



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order

Minutes:

The special meeting was called to order by Mayor William Edwards at 3:01 PM.

The meeting is being conducted under special emergency circumstances due to the COVID-19 (also known as the Coronavirus) pandemic. City Council members and staff are participating via conference call (Zoom). The meeting is being simulcast in real-time via the City's YouTube channel.

2. Roll Call

Minutes:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
William "Bill" Edwards	Mayor	Present	
Mark Baker	District 7 Councilmember	Present	
Catherine F. Rowell	District 1 Councilmember	Present	
Carmalitha Gumbs	District 2 Councilmember	Present	
Helen Z. Willis	District 3 Councilmember	Present	
Naeema Gilyard	District 4 Councilmember	Present	
Corey A. Reeves	District 5 Councilmember	Present	
Khalid Kamau	District 6 Councilmember	Present	

Following the roll call by the City Clerk, a quorum was established.

3. Agenda Items

- 1. Council Approval to Apply for 2020 GA Smart Communities Challenge Grant and Commit the needed 20% Required Fund Match of \$25,000 (Public Works)**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gumbs
Second: Councilmember Rowell
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the application for the 2020 GA Smart Communities Challenge Grant and commit the needed 20% required Fund Match of \$25,000.

The motion was approved unanimously.

2. Council Approval to Apply for the Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council (REBC) Grant and commit funds in the amount of \$47,400 to be used from URA #1 "Cascade Road" (Public Works)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis
Second: Councilmember Gilyard
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the application for the Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council Grant and commit funds in the amount of \$47,000 to be used from URA #1.

The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Council Approval Apply for the 2019 AFG Fire Prevention and Safety Grant and commit the needed 5% Required Match of \$7,102 (Fire)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis
Second: Councilmember Gumbs
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the application for the 2019 AFG Fire Prevention and

Safety Grant and commit the needed 5% required match of \$7,102.

The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Council Approval to Apply for Assistance to Firefighters Grant COVID19 and commit the needed 10% Required Fund Match of \$2,614 (Fire)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Gilyard

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the application for Assistance to Firefighters Grant COVID-19 and commit the needed 10% required Fund Match of \$2,614.

The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Council Discussion and Approval of FY20 Meeting Dates

Wednesday, June 10, 2020*

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Wednesday, August 12, 2020*

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Additional meetings/conferences/holidays taking place during June - September 2020

Tuesday, June 2, 2020-Special Called Meeting - Zoning Ordinance

Review

*Tuesday, June 9, 2020 - GA Primary Election Day

Thursday, June 11, 2020 - Special Called Meeting - Adoption of Zoning

Ordinance

Monday, June 29 - Thurs, July 2, 2020 - GMA Virtual Conference

Friday, July 4, 2020 - Observance of Fourth of July

*Tuesday, August 11, 2020 - Primary Election Runoff

Monday, September 7, 2020 - Observance of Labor Day

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Rowell

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 4 Gilyard, Gumbs, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 3 Baker, khalid , Reeves
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to conduct Council Work Sessions only on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM lasting through September 2020.

(With the exception of June 9, 2020 and August 11, 2020 due to Georgia State Primary Elections. Council Work Sessions will be held on June 10, 2020 and August 12, 2020 as prescribed above.)

The motion was approved 4-3. Councilmembers khalid, Reeves and Baker voted in opposition.

Motion (Approve): Councilmember khalid
Second: Councilmember Reeves
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 4 Baker, khalid , Reeves, Rowell
Nay: 3 Gilyard, Gumbs, Willis
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to designate the second meeting in June 2020 (fourth Tuesday) for Council Regular Meeting beginning at 10:00 AM lasting through September 2020.

The motion was approved 4-3. Councilmembers Gilyard, Willis and Gumbs voted in opposition.

Motion (Approve): Councilmember khalid
Second: Councilmember Baker
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell
Nay: 1 Willis
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to begin the May 26, 2020 Council Meetings at 10:00 AM.

The motion was approved 6-1. Councilmember Willis voted in opposition.

4. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Gumbs

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 3:50 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.



S. Diane White, City Clerk
