



MINUTES
City of McDonough
City Council Meeting
McKibben Chambers City Hall
136 Keys Ferry Street
February 19, 2024
6:00 PM

The Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City of McDonough City Council was held on Monday, February 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Vincent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The City Clerk called roll for the meeting, as follows:

Mayor Sandra Vincent	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Kamali Varner	Present
Councilmember Jamal Burt	Present
Councilmember Darryl Payton	Present
Councilmember Scott Reeves	Present
Councilmember Rufus Stewart	Present
Councilmember Vanessa Thomas	Present

Others in attendance: City Administrator, Steve Morgan; City Attorney, Emilia Walker; City Clerk, Christy Taylor; Police Chief Ken Noble; Fire Chief Dave Williams; Interim Community Development Director, Andrew Baker; Interim Finance Director, Deborah Upshaw, Human Resources Director, LaTangela Hill, Public Works Director, William VonDenBosch, City Planner, Sha'Von Terrell; and Help Desk Technician, Rob Monnelus.

Councilmember Reeves gave the Invocation.

Councilmember Burt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Vincent called for the approval of the agenda. Councilmember Burt made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Stewart seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

The City Clerk sounded the Consent Agenda, as follows:

A. Technology Services

Brian Linton, Director

Request for approval to pay the annual Flock Safety invoice for Police Department cameras in the amount of \$10,000.00. Funding Source: Line Item - 100.5.1535.52.1301

B. Administration

Christy Taylor, City Clerk

Approval of the February 1, 2024, City Council Workshop Minutes

Mayor Vincent called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Stewart made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Reeves seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

The following citizens offered Public Comments:

- Sylvia Holmes – Dollar General development
- Terrance Boswell – Dollar General development
- Taylor Ryals – potholes and road conditions

Mayor Vincent called for a motion to amend the agenda to defer Item 17 to the March 18, 2024, City Council Meeting, but to allow the Developer to offer comments at tonight's meeting, to be added as Item 7A. Councilmember Varner made a motion to approve the amendment, and Councilmember Thomas seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Kit Hample and Brian Sullivan offered comments relative to the Dollar General Development on behalf of SW West McDonough, LLC.

Councilmember Reeves stated that his appointment for the Planning Commission advised that they are moving out of the County; therefore, he will provide his appointment at the next meeting.

Councilmember Payton appointed Brian Brakefield to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Fire Chief Dave Williams recognized two (2) Fire Department personnel for outstanding accomplishments and dedication to the City and the citizens of McDonough during 2023. Battalion Chief Greg Moore and Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Akins were voted by their peers and coworkers as Fire Officer & Firefighter of the Year for 2023. Both were in attendance and received plaques commemorating their achievements.

Chief Williams also presented the request for approval to pay Ten-8 \$22,066.00, for change order necessities on Truck 52 (aerial ladder truck). He identified the Funding Source as Line Item: 2023-24 SPLOST V; 326.5.3520.54.1200; Project 9, Public Safety Facilities & Equipment. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Reeves made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Burt seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Public Works Director William VonDenBosch Request approval to pay Campbell's Lawn Equipment for a repair bill for a lawn mower that was damaged in a 2019 employee automobile accident that occurred on Hwy 75, at a cost of \$23,024.40. He identified the Funding Source as Line Item - 100-5.4210.52.2250 Equipment Repair. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Reeves made a motion to approve the repair, and Councilmember Burt seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Mr. VonDenBosh also presented a request for approval for Georgia Hydrant Services to install a 6" valve insertion and new hydrant that was damaged by auto accident at 109 Collage Street, at a cost of \$17,000.00. He identified the Funding Source as Line Item - Line Item: 505-5.4440.52.3850 Contract Labor. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Varner made a motion to approve the repair, and Councilmember Thomas seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Next Mr. VonDenBosh presented the request for approval of the replacement of one shaft and two bearings on Orbal A, by Cornerstone Mechanical, at a total cost of \$29,425.00. He identified the Funding Source as Line Item – 505-5.4335.52.2200. He noted that this is the last remaining original shaft on the tank, which has failed and needs to be replaced.

Councilmember Reeves made a motion to approve the repair, and Mayor Pro Tem Varner seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Lastly, Mr. VonDenBosch presented a request for approval of the replacement of a failing 10 H.P pump in return well B, by GoForthWilliams, at a cost of \$10,865.00. He identified the Funding Source as Line Item - Line Item - 505-5.4335.52.2200. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Stewart made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Reeves seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Police Chief Ken Noble presented a request approval for the purchase of (1) 2023 Ford Interceptor from Lagacy Ford for the Uniform Patrol Department; the addition of an emergency lighting package from West Chatham in Griffin, GA; window tint from The Bass Station in Griffin, GA; and striping from Sign Craft in McDonough, GA, at a total cost of \$67,605.44. He identified the Funding Source as Line Item 214-5.3210.53.1795 Red Speed. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Stewart made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Burt seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Community Development

Interim Director, Andrew Baker

Case #230804

District 4: Kam Varner

Applicant: Jason Fritz of SW West McDonough, LLC on behalf of the Dollar General

Address: 2060 Industrial Pkwy

Request: A petition to conduct a Concept Plan Review as required per zoning conditions within ORD#05-02-07003(Z).

Zoning: C-2 (Central Commercial) w/conditions per ORD #05-02-07003(Z)

Land Lot(s) 195 of the 7th District 1.41 +/- total acres

MPC Workshop (10/10/23)

MCC Workshop (11/2/23)

MPC Public Review (2/13/24)

MCC Public Hearing & Vote (2/19/24)

This item was deferred to the March 18, 2024, City Council Meeting through an amendment of the agenda.

Police Chief Ken Noble and City Attorney Emilia Walker presented the first Reading of An Ordinance Amending Title 5 of the City of McDonough Code of Ordinances to Allow For To-Go Cocktail Sales in Accordance with Senate Bill 236. Discussion ensued. This item will come back for further consideration at the March 7, 2024, City Council Workshop.

Mayor Vincent presented the request for the adoption of a Resolution Supporting the Creation of a Health Equity Plan in partnership with the American Heart Association and The Department of Public Health. She noted that this effort is in alignment with the "Health and Environmental Element" of the City's Comprehensive

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Plan. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Burt made a motion to adopt Resolution 24-02-19, Supporting the Creation of a Health Equity Plan in partnership with the American Heart Association and The Department of Public Health. and Councilmember Reeves seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

Mayor Vincent presented the request for the adoption of Resolution 24-02-19.1, Supporting Unity Grove Rosenwald School Preservation. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Stewart made a motion to adopt Resolution 24-02-19.1, and Councilmember Reeves seconded. The vote was seven in favor.

No Executive Session was held.

Mayor Vincent adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Christy L. Taylor, CMC
City Clerk

OPEN MEETINGS COMPLIANCE NOTICE: This is a regularly scheduled meeting of Mayor and Council of the City of McDonough duly noticed pursuant to the requirements of the Georgia Open Meetings Law (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1, et seq). Notice of the meeting schedule was published in the *Henry Herald* on December 02, 2023; and a copy the meeting schedule was posted at City Hall and on the City's website, as required by law.