

THE CITY OF DALTON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES  
AUGUST 5, 2024

The Mayor and Council held a meeting this evening at 6:06 p.m. at City Hall following the 5:00 p.m. Work Session. Present were Mayor Annalee Sams, Councilmembers Dennis Mock, Nicky Lama, Tyree Goodlett, Steve Farrow, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe and City Administrator Andrew Parker.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sams called the meeting of the Mayor and Council to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Lama led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Lama, the Mayor and Council approved the agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no Public Comments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

There were no Department Head Reports.

MINUTES

The Mayor and Council reviewed the regular meeting minutes of July 15, 2024. On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Goodlett, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-17 - ANNEXATION REQUEST OF JOSE EDUARDO FRANCO ALEJANDRE

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland reviewed the Second Reading of Ordinance 24-17, a request from Jose Eduardo Franco Alejandre to annex 0.17 acres located at 1236 Frazier Drive into the City of Dalton as Medium Density Single Family Residential (R-3) Parcel (12-179-02-061). Garland stated the annexation request received a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission. On the motion of Councilmember Farrow, second Councilmember Lama, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-18 - REZONING REQUEST OF JOHN S. SUTTLES

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland reviewed the Second Reading of Ordinance 24-18 a request from John S. Suttles to rezone from Heavy Manufacturing (M-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling 0.70 acres located on New Doris Street (Parcels 12-255-03-034, 12-255-03-047 and 12-255-03-057). Garland stated the request received a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission. On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Lama, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-19 REZONING REQUEST OF TODD PHILLIPS

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland reviewed the Second Reading Ordinance 24-19 a request from Todd Phillips to rezone from Medium Density Residential (R-3) to High Density Residential (R-7) a tract of land totaling 1.29 acres located on Main Street (Parcels 12-183-08-013, 12-183-08-002, 12-183-08-010, 12-183-08-011). Garland stated the request received a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission. Councilmember Farrow asked about ingress and egress to the property. Garland stated the plan is to have one driveway for all the properties. Councilmember Goodlett asked if the private drive have to adhere to City standards. City Administrator Andrew Parker stated the private driveway did not have to adhere to City Standards and that only private roads had to comply with the ordinance. On the motion of Councilmember Farrow, second Councilmember Lama, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-20 - REZONING REQUEST OF ERICK ROJO AGUILAR

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland reviewed the Second Reading Ordinance 24-20 a request from Erick Rojo Aguilar to rezone from Heavy Manufacturing (M-2) to High-Density Residential (R-7) a tract of land totaling 0.21 acres located at 204 E. Matilda Street (Parcel 12-200-05-008). Garland stated the request received a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission. On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Goodlett the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

NORTHWEST GEORGIA PAVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR TIBBS ROAD 2024 MILLING AND RESURFACING

Public Works Director Chad Townsend presented Northwest Georgia Paving Change Order #1 for Tibbs Road 2024 Milling and Resurfacing. Townsend stated the Change Order includes deep patching services due to unforeseen deep pavement failures in the northbound lane on Tibbs Road. Townsend further stated the cost is \$52,607.52. On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Goodlett the Change Order was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RYMAN RIDGE ROAD TRAFFIC CONTROL CHANGE

Public Works Director Chad Townsend presented a Traffic Control Change on Ryman Ridge Road. Townsend stated the traffic control change is to install a three way stop at the intersection of Ryman Ridge Road and Ridgeview Drive in Ryman Farm Subdivision. On the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Goodlett, the Traffic Control Change was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-21 REZONING REQUEST OF NANCY AND DAGOBERTO HERNANDEZ

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading Ordinance 24-21 the request of Nancy and Dagoberto Hernandez to rezone from Heavy Manufacturing (M-2) to General Commercial (C-2) a tract of land totaling 0.71 acres located at 417 Sheridan Avenue (Parcel 12-241-13-006).

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-22 REZONING REQUEST OF TERESA ACEVEDO

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading of Ordinance 24-22 The request of Teresa Acevedo to rezone from Medium Density Single Family Residential (R-3) to High Density Residential (R-7) a tract of land totaling .40 acres located at 407 Sassafras Street (Parcel 12-180-01-024). Garland stated this request received a negative recommendation from the Planner and the Planning Commission.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-23 REZONING REQUEST OF VELKY REYES

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading of Ordinance 24-23 the request of Velky Reyes to rezone from Heavy Manufacturing (M-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling .21 acres located at 512 Abigail Street (Parcel 12-218-07-008).

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-24 REZONING REQUEST OF MANNY DAVID

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading of Ordinance 24-24 the request of Manny David to rezone from Rural Residential (R-5) to Transitional Commercial (C-4) a tract of land totaling .19 acres located on Frances Street (Parcel 12-258-02-102).

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-25 REZOING REQUEST OF JFP PROPERTIES GROUP LLC.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading of Ordinance 24-25 The request of JFP Properties Group LLC to rezone from Medium Density Single Family Residential (R-3) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling .26 acres located on 702 Northview Drive (Parcel 12-201-01-060). Garland noted the Planner gave this request a negative recommendation, but Planning Commission gave it positive recommendation to rezone.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-26 ANNEXATION OF ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ LOPEZ AND NAYELI ALVAREZ

Planning & Zoning Administrator Jean Garland presented a First Reading of Ordinance 24-26 the request of Alejandro Martinez Lopez and Nayeli Alvarez to annex a tract of land zoned Medium-Density Single-Family Residential R-3 totaling 0.17 acres located at 1218 Frazier Drive into the City of Dalton (Parcel 12-179-02-052).

Councilmember Goodlett asked if the City could contact the remaining residents in this location to ask if they would like to annex due to the fact that often the City is receiving a request from this neighborhood.

City Administrator Parker stated the City can send out letters to encourage annexation and also to waive the fee for this particular area.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 24-27 TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES"

The Mayor and Council held a First Reading of Ordinance 24-27 To Amend Chapter 6 Of The 2001 Revised Code of The City of Dalton, Georgia Captioned "Alcoholic Beverages"; To Provide for An Effective Date; To Provide for The Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide for Severability; And for Other Purposes.

City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe reviewed the following changes:

- In 6-1, added the definition of “bar” from state code.
- Added a definition of scanner.
- Section 6-19 and 6-20 – the hours for sale are what state law allows. Peer Cities, Rome and Gainesville stop serving time (sales) at 1:30am with consumption ending at 2:00am
- Section 6-36 – Added a phase in for security cameras, made this applicable to bars only as well as retail sales by the package, and added requirement to keep the video for 60 days.
- 6-76(c) - created a new subsection with insurance requirements
- 6-76(d) – phased in requirement for use of scanners at pouring outlets other than restaurants retention of that information.
- 6-106 – shortened time to provide updates to clerk if there are changes in ownership.
- 6-113 – new section requiring alcohol handler’s training for owners and anyone who handles alcohol for consumption on the premises.
- 6-208 (g) – added requirement that any other changes in the business that would make the alcohol license application must be replaced within 15 days on an amended application.

After several questions from the Council, Mayor Sams asked City Administrator Andrew Parker to schedule a Town Hall Meeting for businesses should they have additional questions regarding the draft ordinance. The City Council also asked the City Clerk to send certified letters to license holders informing them of the changes once the ordinance is adopted.

KROGER NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Goodlett, second Councilmember Farrow the Mayor and Council authorized City Administrator Andrew Parker execute the Kroger National Opioid Settlement. The vote was unanimous in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on the motion of Councilmember Mock, second Councilmember Goodlett the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

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Bernadette Chattam  
City Clerk

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Annalee Sams, Mayor

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