

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2019 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and Council met for their regular meeting.

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| Those Present: | John Howard      | Mayor              |
|                | Wayne Adcock     | Vice-Mayor         |
|                | Lee Malcom       | Council Member     |
|                | Myoshia Crawford | Council Member     |
|                | Ross Bradley     | Council Member     |
|                | Larry Bradley    | Council Member     |
|                | Norman Garrett   | Council Member     |
|                | Nathan Little    | Council Member     |
|                | David Dickinson  | Council Member     |
|                | Logan Propes     | City Administrator |
|                | Debbie Kirk      | City Clerk         |
|                | Russell Preston  | City Attorney      |
|                | Paul Rosenthal   | City Attorney      |
|                | Jesse Couch      | City Attorney      |

Staff Present: Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, R.V. Watts, Bill Owens, Beth Thompson, Rodney Middlebrooks, Darrell Stone, Patrick Kelley, Chris Bailey, Beverly Harrison, Sadie Krawczyk

Visitors: Andrew Kenneson, Les Russell, Chris Schmidt, Harold Patterson, Joy Wilson, Kerri Brooks, Stuart Smith, Daniel Ramey, Destiny Wright, Kevin Jones, George Baker III, Steven Giles, Joe Dixon, Timothy Carithers

**I. CALL TO ORDER – JOHN HOWARD**

**1. Invocation**

Pastor Danny Ramey, with Tabernacle Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

**2. Roll Call**

Mayor Howard noted that all Council Members were present. There was a quorum.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

To approve the agenda as presented.

*Motion by R Bradley, seconded by Adcock.  
Passed Unanimously*

Move Item I under Approval of Consent Agenda – Overhead & Underground Wiring Policy Amendment to Item 9 under New Business for further discussion. To approve the agenda as amended.

*Motion by Little, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously*

**4. Approval of Consent Agenda**

- a. January 8, 2019 Council Minutes
- b. January 15, 2019 Council Minutes
- c. January 17, 2019 Council Minutes
- d. January 29, 2019 Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
- e. Renewal – Health & Ancillary Insurance – Approval of the 9-month renewal with the laser option included with Meritain and the fee schedules and deductibles as presented. (Recommended for Council approval by Finance Committee February 5, 2019)
- f. Renewal – Property & Casualty Insurance – Approval of renewal. (Recommended for Council approval by Finance Committee February 5, 2019)
- g. Utility Deposit Update – To accept the policy change. (Recommended for Council approval by Finance Committee February 5, 2019)
- h. CallTower Resale Partner Agreement – Approval of the agreement. (Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee February 5, 2019)



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- i. Overhead & Underground Wiring Policy Amendment – Approval of the policy change.  
(Recommended for Council approval by Utilities Committee February 5, 2019)
- j. Lease Program – Police Vehicles – Approval of the lease purchase agreement.  
(Recommended for Council approval by Public Safety Committee February 5, 2019)

To approve the consent agenda as amended, with the removal of Item I – Overhead & Underground Wiring Policy Amendment.

*Motion by Little, seconded by R. Bradley.  
Passed Unanimously*

### II. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

#### 1. Relay For Life

Ms. Kerri Brooks explained she is a teacher at Walnut Grove Elementary School, a performer with On-Stage Walton, a resident of downtown, and a three time tongue cancer survivor. She is the event leader this year for Walton County Relay For Life. She wants to make the event bigger and better this year. Her vision and goal is to give people a moment, with a community strong family involved event. There will be a tent at the Walton EMC Community BBQ on March 9, where they will be celebrating survivors. Wooden ribbons will be placed in the flower boxes throughout downtown during the month of April. She explained the ribbons are decorated by children at the Walton County Schools. The ribbons symbolize the excitement of moving toward the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Event held at George Walton Academy.

Mr. Timothy Carithers stated he works alongside Kerri. Relay For Life is a community event led by community members. His role from the American Cancer Society is to support them and help with the data. He explained that currently 79% of every dollar given to ACS goes to fund their mission, less than 5% goes to management and general expenses. The money is being put back into the community and shared with those who need it. Mr. Carithers discussed the Road to Recovery mission and how the program helps cancer patients.

*No Action.*

### III. PUBLIC FORUM

#### 1. Public Comments

Mr. Harold Patterson, of 957 Masters Drive, discussed the celebrations for Memorial Day and July 4<sup>th</sup>. There are a lot of activities scheduled in Monroe, but nothing is scheduled for Memorial Day. He stated that fireworks are the only thing scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. There used to be parades and political speeches. The City of Loganville has already cancelled their parade for July 4<sup>th</sup>. He stated it is disappointing that something more isn't done to recognize veterans and our departure from Great Britain.

Ms. Joy Wilson stated she appreciates the public platform to have the opportunity to open a legitimate effective line of communication with people who are leaders. She is the founder of Dagrip and the slogan is Get Won. She stated it is about breaking the spell of ignorance within our community through literature, volunteer charity work, and entertainment. Connect the Dots...Make the Connection means establish a formal yet effective line of legitimate communication that is beneficial. She discussed resource development, goal initiatives, stepping stones, stumbling blocks, and necessary change.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

#### 1. Rezone – 1600 East Church Street

Mr. Darrell Stone stated the applicant would like to address Council with some new information.

Mr. Stephen Giles, with KFB Enterprises, requested the rezone be tabled for 60 days. He explained LGI has backed out of the deal, and they are fielding interest with other builders at this time. The layout will remain exactly the same, but they need time to get the elevations in place prior to re-presenting the information to Council.

