

**MINUTES OF WORK SESSION
THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSTON, GEORGIA
HELD IN PERSON AND BY TELECONFERENCE, ZOOM AUDIO/VIDEO
IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026**

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

Mayor Burks called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Beverly H. Burks

Vice Mayor Debra Johnson

Councilmembers Dean Moore, Sharifa Adde, YT Bell, Mark Perkins, and Lynn Bayonne

Absent:

None

Staff Present:

City Manager, ChaQuias Miller-Thornton

City Clerk, Cynthia Hanson

Vice Mayor Johnson made a motion to change item 7A to read: To discuss Ordinance No. 543 of the City Council to amend the FY2025 General Fund Budget.

Councilmember Bell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion passed (6-0).

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A.** Public Hearing to hear public input on a Conditional Use Permit (CUP2026-002) to establish a coin operated laundry at 3635 Church Street (parcel ID: 18 066 01 013).

Sarah McQuade, consultant from Clark Patterson Lee gave a brief staff report on the application with a staff and Zoning Board recommendation of approval with the following condition:

- The self-service laundry facility use shall be limited to 2,500 square feet and shall only be located within Unit B.

The owner of the business, Sayeed Imran spoke regarding the application.

As there were no other public comments, Mayor Burks closed the Public Hearing.

4. PRESENTATION/ ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

A. Rivers Alive 2026

Valentine Acha, On-Site Coordinator with Collaborative Infrastructure Services, Inc., presented a brief update on the recent community Waterway Cleanup Event at Friendship Forest Wildlife Sanctuary.

B. Parks and Recreation Proclamation

Parks and Recreation Director, Michael Duncan, presented the proclamation declaring July as Parks and Recreation Month, and announced activities that will be happening throughout the month to celebrate. This will be a Consent Agenda item for the July 7, 2026 Council Meeting.

C. Clarkston Downtown Development Authority Logo Presentation

City Manager, ChaQuias Miller-Thornton presented the logo describing the significance of the design.

D. Presentation of Facilities Master Plan Status Update and Schedule

City Engineer, Larry Kaiser updated the Council on the upcoming tasks for the Facilities Master Plan.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address questions or comments to the City Council referencing only agenda items after the Mayor and City Council have had the opportunity to discuss the agenda item. Each attendee will be allowed 3 minutes for comments.

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. To discuss Resolution No. 2026-014 of City Council to Amend the FY2025 General Fund Budget.

City Manager, ChaQuias Miller-Thornton explained that the proposed changes are necessary to balance the FY2025 budget. More changes are expected as the audit progresses. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for the July 7, 2026 Council Meeting.

Public Comments: None

B. Discussion of the Civil Engineering Technical and Fee Proposal for the development of concept plans and set of biddable construction plans for the conversion of the Milam Park grass football field to a multi-purpose recreational field.

City Engineer, Larry Kaiser presented the highest ranked qualified firm based off of

proposals submitted in relation to the Request for Proposals. Skyline Engineering & Construction has been chosen as the firm with the highest ranked technical proposal. Cost is being assessed and will be available before the Council Meeting. This item will be under New Business on the July 7, 2026 Council Meeting agenda.

Public Comments:

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- C. Discussion of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP2026-002) to establish a coin-operated laundry at 3635 Church Street (parcel ID: 18 066 01 013).

Sarah McQuade, consultant with Clark Patterson Lee stated the Planning and Zoning Board recommends approval of the CUP with the condition that the existing space not be expanded. Councilmember Moore asked that the minutes from the Planning and Zoning Board be included in the Council packet. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for the July 7, 2026 Council Meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

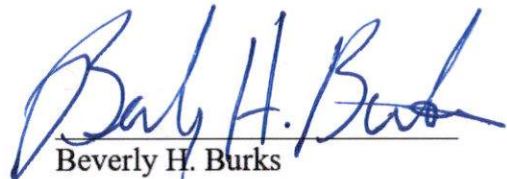
Councilmember Bell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Moore duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the meeting adjourned (6-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

ATTEST:



Cynthia Hanson
City Clerk



Beverly H. Burks
Mayor