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OCTOBER 22, 2026 - 2:00 p.m. - CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

CITY GOVERNMENT

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

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The regular meeting of the City Council was held at 2:12 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, called the meeting to order. He then recognized Ald. Kurtis Purtee, who introduced Pastor Paul E. Smith, Senior Pastor of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church. Following the prayer, the pledge of allegiance was recited in unison.

PRESENT:

Mayor Van R. Johnson, II

Alderwoman Carolyn H. Bell, At-Large, Post 1

Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, At-Large, Post 2

Alderwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1

Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2

Alderwoman Linda Wilder, District 3 - Vice Chair

Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4 - Chairman

Alderwoman 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 October 22, 2026.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to adopt/approve item #1, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of the Minutes for the Workshop Session and City Manager's Briefing Held on October 8, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

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Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #2 and #3, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

3. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on October 8, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

Agenda Plus - RM DRAFT MINUTES October 8, 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. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

4. Approval of the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for the 2027 calendar year.

Exhibit 1_2027_COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE_for 01-01-2027.pdf

Ald. Wilder moved to approve item #4, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

PRESENTATIONS

5. An Appearance by and Recognition of Team Savannah Breast Cancer Warriors in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Mayor Johnson recognized this month as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He expressed the importance of early detection for men and women. He also acknowledged the appearance of city employee Colette White, who is a breast cancer survivor.

6. An Appearance by and Recognition of the Veterans Council of Chatham County to Introduce the 2026 Parade Grand Marshall and Receive the 2026 Veterans Day Parade Permit to Conduct the 80th Veteran's Day Parade.

Mayor Johnson, joined by Ald. Miller Blakely, recognized the Veterans Council of Chatham County chairman, Harry Gardner, who introduced the 2026-2027 Veteran of the Year, Joe Higgins. Chairman Gardner also announced that for the 2026 Veterans Parade, their 80th parade, 14 past Veterans of the Year will serve as grand marshals.

Ald. Miller Blakely moved to issue the parade permit for the 2026 Veterans Day Parade, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

7. Presentation of a Proclamation Designating November 1, 2026, as Retired Educators Day in the City of Savannah, GA.

Mayor Johnson welcomed School Board member Paul E. Smith to join him at the podium to proclaim November 1, 2026, as Georgia Retired Educators' Day in Savannah, Georgia, to retired educators who were present: Dr. Pamela West, Kathy Grant, Brenda Roberts, Barbara Kaufman, and James Kaufman.

8. An Appearance by and Recognition of 311 Action Center Staff for 20 Years of 311 Customer Service Excellence within the City of Savannah.

Mayor Johnson, Ald. Bell, and City Manager Melder recognized the City of Savannah's 311 Action Center staff for 20 years of 311 Customer Service Excellence, and in the absence of Sr. Director Sarah Torres, 311 staff member Maximilian "Max" Babe gave remarks.

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

9. Approval of a Class C (Liquor, Beer and Wine) (By the Drink) Alcohol License to Alfred Deutsch for Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks, a Bar/Lounge at 183 Wilshire Boulevard. The Establishment is Located between Balboa Boulevard and Abercorn Street in Aldermanic District 6. The Applicant Plans to Operate as a Bar/Lounge. (New Applicant/Existing Business)

Exhibit 1: Checklist - Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks

Exhibit 2: Density Map - Benevolent& Protective Order of Elks

Exhibit 3: Alcohol Reports - Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks

Exhibit 4: Measurement Report - Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks

Exhibit 5: Security Plan - Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks

Mayor Johnson declared the alcohol hearings open for agenda items #9 and #10.

No speaker(s).

a. Ald. Leggett moved to close the alcohol license hearings for agenda items #9 and #10, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

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b. Ald. Purtee moved to approve agenda item #9, seconded by Ald. Palumbo and Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

10. Approval of a Class C (Liquor, Beer and Wine) (By the Drink) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to David Walker for House of Pakwan, a Restaurant Located at 401 Mall Boulevard, Unit 102C. The Establishment is Located between Hodgson Memorial Drive and Waters Avenue in Aldermanic District 4. The Applicant Plans to Operate as a Restaurant. (New Applicant/Existing Business)