Council Member David Dickinson stated Council has been dealing with this situation for three months. The property is in his district, and he has concerns about how the project is developed. He had an extensive meeting with Mr. Giles to discuss various options. He explained their mutual conclusion was LGI not being the correct developer. LGI would not complete the project the way the City and citizens need it to be done. Mr. Dickinson explained he came to the



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meeting fully prepared to deny the rezone, but the project has merit if the right developer is found. He stated the project needs to be done right.

To table the rezone for 60 days, as requested by the applicant.

*Motion by Dickinson, seconded by L. Bradley.  
Passed Unanimously.*

**V. NEW BUSINESS****1. Appointments (3) – Tree Board**

To reappoint Elaine Oakes to a three (3) year term to expire March 1, 2022.

*Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously.*

To reappoint Brian Thompson to a three (3) year term to expire March 1, 2022.

*Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Little.  
Passed Unanimously.*

To appoint Darrell Stone to a three (3) year term to expire March 1, 2022.

*Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously.*

**2. Approval – Fireworks Agreement**

City Administrator Logan Propes explained East Coast Pyrotechnics will provide the fireworks display for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration for the amount of \$15,000.00. The event will last approximately 20 minutes. They have done several successful events for the City.

To approve the Fireworks Agreement with East Coast Pyrotechnics for \$15,000.00.

*Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously*

**3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Historic Preservation Commission Membership Ordinance Amendment**

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal gave the second reading of the ordinance to amend Chapter 54, Article II – Historic Preservation Commission, Section 54-38 – Membership.

To approve the Historic Preservation Commission Membership Ordinance Amendment.

*Motion by Malcom, seconded by Dickinson.  
Passed Unanimously*

**4. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Performance and Maintenance Bonds Ordinance Amendment**

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal presented the first reading of the ordinance.

**5. Approval – NextSite Contract Funding Renewal**

Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk requested approval of the funding for year-two of the three-year contract with NextSite Consultants.

To approve the contract funding for retail marketing services with NextSite.

*Motion by L. Bradley, seconded by Dickinson.  
Passed Unanimously*

**6. Approval – 2019 Concert Series Contracts for DDA**

Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk explained there will be concerts in May, June, August, and September this year.

To approve the execution of the 2019 Concert Series Contracts.

*Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously.*

### **7. Loganville Water Line Right of Way Acquisition Authorizations**

City Administrator Logan Propes requested approval for a capped amount of \$20,000.00 for easement acquisitions. He explained they only have an estimated amount currently. They are not sure of the exact quantity of easements that will be required along the route, but he believes it will be well below the \$20,000.00 amount. He explained they have appraisals for the easements that will definitely be required, but the amounts have not been negotiated yet. There are a few that could go either way, a couple that may be required and a couple that may not be required. They won't know for sure until the final engineering design is complete. Mr. Propes stated this will give the PRIMACQ Group approval to start negotiating with the property owners along the way. He stated that most of the properties are in the Georgia Department of Transportation right-of-way, which saves the City money.

To approve the right-of-way acquisition funding on the Loganville Water Line Project, with the amount not-to-exceed \$20,000.00.

*Motion by Little, seconded by L. Bradley.  
Passed Unanimously.*

### **8. Alcovy River Sewer Line Right of Way Acquisition Authorizations**

City Administrator Logan Propes explained this is the same as the previous situation, with less parcels. Though, some of these parcels are longer in length. He requested approval for a capped amount of \$15,000.00 for easement acquisitions.

To approve the right-of-way acquisition funding on the Alcovy Sewer Line Project, with the amount not-to-exceed \$15,000.00.

*Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Adcock.  
Passed Unanimously.*

### **9. Overhead & Underground Wiring Policy Amendment**

City Administrator Logan Propes explained per Council's request they took a look at the impact of this policy to the R1A Infill Overlay which staff has been working on for a while. He stated the amendments are not intended to disincentivize the goals and objectives of that planning. They have modified the R1A Infill for 10 Lots or Less Development Cost from \$2,500.00 per unit to either \$1,500.00 or the actual cost, whichever amount is less. Mr. Propes explained this is a reasonable cost without putting too much of a burden on potential developers or the City. He stated it is a non-looped feed which lowers the cost in that regard, so they amended the policy from the meeting last week.

Council Member Nathan Little stated it is his understanding that these smaller projects could be done in-house with in-house design. A professional engineer would not be required, which could make the projects more advantageous and lower the costs.

Mr. Propes stated the material costs would be lower for the non-looped feed and the smaller projects would not require an engineer, which would speed up the process.

Council and staff discussed material costs, property sizes, footprint areas, engineering costs, and feasibility.

To approve the Overhead & Underground Wiring Policy Amendment as presented.

*Motion by Malcom, seconded by Dickinson.  
Passed Unanimously.*

## **VI. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*Motion by L. Bradley, seconded by Malcom.  
Passed Unanimously.*



VII. ADJOURN

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Crawford.  
Passed Unanimously.

  
MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK

The Mayor and Council met for an Executive Session.

Those Present:

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I. Call to Order – John Howard

1. Roll Call

Mayor Howard noted that all Council Members were present. There was a quorum.

II. Real Estate Issue (s)

1. Real Estate Matter

Real estate matters were discussed, including attorney-client discussions.

III. Adjourn to Regular Session

Motion by R. Bradley, seconded by Adcock.  
Passed Unanimously.

  
MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK