



COMBINED WORK SESSION AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

A. Invocation and Pledge to the Flag

Mayor Branden Whitfield gave the invocation, and Council Member Bill Duvall led the Pledge to the flag.

B. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Branden Whitfield

Council Member Keith Colquitt

Council Member Bill DuVall

Council Member Wesley Johnson

Council Member Melanie Long

Council Member Lisa Newberry

Council Member Patti Wolfe

C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

D. Proclamation - Constitution Day

Mayor Branden Whitfield presented the proclamation for Constitution Week, September 17, 2026 through September 23, 2026 to Mary Siler, First Vice President of ALA unit 223 and Cathy Hedges, President for the District 10 American Legion Auxiliary.

2. 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:

Lee Phillips, 4421 Pecan Street.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- A. Last Month's Minutes
- B. June & July 2026 Financial Reports

Seconded by Council Member DuVall.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

4. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

- A. Discussion / Selection of Hiring Firm for the City Manager Position

Mayor Branden Whitfield announced the selection of Mercer Group Associates to conduct the recruitment process for the new City Manager position.

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to approve signing the professional agreement with Mercer Group Associates to conduct a search for the City manager position. Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

An amended motion was made by Council Member Duvall to approve signing the professional agreement with Mercer Group Associates to conduct a search for the City Manager position, in an amount not exceed \$22,900.00

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

Motion carried 6-0.

5. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. **Case #V26-008-** Katie Bullard, agent for Scott Stephens-Estate of Barbara Stephens, requested a Major Variance for the property located at 0 N Sharon Church Rd, Loganville, GA 30052, Map/Parcel #LG060046, Walton County, GA. Present zoning is R22. Ordinance and Section from which relief is sought is Zoning Ordinance 119-209(c). Request for Variance for 100 feet build line in lieu of 125 feet build line.

Planning Director Robbie Schwartz presented Case #V26-008, and the Public Hearing for the case was held.

Katie Bullard, the applicant, and Scott Stephens were present.

There was no one present to speak in favor or in opposition to this rezoning. The Public Hearing was closed.

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to approve the variance with conditions as follows: the maximum building height of two stories, and the new build must have an enclosed garage, no carport. Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member DuVall, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Long

Voting Nay: Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe

Motion carried 4-2.

B. Discussion / Approval - Rezone and Annexation Moratorium Extension

Motion made by Council Member Newberry to adopt the extension of the previously imposed temporary moratorium on all rezone applications and all annexation applications for all properties listed in the city limits of Loganville, Georgia, until March 31, 2027 a Seconded by Council Member Long.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

6. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Resolution - 2026 Millage Rate

City Manager Danny Roberts presented the Resolution for the 2026 Millage Rate to Council.

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt to approve the Resolution for the 2026 Millage Rate. Seconded by Council Member DuVall.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

B. Physical Security Upgrade (Camera and Access Control) - \$102,000 includes 10% contingency (100-1535-542400)

Motion made by Council Member Colquitt to approve the physical security upgrade with the correction that the contingency is 5%, not 10%, and the total cost shall not exceed \$102,000.00. Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Discussion - Speed Limit Change on Covington Street

Council will wait to hear from City Attorney Paul Rosenthal regarding the proposed ordinance change under his agenda item before continuing the discussion on traffic calming devices.

8. PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Twin Lakes Road Culvert Replacement - \$69,144.75 (375-4320-541400)

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to accept the North Creek Contractors quote for the Twin Lakes Road culvert replacement in the amount of \$69,144.75. Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

B. Purchase of Three Trucks for the Water, Sewer & Water Quality Control Departments - \$197,159.92 (505-4300-542200, 505-4330-542200 & 505-4400-542200)

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to approve the purchase of the three trucks for the Water, Sewer and Water Quality Control on the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Colquitt.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

9. FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Change Order for Renovations at the Police Department - \$792.02 (321-3200-522204)

Motion made by Council Member Johnson to approve the change order for renovations at the Police Department in the amount of \$792.02. Seconded by Council Member Wolfe.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

10. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Discussion - Publix Red Light

Council Member Duvall presented a follow up discussion on the Publix red light.

Alexahy Zapata, 2945 Tig Knight Road, spoke in favor of a red light at Publix.

Motion made by Council Member DuVall to engage with GDOT for a potential safety improvement project on Hwy 78, running from Logan Drive to CS Floyd. Seconded by Council Member Newberry.

Voting Yea: Council Member Colquitt, Council Member DuVall, Council Member Long, Council Member Newberry, Council Member Wolfe

Voting Nay: Council Member Johnson

Motion carried 5-1.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Discussion - Community Dumpsters

City Manager Danny Roberts provided an update on the placement of community dumpsters. He noted that staff is working with GMC on the requirements and will update Council once additional information is available.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S UPDATES / REPORTS

A. Update - Ordinance Change (Chapter 28, Article VI)

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal gave an update on the code re-write with TPUDC. He stated that TPUDC is finishing up its portion and will be ready to present at a Called Council Meeting in October.

City Attorney Paul Rosenthal also discussed potential changes to Ordinance Chapter 28, Article VI. Council directed City staff to gather comparable pricing for traffic calming projects implemented in nearby jurisdictions and bring this information back at a later date.

Lee Phillips, 4421 Pecan Street, addressed Council regarding traffic concerns.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Council allowed Events Director Kristy Peters to give an update about her department after the meeting adjourned.

Branden Whitfield
Mayor

Ansley Pope
Deputy City Clerk