CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers, City Hall
Monday, May 05, 2025 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

Peyton Jamison, **Mayor**

CITY COUNCIL

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3
Andrea Verhoff – Post 1	Juliette Johnson – Post 1	Jan C. Jacobus – Post 1
Carol Cookerly – Post 2	Doug Hene – Post 2	Phil Cranmer – Post 2

INVOCATION

1) CALL TO ORDER

2) ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Mayor Peyton Jamison
Council Member Andrea Verhoff
Council Member Juliette Johnson
Council Member Carol Cookerly
Council Member Jan Jacobus
Council Member Phil Cranmer

ABSENT
Council Member Doug Hene

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*Led by Mayor Peyton Jamison*)

4) APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA *(Add or remove items from the agenda)* **(Agenda Item No. 25-104)**

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Jacobus and Seconded by Council Member Cookerly to approve the meeting agenda (Agenda Item No 25-104) with the following amendment:

- Add an Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel and litigation

- The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Councilmember Doug Hene

5) PUBLIC COMMENT (General)

6) CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the April 28, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
(Agenda Item No, 25-105)
(Tammy Lowit, City Clerk)

B. Approval of an Agreement between the City of Milton and Selig Enterprises, Inc. dba AAA Parking for Operation of Parking Services for the 2025 Meet the Neighbors Event.
(Agenda Item No. 25-106)
(Tom McKlveen, Parks & Recreation Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cookerly, Seconded by Council Member Johnson. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

7) REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation Recognizing National Music Week As Well As Talented Performers and Those Dedicated to Sharing This Impactful Art Form.
(Mayor Peyton Jamison)

B. Proclamation Recognizing Older Americans Month.
(Mayor Peyton Jamison)

C. Proclamation Recognizing Police Week in Milton.
(Mayor Peyton Jamision)

D. Proclamation Recognizing the 56th Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week.
(Mayor Peyton Jamision)

8) FIRST PRESENTATION

A. Consideration of RZ25-07 Text Amendment to Article 1 Introductory Provisions, Article 7B Deerfield Form Based Code, Article 8 Use Provisions, Article 9 Site Development and Article 13 Definitions regarding changes to development requirements, uses, signage, incentives, and the Regulating Plan (Zoning Map) for the Deerfield Form Based Code.
(Agenda Item No. 25-107)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Jacobus and Seconded by Council Member Cranmer to approve the First Presentation item as read. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Councilmember Doug Hene

9) PUBLIC HEARING

A. Consideration of the Issuance of an Alcohol Beverage License to Vice Restaurant Group LLC dba Smash by Vice, 3100 Heritage Walk, Suite 101, Milton, Georgia 30004.
(Agenda Item No. 25-108)
(Bernadette Harvill, Deputy City Manager)

B. Consideration of the Issuance of an Alcohol Beverage License to Vice Restaurant Group LLC dba Vice Steakbar, 3000 Heritage Walk, Suite 101, Milton, Georgia 30004.
(Agenda Item No. 25-109)
(Bernadette Harvill, Deputy City Manager)

C. Consideration of Primary Variance-V25-10 at Freemanville Road - Parcel ID 22 439004550087, 0 Freemanville Road - Parcel ID 22 439004550152 Milton, Georgia 30004 by David Chatham to Request a Primary Variance to: **Sec. 3.1.4.A**. – Unified Development Code To Reduce the 60 feet Minimum Front Yard to 50 Feet for Thirty-Six (36) Total Lots In the Proposed Blakley Manor Subdivision.
(Agenda Item No. 25-110)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

One (1) Public Comment:
1. Scott Reece

D. Consideration of Primary Variance-**V25-11** at 13175 Hopewell Road, Milton, Georgia 30004 A Request by Thomas Fuqua Jr. to Request Primary Variances to:
Sec. 4.4.4.A. – Unified Development Code To Reduce the 50 Feet Minimum Front Yard to 35 Feet for Eleven (11) Total Lots for the Proposed Crescent Ridge Subdivision;
Sec. 4.4.3.A. – Unified Development Code To Reduce the 100 Feet Minimum Lot Width to 88.98 Feet for Lot 5 of the Proposed Crescent Ridge Subdivision;
Sec. 4.4.3.A. – Unified Development Code To Reduce the 100 Feet Minimum Lot Width to 85.44 Feet For Lot 6 of the Proposed Crescent Ridge Subdivision; and
Sec. 4.4.3.A. – Unified Development Code To Reduce the 100 Feet Minimum Lot Width to 93.19 Feet for Lot 7 of the Proposed Crescent Ridge Subdivision.
(Agenda Item No. 25-111)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

One (1) Public Comment:
1. Scott Reece

10) ZONING AGENDA

A. Consideration of **U25-01** Located at 12900 Arnold Mill Road zoned AG-1 (Agricultural) to Request a Use Permit for a Rural Event Facility (Sec. 8.7.1.H of the UDC) for a Maximum of 300 Attendees Within the Existing 23,000 Square Foot Activity Center on a 6.61-Acre Property.
(Agenda Item No, 25-099)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

One (1) Public Comment In-Support:
1. Michael McGwier - Applicant - In-support

Three (3) Public Comment In-Opposition:
1. Samantha Evans
2. Ryan Evans
3. Ruthie Ellis

'In-Support' Side used 6.5/10 minutes - leaving 3:51 mins for rebuttal

'In-Opposition' exceeded 10:00/10:00 mins by 14 seconds

CM Cookerly made a motion to approve extending time to opposition by 3:00 mins, CM Jacobus seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0) **NOTE:** Opposition used 2:30/3:00 mins.

