CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chamber

Honorable Vince R. Williams, Mayor, *Presiding*Honorable Lawanna Owens-Twaites, Mayor Pro Tem
Honorable Christina Hobbs, Council Member
Honorable Brian K. Jones, Council Member
Honorable Angelette Mealing, Council Member

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Mayor Vince R. Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Lawanna Owens-Twaites
Councilmember Angelette Mealing
Councilmember Christina Hobbs
Councilmember Brian Jones
City Attorney – Dennis Davenport
Assistant City Manager – Tarsha Calloway
City Clerk – Darryl J. Terry, II
Deputy City Clerk – Sharday Freeman

City Manager – Sonja Fillingame

Present:

Finance Comptroller – Britney Gordon
Police Chief – Cassandra Jones
Public Services Director – Lonnie Ferguson
Human Resources Director – Brittany Sainnatus
Operations Director – Cindy Givens
Community Development Assistant Director – Janna Keller
Court Services Director – Shenika Wright
Fire Chief – Joe Maddox

Absent:

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Councilmember Hobbs seconded by Councilmember Jones, the Council approved the agenda. Vote was unanimous, 4-0.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

Resolutions

2025-R-005

A **Resolution** of the Governing Authority to enter into an agreement with the Fulton County Tax Commissioner for the collection of all city property taxes, and for other purposes.

Department of Finance – Britney Gordon, Comptroller

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

Items for Council Action

An **Action** of the Governing Authority to retroactively reappoint Trevor Cason to the Planning Commission; to serve for a term of four years beginning 01/01/2025 and to expire on 12/31/2028, and for other purposes.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

An **Action** of the Governing Authority to retroactively reappoint Hulon Kemp to the Housing Authority; to serve for a term of five years beginning 11/01/2024 and to expire on 10/31/2029, and for other purposes.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-026 An Action of the Governing Authority to retroactively reappoint Jill Miller to the Public Facilities Authority; to serve for a term of three years beginning 08/16/2023 and to expire on 08/15/2026, and for other purposes.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-027 An Action of the Governing Authority to retroactively reappoint Brian Poe to the Public Facilities Authority; to serve for a term of three years beginning 08/16/2024 and to expire on 08/15/2027, and for other purposes.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-028 An Action of the Governing Authority to review an agreement with Moore to Life Counseling & Consulting, LLC, to provide Mental Health & Wellness Services, and for other purposes.

Department of Human Resources – Brittany Sainnatus, Director of Human Resources

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

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An Action of the Governing Authority to review a Facilities Use Agreement with the American Red Cross for utilization of the Etris-Darnell Senior Center and The Gathering Place Community Center as disaster shelters, and for other purposes.

Fire & Emergency Services - Joe Maddox, Fire Chief

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-030 An Action of the Governing Authority to review an agreement with The Collaborative Firm; to provide planning services on an as-needed basis, and for other purposes.

Department of Community Development – Janna Keller, Assistant Director

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-031 An Action of the Governing Authority to review an agreement with Kaboom, Inc. for the construction of a new play area at the Eagles Nest Sports Complex, and for other purposes.

Office of City Administration - Xandria Shields, Grants Specialist

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

Report of the Journal

2025-A-032 An Action of the Governing Authority to review the Work Session Minutes dated February 18, 2025.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2025-A-033 An Action of the Governing Authority to review the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated February 18, 2025.

Office of the Municipal Clerk - Darryl J. Terry, II, Municipal Clerk

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

Items for Discussion

2025-D-003 A Discussion of the Governing Authority regarding the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

Grant Program.

Department of Public Services – Lonnie Ferguson, Director of Public Services

No action was taken.

2025-D-004 A Discussion of the Governing Authority to implement a strategic communication plan for

emergency events throughout the City, and for other purposes.

Department of Operations – Cindy Givens, Director of Operations

No action was taken.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:46 P.M. City Attorney Davenport requested to enter Executive Session to discuss three (3) threatened litigations, two (2) real estate, one (1) pending litigation, and to review the Executive Session Minutes from February 18, 2025.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs, the Council entered Executive Session at 6:46 P.M. Vote was unanimous, 4-0.

V. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Owens-Twaites, the Council adjourned the Work Session at 7:02 P.M. Vote was unanimous, 4-0.