



AUGUST 27, 2026 - 2:00 p.m. - CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**CITY GOVERNMENT****OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN****SAVANNAH, GEORGIA**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held at 2:18 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Van R. Johnson, II called the meeting to order. He then recognized Ald. Detric Leggett, who introduced Pastor Rahim Brown, Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, to offer the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited in unison.

PRESENT:

Mayor Van R. Johnson, II
Aldermwoman Carolyn H. Bell, At-Large, Post 1
Aldermwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, At-Large, Post 2
Aldermwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1
Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2
Aldermwoman Linda Wilder, District 3 - Vice Chair
Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4 - Chairman
Aldermwoman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5 - Mayor Pro Tem
Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager Jay Melder
Assistant City Manager Taffanye Young
City Attorney Bates Lovett
Clerk of Council Mark Massey
Deputy Clerk of Council Gwendolyn Jones

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

[1. Adoption of the Regular Meeting Agenda for August 27, 2026.](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to adopt/approve item #1, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[2. Approval of the Minutes for the Special Called Meeting Held on August 13, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.](#)[Agenda Plus - SCM DRAFT MINUTES August 13, 2026 City Council Special Meeting-watermark.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #2 and #3, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote.

[3. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on August 13, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.](#)[Agenda Plus - RM DRAFT MINUTES August 13, 2026 City Council Regular Meeting-watermark.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #2 and #3, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote.

PRESENTATIONS[4. A Proclamation Declaring September 1-7, 2026, as "Labor Week" in the City of Savannah, Recognizing the Accomplishments and Contributions of the Working Savannah Taskforce and the Savannah Regional Central Labor Council in Advancing, Supporting, and Strengthening Savannah's Workers, Working Families, and Community.](#)

Mayor Johnson presented a proclamation proclaiming September 1-7, 2026, as Labor Week in the City of Savannah to the Savannah Regional Central Labor Council's President, Christi Hulme and its members, Yvonne Brooks, President of Georgia AFL-CIO, and other union reps.

Mayor Johnson also gave homage to Theresa Watson who was a member of the Savannah Regional Central Labor Council, former president of the Savannah Federation of Teachers/Paraprofessional and School-Related Personnel (PSRP), and former Vice President of the Georgia Federation of Teachers. He presented a resolution honoring and celebrating the life and legacy of Theresa Lee Watson to her mother, Rebecca Watson, sister, Kia Watson, and family members who were also present.

Mayor Johnson then asked for a motion to approve the resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote. Following the vote, Mayor Johnson requested all to stand in honoring Theresa with a moment of silence. He stated may her life and legacy be a blessing.

[5. Appearance and Recognition by Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement's Path Forward 2026 Cohort Graduates. \(Neighborhood Safety & Engagement\)](#)

Mayor Johnson, City Manager Melder, and ONSE Sr. Director Jimmy Johnson recognized the Path Forward 2026 Cohort Graduates. The cohort also presented a plaque of special thanks to the mayor's office and members of City Council for their unwavering support of the 2026 Path Forward Cohort.

[6. Presentation By the Employee Engagement Team for Recognition of the 2026 2nd Quarter Employee of the Quarter Winners \(Human Resources\)](#)

Mayor Johnson introduced City Manager Melder to present the 2026 2nd Quarter Employee of the Quarter Winners, joined by the Employee Engagement Team's Chair, Megan Kerkoff, and other members. The winners were:

- Laylah Collier, Community Services
- Jeffrey Goldman, Savannah Fire
- Judy Johnson, Government Operations
- Dylan Harper, Information & Public Affairs
- LaShonda Leathers-Leon, Management Services
- Connie Stephens, Planning & Economic Development
- Christopher Nations, Savannah Police
- Marco Bustos, Water Resources

ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARINGS - (CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)[7. Approval of a Class C \(Liquor, Beer and Wine\) \(By the Drink\) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Colin Breland for Specials Pizza, a Restaurant Located at 2520 DeSoto Avenue. The Establishment is Located between West 41st Street and West 42nd Street in Aldermanic District 2. The Applicant Plans to Operate as a Restaurant. \(New Applicant/New Business\)](#)[Exhibit 1: Checklist - Specials Pizza](#)[Exhibit 2: Density Map - Specials Pizza](#)

[Exhibit 3: Alcohol Reports - Specials Pizza](#)

[Exhibit 4: Measurement Report - Specials Pizza](#)

[Exhibit 5: Security Plan - Specials Pizza](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the alcohol hearings open for agenda items #7, #8, and #9.

No speaker(s).

a. Ald. Wilder moved to close the alcohol license hearings for agenda items #7, #8, and #9, seconded by Ald. Lanier and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

b. Ald. Leggett moved to approve agenda item #7, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

[8. Approval of a Class A \(Liquor, Beer and Wine\) \(Caterer\) Class C \(Liquor, Beer and Wine\) \(By the Drink\) Class E \(Beer and Wine\) \(By the Package\) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Dhruv Khanna for Recess Hotel and Club Savannah, a Hotel at 7 East Congress Street. The Establishment is Located between Drayton Street and Bull Street in Aldermanic District 2. The Applicant Plans to Operate as a Hotel. \(New Applicant/New Business\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Checklist - Recess Hotel and Club Savannah](#)

[Exhibit 2: Density Map - Recess Hotel and Club Savannah](#)

[Exhibit 3: Alcohol Reports - Recess Hotel and Club Savannah](#)

[Exhibit 4: Measurement Report - Recess Hotel and Club Savannah](#)

[Exhibit 5: Security Plan - Recess Hotel and Club Savannah](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the alcohol hearings open for agenda items #7, #8, and #9.

No speaker(s).

a. Ald. Wilder moved to close the alcohol license hearings for agenda items #7, #8, and #9, seconded by Ald. Lanier and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

b. Ald. Leggett moved to approve agenda item #8, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

[9. Approval of a Class E \(Beer and Wine\) \(By the Package\) Alcohol License to Deana Dabit for Ruby's Corner at 1170 East Derenne Avenue. The Establishment is Located between Waters Avenue and Sanders Street in Aldermanic District 3. The Applicant Plans to Continue Operating as a Convenience Store. \(New Applicant/Existing Business\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Checklist - Ruby's Corner](#)

[Exhibit 2: Density Map - Ruby's Corner](#)

[Exhibit 3: Alcohol Reports - Ruby's Corner](#)

[Exhibit 4: Measurement Report - Ruby's Corner](#)

[Exhibit 5: Security Plan - Ruby's Corner](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the alcohol hearings open for agenda items #7, #8, and #9.

No speaker(s).

a. Ald. Wilder moved to close the alcohol license hearings for agenda items #7, #8, and #9, seconded by Ald. Lanier and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

b. Ald. Wilder moved to approve agenda item #9, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Leggett. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

ZONING HEARINGS

[10. Petition of Eric Scott and Ashley Scott for a Zoning Map Amendment from RSF-20 \(Residential Single-Family-20\) to RMF-2-15 \(Residential Multi-Family-2-15 units per acre\) with a Condition for 0.45 Acres at 0 Mohawk Street \(20782 01020\) in Aldermanic District 6 \(26-002408-ZA\) \(Continued from August 13, 2026\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 0 Mohawk Road \(26-002408-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Combined Maps for 0 Mohawk Road \(26-002408-ZA\).pdf](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the zoning hearing open for agenda item #10. See related agenda item #18.

Speaker(s):

- Melanie Wilson, MPC's Executive Director and CEO
- Ryan Ni -- OPPOSED
- Anand Rao -- OPPOSED
- Delaney Copley -- OPPOSED
- Eric Scott, the petitioner

Ald. Palumbo moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda item #10, seconded by Ald. Miller Blakely and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Written Comments:

- Anand Rao plus 38 resident petitions

Mayor Johnson asked Mr. Scott, the petitioner, about the number of units he was proposing to be affordable. Mr. Scott stated he would make all of them affordable if he could, and that his plan was to work with the Savannah Housing Fund, Martin Fretty, and Anita Smith Dixon. Mayor Johnson then asked the City Attorney and City Manager whether there are ways to codify this. City Attorney Lovett stated that if the project gets rezoned, we could continue to work with that.

Ald. Miller Blakely asked Mr. Scott, what price range he was talking about when he mentioned affordable. (HUD standards for the city.)

Ald. Wilder asked how we are supposed to fix housing. She expressed her concerns about the opposition of someone who is working in the community and is trying to do some good stuff in the community. She stated we have to move forward with this. Ald. Wilder also stated that we have to take care of the developers and homeowners. She stated that if she was going to sit on city council, she wanted to equally measure, be transparent, and give other people the opportunity to be great.

Ald. Miller Blakely stated she had the opportunity to attend the meeting with the residents of that neighborhood, and she understood what Ms. Delaney was saying. She stated that the development would be right next door to her house. Ald. Miller Blakely stated Ms. Delaney's concern was that people would be able to look over into her home because it was two stories. Ald. Miller Blakely asked about the height of the townhomes. Mr. Scott stated it would be a mix between one- and two-story.

Ald. Lanier asked about the size of the lot. (100ft wide and 200ft deep, almost half an acre) Ald. Lanier stated that, as far as the requirement for a buffer, the petitioner was going to erect an eight-foot fence, and she did not know if that was a requirement. MPC's Executive Director Melanie Wilson stated the requirement with regard to fencing and buffering would be further addressed when they submit their plans for development if this gets approved, but an eight (8) foot high fence is over and beyond what is required. Ald. Lanier stated she assumes that the petitioner was going to put the one-story adjacent (to Ms. Delaney's property), and then will elevate. Mr. Scott replied.

Ald. Bell stated she was a little concerned about the number of stories, but he answered the question. She then asked whether the petitioner was doing some other work in the city. (Yes, just completed 916 MLK apartments.)

Mayor Johnson asked when we will conduct the ribbon-cutting for 916 MLK. City Manager Melder stated that 916 MLK is 16 two-bedroom apartments for families coming out of homelessness. It is one of our projects, which we will be cutting the ribbon on soon.

Ald. Palumbo thanked the petitioner and the neighbors for coming out to speak on this agenda item. He stated that it is an important and rare opportunity that neighbors get to work directly with the petitioner on this. Ald. Palumbo stated he understood the residents who wish for no change, but he truly believes you change by chance or you change by choice. To get a petitioner like this for multi-family housing, it rarely gets better. Ald. Palumbo stated the petitioner will have to walk a long road, probably improving some decades of old county infrastructure that was originally built, and he applauds them for doing it. He further stated that he supports the petitioner for taking this journey and helping the neighbors understand what is happening.

Ald. Purtee stated that this has been a contentious conversation for a while between two groups of people, the petitioner and the neighborhood association. Ald. Purtee asked for the site overview to be pulled up again; he stated that when we start talking about the integrity of the neighborhood and the integrity of the southside as a whole and looking at the maps, you see the RSF-6 (Residential Single-Family-6) parcels that are there, approximately 10 parcels in that section, and everything else is residential multi-family. Ald. Purtee asked Mr. Scott whether his intentions were going to be for sale or for rent. (They would be for rent.) He further asked about the number of parcels he was planning to put on this piece of property. (Six (6)) Ald.

Purtee stated that we talk about growing on the southside and we talk about trying to make this area better for our folks. He further stated he was conflicted on how he wanted to handle this, but he has to handle this with what is best for the entire southside community. Ald. Purtee stated that not only do we need housing that is affordable but we are also still in a housing crisis. We have seen a number of folks on the southside who have not been able to get into housing, therefore leaving them homeless or roofless in our parks and our areas. Ald. Purtee stated that he could not, in good faith, argue that we need more housing on the southside; we are in a homeless crisis; we are in a housing crisis; and then deny housing that is needed. He expressed that if this gets approved, his goal is for the petitioner and Ms. Delaney to sit down together to address the concerns, but if it does not get approved, he advised the petitioner not to give up and come back with a plan.

Mayor Johnson stated it becomes difficult because we are charged with being able to preserve what is, but we are also charged with looking toward our future by examining what is happening in our present. He stated that each day he is contacted by someone who talks about the availability of housing that is affordable for them. Mayor Johnson explained that the council also recognizes that, as this continues, we can only achieve affordability through density--you've got to go up. He further stated that everybody wants affordable housing, but nobody wants it in their neighborhood. Mayor Johnson stated that for the Council, there comes a time that we have to make some very bold decisions as it relates to it. Either we want affordable housing and do the things to get there, or we do not, and our citizens reap the consequences of that. But at the same time, we need to provide some predictability and reliability for those who have invested in our neighborhoods and made them what they are.

[11. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of Cabretta 40Star LLC, 207 East 31st Street Starland LLC, Caroline Martha Braunschweig, Starland 302, Inc., and Azalea Row Realty, LLC for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Traditional Neighborhood to Traditional Commercial of 0.62 acres at 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003125-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street FLUM \(26-003125-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street.pdf](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the zoning hearings open for agenda items #11 and #12. See related agenda items #19 and #20.

Speaker(s):

- Melanie Wilson, MPC's Executive Director and CEO
- Wendy Picone -- OPPOSED
- Linda VanApeldoorn -- OPPOSED
- Matt Beatty -- IN SUPPORT
- Josh Yellin, represented the petitioner

a. Ald. Wilder moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda items #11 and #12, seconded by Ald. Leggett. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-1. Ald. Miller Blakely was away from the dais during the vote.

b. Ald. Palumbo moved to reopen the zoning hearing for agenda items #11 and #12, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-1. Ald. Miller Blakely was away from the dais during the vote.

c. Ald. Wilder moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda items #11 and #12, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Written Comments:

- Chelsea Phillips -- SUPPORTED
- Matt Beatty -- SUPPORTED
- Linda VanApeldoorn -- SUPPORTED
- Susan Falls -- OPPOSED
- O. Byron Meredith III -- OPPOSED
- Carolina Braunschweig -- SUPPORTED

Ald. Wilder noted that the parcels were four houses on a short block. She stated that we want to set precedents like this, and we want to give homeowners an opportunity to control what is going on in their environment. Ald. Wilder asked about the parking. Mr. Yellin replied.