Exhibit 1: Checklist - House of Pakwan.pdf

Exhibit 2: Density Map - House of Pakwan.pdf

Exhibit 3: Alcohol Reports - House of Pakwan.pdf

Exhibit 4: Measurement Report - House of Pakwan.pdf

Exhibit 5: Security Plan - House of Pakwan.pdf

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No speaker(s).

a. Ald. Leggett moved to close the alcohol license hearings for agenda items #9 and #10, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

b. Ald. Palumbo moved to approve agenda item #10, seconded by Ald. Purtee, Ald. Wilder, and Ald. Miller Blakely. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

11. Approval to Amend the City of Savannah Parking Ordinance for Implementation of the Parking Matters Study Plan Establishing New Parking Districts from Midtown to Victory Drive and Unifying Parking Districts Currently Separated at Liberty Street. (Mobility & Parking Services)

Exhiibit 1 - Parking Matters Plan - Parking Ordinance Amendment.docx

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing open for agenda item #11.

Speakers:

- Mires Rosenthal - OPPOSED
- Robert Haas - OPPOSED (also present Alan Seidman)
- McLeod Rominger

Ald. Palumbo moved to close the public hearing for agenda item #11, seconded by Ald. Purtee and Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Bell was away from the dais during the vote.

Written comments:

- OPPOSED - Gary Plotycia, Kelley Boyd, Laura Riss, Shannon GaNun, Julia C. Manning, Lusiana Morales, Caitlin McRae, Michelle Kelly, Panagiota K. Richards, Emily Spencer, Victoria Jones, Kacy Cosentini Plotycia, Ruth Davis, Allison Sardinas, Stephanie Jones, Jeremy Minton, Susan Atkinson, Rose Ann Williams, Dan & Valerie Roche, and Dana Collins.

Mayor Johnson announced this was the first public hearing related to this item. Mayor Johnson stated the Council had the parking studies/parking matters plan presented to them by the City Manager. This is now on our agenda for first reading. He further stated that the Council was not taking action, but would take public comments.

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

12. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for DOT Transit Services with Chatham Area Transit (LOCAL) in an Amount Not to Exceed $7,942,893.39. (Parking & Mobility)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification- Circulator Services Agreement

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - 12635 Circulator Services Agreement

Ald. Purtee moved to approve item #12, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed, 6-2-1. Ald. Lanier and Ald. Miller Blakely voted no. Ald. Leggett recused himself from the vote due to his service on the Chatham Area Transit Board.

Ald. Purtee stated that for years he has asked specifically for the DOT to go from the southside, Georgia Southern, all the way to Midtown, and all the way to downtown to help alleviate some of those (parking) issues and to help bring connectivity, accessibility, and equity for those who need it. He expressed that we are back here again with an $8M ask without that simple ask. Ald. Purtee asked if this was a renewal of a current service and how much extra it would be to add his ask. City Manager Melder responded. Ald. Purtee stated he was a little upset that there

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was not at least a number in mind since he has been asking for this for a couple of years. He stated we have a lot of folks that live on the southside, and we should at least look into what that cost looks like for providing those services, whether it is college students, people who live in Midtown or on the southside that work downtown, or something along that line. At this point, we are trying to serve all areas of Savannah. Ald. Purtee asked the City Manager if they could come up with numbers as it relates to the cost. City Manager Melder stated they could absolutely bring back what they believe it would cost and would also talk with CAT about it.

Ald. Palumbo stated it is not a coincidence that we are talking about DOT. It is the most popular transit option in Chatham County, literally and figuratively. He stated the highest ridership comes from a service, the DOT shuttle, that is funded 100% by the City of Savannah; it works; and he hears a lot of the increased demand for it. Ald. Palumbo further stated he does not think it was a coincidence that they have on first reading today the parking matter study and expansion of mobility services and parking revenue. He expressed that we should take them together because it was his understanding that the DOT shuttle was paid for through this parking service fee. City Manager Melder responded. Ald. Palumbo stated that if we are considering the expansion of the parking matter study, there would be additional revenue if it is approved. We should have a discussion about where that revenue goes. That might make all the difference for the expansion of these services to ensure that residents know where their money is going and that they are getting something in return.

Ald. Miller Blakely stated she takes issue with this item. She expressed her concern about people not receiving the bus services that they need from Chatham Area Transit and the DOT. She stated she rides the buses, and she has actually videotaped some of these people going through the changes that they have to go through. Ald. Miller Blakely asked whether an RFP can go out for another organization or entity that could service the southside instead of giving it to CAT in three-year increments.

