

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Skip Baliles called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

A. Invocation and Pledge to the Flag

Pastor Ronnie Kendall with First Baptist Loganville gave the invocation. The pledge to the flag was led by Pastor Ronnie Kendall, Dan Curry and Boy Scouts.

Mayor Skip Baliles presented Pastor Kendall with a proclamation recognizing his leadership at FBCL for the past 36 years.

B. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Skip Baliles

Council Member Bill DuVall

Council Member Anne Huntsinger

Council Member Melanie Long

Council Member Lisa Newberry

Council Member Branden Whitfield

Council Member Patti Wolfe

C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Huntsinger to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. McNair McLemore Middlebrooks & CO FY 2025 audit Engagement Letter - (100-1510-521203 / 505-4400-521203)
- B. Covington Street Stormwater Project - Change Order \$12,591.02 (371-6500-541300 ARPA / 375-4320-541400 Capital Recovery Fund)
- C. Granite Lane Stormwater Project - \$10,400.00 (375-4320-541400) Capital Recovery Fund
- D. IGA - City of Snellville
- E. Library IGA - Amendment 1
- F. Last Month's Minutes

G. Last Month's Financial Report Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.
Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

3. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. Case # R24-034-** Kittle Homes, filed an application to rezone 26.07+/- acres located at 4615 Atlanta Hwy. Map/Parcel #LG110187, LG110187A00, LG110185C00 and LG110185B00, Walton County, Georgia. The property owner is Camp Family Partnership LLC. The current zoning is CH. The requested zoning is RM-6 for a development of new town-homes.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry made a motion to deny the rezoning request.
Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe
Voting Nay: Council Member Huntsinger

Motion carried 5-1.

- B. Case #R24-036** – Walker Anderson Homes, LLC, filed an application to rezone 13.15+/- acres located on Pecan Street. Map/Parcel #5160 030, 5160 032 and 5160 281, Gwinnett County, Georgia. The property owner is Linda Knight.. The current zoning is CH. The requested zoning is RM-6 for the development of fee simple town-homes.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry made a motion to deny the rezoning request.
Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe
Voting Nay: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger

Motion carried 4-2.

- C. A24-023** - Uprise Development LLC, requests annexation of property located at 4332 Tom Brooks Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #C0040009A00, Walton County, GA. 9.34+/- acres.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to table this case until the April meeting. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

- D. Case #A24-025** - Uprise Development LLC, requests annexation of property located at 4332 Tom Brooks Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #R4216 001, Gwinnett County, GA. 0.83+/- acres.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to table this case until the April meeting. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

- E. Case #A24-027** - Uprise Development LLC, requests annexation of property located at 4550 Tuck Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #C0040009, Walton County, GA. 47.15+/- acres.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to table this case until the April meeting. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

- F. Case # R24-024** – Uprise Development, LLC, filed an application to rezone 9.34+/- acres located on 4332 Tom Brook Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #C004009A00, Walton County, Georgia, 47.15+/- acres located on 4550 Tuck Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #C0040009, Walton County, Georgia. 0.83+/- acres located on 4332 Tom Brook Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #R4216 001, Gwinnett County, Georgia. 2.53+/- acres located on 4500 Tuck Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #LG060188. 8.07 +/- acres located on Tuck Road Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #LG060189. The property owners are TN Brooks, O H Brooks/Benny Stephenson, Trustee, Marson Holdings LLC and Uprise Development LLC. The current zoning is A2/B3/R100/CH/Vacant. The requested zoning is PUV for the development of a planned urban village.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to table this case until the April meeting. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

- G. Case #R25-001** – Manor Restorations LLC files an application to rezone 9.80 +/- acres located on Pecan Street Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #LG040014A00, Walton County, Georgia. The property owner is Marie Womble, David Garrett and Deeann Miller. The current zoning is R16. The requested zoning is RM-6 for the development of a 44-townhome community.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to table this case until the April meeting. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

- H. Case #25-002** – Amend Sec. 119-177(3)(c) of the City of Loganville Zoning Ordinance regarding places of religious worship in residential zoning districts to comply with Section 119-216 of the Zoning ordinance.

Sec. 119-177(3)(c) Churches, synagogues, chapels and other places of religious worship and instruction located in residential zoned districts shall comply with all building and lot standards, including but not limited to building setbacks, maximum impervious surface area, building sizes, etc, of the **Office and Institutional** commercial zoning district outlined in **Section 119-216** of the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to approve the amendment as presented. Seconded by Council Member Huntsinger.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

4. CITY ATTORNEY'S UPDATES / REPORTS

- A. Discussion / Approval - Moratorium regarding Rezoning and Annexation Applications**

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to reaffirm the moratorium as approve on Monday. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Voting Nay: Council Member Huntsinger

Motion carried 5-1.

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal read an announcement from the Azalea Regional Library System has been awarded an additional \$1 million dollars grant for the construction of the Library that includes \$900,000 in funding with a \$100,000 match from the Library System. He also announced that they plan on having a ground breaking ceremony within the next 60 days.

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal explained to the Council about the local legislation that was dropped by the local delegation Representatives Martinez, Williamson and Fleming to undo the City's opt out of HB581. This bill was introduced without prior knowledge or input to any of the Cities of Walton County. It will put in place a similar homestead exemption cap as HB581 that tracks CPI plus a quarter point. If passed by 2/3 of both houses and signed by the Governor, a referendum would be placed on the November ballot and if approved would go into effect January 1, 2026. This does not affect school board assessments or the County assessments. It only applies to the Cities of Walton County.

Motion made by Council Member Huntsinger as a result of this action to pause pursuing a raise of the City's Homestead Exemption as voting on at the February meeting. Seconded by Council Member Newberry.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

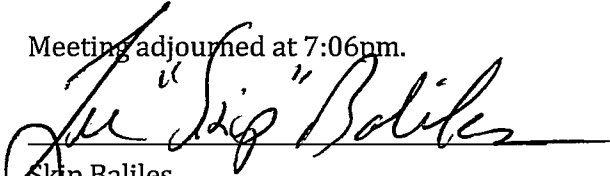
Motion carried 6-0.

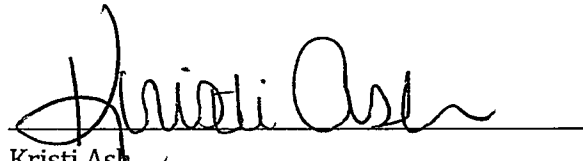
5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Huntsinger to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Newberry.
Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06pm.


Skip Baliles
Mayor


Kristi Ash
Deputy Clerk