

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2024, CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL meeting of the Hopewell City Council was held on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

John B. Partin Jr., Mayor
Jasmine Gore, Vice Mayor
Rita Joyner, Councilor
Michael Harris, Councilor (Virtual.)
Janice Denton, Councilor
Brenda Pelham, Councilor
Dominic Holloway, Councilor (Virtual)

Councilor Pelham makes a motion to allow Councilor Harris and Councilor Holloway to participate remotely; Councilor Denton seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Joyner-	Yes
Councilor Harris-	Abstain
Mayor Partin-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
Councilor Denton-	Yes
Councilor Pelham-	Yes
Councilor Holloway-	Abstain

Motion Passes 5-0

CLOSED MEETING:

Councilor Denton makes a motion to go into a closed meeting pursuant to (A)(I) to discuss and consider personnel matters, including board and commission

appointments; the assignment and performance of specific appointees and employees of City Council, and to the extent such discussion will be aided thereby. Councilor Joyner seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL	Councilor Joyner-	Yes
	Councilor Harris-	Yes
	Mayor Partin-	Yes
	Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
	Councilor Denton-	Yes
	Councilor Pelham-	Yes
	Councilor Holloway-	Yes

Motion Passes 7-0

Reconvene Open Meeting

Councilor Denton makes a motion to reconvene an open meeting. Mayor Partin seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL	Councilor Joyner-	No
	Councilor Harris-	Absent
	Mayor Partin-	Yes
	Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
	Councilor Denton-	Yes
	Councilor Pelham-	Yes
	Councilor Holloway-	No

Motion Passes 4-2

CERTIFICATION:

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE §2.2-3712 (D): Were only public business matters (1) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (2) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in a closed meeting?

ROLL CALL

Councilor Joyner-	Yes
Councilor Harris-	Absent
Mayor Partin-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
Councilor Denton-	Yes
Councilor Pelham-	Yes (Silent)
Councilor Holloway-	Yes (Silent)

Motion Passes 6-0

Councilor Denton makes a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Joyner-	No
Councilor Harris-	Absent
Mayor Partin-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
Councilor Denton-	Yes
Councilor Pelham-	No
Councilor Holloway-	No

Motion Fails 3-3

Councilor Harris was called Via telephone, and the motion to adjourn was called again by Councilor Denton.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Joyner-	Yes
Councilor Harris-	Yes
Mayor Partin-	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore-	Yes
Councilor Denton-	Yes
Councilor Pelham-	Absent
Councilor Holloway-	No

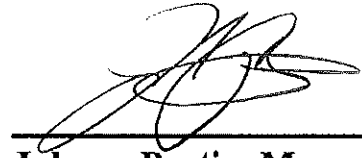
Motion Passes 5-1

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittani Williams, City Clerk



Johnny Partin, Mayor