

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSTON, GEORGIA HELD
BY TELECONFERENCE, ZOOM AUDIO/VIDEO
IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022

On the 6th day of December 2022, at 7:00 p.m., the City Council of Clarkston, Georgia met in regular session by teleconference, Zoom Audio/Video in said City. Mayor Beverly Burks called the meeting to order. The following members of the Council Members were present: Vice Mayor Awet Eyasu; Councilmembers Jamie Carroll; Debra Johnson; Yterenickia Bell, Laura Hopkins, and Susan Hood. Absent: None. The following City staff were present: Shawanna Qawiy (City Manager); Dan Defnall (Finance 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 members of Council were present.

Councilmember Carroll made a motion to defer Item 8D, regarding the 2023 LMIG Proposed Projects to the January City Council Work Session and City Council Meeting agendas. Vice Mayor Eyasu duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (6-0).

3. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS/ PRESENTATION

Approved the 11/01/2022 City Council Meeting minutes and 11/29/2022 City Council Work Session minutes.

Councilmember Hood made a motion to approve the 11/01/2022 City Council Meeting Minutes and the 11/29/2022 City Council Work Session Minutes. Councilmember Hopkins duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (6-0).

4. REPORTS

A. Planning/Economic and Development Report and the City Manager's Report

- The last Planning and Zoning Board Meeting will be held on December 20, 2022, for a rezoning request.
- Appreciation to Multi-family Community for allowing staff to discuss hard topics with them.
- The results of the Sidewalk Audit were received today.
- The Holiday Festival will be held on December 9, 2022, at Milam Park with the Tree Lighting at 7:00pm.

B. City Manager's Report

- This report was given during the Planning/Economic and Development Report.

C. City Attorney's Report

- No report given.

D. Council Remarks

- The Council members 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

David Jaffer, representing a group of seven gas stations/ convenience stores, presented comments about gas station hours being limited and enforced.

Kassamali Kassam, owner of the convenience store located at 1382 Brockett Rd. deferred his time to Mr. Jaffer.

Bishan Rai, owner of the convenience store located at 1307 Brocket Rd. and 1109 Montreal Rd. deferred his time to Mr. Jaffer.

Brian Medford presented comments pertaining to the ordinance regarding Clarkston apartment inspections.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. To approve an ordinance amending Article V Multifamily Rental Dwellings, Section 11-97. Fee and certificate required (c) to include increasing the annual inspection reports from 20% to 50% annually.

Mayor Burks requested the changes to the ordinance be displayed on the screen during the meeting.

Councilmember Hood made a motion to approve the updated version of the ordinance, which requires twenty (20) percent of newly constructed units to be inspected for the first two years and after that comply with the requirement of inspection, every other year.

The Council briefly discussed this item.

Councilmember Vice Mayor Eyasu duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (6-0).

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. To approve a resolution to adopt Dekalb County's 2023 Hazardous Mitigation Plan.
- B. To approve the proposed City Council Regular and Work Session Meeting dates and City Holiday Calendar.
- C. To approve the reappointments of Herbert Clark and Charles McFarland to the Planning and Zoning Board.

Vice Mayor Eyasu made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Johnson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (6-0).

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. To present the Proposed FY 2023 Operating & Enterprise Fund Budget.

City Manager, Shawanna Qawiy presented the Proposed FY 2023 Operating & Enterprise Fund Budget.

The Council presented comments.

- B. Public Hearing – Public Comments on the Proposed FY 2023 Operating & Enterprise Fund Budget.

The Public Hearing opened at 7:49 p.m.

There were no public comments.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:50 p.m.

- C. To adopt an ordinance of the FY 2023 Operating & Enterprise Fund Budget.

Vice Mayor Eyasu made a motion to approve the Proposed FY 2023 Operating & Enterprise Fund Budget in the amount of \$12,079,688. Councilmember Carroll duly seconded the motion. Mayor Burks called for the vote and declared the motion approved (6-0).

- D. To approve the 2023 LMIG Proposed Projects.

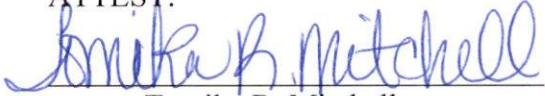
At the beginning of the meeting, the City Council approved deferring this item to the January 2023 City Council Work Session and City Council meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

ATTEST:



Tomika R. Mitchell
City Clerk



Beverly H. Burks
Mayor