Mayor Johnson explained that CAT's budget had been severely cut because their millage rate had been cut by the county. He stated that Savannah is the largest consumer of those products. Thousands of people use CAT every single day to get to where they work, and it gives them a sense of independence. We use the DOT shuttle as a force multiplier. Mayor Johnson stated we recognize that fees, from diesel fuel to equipment to personnel, keep going up. If CAT does not have the funds they need to be able to operate efficiently, there are going to be deficiencies. So, they have to resolve that with the county. Mayor Johnson expressed that, in the meantime, we have been able to find a way, particularly for those in low-income areas that are immediately around the downtown area, to expand independence and dignity for people to get to and from where they are. To that end, to Ald. Purtee and Ald. Palumbo, this does create an opportunity for not necessarily the types of services that the DOT does, but maybe for some sort of express service for those who just want to be able to get downtown in one stop and be able to conduct business and return. Mayor Johnson stated he would not be in favor of going out for an RFP to invite someone else to provide a service that is already provided.

Ald. Bell asked whether the City Manager has done any investigating into the cost for the services to the southside, as Ald. Purtee had suggested. City Manager Melder responded.

Ald. Wilder stated that we have already invested in a free system, and we should examine the cost of expanding it, identify the neighborhoods with the greatest need, and develop a pilot program. Equitable transportation should benefit the entire community and not just downtown. She further stated that the parking funding from Savannah is an enterprise, so they are making money. Ald. Wilder asked that if they went into a program with CAT to establish some funding from out of that particular treasure, why can't they do it for all the other districts. She stated the problem she has is that every time we identify anything in the community, it stops downtown. Ald. Wilder expressed what equitable means to her by stating that whatever goes into one district, if anybody wants it in their district from one to six, we should find a way to make a solution to find the money to do that.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz stated that she, too, would like to join with Ald. Purtee in stating that we research the information in reference to the DOT shuttle coming down to the 5th District because you have to go through the 5th District to get to the 6th District.

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Ald. Lanier stated we often talk about equity, and what we are proposing is just the opposite of what equity represents. She further stated that she has never been a supporter of the DOT initiative because it doesn't make sense. Ald. Lanier stated that if we look at the census tracts and we look at the poverty number on those census tracts, where we are running the free transportation, it would not correlate with the low-wealth census tracts; so, it does not make sense. Ald. Lanier further expressed that we probably have the highest income, the highest wealth tracts, receiving free transportation, and that does not make sense to her. She stated that she could not support this. Ald. Lanier stated that, in the 1st District, if we are going to roll this free service out where it was going to provide equity to the people who could afford it least, then it wouldn't be where we have it right now; in none of the areas. We have to do a better job of this.

Ald. Miller Blakey asked what department would be monitoring the duties and responsibilities of the DOT. (Parking and Mobility Services)

Ald. Purtee stated his initial gut feeling was to try to pull this thing until the next council meeting, when we can have some more answers as far as the number of riders and cost analysis for expansion into other places. He stated the other thought he had was that he did not feel comfortable approving almost $8M for a three-year contract when we are still in discussions about expanding the service. Ald. Purtee asked if the three-year contract was part of the RFP. City Manager Melder responded. Ald. Purtee suggested moving to consider this item in November. Mayor Johnson responded.

Mayor Johnson asked the City Manager to look at relocating those lines, as mentioned by Ald. Lanier, as an option as well.

Ald. Wilder stated that Parking and Mobility are able to fund this, and it is not the total--it is broken down for the years 2027, 2028, and 2029. She expressed that the Council needs to move on this. Ald. Wilder suggested that Ald. Purtee gets all of his questions answered. She further stated it is still going to be the same thing in November or whenever you move. The equitable part should be in place; the money is there, so find more money to do the things that he wants to do. Ald. Wilder expressed that CAT needs this money. She also expressed the following:

- It (the DOT) filters out in the other districts.
- Ald. Purtee gets answers.
- Ald. Lanier changes what is needed in the 1st District.
- We find somewhere to get a pilot program.

Ald. Purtee explained that he does not know how the parking funds were dispersed, but knew that the revenue was generated downtown. He then asked where the funds get dispersed. City Manager Melder responded.

