

**MINUTES
MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA
JANUARY 24, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 6:53 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, Steve Baily, and Mike Gowen were present.

CALLED TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION (COMMISSIONER CINDY MCNEILL)

Fire Chief Casey Wright gave the prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Tony L. Paulk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The MOTION carried (6-0) 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.

APPROVAL OF THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE FOR ALLOWING SALES ON THANKSGIVING

Jerome Adams, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission to seek approval to amend the alcoholic beverage sales on Thanksgiving Day. **“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 FOR OTHER PURPOSES”** City Attorney Jerome Adams conducted the public hearing.

The MOTION carried out (6-0) to amend the alcoholic beverage sales on Thanksgiving Day. The motion made by Commissioner Olivia Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham voted in favor of the action.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- APPROVAL OF THE WS/REGULAR JANUARY 9, 2023, MEETING MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF THE FACILITY LEASE-FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE WITH UNISON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
- APPROVAL TO ADOPT ORDINANCE **DESIGNATING N. GASKIN AVENUE DISTRICT AS A LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT**
- APPROVAL OF **RESOLUTION** FOR THE DESIGNATION OF GASKIN AVENUE AS A LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT
- APPROVAL OF THE "WINGS & THINGS" FESTIVAL AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS-CONTINUED

- APPROVAL OF THE ALCOHOL SALES AND CONSUMPTION ON CITY STREETS - MARTIN CENTER EVENT
- APPROVAL OF THE S PROPOSAL FROM WOODROW SAPP FOR WELL 7 REHABS
- APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION FOR BISHOP RANDOLPH D. SCOTT

As discussed in the Work Session, the **MOTION carried 6-0**) to approve all Consent Agenda items listed above, a motion made by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

ADVERTISE FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO AIRBASE PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director's recommendation is for staff to adequately publicize the expiring seats on the Airbase Preservation & Development Committee for two weeks or until applications are received. At that time, an agenda item will come back before the Mayor and Commission for the approved appointments.

No action required

ADVERTISE THE APPOINTMENTS TO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director's recommendation is for staff to adequately publicize the expiring seats on the Downtown Development Authority for two weeks or until applications are received. At that time, an agenda item will come back before the Mayor and Commission for the approved appointments.

No action required

CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF ANNEXATION AND ZONING UPON ANNEXATION OF 4.33 ACRES AT 1533 GEORGE DRIVE

Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director's recommendation is for the City Commission to permit the first reading of an Annexation Ordinance to annex 4.33 Acres at 1533 George Drive.

No action required

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ADOPTING JUNETEENTH AS A CITY HOLIDAY


Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor recommended to the Mayor and Council to approve adding Juneteenth as one of the days of City holidays to be observed. Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham made a MOTION seconded by Commissioner Olivia Pearson, and the Motion carried (5-0). **The following Commissioners voted in favor of the motion: Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor and Commissioners Cindy McNeill and Mike Gowen. Commissioner Steve Bailey abstained.**

STAFF COMMENTS

Jalen Debro, Jr., Mayor of the Mayor's Youth Council, appeared before the Commission to report on their trip the Atlanta with GMA and their Jr. Commission Meeting that was held on January 17th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Paulk entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:52 p.m. Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham made a MOTION and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Edwin Taylor, and the Motion carried (6-0)



Mayor Tony L. Paulk



Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC

