

CITY OF LITHONIA MINUTES—SPECIAL CALLED VIRTUAL MEETING Film Application Approval, "Heels" Wednesday, June 22, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Special Called Meeting was called to order at 5:46 pm by Mayor Shameka S. Reynolds. A roll call was taken, and the following City Council Members were present: Diane Howard, Amelia Inman, and Yolanda Sheppard. Darold Honore later joined the call during discussion of the film application approval. Vanerriah Wynn was absent.

II. Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Inman motioned to approve the agenda for the special called meeting of June 22, 2022, with the addition of an action item to establish the meal per diem for travel, the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Sheppard and approved by a vote of 3-0.

III. Presentation

Film Application Approval, "Heels": Harrison Boller

Harrison Boller (Production Manager) and Cryselle Stewart (Production Assistant) with Starz "Heels" Productions Season 2, requesting permission to film on Swift Street Downtown Lithonia on Tuesday, June 28, close Swift Street between Max Cleland and Main, Swift between Main and Born, ITC on Main between Wiggins and Swift, ITC on Rock Chapel between Main and Church, ITC on Center between Ruth and Rock Chapel, ITC on Conyers between Bruce and Rock Chapel. Asking for parking on Swift and Wiggins as well., from 12-4 pm or 2-7 pm. Asked if there were any issues or anything that went well to replicate based on their last time filming in the city.

IV. Discussion

Councilwoman Sheppard asked if business owners have been contacted, and if there would be any noise all encompassing. Harrison replied that on Thursday and Friday he would speak with business owners and residents and pass out notification letters, noise would not be an issue, all the scenes are driving scenes with a production vehicle recording, will also have a flagger for the train tracks to ensure safety. Councilwoman Inman asked where parking would be. Harrison replied they were not planning to take up much street parking on Main between Swift and Wiggins, have smaller units, 2 trucks, 2 vans, no base camp, 20–30-person unit, paying to park at the Wayfield lot and plan to compensate businesses for a few hours. Councilwoman Howard asked if the parking lot on Wiggins is a consideration to use. Cryselle replied yes for trucks and crew parking, will also pay a rush fee.

V. Action

a. Film Application Approval, "Heels"

Councilwoman Inman motioned to approve the film permit for "Heels" from 9 am until 3 pm on June 28, 2022, to include the rental of Wiggins Lot, the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Howard and approved by a vote of 4-0.

b. Meal Per Diem for Travel

Councilwoman Inman motioned to establish the per diem for breakfast \$15.00, lunch \$15.00, dinner \$20.00, and travel reimbursement at the standard IRS rate, the motion

was seconded by Councilwoman Sheppard and approved by a vote of 4-o.

VI. Executive Session (NONE)

VII. Adjournment

Councilwoman Howard motioned to adjourn the special called meeting, the motion was seconded by Councilman Honore, and approved by a vote of 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.