Alternatively, Ald. Lanier expressed that she wanted to know what it would look like with no DOT Shuttle because she does not think the service would shutdown if we don't give free rides. Ald. Lanier stated we did not create this free bus service, but we are on the hook for paying for it, and this was the most discussion we probably have had concerning it.

Ald. Purtee stated there are alternate ways of doing this without specifically using the DOT. He was just asking that they think outside the box and that staff come back to the Council with some sort of recommendation and a cost analysis.

Mayor Johnson stated that there are hundreds of thousands of people every year who use the DOT shuttle to get to work and medical appointments. He requested numbers on the ridership per line and stated this would help answer questions as well.

13. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a (1) Year Contract Renewal for One-Ton Chlorine Cylinders with JCI Jones Chemical Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed $487,500. (Industrial and Domestic Water Plant Department)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Renewal of One Ton Chlorine Cylinders Contract.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Renewal of One Ton Chlorine Cylinders Contract.pdf

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Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

14. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Roadway and Pothole Assessment System with Citylogix, Inc in an Amount Not to Exceed $125,000. (SDOT)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Roadway and Pothole Assessment System.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Roadway and Pothole Assessment System.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

15. Notification of an Emergency Purchase of a Smith and Loveless D30-AL-Bridge Mounted Drive Unit from B&D Industrial in an Amount Not to Exceed $151,744.45. (Water Reclamation Department)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Emergency Purchase of Bridge Mounted Drive Unit.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Emergency Purchase of Bridge Mounted Drive Unit.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

16. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for (1) Landfill Compactor, (1) Waste Dozer, (1) Backhoe Loader, and (2) Steel Drum Rollers from Yancey Bros. in the Amount of $2,195,190. (Fleet Services)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Heavy Duty Vehicles.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Heavy Duty Vehicles.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

17. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for (2) Utility Tractors and (1) Tractor Loader Backhoe from Shea Tractor & Equipment c/o Kubota in the Amount of $197,055.55. (Fleet Services)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Utility Tractors & Tractor Loader Backhoe.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Utility Tractors & Tractor Loader Backhoe.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

18. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for (49) Police Interceptor Utility Patrol Vehicles and Outfitting from Wade Ford in the Amount of $3,131,271.50. (Fleet Services)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - Utility Patrol Vehicles and Outfitting.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - Utility Patrol Vehicles and Outfitting.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

19. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Software as a Service (SaaS) Subscription from MHC Northstar Software, Inc. in the Amount of $57,375.24. (IT Department)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification - MHC SaaS Subscription.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes - MHC SaaS Subscription.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve items #13 through #19, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

20. Authorize the City Manager to Rescind Award of a One-Time Purchase for Grit Removal Equipment from OldCastle Infrastructure, Inc. dba Hydro International in an Amount Not to Exceed $1,660,000. (Water Reclamation Department)

Exhibit 1: Purchasing Notes - Rescind Award of Onetime Purchase of Grit Removal Equipment.pdf

Ald. Wilder moved to rescind item #20, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Ald. Wilder asked City Manager Melder a series of inaudible questions about the request to rescind the awarded contract. City Manager Melder responded.

Ald. Miller Blakely asked how many bids were received. (There were two bidders.) She also asked whether there would be another RFP or whether the person whose contract we are rescinding would be able to get the contract. (We are going to reissue the bid.) Have we ever given anybody a contract that was late in the past? City Manager Melder stated no, not to his knowledge.

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21. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Construction Contract with BRW Construction Group, LLC for the Fairgrounds Housing Infrastructure Project in the Amount of $2,732,028.75. (Capital Projects)

Exhibit 1: Funding Verification_12444 Fairgrounds Housing Infrastructure FV.pdf

Exhibit 2: Purchasing Notes_Event No. 12444 - PN Fairgrounds Housing Infrastructure Project.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #21, seconded by Ald. Purtee and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz stated it is time to celebrate. This is our first task of celebration in the area of actual tangible construction. She expressed that the fairgrounds with the legacy project and the housing infrastructure project are surely a part of her legacy while serving on the City of Savannah City Council. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz also acknowledged that the 20% DBE participation goal has been met on this project.

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

22. Approval of a Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Execute Two FY2026 HOPWA Renewal Grant Applications to the Housing and Urban Development on behalf of Project Sponsor Union Mission, Inc. (Human Services)

Exhibit 1: Resolution - FY2026_HOPWA Renewal Grant Applications

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #22, seconded by Ald. Miller Blakely and Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Bell was away from the dais during the vote.

