

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSTON, GEORGIA
HELD IN-PERSON AND BY TELECONFERENCE, ZOOM AUDIO/VIDEO
IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

On the 3rd day of September 2024, at 7:00 p.m., the City Council of Clarkston, Georgia met in regular session in-person and by teleconference, Zoom Audio/Video in said City. Mayor Beverly Burks called the meeting to order. The following members of the City Council were present: Vice Mayor Debra Johnson and Councilmembers Yterenickia Bell; Jamie Carroll; Susan Hood; and Mark Perkins. Absent: None. The following City staff were present: Tammi Saddler Jones (Interim City Manager); Dan Defnall (Finance Director); Christine Hudson (Police Chief); Lisa Cameron (Planning and Economic Development Director); Tomika R. Mitchell (City Clerk); and Stephen Quinn (City Attorney).

NOTE: Items appearing in these minutes are in the order they were discussed, not necessarily in the order they appeared on the agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present.

Councilmember Perkins made a motion to remove Item 3A. Vice Mayor Johnson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (5-0).

3. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS/ PRESENTATION

To approve minutes the following meetings:

- A. 05/28/2024 – City Council Work Session Meeting
- B. 08/08/2024 – City Council Meeting
- C. 08/27/2024 – City Council Work Session Meeting

The City Clerk, Tomika Mitchell informed the City Council that the May 28th City Council Work Session minutes were not ready for approval and will be added to a later agenda for approval.

Councilmember Hood made a motion to approve the 08/08/2024 City Council Meeting minutes and the 08/27/2024 City Council Work Session Meeting minutes. Vice Mayor Johnson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (5-0).

4. REPORTS

- A. Planning/Economic and Development Report.

- The Downtown Development Authority & Historic Preservation Commission toured designated areas in the city.
- B. City Manager's Report
 - Introduced the new Director of Human Resources/ Risk Management, Dr, Dwight Baker.
 - Reviewed the City Manager contract log.
 - Announced Clarkston Food Giveaway on September 7th at Tahoe Village Shopping Center
 - Volunteers needed for October 26th Trunk or Treat event
 - Announcement of budget meetings starting next week with Mayor and City Council
 - Report on mosquito trap conducted by Dekalb County Board of Health and one report of the West Nile virus in the county
 - Information announced to make citizens aware of "Connect with Clarkston"
- C. City Attorney's Report
 - Update on the 2024 Legislative Session General Assembly.
- D. Council Remarks
 - The Councilmembers briefly gave an overview of meetings and events they attended, and projects they are currently working on.
- E. Mayor's Report
 - Mayor Burks gave a brief overview of meetings and events she attended and other news of the city.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following citizen presented public comments: Dean Moore.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. To consider a resolution confirming the 2024 SPLOST II Resurfacing Project List.

Councilmember Bell made a motion to approve a resolution confirming the 2024 SPLOST II Resurfacing Projects: Casa Woods Lane (west); Casa Wood Lane (east); Lovejoy Street; and Orchard Street in an amount of \$105,000. Councilmember Perkins duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (5-0).

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. To consider a resolution committing matching funds in the event that the city is awarded the Atlanta United GA 100 Pitch Grant to fund the installation of lights at the Milam Park Soccer field in the amount of \$100,000 to be funded out of SPLOST II.
- B. To consider a resolution committing matching funds to the proposed projects for the 2023 and 2024 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) funding in the amount of \$61,332.95 to be funded out of SPLOST II.
- C. To consider a resolution committing matching funds for the Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) "Safe Streets For All" (SS4A) Transportation Planning Grant in the amount of \$250,000 to be funded out of SPLOST II.

Councilmember Perkins made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Hood duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (5-0).

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. To defer a change of ownership alcohol license application for Mansi 7311, LLC d/b/a Lulu's Package located at 3900 E. Ponce De Leon Ave., Clarkston, GA 30021 to the September 24 Work Session and October 1 City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Bell made a motion to defer a change of ownership alcohol license application for Mansi 7311, LLC d/b/a Lulu's Package located at 3900 E. Ponce De Leon Ave., Clarkston, GA 30021 to the September 24 Work Session and October 1 City Council Meeting. Councilmember Hood duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (4-1). Vice Mayor Johnson voted "no".

- B. To consider a change of ownership alcohol license application for Yetayal Enterprise, LLC d/b/a Ponce Café located at 3652 Market St., Suite C2, Clarkston, GA 30021.

Councilmember Perkins made a motion to approve a change of ownership alcohol license application for Yetayal Enterprise, LLC d/b/a Ponce Café located at 3652 Market St., Suite C2, Clarkston, GA 30021. Vice Mayor Johnson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (5-0).

- C. To consider continuation the continuation of the audio-visual services by Ikon Filmworks until November 1, 2024, for the council work sessions, council meetings, and special called meetings in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to be funded out of Professional Services.

Vice Mayor Johnson made a motion to approve the continuation of the audio-visual services by Ikon Filmworks until November 1, 2024, for the council work sessions, council meetings, and special called meetings in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to be funded out of Professional Services. Councilmember Bell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (4-0-1). Councilmember Hood abstained.

- D. To consider appointing a member to fill a vacancy on the Clarkston Historic Preservation Commission.

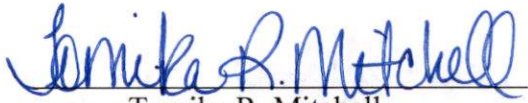
Councilmember Hood made a motion to appoint Robyn Sands to fill a vacancy on the Clarkston Historic Preservation Commission. Councilmember Carroll duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (3-2). Vice Mayor Johnson and Councilmember Bell voted "no".

9. ADJOURNMENT

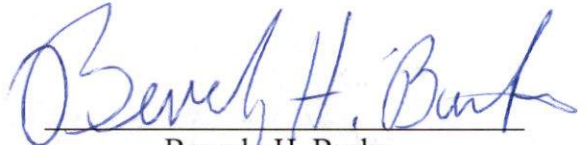
Vice Mayor Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Bell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the meeting adjourned (5-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Tomika R. Mitchell", written over a horizontal line.

Tomika R. Mitchell
City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Beverly H. Burks", written over a horizontal line.

Beverly H. Burks
Mayor