Ald. Leggett asked Mr. Yellin if everybody was in support of it except for the neighborhood association, charging that they do not want it to be any non-owner-occupied STVRs as an available option. (Correct) Ald. Leggett noted that in 2019 the short-term vacation rental ordinance was extended to Victory Drive. He then asked the City Manager if the Council was to pass it with conditions, was there an opportunity for the public, with the neighborhood association, to come back to make a change to the ordinance. City Manager Melder stated the property owners would have to seek a rezoning or an entitlement to that, and come back through the MPC process to take away that condition on their zoning.

Ald. Miller Blakely stated she was familiar with the area and asked if they were asking to go from a traditional neighborhood to traditional commercial. She stated that all of them were homes that were located right there by where the paint company used to be on Drayton and 40th. Ald. Miller Blakely asked how all of these homes were turning into commercial. She further expressed that, obviously, they will be STVRs. Mr. Yellin replied. Ald. Miller Blakey then asked if they were talking about 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street, and whether they wanted to make all of those commercial. Mr. Yellin responded.

Ald. Bell stated she visited the site and she would tell you that it is not the traditional residential neighborhood that it might have been several years ago. She stated she heard the residents laugh when somebody mentioned something about the quiet hour for the train. Ald. Bell expressed that she lives in that area and that we (the residents) are still bothered by the train. She stated that this particular block has changed, and she liked the idea that properties are being requested to go from traditional residential to traditional commercial because of what is happening on the block.

[12. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of Cabretta 40Star LLC, 207 East 31st Street Starland LLC, Caroline Martha Braunschweig, Starland 302, Inc., and Azalea Row Realty LLC for a Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone 0.62 acres at 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street \(20065 39010, 20074 01005, 20065 39009, 20074 01006, 20074 01007, 20074 02001, and 20065 39008\) from TN-2 \(Traditional Neighborhood-2\) to TC-1 \(Traditional Commercial-1\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003123-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street Rezoning \(26-003123.pdf\)](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 18 19 20 23 25 and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street 1.pdf](#)

See agenda item #12.

[13. Petition of Cemil Emre Yavas for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Traditional Neighborhood to Traditional Commercial of 0.04 acres at 1108 Abercorn Street \(20044 34011\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003038-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 1108 Abercorn Street FLUM \(26-003038-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 1108 Abercorn Street.pdf](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the zoning hearings open for agenda items #13 and #14. See related agenda items #21 and #22.

Speaker(s):

- Melanie Wilson, MPC's Executive Director and CEO

Ald. Palumbo moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda items #13 and #14, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Purtee were away from the dais during the vote.

Written Comments:

- Michael Bryan -- IN SUPPORT
- Nancy Maia -- IN SUPPORT

Ald. Leggett stated he received a letter from the Victorian Neighborhood Association. He stated that they are in support of the whole thing, but the only thing they did not want was for it to be a short-term vacation rental there, and they already have a highly problematic convenience store down the street.

Ald. Miller Blakely asked Ald. Leggett to repeat what he stated about the convenience store. Ald. Leggett then read the letter received from the Victorian Neighborhood Association.

[14. Petition of Cemil Emre Yavas for a Zoning Map Amendment from TN-1 \(Traditional Neighborhood-1\) to TC-1 \(Traditional Commercial-1\) of 0.04 acres at 1108 Abercorn Street \(20044 34011\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-002988-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 1108 Abercorn Street Rezoning \(26-002988-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 1108 Abercorn Street.pdf](#)

See agenda item #13.

[15. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of RM Savannah Investment Properties, LLC for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Residential-Suburban Single Family to Commercial-Neighborhood at 10602, 10612, and 10620 White Bluff Road \(20587 01003, 20587 01004, and 20587 01005\) in Aldermanic District 4 \(26-002954-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 10602, 10612, & 10620 White Bluff Road FLUM \(26-002954-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 10602, 10612, & 10602 White Bluff Rd.pdf](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the zoning hearings open for agenda items #15 and #16. See related agenda items #23 and #24.

Speaker(s):

- Melanie Wilson, MPC's Executive Director and CEO

Ald. Palumbo moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda items #15 and #16, seconded by Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Ald. Lanier asked Ms. Wilson what the reason was for the board's difference in opinion, as the MPC staff did not recommend it and the board did. Ms. Wilson responded. Ald. Lanier asked whether any residents or anyone in opposition showed up to the MPC meeting. (MPC did not receive any letters.)

Ald. Palumbo stated that in speaking with the neighbor, this was a welcome addition to the community. He stated that the reality of the situation today is that White Bluff Road has changed a great deal since it was rezoned for residential single-family. Ald. Palumbo stated one neighbor had some questions about it, and his questions were very well-meaning. He explained that today, the site exists to collect litter, to flood, and to have various encampments that have taken place. Ald. Palumbo thanked the neighborhood president, Mr. Bolton, for conferring with him on this one.