23. Approval of a Resolution Adopting the City of Savannah's 2026 Community Rating System Plans. (Development Services)

Exhibit 1: Resolution to Adopt the City of Savannah's 2026 FEMA NFIP CRS Floodplain Management Plan.docx

Exhibit 2: 2026 City of Savannah FSAP.pdf

Exhibit 3: 2026 City of Savannah PPI.pdf

Exhibit 4: 2026 City of Savannah RLAA.pdf

Exhibit 5: City of Savannah FMP.pdf

Ald. Wilder moved to approve item #23, seconded by Ald. Lanier. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Ald. Bell was away from the dais during the vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz asked the City Manager, in reference to our residents, whether there was some type of savings that was going to take place regarding this rating system. (Yes)

Ald. Lanier asked the City Manager to reiterate and ensure that staff communicated correctly to to these contractors whether they are in the floodplain. She explained the reason for her request was because some people were told they were in a floodplain and they spent a lot of money. So, now that cost is going to be passed on relating to the structure, which makes them no longer affordable. City Manager Melder responded.

Ald. Wilder and Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz both requested a hard copy of the Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan.

24. Approval of a Resolution Adopting the Chatham County–Savannah 2040–2045 Comprehensive Plan Update. (Planning & Urban Design)

Exhibit 1: Resolution to Adopt Plan 2040-2045.pdf

Exhibit 2: MPC Recommendation Report for Plan 2040-2045.pdf

Exhibit 3: DCA Approval Email Confirmation.pdf

Exhibit 4: Plan 2045- What has changed Since 2040.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #24, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed, 8-1-0. Ald. Lanier voted no.

Mayor Johnson stated that the Council has talked about this item extensively during today's workshop. We are adopting this with the understanding that the City Manager has some deliverables that he has been charged to provide Council with while working with MPC.

Ald. Lanier stated she wanted to make a comment for the record because she did vote against it. She stated she wanted her "no" vote to serve as a reminder that there is still work to do on this issue, but she would do everything she could to work with the City Manager and staff to make sure her concerns and the concerns of the residents are addressed as the Council moves forward with this. Ald. Lanier further stated that there are some things in this particular plan

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that is not keeping up with what is needed in these areas at this time, especially in terms of the Future Land Use Map (FLUM).

Ald. Leggett reminded the public that this was a living document and that it can be edited. As we prepare this document, we are going to continue to work on it.

25. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of the 2026 Capital Improvements Element (CIE) Annual Update for the City's Development Impact Fee Program. (Planning & Urban Design)

Exhibit 1: Resolution to Approve the 2026 Capital Improvements Element (CIE) Annual Update for the City's Development Impact Fee Program.pdf

Exhibit 2: Final Impact Fee CIE Update (FY25 Financial Report & FY27-31 Community Work Program) 09.10.2026 FINAL.pdf

Ald. Wilder moved to approve item #25, seconded by Ald. Palumbo. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz stated we have just approved 15 parcels, and due to the fact that the infrastructure is not needed, we can begin the construction of the 15 single-family homes on the fairgrounds. We are able to see the verticals come up because we do not have to wait for the lift station to take place. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz exclaimed that It's celebration time on the fairgrounds.

AGREEMENTS

26. Authorize the Approval of a Development Agreement for the New Hampstead Parkway Extension and Other Improvements at 0 Fort Argyle Road with Brookhaven Development, LLC and Forest Lakes Developers, LLC Located in a Newly Annexed Area. (Planning & Urban Design)

Exhibit 1: Ft. Argyle Road Development Agreement 10.14.2026.pdf

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #26, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

27. Authorize the City Manager to Approve a Major Subdivision of Parcel B, Coastal Empire Fairgrounds, within Dewitt Ward Located in Aldermanic District 5. (Development Services Department).

Exhibit 1: Plat - Major Subdivision Parcel B, Coastal Empire Fairgrounds, Dewitt Ward

Exhibit 2: MPC Decision

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Shabazz moved to approve item #27, seconded by Ald. Wilder. The motion passed unanimously, 9-0-0.

Following announcements made by the Mayor and Aldermen, Mayor Johnson adjourned the regular meeting at 4:04 p.m.

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Signature: _____

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