

## MINUTES

### City Council Meeting Monday, June 02, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

**Opening:** Mayor Campbell gave the invocation and led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

**City Council Members:** Mayor Bruce Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Marcia Daniel, Councilmember Gwyn Hall, Councilmember Richard Lassiter, Councilmember Natalyn Morris, Councilmember Debbie Ruiz and Councilmember Kim Tice.

**Staff Members:** Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Major Brian Hood, Administrative Commander; Cliff Ducey, Parks and Recreation Director; Carlos Nevarez, Assistant Planning and Zoning Director; and Tonya Roper, Clerk of Council.

**Formal Public Comment:** Ms. Nakiea Hampton requests to address the City Council regarding the conversion of 3706 8<sup>th</sup> Street into a duplex.

Ms. Hampton stated she purchased the property, and the house is still being used as residential property. The zoning changed to commercial, we were interested in building a new home or converting the existing into a duplex; there is also a vacant lot adjacent to the existing property and we considered placing a duplex on the vacant lot.

Mayor Campbell said the process is for you to start with Planning and Zoning and would then come to Council once the Planning department has completed their review.

Carlos Nevarez stated he spoke with Ms. Hampton in reference to the request. He said that the process was explained with all the Planning services offered to Ms. Hampton. Mr. Nevarez said Ms. Hampton requested to come before Council and placed on the agenda after the invitation was offered to meet with the Planning and Zoning department.

Mayor Campbell stated it is too early to come before Council and asked Ms. Hampton to meet with Carlos Nevarez and the Planning team to discuss the options.

**Informal Public Comment:** Given no comments, Mayor Campbell closed the section for informal public comment.

**City Council Minutes:** Councilmember Lassiter made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 19<sup>th</sup> Pre-Agenda Session and City Council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daniel. The motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

**Items for Consideration:**

**Resolution – Chatham Area Transit Authority Appointment:** The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the Mayor and Council appointing a Council member in an assembled regular session to serve with the appointment commencing July 1, 2025, as a member of the Chatham Area Transit Authority as set forth in said House Bill 756.

Councilmember Tice made a motion to nominate Councilmember Richard Lassiter to serve as a member of the Chatham Area Transit Authority. With no additional nominations, the motion was seconded by Councilmember Hall. The vote passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

**Resolution – FY2025 GDOT Local Road Assistance Reclamation Project (Telfair Place):** The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) application for FY2025 – LRA Supplemental for the partial funding of the rehabilitation of Telfair Place; and for other purposes.

Councilmember Hall made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Lassiter seconded the motion. The motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

**Adjournment:** Mayor Campbell called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Tice motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:07pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ruiz and passes without opposition.

*Transcribed & submitted by: The Clerk of Council*

*Accepted & approved by: The City Council on 06-16-25*