[16. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of RM Savannah Investment Properties, LLC for a Zoning Map Amendment from RSF-6 \(Residential Single-family-6\) to B-N \(Neighborhood Business\) at 10602, 10612, and 10620 White Bluff Road \(20587 01003, 20587 01004, and 20587 01005\) in Aldermanic District 4 \(26-002955-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC Recommendation Packet for 10602, 10612, & 10602 White Bluff Road \(26-002955-ZA\).pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Maps for 10602, 10612, & 10602 White Bluff Rd.pdf](#)

See agenda item #15.

[17. Public Hearing on Adoption of an Ordinance Imposing a Temporary Moratorium on Development or Conversion Activity Related to Large-scale Data Centers with an Electrical Capacity of \(10\) Megawatts or Greater and Prohibiting the Conversion of Warehouses and Large Industrial Buildings of 200,000 Square Feet or More to Data Center Use Within the Corporate Limits of The City Of Savannah.](#)

[Exhibit 1: Savannah Data Center Moratorium Ordinance .docx](#)

Mayor Johnson declared the zoning hearing open for agenda item #17. See related agenda item #27.

No Speaker(s).

Ald. Purtee moved to close the zoning hearing for agenda items #13 and #14, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Written Comments:

- Sara Mulligan -- IN SUPPORT
- Kendra Clark -- IN SUPPORT
- Jessica Lacoss -- IN SUPPORT
- Ethan Watters -- IN SUPPORT
- Cassandre Miller -- IN SUPPORT

Mayor Johnson stated that this is something that is emergent. He stated that it is something the City Manager, City Attorney, and he felt needed to come before the council quickly. Mayor Johnson stated that Georgia has become one of the nation's leading markets for data centers, driven by very significant state incentives, major fiber infrastructure, and access to utility capacity. He stated Savannah will not be immune from that pressure, but the question is whether we are prepared for the proposals that will come tomorrow, even though we do not

necessarily have any before us today. Mayor Johnson stated that before Savannah approves facilities of this scale, we have to fully understand what this means for our electrical grid, water resources, infrastructure capacity, land use, neighborhoods, and taxpayers. We need to set the rules for Savannah before the market sets them for us, and it is moving so fast that we thought it was wise to bring before you a moratorium date certain for 155 days to allow staff to put good policy and process before the politics.

ORDINANCES - FIRST AND SECOND READING - (CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)

[18. Petition of Eric Scott and Ashley Scott for a Zoning Map Amendment from RSF-20 \(Residential Single-Family-20\) to RMF-2-15 \(Residential Multi-Family-2-15 units per acre\) with a Condition for 0.45 Acres at 0 Mohawk Street \(20782 01020\) in Aldermanic District 6 \(26-002408-ZA\) \(Continued from August 13, 2026\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 0 Mohawk Road \(26-002408-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Purtee moved (to approve agenda item #18) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed, 7-1-1. Ald. Leggett recused/abstained due to family relationship. Ald. Miller Blakely voted no.

[19. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of Cabretta 40Star LLC, 207 East 31st Street Starland LLC, Caroline Martha Braunschweig, Starland 302, Inc., and Azalea Row Realty LLC for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Traditional Neighborhood to Traditional Commercial of 0.62 acres at 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street \(20065 39010, 20074 01005, 20065 39009, 20074 01006, 20074 01007, 20074 02001, and 20065 39008\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003125-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street FLUM \(26-003125-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Leggett moved (to approve agenda item #19) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote.

[20. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of Cabretta 40Star LLC, 207 East 31st Street Starland LLC, Caroline Martha Braunschweig, Starland 302, Inc., and Azalea Row Realty LLC for a Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone 0.62 acres at 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street \(20065 39010, 20074 01005, 20065 39009, 20074 01006, 20074 01007, 20074 02001, and 20065 39008\) from TN-2 \(Traditional Neighborhood-2\) to TC-1 \(Traditional Commercial-1\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003123-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, and 101 East 40th Street and 2309 Drayton Street Map \(26-003123-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Leggett moved (to approve agenda item #19 with conditions that it is not utilized as a non-owner occupied Short-Term Vacation Rentals as agreed by the petitioner) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed, 7-1-0. Ald. Purtee was away from the dais during the vote. Ald. Miller Blakely voted no.

[21. Petition of Cemil Emre Yavas for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Traditional Neighborhood to Traditional Commercial of 0.04 acres at 1108 Abercorn Street \(20044 34011\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-003038-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 1108 Abercorn Street FLUM \(26-003038-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Leggett moved (to approve agenda item #19) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Purtee were away from the dais during the vote.

[22. Petition of Cemil Emre Yavas for a Zoning Map Amendment from TN-1 \(Traditional Neighborhood-1\) to TC-1 \(Traditional Commercial-1\) of 0.04 acres at 1108 Abercorn Street \(20044 34011\) in Aldermanic District 2 \(26-002988-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 1108 Abercorn Street Map \(26-001234-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Leggett moved (to approve agenda item #22 with conditions that it is not utilize as a non-owner occupied Short-Term Vacation Rentals) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed, 6-1-0. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Purtee were away from the dais during the vote. Ald. Miller Blakely voted no.

