

**MINUTES  
MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

**The Board of Commissioners held a Regular meeting on Monday, November 27, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. at the City Hall Commission Chambers. Mayor Tony L. Paulk was presiding over the meeting. Commissioners Mike Gowen, Steve Bailey, Kentaiwon Durham, Edwin Taylor, and Cindy McNeill were present. Mayor Pro Tem Olivia Pearson was absent.**

**CALLED TO ORDER**

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

**INVOCATION (MAYOR PRO TEM OLIVIA PEARSON)**

Fire Chief Casey Wright gave the prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Coffee County School 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 Commissioner Cindy McNeill.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

1. APPROVAL OF THE WS/REGULAR NOVEMBER 13, 2023, MEETING MINUTES
2. APPROVAL OF THE FY24 NEW VACUUM TRAILER BID
3. APPROVAL OF THE FY24 NEW MODULAR BUILDING BID
4. APPROVAL OF THE FY24 NEW CREW CAB TRUCK BID
5. APPROVAL OF THE POLE INSPECTION BID FROM SWPI, INC (SUBSTAION 1 CIRCUITS)
6. APPROVAL OF THE BID AWARD FOR THE CEMETERY EXPANSION AND RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS
7. APPROVAL OF THE TWO EXPIRING TERMS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
8. APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST TO ISSUE AN EXTENSION TO CHRIS ROUNDS TO REHABILITATE TWO BUILDINGS AT THE WWII FLIGHT TRAINING BASE
9. APPROVAL OF THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH STATEWIDE ENGINEERING, INC. FOR UNITY PARK AND EASTSIDE PARK
10. APPROVAL OF THE GFL ADJUSTMENTS TO RATES (BEGINS FEBRUARY)

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

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**WORK SESSION ITEMS**

**APPROVAL TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING FOR JAY VAYUPUTRA LLC AND JAY MAHABALA LLC, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATION**

City Attorney Jerome Adams appeared before the Commission to conduct a public hearing for items #7 and #8 to approve issuing an alcoholic beverage license for Jay Vayuputra LLC, d.b.a. 1st Choice, located at 1020 E. Baker Hwy, and Jay Mahabala LLC at 2150 Broxton Hwy, Douglas, Georgia Douglas. City Attorney Jerome Adams conducted a public hearing. No comments were made from the public, followed by action to approve issuing the alcoholic beverage license.

The **MOTION** carried (5-0) to approve issuing the alcoholic beverage license for Publix Super Markets, Inc. D.B.A. Publix Sper Markets Store #1870 for the Regular Meeting with the motion made by Commissioner Durham and seconded by Commissioner Mike Gowen.

**APPROVAL TO CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF AMENDING THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE.**

City Attorney Jerome Adams appeared before the Commission to conduct the first reading of amending the alcoholic beverage ordinance. **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF DOUGLAS CODES AND ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 4-1 DEFINITIONS AND SECTION 4- 16, SALES IN TOWN CENTER DISTRICT; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND OTHER PURPOSES”** The second reading and Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 2023, followed by action from the City Commission.

No action taken

**APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING VACANCY AND EXPIRING TERM ON THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Upon recommendation from Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director, to publicize these vacancies for two weeks and to appear before the City Commission on December 11, 2023, for action to approve a person to fill these positions.

No action taken

**APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING EXPIRING TERM ON THE DOUGLAS-COFFEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Upon recommendation from Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director, to publicize these vacancies for two weeks and to appear before the City Commission on December 11, 2023, for action to approve a person to fill these positions.

No action taken

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**APPROVAL FOR ADVERTISING TWO EXPIRING TERMS ON THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Upon recommendation from Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director, to publicize these vacancies for two weeks and to appear before the City Commission on December 11, 2023, for action to approve a person to fill these positions.

No action taken

**CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF AMENDING THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ORDINANCE RELATING TO ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES.**

City Attorney Jerome Adams appeared before the Commission to conduct the first reading of amending the alcoholic beverage ordinance. “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF DOUGLAS CODES AND ORDINANCES, SUBPART B, CONSTRUCTION, LAND USE, AND LAND DEVELOPMENT, UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ARTICLE I, CHAPTER 1. – IN GENERAL, AND ARTICLE VII, CHAPTER 111, SUPPLEMENTAL STANDARDS, SECTIONS 111-233 ACCESSORY USES AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND OTHER PURPOSES” The second reading and Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 2023, followed by action from the City Commission

No action taken

**STAFF COMMENTS**


No Comment


**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

No Comment

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the Regular meeting at 6:23 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Steve Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham. (5-0)

  
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Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC

  
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Mayor Tony L. Paulk

