
Job Evaluation - \$5,148,577.00  
Permit fees - \$13,569.00
- e. **Personnel Director – David Wade**  
Presented the Man Power Vacancy Pattern to keep the Commission abreast of Personnel.
- f. **Police Chief – Lewis Green reported.**  
Robberies – one, Motor Vehicle Thefts – (1) 1 recovered, Aggravated Assault – 1 warrant issued, Larceny – (7) 7 other thefts, Burglary – (2) 1 residential – 1 mini

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storage unit; Incidents Reported – 76; Family Violence Incident Reported – (7) 2 arrests; Miscellaneous Incidents – 36; Motor Vehicle Crashes – (24) 13 roadway, 11 private property; Arrests Made from Incidents – 35; Citations Issued – 131; Warnings Issued 25; Total Calls 5.13 – 5.26.2021 715.

**g. Public Works – Steve Fulford reported.**

The culvert at 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue should be completed the end of this week, June 4, 2021; A culvert at 15 ½ alley, behind the car wash, will be repaired also; The Contractor for the LMIG Project has gotten the notice to proceed.

**h. UC&T – Debbie Wright reported.**

Water restriction are still in effect. A person can water their lawn between 4:00 PM and 10:00 AM. Tickets can be issued if residents do not comply.

**CITY MANAGER UPDATE: Roland McCarthy reported.**

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**A Cemetery Board Meeting was held on May 19, 2021.** The City Attorney attended as the Board wanted to recommend changes to the Cemetery Ordinance. A new Cemetery Ordinance will be forthcoming for the Commission's Approval.

**GMA meeting on May 26, 2021.** The topic being the ARPA Local Fiscal Relief Fund, guidance, timelines, and uses.

### ACTION ITEMS:

**Approval of a Beer only Consumed Off Premises Application:** Commission approval is requested for a Beer Only Consumed Off Premises application for Happy Mart, located at 513 East 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The applicant's name is Mr. Dineshchandra Barot. Chief Green approved the application on May 28, 2021. Pending your approval, the license will be issued. Commissioner Shephard moved to approve a Beer only Consumed Off Premises Application; seconded by Commissioner Reeves; the motion was approved with a 3/1 vote. Commissioner Bartee voted nay.

**Public Hearing Scheduled:** A Public Hearing for the City of Cordele FY2022 Budget is scheduled for June 15, 2021 at 4:30 PM at City Hall Courtroom.

**A Memorial for Edward Beach:** City Manager Roland McCarthy asked the Commission for suggestions on a memorial for the Former City Manager, the Late James Edward Beach. Commissioner Bartee suggested putting a white marble bench at the back door of City Hall on the left and to also put knock out roses on the back. By a consensus of the Commission, the Memorial for Former City Manager, the Late James Edward Beach will be voted on at the next Commissioner's Meeting, which will be held June 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM. Commissioner Reeves did not want the Commission to forget about a Memorial for the Late Robert Clemmie Gaston. Commissioner Shephard suggested putting a bench at Reid's Park in Remembrance of Robert Clemmie Gaston. Commissioner Reeves stated that the Commission will have to get with the Recreation Department, in reference to Reid's Park, this will be a county issue. Commissioner

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Reeves suggested calling the baseball field, Gaston Field. Commission Chair Wiggins asked Commissioner Reeves to take care this matter with the Memorial for Robert Clemmie Gaston.

**Installation of a Flag Pole at Bethel Cemetery:** Commissioner Shephard inquired about installing a Flag Pole in the Veteran's Portion at Bethel Cemetery. Commission approval is requested to install a Flag Pole in the front part of the Veteran's Portion at Bethel Cemetery. Commissioner Shephard inquired about whose responsibility is to put in flood lights at Bethel Cemetery; City Attorney Coleman stated, it is the City's responsibility. City Attorney Tommy Coleman suggested the City Manager, Roland McCarthy get prices on flood lights for all City cemeteries and bring back to the Commission at the next meeting, which is June 18, 2021, for approval.

Commissioner Reeves inquired about expansion of Bethel Cemetery, going South of the cemetery, purchasing the Haugabrook Property. Commissioner Reeves stated he spoke with the Haugabrooks and they are willing to sell that property. Steve Fulford stated the City owns all the property North of the cemetery; it needs to be cleared off. City Attorney Tommy Coleman suggested the City Manager, Roland McCarthy and Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director, Steve Fulford get some drawings of Bethel Cemetery and bring them back for the Commission to discuss. Commissioner Shephard inquired about the Historic District of Bethel Cemetery. Debra Perry, City Clerk stated the annex to Bethel Cemetery, which was previously the old Sell Barn, this property is in the process of being surveyed. Commission Chair Wiggins asked Steve Fulford to look into the land at Bethel Cemetery.

**McLeod Subdivision – CDBG 2020:** City Manager Roland McCarthy informed the Commission about the design of the sewer line improvements in the McLeod Subdivision. Mr. McCarthy stated he has researched the concerns the Commission had, in reference to, the Sewer Service at the McLeod Subdivision. He spoke with Crisp County Power about the electricity used for the pumps that will be placed on each house, the maximum cost is \$2.00 per month. Commissioner Shephard inquired about the pumps becoming dysfunctional, who will repair the pumps. Commissioner Shephard stated she is concerned about the long term of the pumps and how much will it cost for the residents to have continuous sewer service? Steve Fulford, Public Works Director, stated that would not be feasible to put a \$1,000,000.00 Lift Station in that area because there are only 59 residents in that area. Mr. Fulford stated this will create a new class of customers, in this case, the City can lower the residents' monthly cost to accommodate the \$2.00 per month. At the conclusion of the discussion, Commissioner Shephard was satisfied with the outcome of the findings.

## **ADMINISTRATION – FISCAL MATTER**

- a. Commission Review and Comments on the Proposed Budget FY2022 – City Manager Roland McCarthy stated that the FY2022 Budget is balanced. The Budget increased approximately \$750,000.00, that reason for the increase is the CDBG Grant that will be spent next year for the McLeod Subdivision.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS** – The City Attorney, Tommy Coleman explained the Resolutions and Ordinances in detail to the Commission. After a brief discussion of the Resolutions and Ordinances; by a consensus of the Commission, the Resolution will be presented

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at the next Commissioners Meeting, which is June 15, 2021, for approval and the Ordinances will be presented for the First Reading.

- a. Resolution providing for the adoption of a budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021
- b. Ordinance Amending the Zoning Code of the City of Cordele to provide for Manufactured/Mobile Homes; repealing all Ordinances in conflict herewith; and for other purposes.
- c. Ordinance Amending the Zoning Code of the City of Cordele to provide for Public Hearing by the City Commission
- d. Ordinance of the City of Cordele, Georgia, providing for an application and licensing process for Special Events to be held on City Property
- e. Ordinance of the City of Cordele, Georgia, regulating the rental or use of properties for events
- f. Ordinance Amending the City Code of the City of Cordele by adopting a New Ordinance entitled "Adult Entertainment Establishments"

**Old Business:** N/A

**New Business:** N/A

**Called Meeting:** N/A

**Adjourn:** With no other business to discuss; Commissioner Reeves moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.; seconded by Commissioner Bartee.

  
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John E. Wiggins, Commission Chair

  
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Roland McCarthy, City Manager

6/15/21  
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Date

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COMMISSION REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**June 15, 2021**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Cordele City Commission was held on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m., Cordele City Hall Courtroom, 501 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Cordele, Georgia with the following present:

John Wiggins, Commission Chair	Jeanie Bartee, Vice Chair
Royce Reeves, Commissioner	Vesta Beal-Shephard, Commissioner
Wesley Rainey, Commissioner	Roland McCarthy, City Manager
Janice Mumphery, Recording Secretary	Tommy Coleman, Attorney

**Staff present:** David Wade, Irene Cantrell.

**Others Present:** Velesia Grant, Charlie Butts, Ricky Dawson, Angenette Lockett, Kelvin Fulmore, Cynthia Rogers, Screaming Eagles Motorcycle Club, Isaac Owens, Davontae Hunt, Mary Beal, Maurice Kellogg.

**Media present:** Ricky Smarr – South GA TV; Cordele Dispatch – Neil McGaHee.

**Call to Order:** Commission Chair John Wiggins called the meeting to order.

**Invocation:** Prayer was rendered by Rev. Ricky Smarr.

**Pledge Allegiance to the United States Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Public Hearing and Work Session Minutes, June 2, 2021:** Commissioner Bartee moved to approve the Public Hearing and Work Session Minutes, June 2, 2021; seconded by Commissioner Reeves; the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Approval of Agenda – June 15, 2021:** Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the Agenda for June 15, 2021; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Mr. Kelvin Fulmore:** Mr. Fulmore has a vehicle repair business at 112 East 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Cordele, Georgia; he is inquired about the City Ordinances, particular with parking spaces in the Downtown area for businesses. He stated that Lewis New, City Codes Official, gave him an Ordinance that stated he has violated parking. He wants the Commission to inform him about the City Ordinances and Codes, in reference to parking spaces for businesses in the Downtown area. Commission Chair John Wiggins stated that the Commission will review the Ordinance and inform him of the findings.

