



LAWRENCEVILLE

GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 24, 2025
7:00 PM

Council Chambers
70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

Call to Order

PRESENT

Mayor David Still

Council Member Bruce Johnson

Mayor Pro-Tem Victoria Jones

Council Member Austin Thompson

Council Member Marlene Taylor-Crawford

Prayer

Pastor Elijah Collins was present to provide the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Still led group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Additions / Deletions

Motion to accept Agenda as presented made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

Recognitions

1. Chad Jones and Dr. Edward Valentin

Mayor Still, introduced Chad Jones, and Dr. Edward Valentin with ReCast Board for receiving the Flame of Hope Award.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept prior meeting minutes made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

2. January 29, 2025 - Regular Meeting
3. February 12, 2025 - Special Call, Work Session, Executive Session

Announcements

Mayor Still recognized each Council Member who individually made announcements about events and recognition throughout the community. He then read from the slides for upcoming City events.

Public Comment

To participate in the Public Comment part of the Agenda, you must register with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. Presentations will be limited to 2 minutes per person and Council will not respond to the comment.

David Lapides spoke on the increased area of annexation over the next few years.

Consent Agenda

These are items on which the Mayor and Council are in agreement to approve and are placed on the agenda to be approved in one vote.

Motion to accept Consent Agenda items as read into record by Lee Thompson, City Attorney made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Council Member Taylor-Crawford.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

4. Janitorial Maintenance Services on an Annual Contract
5. Solid Waste Disposal Services on an Annual Contract
6. On-Demand Underground Electric Distribution Cable Installation on an Annual Contract
7. 205 S Culver Lease Agreement
8. Approval of Worker's Compensation Insurance Claim

Public Hearing New Business

Discussion will be limited to 7 minutes per side including rebuttal. Discussions on Zoning issues will be limited to 10 minutes per side including rebuttal. Questions and answers from Council Members will not infringe on the time limit.

9. RZC2024-00061; World Life Ministries c/o Henry Earl Bell and Erica Gwyn; 495 South Perry Street

Todd Hargrave, Director of Planning and Development presented this item and answered questions from Council. Mayor Still opened the Public Hearing, hearing or seeing no one for, or against, Pubic Hearing was closed.

Motion to approve rezoning of property to OI with the conditions provided to council and applicant in hardcopy by staff, in addition to changes made in meeting, which includes to Remove/Delete (J)(a) remove two (2) metal sheds, with the inclusion of (J)(c) Install a six (6') opaque wooden stained fence at the rear of property per the direction of Planning and Development Director, as presented RZC2024-00061; World Life Ministries c/o Henry Earl Bell and Erica Gwyn; 495 South Perry Street made by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Seconded by Council Member Taylor-Crawford.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

10. SUP2024-00097; Sosebee Auto Supply c/o Daniel Sosebee III; 905 Grayson Highway

Todd Hargrave, Director of Planning and Development presented this item and answered questions from Council. Mayor Still opened the Public Hearing hearing, or seeing no one for, or against, Public Hearing was closed.

Motion to approve rezoning to SUP where new conditions were provided by staff in hardcopy to Council during meeting, with changes made during meeting, (C)(4) where maximum square footage shall not exceed 256sqft. (G) shall read as: The Special Use Permit shall be specific to operation of Sosebee Auto Supply Inc. (Applicant) on the subject property, and in the event of a transfer, this Special Use Permit shall be considered for revocation following a public hearing. The Applicant shall notify the City's Planning and Development Department within thirty (30) days of transfer of property ownership and operation. (H) shall read as: In the event the property is issued three (3) citations by the City's Code Enforcement Department within one (1) year, 365-day period, this Special Use Permit shall be considered for revocation following a public hearing. SUP2024-00097; Sosebee Auto Supply c/o Daniel Sosebee III; 905 Grayson Highway made by Mayor Still, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

Council Business Old Business

There is no public comment during this section of the agenda unless formally requested by the Mayor and the Council.

11. Approval to Amend Chapter 26 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions

John Mullin, Chief of Police presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to adopt the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 26 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions made by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Seconded by Council Member Thompson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

12. Approval to Amend Chapter 28 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Parks and Recreation

John Mullin, Chief of Police presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to adopt the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 28 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Parks and Recreation by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

13. Approval to Amend Chapter 36 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Traffic and Motor Vehicles

John Mullin, Chief of Police presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to adopt the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 36 of the code of ordinances to update provisions related to Traffic and Motor Vehicles made by Council Member Taylor-Crawford, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

Council Business New Business

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14. Acquisition of 245 West Crogan Street

Chuck Warbington, City Manager presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to approve contract for Acquisition of 245 West Crogan Street in the amount of \$1,030,000, and authorize the Mayor or City Manager to sign documents made by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

15. Buford Drive Natural Gas Plastic Replacement Project

Todd Hardigree, Gas Director presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to approve to rescind the award of Buford Drive Natural Gas Plastic Replacement Project to the low bidder Southern Utility Group, LLC and re-award to the second lowest bidder W. L. Griffin Company, LLC in the amount of \$237,739.80 and authorize Mayor or City Manager to sign documents made by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Seconded by Council Member Thompson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

Final Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

Minute Signatures

David R. Still, Mayor

Karen Pierce, City Clerk