



Mayor and City Council Session
Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 6:30 PM
City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083

Action Summary

OCGA 50-14-1(e)(2)(A)

A summary of the subjects acted on and those members present at a meeting of any agency shall be written and made available to the public for inspection within two business days of the adjournment of a meeting.

Mayor and Council: Dr. Beverly Jones – Mayor | Post 3: Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Smith
Post 1: Council Member Anita Bass | Post 2: Council Member Mark Marianos
Post 4: Council Member Gil Freeman | Post 5: Council Member Shawnette Bryant
Post 6: Council Member Teresa Crowe

Staff: Maggie Dimov – Interim City Manager | Shavala Ames - City Clerk | Angela Couch - City Attorney

- I. Call to Order – 6:56 P.M.**
- II. Determination of Quorum – All Present**
- III. Invocation and Pledge – Invocation and pledge led by Mayor Jones**
- IV. Citizen Comments – There were (6) citizens comments.**
- V. Review of the Journal (City Clerk)**
 1. Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve the August 19, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Council Member Bass. Council Member Bass, Council Member Marianos, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Council Member Crowe voted in favor; Council Member Freeman and Council Member Bryant opposed, and motion carried.
- VI. Reading of Communications – From Truist Attorney Jena Bost and DDA Attorney Kyle Williams to City Attorney Angela Couch**
- VII. Adoption of The Agenda of The Day**
 1. Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to adopt the agenda of the day and to move Executive Session as the next item to be discussed, seconded by Council Member Bass; Council Member Freeman moved to make a substitute motion in addition to the first motion, and to also add to the agenda an emergency replacement of the Post 4 Ethics Board Appointment, seconded by Council Member Bryant, and motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. Executive Session**
 1. Council Member Bass moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:04 pm to discuss litigation and personnel, seconded by Council Member Bryant and motion carried unanimously.
 2. Mayor Pro Tem moved to adjourn Executive Session and reconvened the City Council meeting at 8:30 pm, seconded by Council Member Bryant and motion carried unanimously.

IX. City Manager's Report

1. City Manager – Interim City Manager Maggie Dimov gave an operations update as outlined in the packet.

X. Council Policy Discussion Topics

1. Mayor Pro Tem Smith briefly outlined the role of Mayor Pro Tem and no interest in being Mayor.

XI. Unfinished Business - None

XII. New Business

1. Council Member Marianos moved to approve Judge Wiggins to appoint a Judge on the hearing panel for the case regarding the removal of Mayor Beverly Jones at \$250 an hour, seconded by Council Member Bass and motion carried unanimously.
2. Council Member Crowe moved to appoint Karla Brown on the hearing panel for the case regarding the removal of Mayor Beverly Jones, seconded by Council Member Marianos. Council Member Bass, Council Member Marianos, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Council Member Crowe voted in favor; Council Member Freeman and Council Member Bryant opposed, and motion carried.
3. Council Member Marianos moved to approve Virginia Townes on the hearing panel for the case regarding the removal of Mayor Beverly Jones, seconded by Council Member Crowe. Council Member Bass, Council Member Marianos, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Council Member Crowe voted in favor; Council Member Freeman and Council Member Bryant opposed, and motion carried.
4. Council Member Freeman moved to designate a random selection of appointees on the hearing panel for the case regarding the removal of Mayor Beverly Jones, seconded by Council Member Bryant. Council Member Freeman and Council Member Bryant voted in favor; Council Member Bass, Council Member Marianos, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Council Member Crowe opposed, and motion failed.
5. Council Member Bass moved to postpone the consideration of an action on a request to approve the Lawn concept design, seconded by Council Member Marianos and motion carried unanimously.
6. Council Member Bass moved to approve to appoint Denise Phillips to the Ethics Board, seconded by Council Member Marianos. Council Member Bass, Council Member Marianos, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Council Member Crowe voted in favor; Council Member Freeman and Council Member Bryant opposed, and motion carried.
7. Mayor Pro Tem moved to postpone a consideration of an action on a request for a Forensic Audit, seconded by Council Member Marianos and motion carried unanimously.
8. Council Member Bass moved to approve the emergency purchase of Axon Body Cameras, seconded by Council Member Marianos and motion carried unanimously.

XIII. Ordinances and Resolutions

1. Ordinance 2025-06 – Introduced to Mayor and Council as a first read only.

XIV. Remarks of Privilege – None

XV. Adjournment

1. Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to adjourn at 10:00 p.m., seconded by Council Member Bryant, and motion carried unanimously.