CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Branden Whitfield called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT
Mayor Branden Whitfield
Council Member Keith Colquitt
Council Member Wesley Johnson
Council Member Melanie Long
Council Member Lisa Newberry
Council Member Patti Wolfe

ABSENT
Council Member Bill DuVall

Council Member Wesley Johnson requested to amend the Agenda to add an Executive Session for a Real Estate matter.

Motion made by Council Member Wolfe to approve the amended Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Long.

Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 5-0.

2. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

A. Discussion - RFPs Legal Services

Council discussed the final tabulation of the legal RFPs. Council directed Deputy City Clerk Ansley Pope to contact the top-ranked firm, Smith, Welch, Webb & White, to notify them that they were selected to represent the City. Council requested that the firm to be present at the Combined Council Meeting, and Ansley will follow up to confirm their availability.

Council will make a formal motion to appoint the new firm at the November 12, 2026 meeting. Current City Attorney Paul Rosenthal will remain through November 30, 2026 to transition City business to the new firm, and his firm will be compensated through that date.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION – REAL ESTATE

Motion made by Council Member Wolfe to close the open session and enter into Executive Session. Seconded by Council Member Johnson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt to adjourn Executive Session and return to the regular session. Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.
Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Branden Whitfield announced that no action was taken during Executive Session.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt. Seconded by Council Member Newberry.
Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe.

Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Branden Whitfield	Ansley Pope
Mayor	Deputy City Clerk