'In-Support' side was allotted the following:
3:51 - initial time remaining for rebuttal, (plus)
14 seconds - overage of opposition, (plus)
3:00 mins - (approved by council to opposition)
Total Rebuttal time allotted = 7:00 minutes
Support used 5:30/7:00 minutes.

Motion made by Councilmember Cookerly and Seconded by Councilmember Jacobus to **Defer** Agenda Item No. 25-099 to the May 19, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting. The motion passed (6-0).
Note: *City Attorney, Ken Jarrard confirmed that NO Public Hearing for Agenda Item No. 25-099 would be held on the May 19, 2025 Meeting and that Agenda Item No. 25-099 would only be decided upon by council vote under Zoning Agenda.*

B. Consideration of **RZ25-01** - A Text Amendment to Article 6 Special Purpose District of the Unified Development Code for the City of Milton, Georgia to Add Regulations with Respect to a New Arnold Mill Road Hamlet Overlay.
(Agenda Item No, 25-100)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cranmer and Seconded by Council Member Jacobus. The motion passed (5/1).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

Voting Nay: Council Member Cookerly

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

C. Consideration of **RZ25-03** Article 12 Administration, Sec. 12.8.6.E Demolition Permits, Public Hearing to Amend Notification Requirements to the Unified Development Code for the City of Milton, Ga.
(Agenda Item No, 25-101)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cookerly and Seconded by Council Member Johnson. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council

Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

D. Consideration of **RZ25-04** Article 9 Site Development, Specifically Adding 9.1.4.A.8 to Clarify Parking of Commercial Vehicles and Equipment within Agricultural and Single-Family districts and Modifying Sec. 9.1.6.C. Heavy Construction to the Unified Development Code for the City of Milton, Ga.
(Agenda Item No, 25-102)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Jacobus and Seconded by Council Member Verhoff. The motion passed (5/1).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

Voting Nay: Council Member Johnson

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12) NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of the Issuance of an Alcohol Beverage License to Vice Restaurant Group LLC dba Smash by Vice, 3100 Heritage Walk, Suite 101, Milton, Georgia 30004.
(Agenda Item No. 25-108)
(Bernadette Harvill, Deputy City Manager)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cookerly and Seconded by Council Member Johnson to approve Agenda Item No. 25-108. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

B. Consideration of the Issuance of an Alcohol Beverage License to Vice Restaurant Group LLC dba Vice Steakbar, 3000 Heritage Walk, Suite 101, Milton, Georgia 30004.
(Agenda Item No. 25-109)
(Bernadette Harvill, Deputy City Manager)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cranmer and Seconded by Council Member Jacobus approved Agenda Item No. 25-109. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

C. Consideration of Primary Variance-V25-10 at Freemanville Road - Parcel ID 22 439004550087, 0 Freemanville Road - Parcel ID 22 439004550152 Milton, Georgia 30004 by David Chatham to Request a Primary Variance to:
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(Agenda Item No. 25-110)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cookerly and Seconded by Council Member Jacobus to approve Agenda Item No. 25-110. The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

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(Agenda Item No. 25-111)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cookerly and Seconded by Council Member Cranmer to approve Agenda Item No. 25-111). The motion passed (6/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

E. Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt the Arnold Mill Road Small Area Plan for the Arnold Mill Character Area.
(Agenda Item No, 25-112)
(Diana Wheeler, Interim Community Development Director)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Jacobus and Seconded by Council Member Cranmer to approve Agenda Item No. 25-112. The motion passed (5/1).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Jacobus, Council Member Cranmer

Voting Nay: Council Member Cookerly

ABSENT from the vote: Council Member Doug Hene

13) MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

14) STAFF REPORTS

15) EXECUTIVE SESSION (*Land Acquisition, Personnel, Litigation, if needed*)

Motion and Vote: Council Member Cranmer moved to adjourn into Executive Session at 9:30 pm. Councilmember Verhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

ABSENT from the Vote: Councilmember Doug Hene.

RECONVENE

Motion and Vote: Council Member Cranmer moved to reconvene into the Regular Meeting at 10:47pm. Council Member Jacobus seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, and Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the Vote: Council Member Doug Hene and Council Member Juliette Johnson.

16) ADJOURNMENT (Agenda Item No. 25-113)

MOTION: Motion made by Council Member Cranmer and Seconded by Council Member Verhoff to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 10:47 pm. The motion passed (5/0).

Voting Yea: Mayor Jamison, Council Member Verhoff, Council Member Cookerly, Council Member Jacobus, and Council Member Cranmer

ABSENT from the vote:
Council Member Doug Hene and Council Member Juliette Johnson