[23. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of RM Savannah Investment Properties, LLC for a Future Land Use Map \(FLUM\) Amendment from Residential-Suburban Single Family to Commercial-Neighborhood at 10602, 10612, and 10620 White Bluff Road \(20587 01003, 20587 01004, and 20587 01005\) in Aldermanic District 4 \(26-002954-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for White Bluff Road FLUM \(26-002954-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Palumbo moved (to approve agenda item #23) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Purtee. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[24. Petition of Josh Yellin on behalf of RM Savannah Investment Properties, LLC for a Zoning Map Amendment from RSF-6 \(Residential Single-family-6\) to B-N \(Neighborhood Business\) at 10602, 10612, and 10620 White Bluff Road \(20587 01003, 20587 01004, and 20587 01005\) in Aldermanic District 4 \(26-002955-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Draft Ordinance for 10602, 10612, & 10620 White Bluff Rd Map \(26-002955-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Palumbo moved (to approve agenda item #24) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Purtee. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[25. Approval to Amend Division II, Part 4, Public Services, Ch 7, International Airport, Article A \(Item Continued to September 10, 2026\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Sav-Airport Ordinance\(Purchasing\)proposed revision \[5-26\] \(00027745-2xAB0B1\).pdf](#)

Ald. Wilder moved to continue/postpone agenda items #25 and #26 until the September 10, 2026, Council Meeting, seconded by Ald. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[26. Approval to Amend the Charter of the City of Savannah, Section 8-415, Rights in Airport Property. \(Item Continued to September 10, 2026\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Sav-Charter\)proposed rev\)\\$1,000 approval remove leases \[7-26\] \(00027746-2xAB0B1\).pdf](#)

Ald. Wilder moved to continue/postpone agenda items #25 and #26 until the September 10, 2026, Council Meeting, seconded by Ald. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[27. Adoption of an Ordinance Imposing a Temporary Moratorium on Development or Conversion Activity Related to Large-scale Data Centers with an Electrical Capacity of 10 Megawatts or Greater and Prohibiting the Conversion of Warehouses and Large Industrial Buildings of 200,000 Square Feet or More to Data Center Use Within the Corporate Limits of the City Of Savannah.](#)

[Exhibit 1: Savannah Data Center Moratorium Ordinance .docx](#)

Ald. Purtee moved (to approve agenda item #27) that the first reading be considered the second and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed, seconded by Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Mayor Johnson stated that we will be thoughtful and judicial and will bring back something, hopefully, by the second meeting in January for the Council to consider.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING - (CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)

[28. Petition of Bridget Lidy on behalf of The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia for a Zoning Text Amendment to Articles 2.0 Review Bodies and Administrators, 3.0 Application and Review Procedures, 6.0 Special 3 Purpose Districts, 7.0 Overlay Districts, 8.0 Use Standards, 9.0 General Site Standards, and 13.0 Abbreviations and Definitions to Facilitate the Transfer of Authority of Application Intake from the City of Savannah to the Chatham County-Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission \(MPC\) and to Provide a More Concise Process for the Public in the Processing of Development Applications \(26-002369-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Final Ordinance for Text Amendment for Articles 2.0, 3.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, and 13.0 \(26-002369-ZA\).pdf](#)

Ald. Lanier moved to continue/postpone agenda item #28 until the September 10, 2026, Council Meeting, seconded by Ald. Miller Blakely and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Mayor Johnson asked the City Manager to provide any comments based on the workshop held that morning. City Manager Melder and City Attorney Lovett provided information and recommendations regarding the text amendment.

Ald. Wilder expressed that she had some trepidation and apprehension about this item. She stated she did not want to move on this until the Council receives further information.

Ald. Lanier stated that because of the consternation here, she recommends that the Council continue this item until September 10th.

[29. Petition of Bridget Lidy on behalf of The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia for a Zoning Text Amendment to Add Permitted Use and Associated Development Standards to Articles 5.0 Base Zoning Districts, 8.0 Use Standards, 9.0 General Site Standards, and 13.0 Abbreviations and Definitions, to permit several different housing types in multiple districts \(26-002370-ZA\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Final Ordinance for Housing Toolkit Text Amendment.pdf](#)

a. Ald. Purtee moved to approve item #29, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. No vote was taken.

b. Ald. Wilder moved to continue/postpone agenda item #29 until the September 10, 2026, Council Meeting, seconded by Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed, 7-2-0. Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Purtee voted no.

Ald. Wilder voiced her concerns about moving forward with a vote. She further expressed that we should move forward with this because it is unrealistic to have a workshop and on the same day, vote on it. Ald. Wilder asked to put a pause on this (agenda item) to receive all the information.

