

**MINUTES
MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA
JANUARY 9, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 6:10 p.m. at the C. E. Weir Center. Mayor Tony L. Paulk was presiding over the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor and Commissioners Cindy McNeill, Kentaiwon Durham, Steve Bailey, Olivia Pearson, and Mike Gowen were present. Commissioner Steve Bailey was absent.

CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Tony L. Paulk called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

INVOCATION (COMMISSIONER MIKE GOWEN)

Commissioner Mike Gowen gave the prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Coffee High Naval JROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The MOTION carried (5-0) to approve the agenda order as discussed for the Regular Meeting with the motion made by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor.

SECOND READING AND APPROVAL TO AMEND THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE ORDINANCE

Jerome Adams, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission to seek approval to amend the Unified Land Development Code relating to the Design Review Committee. The second reading was held, followed by the Mayor's action, and the Commission will vote to amend the ordinance. **"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF DOUGLAS CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 111, UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, SECTION 111-478, DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"** City Attorney Jerome Adams stated there was no need for a public hearing.

The MOTION carried out (4-1) to amend the Unified Land Development Code relating to the Design Review Committee, with the motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham, Commission Cindy McNeill, and Commissioner Olivia Pearson voted in favor of the motion. Commission Mike Gowen **opposed** this motion.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- APPROVAL OF THE WS/REGULAR DECEMBER 27, 2022, MEETING MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (MRS. BRENDA VEAL FOR ANOTHER THREE (3) YEAR TERM)

**MINUTES
WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS-CONTINUED

- APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE ARPAEAA-EDA INVESTMENT GRANT NO. 04-79-07782 SWE #12-2900-R
- APPROVAL OF THE FY23 MUSEUM RE-ROOFING BID
- APPROVAL OF THE CLOSURE OF THE PORTION OF E. ASHLEY STREET

As discussed in the Work Session, the **MOTION carried (5-0)** to approve all Consent Agenda items listed above, a motion made by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham and seconded by Commissioner Mike Gowen.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE FOR ALLOWING SALES ON THANKSGIVING

City Attorney Jerome Adams conduct the first reading to amend the alcoholic beverage ordinance to allow Thanksgiving Day, **not** Christmas Day, sales of alcoholic beverages. **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF DOUGLAS CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 6, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SECTION 4-6; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND OTHER PURPOSES”** After properly advertising the caption as required under the Charter of the City of Douglas, Georgia, on January 24, 2023.

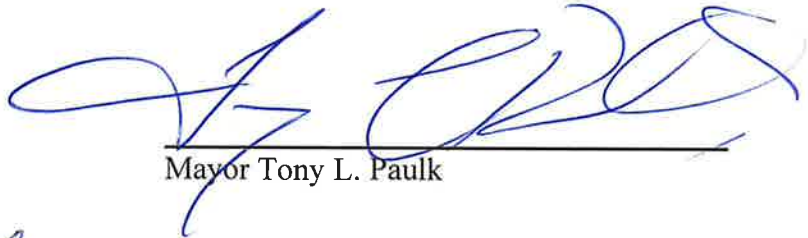
No action taken

STAFF COMMENTS

No comments

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Paulk entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:19 p.m. Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham made a MOTION and seconded by Commissioner Mike Gowen, and the Motion carried **(5-0)**



Mayor Tony L. Paulk



Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC