



**CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA  
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**September 12, 2011  
4:30 p.m.**

**AMENDED  
AGENDA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. INVOCATION:** *Councilmember Hase*

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

**QUORUM: YES  NO**

**V. BUSINESS:**

**A. AMERIS BANK FINANCE AGREEMENT: *Police Vehicles***

To secure a loan for the purchase of police vehicles in the amount of \$120,000 at a 2.44 % interest rate

**B. 2011 MILLAGE RATE ADVERTISING: **CONSIDERATION TO POSTPONE****

Authorization to advertise for the 2011 millage rate

**C. RESCIND THE CATALYST DEVELOPMENT, LLC AGREEMENT**

Consider rescinding, repealing and annulling any contract, offer or agreement (if any) with Catalyst Development, LLC or Bryce Grafton previously considered May 24, 2010.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

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**MINUTES**

The Mayor and City Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia met for a Special Called City Council meeting on Monday, September 12, 2011 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

**PRESENT WERE:** Mayor Bill DeLoughy  
Councilmember Greg Bird  
Councilmember Deborah Hase  
Councilmember Sidney Howell  
Councilmember John Morrissey  
Councilmember Chuck Trader

**ABSENT WERE:** Councilmember Keith Post

**CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Steven S. Crowell, Jr., City Manager  
Gary Moore, City Attorney  
Donna Folsom, HR Director  
Bobby Marr, Public Works Director  
Robby Horton, Fire Chief  
Jennifer Brown, Finance Director  
Marsha Hershberger, Asst. Finance Director  
Jeff Juliano, Sergeant-At-Arms

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor DeLoughy called the Special Called City Council meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Councilmember Hase gave the invocation. Mayor DeLoughy led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Council roll call indicated a quorum of council members present for the meeting, and Councilmember Post absent.

Councilmember Hase made a motion to move item "C" to the first order of business so the attorney could be released. Councilmember Bird seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**BUSINESS:**

- C. **RESCIND THE CATALYST DEVELOPMENT, LLC AGREEMENT (MOVED)**  
Consider rescinding, repealing and annulling any contract, offer or agreement (if any) with Catalyst Development, LLC or Bryce Grafton previously considered May 24, 2010. The City Attorney requested rescinding any offers or agreements with Catalyst Development, LLC.

Councilmember Bird moved to remove the agreement between Catalyst Development, LLC and any other offers. Councilmember Howell seconded the motion. Councilmember Hase requested clarification for the record that there was no agreement. The City Attorney responded that there was no agreement because they were unresponsive. Council discussed it not affecting the bond or the current organization's deal and closing their deal before approaching the City. The City Manager clarified that the City was not involved in any deals with whoever the buyer may be. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mayor DeLoughy released the City Attorney for the remainder of the meeting.

**A. AMERIS BANK FINANCE AGREEMENT: Police Vehicles**

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Councilmember Bird moved to pay for the purchase of the vehicles outright instead of the loan. Councilmember Howell seconded the motion. Council discussed the option of borrowing funds or paying cash for the cars, revenues, fund equity and the department's budget. Voting was recorded as follows:

| <u>FOR</u>           | <u>AGAINST</u>          |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Councilmember Bird   | Councilmember Hase      |
| Councilmember Howell | Councilmember Morrissey |
|                      | Councilmember Trader    |

Councilmember Morrissey made a motion to initialize the agreement, but within a 6-month time frame ascertain whether or not the budget is projected to be healthy enough that it could be paid off. Councilmember Trader seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**B. 2011 MILLAGE RATE ADVERTISING: CONSIDERATION TO POSTPONE**

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Councilmember Trader made a motion to postpone until the regular scheduled council meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Councilmember Bird seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Bird moved for adjournment. Councilmember Trader seconded the motion. Mayor DeLoughy declared the meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Darlene M. Roellig, City Clerk