

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

Monday, November 10, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Skip Baliles called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

A. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Skip Baliles

Council Member Bill DuVall

Council Member Anne Huntsinger

Council Member Melanie Long

Council Member Lisa Newberry

Council Member Branden Whitfield

Council Member Patti Wolfe

B. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to amend the agenda and strike off item 2-D, and replace it with a discussion about the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Seconded by Council Member Huntsinger.

Motion carried 6-0.

2. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Case #V25-018 – Green River Builders, Inc. c/o Mahaffey Pickens Tucker, LLP requested a Major Variance for the property located at HWY 20 & Tuck Rd, Loganville, GA 30052. Map/Parcel #LG060010, Map/Parcel #LG060010A00, Map/Parcel #LG060010ADP, Map/Parcel #LG060010DP, Map/Parcel #LG060009, & Map/Parcel #LG060011 Walton County, GA. Present zoning is PUV. Ordinance and Section from which relief is sought is Zoning Ordinance 119-221(d)(2). Request for variance to allow alternative building permit concurrency schedule.

Planning Director Robbie Schwartz presented the case and the Public Hearing for the requested major variance was held.

The public hearing for this case was opened and Shane Lanham was present representing the applicant. Mr. Lanham presented the application and explained the request for the major variance from the building concurrency schedule as outlined in section 119-221(d)(2).

There was no one present to speak in favor or opposition to the case.

Council will vote on the major variance at Thursday night's Council Meeting.

B. Plat & Development Agreement for Rocky Creek

Consent Agenda for Thursday Night

C. TPUDC Contract - \$272,511.75 (includes 5% contingency) 100-7400-521211

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D. Discussion – Planning and Zoning Commission

Council Member Newberry presented to the Council a discussion about the Planning and Zoning Commission. The current chairperson Keith Colquitt has been elected to serve on Council and his term expires in April 2026. Council agreed to post his position in 2026 when there will be two additional seats that need to be filled.

3. FINANCE / HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Reallocate Assigned Fund Balance for Parks

Consent Agenda for Thursday Night

4. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Police - DEA Vehicle Replacement - \$52,554.82 (210-3200-542201)

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B. Fire Department - Site Med Contract - \$15,840.00 (100-3500-521208)

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C. Fire Department - Purchase Of Spare Fire Hose - \$16,750.00 (321-3500-531600)

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5. PUBLIC UTILITIES / TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

6. PUBLIC WORKS / FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

7. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Whitfield presented to the Council that the Economic Development Committee met before this council meeting and they discussed the redevelopment of 254 Main Street with the DDA. He will present their recommendation at Thursday night's Council Meeting.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Discussion - Vehicle Purchase Policy

City Manager Danny Roberts presented to the Council a discussion about the City's vehicle purchase policy. Council's recommendation was to use the State's contract as a base and other dealerships may be given the opportunity to match or beat the state contract pricing, subject to availability.

B. Combined Work Session and Council Meeting for December 2025

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City Manager Danny Roberts presented to the Council about working with Walton County on the addition of twelve pickleball courts at Meridian Park, with an estimated cost to the City of \$200,000 or 25%. The Council gave him verbal permission to start negotiations with the county.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S UPDATES / REPORTS

A. Discussion - Ordinance to Amend The Code of Ordinances for City Council Meetings

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10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comments are limited to five minutes per speaker unless additional time is given by the Mayor. Each speaker should approach the podium and state their name and address for the record. All public comments are to be directed to the Mayor and Council and not the audience. Public Comments should follow general rules of appropriate decorum.

The following individuals addressed the Mayor and Council: Tara Argo, 400 Little Carter Cove.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Real Estate Matters

Motion made by Council Member Whitfield to close the open session and enter into Executive Session to discuss real estate matters with Council. Seconded by Council Member Newberry. Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to reopen the meeting. Seconded by Council Member Newberry.

Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Skip Baliles announced that no action was taken during Executive Session.

12. ITEMS FOR THURSDAY NIGHT

- A. Last Month's Minutes
- B. Last Month's Financial Report

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Huntsinger to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Newberry. Voting Yea: Council Member DuVall, Council Member Huntsinger, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Whitfield, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.