Mayor Johnson stated that this is a tool in the toolbox, and not all tools are used for all purposes. He asked the City Manager if he saw any significant change in what he proposes now or two weeks from now as it relates to this particular item. City Manager Melder stated the only specific change that has been requested by a member of the Council was regarding regulating the size of BC districts and whether or not standalone apartments would be allowed in smaller-sized BC lots.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz stated that, after hearing the voices of her colleagues on City Council on this item, we still have questions about it, and what we would like to happen is to continue this item until the first or second meeting in September.

Ald. Lanier stated she was in agreement with the other councilwomen. She noted that this is not time-sensitive and it was just too much confusion. Ald. Lanier stated that if the Council could just come back in two weeks with two clean pieces of legislation, the Council would be able to address these without pressing it here today.

Ald. Palumbo expressed his concerns regarding the passing of the text amendment. He asked the Council to use these two weeks diligently because it is time-sensitive to his district. Ald. Palumbo stated that it is all over the city, but it directly impacts his district significantly. He stated that he wanted to make sure that the delay was not to deny, because we have worked extremely hard on this for a long time, and if we are going to be the Council that makes a pledge to housing, let us be the Council that makes the pledge to housing.

PURCHASING ITEMS - (CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)

[30. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Three-Year Contract for Software Support and Maintenance for Handheld Citation Devices, Citation Services and Letter Services with T2 Systems in an Amount Not to Exceed \\$471,944.23. \(Parking & Mobility Services\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - T2 System Annual Renewal Contract for Three Years.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - T2 System Annual Renewal Contract for Three Years.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[31. Authorize the City Manager to Amend the Previously Approved Agenda Item from August 13, 2026 to Increase the Procurement of Combination Sewer Cleaner Trucks from \(2\) to \(4\) Trucks from Vac-Con in the Amount of \\$2,382,417.59. \(Fleet Services\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - \(4\) Combination Sewer Cleaner Truck.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - \(4\) Combination Sewer Cleaner Truck.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[32. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for a Lenco Bearcat Armored Rescue Vehicle from Lenco Bearcat in the Amount of \\$401,531. \(SPD\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Lenco Bearcat.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Lenco Bearcat.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[33. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Temporary Staffing Services from Robert Half International, Inc. in the Amount of \\$130,000. \(ITS\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - ITS Temp Staff.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - ITS Temp Staff.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[34. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Trimble Unity Professional Services Upgrade with Woolpert, Inc. in the Amount of \\$64,000. \(ITS\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Trimble Upgrade.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Trimble Upgrade.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[35. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for \(14\) Security Cameras from Netplanner Systems, Inc. in the Amount of \\$54,635.88. \(ITS\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Security Cameras State Parking Garage.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Security Cameras State Parking Garage.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[36. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 2 for Towing Class Services with Yarbrough Enterprise, Inc. dba Tim's Towing & Recovery in an Amount Not to Exceed \\$45,000. \(Fleet Services\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Contract Modification No. 2 Towing Class II & VII Vehicles.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Contract Modification No. 2 Towing Class II & VII Vehicles.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[37. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 for Tree and Stump Removal Services with ArborNature, LLC in an Amount Not to Exceed \\$80,000. \(Park and Tree\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Contract Modification No. 1 Tree and Stump Removal.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Contract Modification No. 1 Tree and Stump Removal.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[38. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Repair of Leaks at the State Street Garage with Rowe Construction in the Amount of \\$98,550. \(Capital Projects\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - State Street Garage Leak Repairs.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - State Street Garage Leak Repairs.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[39. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contracts to Furnish the New Savannah Police Department's Northwest Precinct with C/O Masons, Inc in the Amount of \\$400,884.67. \(Capital Projects\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - SPD Northwest Precinct Furniture.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - SPD Northwest Precinct Furniture.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #30 through #39, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION

