POST AGENDA
CITY OF MCDONOUGH
CITY COUNCILSPECIAL CALLED MEETING
CITY HALL – 136 KEYS FERRY STREET
JULY 9, 2020
6:00 PM

1. Call to Order — Mayor Copeland

Mayor Copeland called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Roll Call

The City Clerk, Ms. Janis Price called roll for the meeting, as follows:

Mayor Billy Copeland	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Craig Elrod	Present
Councilmember Benjamin Pruett	Present
Councilmember Roger Pruitt	Present
Councilmember Rufus Stewart	Present
Councilmember Kamali Varner	(Arrived after meeting began)
Councilmember Sandra Vincent	Present

Others in attendance were: City Administrator, Mr. Preston Dorsey; City Clerk, Ms. Janis Price; Fire Chief, Steve Morgan; Officer Thomas Hunicutt; City Attorney Jim Elliott phoned into the meeting since he was out of the jurisdiction.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Roger Pruitt motioned and Councilmember Stewart seconded. The vote was six in favor. Those voting in favor were: Mayor Copeland, Mayor Pro Tem Elrod, Councilmember Benjamin Pruett, Councilmember Roger Pruitt, Councilmember Stewart, and Councilmember Vincent. Councilmember Varner had not arrived for the meeting.

4. Pledge to the Flag

Councilmember Vincent led the Pledge to the Flag.

5. Invocation

Councilmember Benjamin Pruett gave the Invocation.

6. Executive Session for: Litigation O.C.G.A. 50-14-2
Real Estate O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(1)
Personnel O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(2)

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for potential litigation, O.C.G.A. 50-14-2, and for Real Estate O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(1). Councilmember Stewart motioned and Councilmember Roger Pruitt seconded. The vote was six in favor. Those voting in favor were: Mayor Copeland, Mayor Pro Tem Elrod, Councilmember Benjamin Pruett, Councilmember Roger Pruitt, Councilmember Stewart, and Councilmember Vincent. Councilmember Varner had not arrived for the meeting.

Councilmember Vincent, having heard that Executive Session was for potential litigation and real estate, stated for the record that any discussion which had to do with the monument on the Square, that the deliberations and conversations should be made in public and within the sunlight for our citizens. Mayor Copeland responded no ma'am. If Executive Session is for real estate and potential litigation, it will be held in confidence.

(Councilmember Varner arrived during Executive Session, and Councilmember Stewart had to leave the meeting during Executive Session).

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go back into the Special Called Meeting. Councilmember Roger Pruitt motioned and Mayor Pro Tem Elrod seconded. The vote was six in favor. Those voting in favor were: Mayor Copeland, Mayor Pro Tem Elrod, Councilmember Benjamin Pruett, Councilmember Roger Pruitt, Councilmember Varner, and Councilmember Vincent. Councilmember Stewart had to leave the meeting.

There was one action item to report.

Mayor Copeland asked for the motion. Councilmember Vincent motioned for the authorization to approve the SDS (Service Delivery Strategy) Agreement subject to County Fire being placed in a special service district and the proposed road agreement to be modified as recommended by legal counsel. Mayor Pro Tem Elrod Seconded the motion. The vote was six in favor. Those voting in favor were: Mayor Copeland, Mayor Pro Tem Elrod, Councilmember Benjamin Pruett, Councilmember Roger Pruitt, Councilmember Varner, and Councilmember Vincent. (Councilmember Stewart had to leave the meeting).

Mayor Copeland stated to the remaining audience, at the time, the City does not believe it has a legal interest to assert in the litigation pertaining to the monument.

7. Adjournment

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Roger Pruitt motioned and Mayor Pro Tem Elrod seconded. All stood in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM.