

THE CITY OF DALTON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES  
DECEMBER 21, 2020

The Mayor and Council held a meeting this evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Present were Mayor David Pennington, Council members Annalee Harlan, Derek Waugh, Tyree Goodlett, and Gary Crews, City Administrator Jason Parker and City Attorney Gandhi Vaughn.

PUBLIC HEARING - ANNEXATION

The Mayor and Council held an Annexation Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. to provide public notice and hear public comments for or against for the following items:

- Ordinance 20-19 Request of POAL Partners, LLC and Mauer Dalton, LLC to annex 8.66 acres into the City of Dalton as Mixed Use. Located at 1001 Market Street. Parcel 12-261-14-000
- Ordinance 20-20 Request of Venture Partners of Dalton, LLC to annex .53 acres into the City of Dalton as Mixed Use. Parcel 12-261-33-000

City Administrator Jason Parker stated the Public Hearing is in lieu of the Planning Commission Meeting due to time constraints. Parker stated the annexations will change the jurisdictions for the properties from the unincorporated Whitfield County to the City of Dalton. Parker further stated that the current zoning will remain the same and there will be no impact to either County or City School systems since the zoning is commercial. Parker also stated that there is no adverse impact to surrounding properties, no adverse impact to city department services and the properties complies with the comprehensive and land use plan. Parker noted the Public Hearing was advertised more than 15 days prior to this meeting.

Mayor Pennington asked for comments on these Annexations. No public comments were made. On the motion of Council member Harlan, second Council member Waugh, the Public Hearing concluded at 6:09 p.m.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Mayor Called the Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The audience was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On the motion of Council member Waugh, second Council member Goodlett, the Mayor and Council approved the December 21, 2020 agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

### SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Margaret Thigpen, Director of Tourism presented the following:

Plaque Presentation Designating City of Dalton Heritage Point Park as the Independent Sports Association's 2020 Southern Region Complex of the Year

Ridge Hooks Memorial Foundation Donation to the City of Dalton Public Safety Scholarship Endowment Fund at Dalton State College

### MINUTES

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2020. On the motion of Council member Harlan, second Council member Goodlett, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### SECOND READING - ORDINANCE 20-17 CITY OF DALTON PENSION PLAN TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION

Human Resources Director Greg Batts presented the Second Reading of Ordinance 20-17, an Ordinance Of The City Of Dalton To Approve The Recommendation Of The City Pension Board For The Amendment Of The City Of Dalton Pension Plan; To Amend The City Of Dalton Pension Plan To Provide Clarification Of Death Benefits, Survivor Benefits, And Benefits Of Terminated Participants; To Provide For The Payment To The Estate Of A Deceased Beneficiary; To Provide For Continuing Education Of Members Of The Pension Board; To Provide An Effective Date; And For Other Purposes. On the motion of Council member Waugh, second Council member Harlan, the Mayor and Council adopted the Ordinance. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### ORDINANCE 20-19 REQUEST OF POAL PARTNERS, LLC AND MAUER DALTON, LLC ANNEXATION

City Administrator Jason Parker presented Ordinance 20-19 Request of POAL Partners, LLC and Mauer Dalton, LLC to annex 8.66 acres into the City of Dalton as Mixed Use, located at 1001 Market Street. *Parcel 12-261-14-000*. On the motion of Council member Crews, second Council member Harlan, the Annexation was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor. Note: This annexation was discussed at the 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing held.

### ORDINANCE 20-20 REQUEST OF VENTURE PARTNERS OF DALTON, LLC ANNEXATION

City Administrator Jason Parker presented Ordinance 20-20 Request of Venture Partners of Dalton, LLC to annex .53 acres into the City of Dalton as Mixed Use. *Parcel 12-261-33-000*. On the motion of Council member Harlan, second Council member Goodlett, the Annexation was approved. Note: This annexation was discussed at the 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing held.

RESOLUTION 20-31 AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF TAD 4 – NORTH BYPASS (HAMMOND CREEK)

City Administrator Jason Parker presented Resolution 20-31 authorizing the Creation of TAD 4 – North Bypass (Hammond Creek). Parker stated the length of the TAD is for 30 years and there is no tax pledge from the City. Parker additionally stated the estimated Tax Allocation Increment Base is approximately \$3,665,180.00. On the motion of Council member Waugh, second Council member Goodlett, the Resolution was approved. The terms of the tax allocation district will become effective December 31, 2020. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 20-32 AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF TAD 5 – (WEST WALNUT AVENUE)

City Administrator Jason Parker presented Resolution 20-32 authorizing the Creation of TAD 5 (West Walnut Avenue). Parker stated the length of the TAD is for 30 years and there is no tax pledge from the City. Parker additionally stated the estimated Tax Allocation Increment Base is approximately \$87,127,874.00. On the motion of Council member Crews, second Council member Goodlett, the Resolution was approved. The terms of the tax allocation district will become effective December 31, 2020. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 20-33 AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT WITH BARBARA BARNWELL

Public Works Director Andrew Parker presented Resolution 20-33 authorizing a temporary construction easement with Barbara Barnwell. A. Parker stated the resolution authorizes a construction easement that would allow the Public Works Department to address some longstanding erosion issues on the mountainous track owned by Mrs. Barnwell adjacent to Shugart Road. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Harlan, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 20-34 AUTHORIZING STORMWATER EASEMENT WITH JERSON ESCOBAR AND MISTY ESCOBAR LOCATED AT WINTON DRIVE

Public Works Director Andrew Parker presented Resolution 20-34 authorizing the execution of a storm water easement with subject property owners to facilitate construction of the Covie Ridge regional detention pond project. On the motion of Council member Crews, second Council member Harlan, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 20-35 AUTHORIZING STORMWATER EASEMENT WITH HAMILTON MEDICAL CENTER, INC. LOCATED AT WINTON DRIVE

Public Works Director Andrew Parker presented Resolution 20-35 authorizing execution of a storm water easement with the subject property owner to facilitate construction of the Covie Ridge regional detention pond project. A. Parker stated the project will involve construction of an outlet drainage system on the subject property to connect to the existing drainage infrastructure on Winton Drive. On the motion of Council member Crews, second Council member Goodlett, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LEWIS & ASSOCIATES FOR SURVEY OF HERITAGE POINT MULTI-USE FIELD EXPANSION AREA

Public Works Director Andrew Parker presented the Professional Services Agreement with Lewis & Associates for survey of Heritage Point multi-use field expansion area. A. Parker stated the survey will provide a detailed topographical survey that will facilitate the design of two (2) multipurpose fields to be constructed east of Park Creek Elementary. A. Parker stated the cost is \$10,240.00 to be paid for with 2020 SPLOST. On the motion of Council member Waugh, second Council member Harlan, the Agreement was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

2021 MAYORAL & MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor and Council reviewed the 2021 Mayoral & Miscellaneous Appointments. A copy of these appointments are a part of these minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2021 PROPOSED BUDGETS

The Mayor and Council held a hearing on the FY2021 City of Dalton Budget at 6:21 p.m.

CFO Cindy Jackson presented the FY 2021 City of Dalton Budget for the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Special Revenue Funds.

Mayor Pennington asked for comments on the budget. No public comments were made. The Public Hearing concluded at 6:28 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City of Dalton offices will be closed December 24-25, 2020 in observance of the Christmas holidays.

The Mayor and Council will hold a Special Called Meeting on Monday, December 28, 2020 at 6PM to adopt the 2021 General Operating Budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was Adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

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Bernadette Chattam  
City Clerk

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David Pennington, Mayor

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