**Ms. Cynthia Rogers:** Ms. Rogers stated that she is representing the Screaming Eagles Motorcycle Club on 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue. She is requested to be reimbursed for some equipment that she purchased for an event in the amount of \$676.72, she stated this put the Screaming Eagles in a financial disadvantage. Ms. Rogers stated that she was told “no” to a party the Screaming Eagles Motorcycle had planned and they had already purchased the equipment. After a brief discussion, Commission Chair John Wiggins stated that the Commission will investigate this matter and will let her know of the Commission decision.



**Ms. Angenette Lockett:** Ms. Lockett stated that she resides at 305 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Cordele, Georgia. She is appearing before the Commission to get some clarity of a section in the Ordinance and Codes Book, Chapter 4; Sec. 4-6, Disturbance by noise. Ms. Lockett stated the fowl, which is next door to her, is disturbing her with the noise. She stated she went to Municipal Court on June 8, 2021 and Judge Wright told her, her complaint was a civil matter and she would have to take it to Civil Court. City Attorney Tommy Coleman stated that is correct, Municipal Court did all that they can do; this would have to be abated through Magistrate Court as a nuisance.

### **ADMINISTRATION – FISCAL:**

**Commission Approval:** Commission approval is requested for Amendment 1 of the Fiscal Year Budget 2021, which will end June 30, 2021. See Attachment. Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the request to amend the FY2021 Budget; seconded by Commissioner Bartee; the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission.

### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES** – Roland McCarthy reported.

- a. **Resolution to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the City of Cordele:** A Resolution providing for the adoption of a budget for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021; repealing all Resolutions in conflict herewith; and for other purposes. This budget was presented to the Commission on June 2, 2021. The availability of the budget for public inspection and notice of the Public Hearing, held at 4:30 PM today, June 15, 2021, were appropriately advertised. It is recommended that this budget be approved by Resolution as it was presented to the Commission. Commissioner Shephard moved to adopt the Resolution for the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget; seconded by Commissioner Reeves; the Resolution was adopted unanimously by the Commission.
- b. **First Reading of an Ordinance:** To amend the Zoning Code of the City of Cordele to provide for Public Hearing by the City Commissions; Establishing the Criteria for Calling a Hearing; Repealing all Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; and for other purposes. Commissioner Bartee moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the First Reading was approved with a 3/1 vote; Commissioners Bartee, Shephard and Rainey voted aye; Commissioner Reeves voted nay.
- c. **First Reading of an Ordinance:** To Amending the Zoning Code of the City of Cordele to Provide for Manufactured/Mobile Homes to be provided as “Conditional Uses” in Section 620.3 and Section 625.3; Repealing all Ordinances in Conflict herewith; and for other purposes. Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Rainey; the First Reading was approved unanimously by the Commission.
- d. **First Reading of an Ordinance:** For the City of Cordele, Georgia, To Provide for an Application and Licensing Process for Special Events to be held on City Property; Rental or Use of Properties for Events; Providing for Conduct of Events; Repealing all Ordinances in Conflict herewith; and for other purposes. Commissioner Bartee moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the First Reading was approved unanimously by the Commission.

- e. **First Reading of an Ordinance:** The City of Cordele, Georgia, regulating the rental or use of Properties for Events, as herein defined; Providing for Regulatory Supervision; providing for Conduct of Events; Regulating the Dispensing and Consumption of Alcohol at Events; Providing License and Regulatory Fees; Repealing all Ordinances in conflict herewith; and for other purposes. Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Bartee; the First Reading was approved unanimously by the Commission.
- f. **First Reading of an Ordinance:** To Amend the City Code of the City of Cordele by Adopting a New Ordinance entitled "Adult Entertainment Establishments;" Repealing all Ordinances in conflict herewith; and for other purposes. Commissioner Shephard moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Bartee; the First Reading was approved with a 3/1 vote; Commissioners Bartee, Shephard and Rainey voted aye; Commissioner Reeves voted nay.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

**Approval for a Memorial for Edward Beach:** Commission approval is requested for a bench to be installed at the back door entrance to City Hall. There will be some landscaping changes around the bench at a minimal cost. The cost of the bench and engraving depends on your choice of bench. A 5-foot Marble Bench with back and armrests is \$3,780.00 and a 4-foot Granite Bench with no armrests is \$2,916.00. Commissioner Bartee moved to approve the installation of a White Marble Bench in the amount of \$3780.00; seconded by Commissioner Reeves. After discussion, Commissioner Reeves moved to make a substitute motion to approve the installation of a Granite Bench in the amount of \$2,916.00; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; Commissioners Reeves, Shephard and Rainey voted aye; Commissioner Bartee vote nay; the motion was approved with a 3/1 vote to install the Granite Bench.

