

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 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

On the 9th day of November 2023, 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 Bverly Burks called the meeting to order. The following members of the Council Members were present: Vice Mayor Debra Johnson; Councilmembers Awet Eyasu; Jamie Carroll; Susan Hood; and Yterenickia Bell (virtual). Absent: Laura Hopkins. The following City staff were present: Tammi Saddler Jones (Interim City Manager); Dan Defnall (Finance Director); Christine Hudson (Police Chief); Rodney Beck (Public Works Director); Lisa Cameron (Planning & 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

Laura Hopkins-absent

3. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS/ PRESENTATION

A. To approve minutes the following meetings:

- 10/03/2023 – City Council Meeting
- 10/24/2023 - Special Called City Council Meeting
- 10/31/2023 - City Council Work Session

Councilmember Hood made a motion to approve the following meeting minutes: 10/03/2023 – City Council Meeting; 10/24/2023 - Special Called City Council Meeting; and 10/31/2023 - City Council Work Session. 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 and the City Manager's Report.

- Planning/Economic and Development Manager, Lisa Camera gave a brief report of current programs and ongoing projects.

B. City Manager's Report

- Interim City Manager, Tammi Saddler Jones gave an overview of the upcoming city events, projects and the current budget information.

C. City Attorney's Report

- No report.

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 citizens presented comments to the Mayor and Council: Members of the Concerned Citizens Coalition: Doloris Wynn, Philip Banamon, Pastor Otis Adams, Angel Albaro and Mr. Brandon.

6. OLD BUSINESS

There were no items to discuss.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. To approve a proclamation for Purple Thursday to be recognized on the third Thursday for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- B. To approve a resolution authorizing an agreement with PivotPath, LLC for website maintenance and communication services.
- C. To approve a resolution authorizing an agreement with Elarbee, Thompson, Sapp & Wilson, LLP. to review and revise the City of Clarkston Personnel Policies and Employee Handbook.
- D. To approve the allocation of \$240,000 of ARPA Funds for a Homeowner's Assistance and/or Weatherization Program.
- E. To approve replacing the Police Department vehicle, Unit 626 in the amount of \$32,416.50.

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

8. NEW BUSINESS

There were no items to discuss.

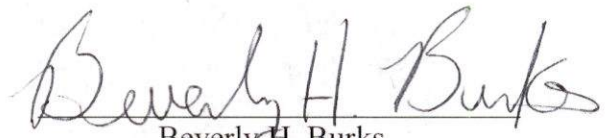
9. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

ATTEST:


Tomika R. Mitchell
City Clerk


Beverly H. Burks
Mayor