[40. Approval to Pay Sterling Seacrest Pritchard, Inc. for the 2025-2026 Workers Compensation Premium Balance, in the Amount of \\$29,199](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[41. Approval of Advertising Placement in the 2027 Hilton Head Island and Bluffton Vacation Planners, in the Amount of \\$57,780](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[42. Approval to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Steven Baldwin & Associates, in the Amount of \\$66,000](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[43. Approval to Procure Four Command Central AXS Dispatch Consoles from Motorola Solutions, in the Amount of \\$1,287,673](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[44. Approval to Renew the Diiio Mi Software Subscription from Lexis Nexis Risk Solutions Group, in the Amount of \\$35,095](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[45. Approval to Purchase Three Konica Minolta Multifunction Devices from ABR Digital Office Solutions, in the Amount of \\$30,000](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[46. Approval of Change Order No. 1 with Shamrock Concrete Construction for the GA-V Reconstruction and Widening Project, in the Amount of \\$520,050](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[47. Approval of Change Order No. 7 with Iugis Construction, Inc. for the Terminal Concourse Expansion Project, in the Amount of \\$365,112](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[48. Approval to Execute a Contract with ECS Southeast, LLC, for the Terminal Apron North Bypass Taxi Lane and Taxiway F Reconstruction Project, in the Amount of \\$103,325](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[49. Approval of Change Order No. 4 with Rite Lite Signs, Inc., for the Terminal Roadway Signage Project, in the Amount of \\$69,465](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[50. Approval of Task Work Order No. 17 with Mead & Hunt for Design Services to Pave Rental Car Parcel B and Yellow Lot, in the Amount of \\$288,718](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[51. Approval to Award a Contract to Tri-Sate Pump & Control, Inc., to Install a Submersible Variable Frequency Device Pump Station, in the Amount of \\$88,303](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #40 through #51, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[52. Approval of Task Work Order No. 27 with AECOM for the FIS HVAC Replacement Project, in the Amount of \\$67,310](#)

Ald. Wilder moved to approve items #52 and #53, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed, 8-0-1. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz abstained/recused herself for business purposes.

[53. Approval of Task Work Order No. 25 with AECOM for Design Services for the Lifecycle Replacement of Air Handler Units and Fan Coil Units, in the Amount of \\$54,000](#)

Ald. Wilder moved to approve items #52 and #53, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed, 8-0-1. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz abstained/recused herself for business purposes.

AGREEMENTS

[54. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding for a Bay Street Microsimulation Study between the City of Savannah and Metropolitan Planning Commission \(Planning & E. D. Chief's Office\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: MPC SAVANNAH MOU.PI-0021574 - Final_08212026.docx](#)

Ald. Palumbo moved to approve item #54, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Ald. Lanier asked the City Manager to share a little bit more about the agenda item and explain why we are focusing on just that area and what we are trying to achieve. City Manager Melder and Chief of Economic Development Faye DiMassimo responded. Ald. Lanier expressed that hopefully this time we could do something with this study and not just have another study.

Ald. Miller Blakely asked Chief DiMassimo if they were doing just one portion, 1.3 miles east of Bay Street. (Correct) She further asked why not down on the westside of Bay where they have

been asking for a traffic light. Ald. Miller Blakely stated that we have talked about Vision Zero but there is nothing down there. Chief DiMassimo and City Manager Melder responded.

Mayor Johnson stated he wanted to state for the record that Bay Street going west is under the control of GDOT. Therefore, things like traffic control devices and those types of things have to be done and approved by GDOT.

REAL ESTATE ITEMS - (CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)

[55. Authorize the City Manager to Grant an Easement for Connection to Lift Station 217 at 1400 Pine Meadow Drive to Provide a Distribution Line to Georgia Power. \(Real Estate Services\)](#)

[Exhibit 1 - Map Attachment.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2 - Easement Agreement.pdf](#)

Ald. Palumbo moved to approve items #55 and #56, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[56. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Amendment No. 6 for an Existing City-owned Water Tower Lease Agreement with Alltel Communications, LLC "Verizon" Located in Aldermanic District 1. \(Real Estate Services\)](#)

[Exhibit 1: Location Maps.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: Amendment No.6 Lease Agreement.pdf](#)

Ald. Palumbo moved to approve items #55 and #56, seconded by Ald. Leggett and Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

[57. Settlement #1](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to authorized the City Attorney's Office to settle the claim (vehicle accident) of Eric Mike for a total of \$55,000.00, seconded by Mayor Johnson. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[58. Settlement #2](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to authorized the City Attorney's Office to settle the claim (vehicle accident) of Zikerria Nevels for a total of \$55,000.00, seconded by Mayor Johnson. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

[59. Settlement #3](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to authorized the City Attorney's Office to settle the claim (worker's compensation) of Donald Solomon for a total of \$224,124.87, seconded by Mayor Johnson. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

[60. Authorize the City Manager to Approve a Major Subdivision for a Portion of Parcel at C-1A1 #150 Eastern Wharf Avenue Located in Aldermanic District 2. \(Development Services Department\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Plat of Major Subdivision, A Portion of Parcel C-1A1 #150 Eastern Wharf Avenue.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: MPC Decision.pdf](#)

Ald. Leggett moved to approve item #60, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed, 8-0-1. Ald. Miller Blakely voted no.

[61. Authorize the City Manager to Approve a Major Subdivision for New Hampstead Pod I, Phase 1 Located in Aldermanic District 5. \(Development Services Department\).](#)

[Exhibit 1: Plat of Major Subdivision, New Hampstead Pod I, Phase 1.pdf](#)

[Exhibit 2: MPC Approval Decision.pdf](#)

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #61, seconded by Ald. Wilder and Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Following announcements made by the Mayor and Aldermen, Mayor Johnson adjourned the regular meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Signature: _____

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