# THE CITY OF DALTON MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES WORK SESSION CITY HALL THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM APRIL 3, 2023

The Mayor and Council held a Work Session to discuss a draft of the updated Charter for the City of Dalton this afternoon beginning at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Present were Mayor David Pennington, Council members, Annalee Sams, Dennis Mock, Tyree Goodlett and Steve Farrow, City Administrator Andrew Parker, and several department heads along with Public Safety Commission Chairman Truman Whitfield and Commissioner Terry Mathis.

This meeting was called to discuss draft Charter, specifically the section regarding Public Safety.

#### DRAFT CHARTER REVIEW

City Administrator Andrew Parker gave an overview of the draft Charter dealing with Public Safety departments. Parker stated the existing Charter grants broad powers to the Public Safety Commission for hiring and removal of the Chiefs and confirmation/removal of police officers and fire fighters. Parker stated after much research and speaking with Georgia Municipal Association, the draft Charter provides for both Chiefs to report to the City Administrator but hiring and removal of all City department heads, including the Police and Fire Chiefs, would reside with the elected officials.

After a lengthy discussion where several voiced concerns including Chairman Whitfield, Commissioner Mathis and the Mayor and Council, all agreed to enhance protections in the Charter for removal both Chiefs and public safety employees.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council Work Session. On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the work session was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Bernadette Chattam

City Clerk

David Pennington, Mayor

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# THE CITY OF DALTON MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES APRIL 3, 2023

The Mayor and Council held a meeting this evening at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Present were Mayor David Pennington, Council members Annalee Sams, Dennis Mock, Tyree Goodlett and Steve Farrow and City Administrator Andrew Parker. City Attorney Terry Miller attended via Zoom.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pennington called the meeting of the Mayor and Council to order.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the Mayor and Council approved the agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

#### **MINUTES**

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2023. On the motion of Council member Sams, second Council member Mock, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### ORDINANCE 23-05 – RE-ZONING REQUEST OMAR AWAD

Ethan Calhoun, Community Development Officer of Whitfield County, presented Ordinance 23-05 the request of Omar Awad to rezone from Medium Density Single Family Residential (R-3) to Transitional Residential (R-6) a tract of land totaling 0.44 acres located at 843 McAfee St, Dalton Georgia. Parcel (12-218-27-004). On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the rezoning request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### ORDINANCE 23-06 – RE-ZONING REQUEST - JOSE ARIAS

Ethan Calhoun, Community Development Officer of Whitfield County, presented Ordinance 23-06 the request of Jose Arias to rezone from Heavy Manufacturing (M-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling 0.25-acres located 1503 Byron St, Georgia. Parcel (12-241-13-009). On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the rezoning request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### 2023 ALCOHOL APPLICATION(S)

On the motion of Council member Sams, second Council Member Mock, the following 2023 Alcohol Beverage Applications were approved:

 Business Owner: Diwan Capital LLC d/b/a: Diwan Food Mart

Applicant: Abdul Aziz

Business Address: 2201 Chattanooga Rd.

License Type: Package Beer Convenience Store)

Disposition: New

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#### 2023 ALCOHOL APPLICATION(S)

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 Business Owner: K Mart Inc. d/b/a: Qik-N-Ez

Applicant: Kirti Arvind Naik
Business Address: 705 S. Thornton Ave.

License Type: Package Beer, Package Wine (Convenience Store / Gas Station)

Disposition: New

The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### FY-23 BUDGET AMENDMENT #2

CFO Cindy Jackson presented FY-23 Budget Amendment #2 to adjust budget to include anticipated legal fees, transfer to Whitfield County for restricted Senior Center donation and supplies for eligible uses of OPIOID settlement funds. On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the Amendment #2 was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### RIGHT OF WAY ENCROACHMENT PERMIT - FOCUS DRIVE

PW Director Chad Townsend presented a Right of Way Encroachment Permit – Focus Drive Stating that Monrose Environmental is requesting a right of way encroachment permit on behalf of AMC Whitfield Holdings for the installation of a ground water monitoring well. On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Goodlett, the Permit was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

#### ARCADIS TASK ORDER 001 AMENDMENT FOR PRATER ALLEY

PW Director Chad Townsend presented Arcadis Task Order 001 Amendment for Prater Alley stating that the purpose of the task order amendment is to extend Arcadis contract to address plan revisions that arise during permitting, perform material submittal review and assist in consulting services that may arise during the construction process. On the motion of Council member Sams, second Council member Goodlett, the Task Order was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH ALTERNATIVE PROBATION SERVICES FOR MUNICIPAL COURT

Court Clerk Misty Wimpey presented the Contract Renewal with Alternative Probation Services for Municipal Court. Wimpey stated the request is for a renewal of a 5-year contract between Alternative Probation Services and the Dalton Municipal Court as a provider of probation supervision. On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Mock, the Contract was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

## <u>CONTRACT - NORTHWEST GEORGIA PAVING, INC. -RAMP REHABILITATION PHASE 2 AT AIRPORT</u>

Airport Director Andrew Wiersma presented the Contract with Northwest Georgia Paving, Inc. for Ramp Rehabilitation Phase 2 at Airport. Wiersma stated the contract is to complete a full-depth rehabilitation of the main aircraft parking ramp in the amount of \$1,518,057.20. On the motion of Council member Mock, second Council member Sams, the Contract was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was

Adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

City Clerk

David Pennington, Mayor

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Approved: 4-17-23
Post: 4-18-23