**Approval for an Event Permit:** Commission approval is requested for an Event Permit for an event sponsored by Black Duster Motorcycle Club, a Meet and Greet. The permit is requested by Sgt. Dedra Davis of the Cordele Police Department. This is a large group of motorcycles coming to meet, greet and network. Event to be held on July 18, 2021, from 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM at 606 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street Cordele, Georgia. They are requesting to block off 10<sup>th</sup> Street between 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Chief of Police and City Manager have approved this event. Upon the Commission's approval, Sgt. Debra Davis will be notified. After discussion, Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the Event Permit; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; Commissioners Reeves, Shephard, and Rainey voted aye; Commissioner Bartee voted nay. The Event Permit was approved with a 3/1 vote.

### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

#### **Watermelon days festival:**

1. Cordele Farmers Market – Ribbon Cutting was held on June 10, 2021. Commissioner Shephard represented the City and Presented a Proclamation declaring June 10th as Commissioner Gary Black day in the City of Cordele and the County of Crisp.
2. This is your Life – Honoring Susan Leger-Boike is on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 7:00PM at the Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club. The City of Cordele Commission plans to attend.

**Police Department Grant:** The Police Department has received a grant from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council in the amount of \$62,500.00. This grant is to provide the Department with a Virtual Reality Training Simulator.

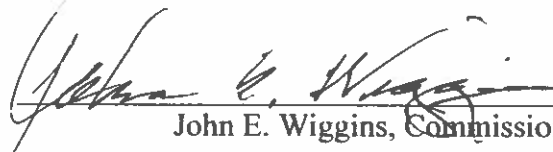
**GMA 2021 Annual Convention:** Registration for the GMA Convention began on June 8, 2021. Roland McCarthy registered the Chairman and Commissioners who wish to attend. Unfortunately, he was not able to get everything as planned but have put in for changes on the waiting list. At this time, he would like to wait until we see how everything progresses before reporting results.

**District 8 Election of Officers:** The election for the District 8 Officers for 2021-2022 was held and Commissioner Vesta Shephard has been elected as a District Officer, as the Third Vice President. Congratulations to Commissioner Shephard!

**Commission Approval to Close Laporte Drive:** Commission approval is requested for Griffin Concrete to close LaPorte Drive on June 17<sup>th</sup> and June 24<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 midnight until 8:00 AM. Griffin Concrete need to get their equipment into the gas station to pour cement. Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the street closure; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Executive Session:** Commission approval is requested to have an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Reeves moved to have an Executive Session; seconded by Commissioner Shephard; the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission,

**Adjourn:** Commissioner Bartee moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m.



John E. Wiggins, Commission Chair



Roland McCarthy, City Manager

July 6, 2021

Date



TO: Cordele City Commission

FROM: Roland McCarthy, City Manager  
Joy Causey, Finance Director

DATE: June 15, 2021

RE: Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Amendment Transmittal Letter #1

The proposed budgets for funds of the City are hereby presented in balanced form and summarized as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Anticipated Revenues</u>	<u>Projected Expenditures</u>	<u>Surplus (Deficit)</u>
100	General	10,875,021	10,875,021	0
275	Hotel/Motel	1,500,000	1,500,000	0
290	Downtown – Main Street	108,000	108,000	0
328	2018-23 SPLOST	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
335	T-SPLOST	275,000	275,000	0
420	COBA Bond Fund	589,981	589,981	0
505	Water/Sewer	5,595,388	5,595,388	0
515	Gas	2,307,168	2,307,168	0
540	Sanitation	875,000	875,000	0
603	Special Economic Development	4,000	4,000	0
604	Economic Development/Main Street	12,817	12,817	0
605	Home Trust/ CHIP14/CHIP18	306,015	306,015	0
606	Condemnation Fund	3,000	3,000	0
610	Health Benefit Fund	10,000	10,000	0
616	CDBG 19	750,000	750,000	0
785	AB Brannan Clubhouse	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>0</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24,221,390</b>	<b>24,221,390</b>	<b>0</b>



The purpose of this Budget Amendment is to re-align the City of Cordele Budget General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund to support the actual costs by Department.

A brief outline of the budget amendment is presented as follows:

1. Decrease the following General Fund division budgets as annotated for a total decrease of \$351,000.

11000	\$28,000
13000	\$30,500
15000	\$18,000
32000	\$253,000
61000	\$1500
65000	\$6000
73000	\$8000
80000	\$6000

2. Increase the following General Fund division budgets as annotated for a total increase of \$351,000.

20000	\$27,000
35000	\$120,000
40000	\$200,000
77000	\$4000

3. Increase 44000 (505-Water/Sewer Budget) by \$1,271,000 due to loans and grants received in Fiscal Year 2021.
4. Increase 73010 (Tourism Budget) by \$750,000.
5. Increase 10000 (Health Benefit Fund Budget) by \$10,000.

Respectfully submitted to the Cordele City Commission on June 15, 2021 by:

  
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Roland McCarthy, City Manager

  
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Joy Causey, Finance Director