

**MINUTES
MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA
JUNE 12, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners held a Regular meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:31 p.m. at the City Hall Commission Chambers. Mayor Tony L. Paulk was presiding over the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Olivia Pearson and Commissioners Kentaiwon Durham, Mike Gowen, Steve Bailey, Edwin Taylor, and Cindy McNeill were present.

CALLED TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION (STEVE BAILEY)

Commissioner Steve Bailey 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 Commissioner Edwin Taylor.

RECOGNITION OF STATE TRACK CHAMPIONS

Elka (Landy) Gomez, Parks and Recreation Coordinator, acknowledged the Track and Field Coach Ronnie Graham. Mr. Graham has coached Track and Field for the Recreation Department for over 30 years. She also recognized two track and field participants representing the City of Douglas in the state competition.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- APPROVAL OF THE WS/REGULAR MAY 22, 2023, MEETING MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIAL STUDIES FEE PROPOSAL FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM
- APPROVAL OF THE IGA OR GRANT ADMINISTRATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BETWEEN THE CITY AND SOUTHERN GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR ARPA INODIC GRANTS
- APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION FOR SOUTHERN GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER INODIC GRANTS
- APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTY DEED TRANSFER FROM THE DOUGLAS WOMEN'S CLUB
- APPROVAL OF THE AWARD FOR GASKIN AVENUE HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY
- APPROVAL OF THE TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF SOUTH GASKIN AVENUE FOR THE JUNETEENTH CARNIVAL (9 A.M. – 10 P.M.)

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS-CONTINUE

- APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GDOT FOR FIVE LOCAL TIA PROJECTS
- APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR CITY SOLICITOR
- APPROVAL TO RATIFY VOTING DELEGATE FOR GMA ANNUAL CONVENTION

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 Commissioner Mike Gowen.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

FIRST READING OF THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TEXT AMENDMENT ORDINANCE TO THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

Jerome Adams, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission to conduct the first reading of the Development Standard Text Amendment ordinance to the Land Development Code. **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF DOUGLAS CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 111, UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ARTICLE V – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, SECTION 111-129; TO REPEAL ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND OTHER PURPOSES.”** The second reading will be held on June 29, 2023, at the next Commission meeting.

No action at this time

APPROVAL AND CONDUCTING THE CONDUCT FY'24 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Jerome Adams, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission to conduct the second reading of the FY'24 Budget of \$130,190,566. After being properly advertised, the proposed FY'24 Budget of \$130,190,566 is ready for a Public Hearing. There were no objections. Therefore FY'24 Budget will be presented for adoption at the next City Commission meeting scheduled for June 29, 2023.

STAFF COMMENTS

Wynetta Bolder, City Clerk, place a Financial Disclosure form from the State of Ethics to the Mayor Commission to complete by June 29, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular meeting at 6:27 p.m. motion made by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham and seconded by Commissioner Edwin Taylor. **(6-0)**

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