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**EMERGENCY CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 29, 2010, 2:00 PM**

Call to Order: The July 29, 2010 Called Meeting was called to order by Mayor David L. Jordan at 12:07 pm

Attendance: Mayor David L. Jordan, Matt Fields, Kenneth Roach, Mayor Pro-Tem Keith Turman, Clark Williams, Larry Bowen, Wayne Braswell and Gloria Brown, City Clerk.

Approval of Agenda: Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve the agenda; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

New Business:

A. Adopt Hart County Intergovernmental SPLOST Agreement and Resolution – Mayor Jordan:

Mayor read an email from City Attorney, Mike Green, Hartwell City Attorney, Walter Gordon, and Commissioner Joey Dorsey regarding the SPLOST IV and informed Council that there is a time limit to approve and return both the agreement and resolution in order that Hart County can call for the referendum. Mayor Jordan assumes this is the latest version of the intergovernmental agreement that the commissioners voted on, however the amount that Royston will receive has been changed from \$358,400 to 332,800. Mayor Jordan placed a call to City Attorney Mike Green as the percentage that Royston will receive has changed from 2.8% to 2.4%; Mike Green suggested calling Walter Gordon, Hart County City Attorney for clarification. Mayor Jordan placed Mr. Gordon on speaker-phone and he clarified that the amount was \$332,800 or 2.4% in the newest intergovernmental agreement that was approved by Hart County Commissioners at a meeting earlier in the week. Mayor Jordan said he would email to Walter Gordon the last census and LOST negotiation population figures for Royston, which shows 2.8%. Mr. Gordon assured Council at this time that Hart County would not direct how the SPLOST dollars are spent, but, if the SPLOST is passed, safe planning for budget expenditures would be after the 1st 6 months or the 1st part of the FY2013 budget year. Mr. Gordon will phone County Manager Jon Caime regarding the amount and percentage that Royston should receive and get back with Mayor and Council in a few minutes as he is unsure, as well, on the percentages and other specifics, which the commissioners will have to decide on next Tuesday night.

Mr. Gordon phoned and advised Mayor and Council he went back to his 2000 Census figures and indeed they are 2.8% for Royston. Hart County will apply the 2.8% to the 12.8 million for an amount of \$358,400 that Royston will receive if the SPLOST IV is passed and he will have the commissioners to amend the agreement next week at their meeting and hopefully list how and when the monies are dispersed. Mayor Jordan asked what would happen to any excess funds that might be collected; Mr. Gordon informed him that they would go toward County Projects and likewise with under-collections.

Mayor Jordan read the resolution for the Hart County SPLOST IV. Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve the intergovernmental agreement and resolution at 2.8% of 12.8 million or approximately \$358,400; Kenneth seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

In other Business: Mayor Jordan announced that a work session to discuss the revised alcohol ordinance will be held on August 16, 2010 at 6:00 pm at the Royston Police Department.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Keith Turman to adjourn; motion seconded by Clark Williams; motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

David L. Jordan, Mayor

Gloria A. Brown, City Clerk/Financial Manager

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