

THE CITY OF DALTON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 19, 2024

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

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 Farrow, second Councilmember Goodlett, the Mayor and Council approved the agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Madeline Smith came before the Mayor and Council with concerns about potential discrepancies in the calculation of the Whitfield County Tax Assessments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

There were no Department Head Reports.

MINUTES

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Work Session minutes of August 5, 2024. On the motion of Councilmember Goodlett, second Councilmember Farrow, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Regular Session minutes of August 5, 2024. On the motion of Councilmember Lama, second Councilmember Goodlett, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PROCLAMATION

Constitution Week - September 17-23, 2024

Mayor Sams presented a proclamation to Bitsy McFarland as September 17, 2024 marks the 237th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution and proclaimed September 17-23, 2024 as Constitution Week and urged all citizens to study the Constitution and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

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

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading of Ordinance 24-21, a request from 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, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-241-13-006). On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Lama, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-22 – REZONING REQUEST OF TERESA ACEVEDO

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading of Ordinance 24-22 a request from 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, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-180-01-024). Parker stated the Planning Commission voted to deny this request. On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Lama, the request was denied. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-23 - REZONING REQUEST OF VELKY REYES

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading of Ordinance 24-23 a request from 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, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-218-07-008). On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Farrow, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-24 - REZONING REQUEST OF MANNY DAVID

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading Ordinance 24-24 a request from 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, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-258-02-102). On the motion of Council member Lama, second Council member Goodlett, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-25 - REZONING REQUEST OF JFP PROPERTIES GROUP LLC.

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading 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, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-201-01-060). Parker stated the Planning Commission Staff made a recommendation to deny the request, however the Planning Commission approved the request. On the motion of Goodlett, second Council member Farrow, the Mayor and Council denied the rezoning request. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-26 0- ANNEXATION REQUEST OF ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ LOPEZ AND NAYELI ALVAREZ

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented the Second Reading Ordinance 24-26 a request from 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). On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Lama, the annexation was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

GDOT TENTATIVE ALLOCATION OF STATE FUNDS FOR TAXIWAY RESURFACING AT AIRPORT

Airport Director Andrew Wiersma presented the GDOT Tentative Allocation of State Funds for Taxiway Resurfacing at Airport. Wiersma stated on July 31, 2024 GDOT provided another tentative funding allocation of \$2.525 million to rehabilitate the taxiway pavement and lighting. Wiersma further stated it will require a local match of \$841,667 in 2024. On the motion of Council member Lama, second Council member Goodlett the Mayor and Council accepted the tentative funding allocation in order to receive the funds. On the motion of Council member Lama, second Council member Goodlett, the request was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR SUTPHEN HEAVY DUTY 100' MID-MOUNT AERIAL PLATFORM FIRE APPARATUS

Fire Chief Matt Daniels presented the Purchase Agreement for Sutphen Heavy Duty 100' Mid-Mount Aerial Platform Fire Apparatus in the amount of \$2,199,933.77 with the funding source of the 2024 SPLOST. Daniels stated delivery time of the apparatus is 34-36 months and the invoice will not be received or paid until delivery. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Lama, the Agreement was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS FOR 707 VALLEY DRIVE, 705 VALLEY DRIVE, AND 704 SOUTH THORNTON AVENUE

Public Works Director Chad Townsend presented a Temporary Construction Easements for 707 Valley Drive, 705 Valley Drive, and 704 South Thornton Avenue for the completion of a channel stabilization of stream banks on Valley Drive as a part of the Walnut North stormwater improvements project. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Lama, the Easements were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

JOHN DAVIS RECREATION CENTER PROJECT CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented John Davis Recreation Center Project Change Order No. One. Parker stated the Change Order includes addition of a water quality unit and sediment traps required for permitting by local stormwater management as well as additional sitework and drainage materials to address existing conditions. Parker further stated that the change order also includes electrical and HVAC modifications to address low voltage equipment relocations, HVAC equipment changes and addition of bi-polar ionization units in the total amount of \$134,174 to be paid for from the Project Contingency. On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Goodlett, the Change Order was approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City of Dalton will hold a public information meeting to discuss proposed changes to the City's alcoholic beverage ordinance. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chamber at City Hall on Monday, August 26th at 1:00 pm.

City offices will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 2, 2024. The next City Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on the motion of Councilmember Goodlett, second Councilmember Farrow the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Bernadette Chattam
City Clerk

Annalee Sams, Mayor

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Approved: _____
Post: _____