



CITY OF WALNUT GROVE

City Council Called Meeting/Public Hearing

1021 Park Street, Municipal Building

Thursday, November 7, 2024

6:30 p.m.

SUMMARY MINUTES

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Moncrief called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.
- II. **INVOCATION** – The invocation was given by Council to the City, Tony Powell.
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.
- IV. **ROLL CALL** – Present were: Mayor Stephanie Moncrief, Mayor Pro Tem Erica Miles, Council Member Maxine McClanahan, Council Member Linda Pilgrim, Council Member Rachel Davis, Zoning Administrator Joe Walter, Attorney Tony Powell.
- V. **AGENDA APPROVAL** – Council Member Miles motioned to approve the agenda, Council Member McClanahan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **PUBLIC HEARING: WG-2024-04** – Amendment to the Downtown Overlay to exclude Tax Parcel WG010256 and Tax Parcel WG010255, which in total is more or less 10.28 acres located off Highway 138, from the Downtown Overlay & Amend the zoning of Tax Parcel WG010256, which in total is more or less .51 acres located off Highway 138, from C1 to C1 zoning with a conditional use permit to allow a tire shop. - Mayor Moncrief opened the public hearing at 6:37pm. Zoning Administrator Walter gave an overview of the hearing subject matter as all of Council were present for the first hearing at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at 6pm. Mr. Justin Myers of 329 Lake Vista Dr, Jefferson, GA, owner of Mike’s Tires spoke in favor of approving this agenda item. There was no opposition. Mayor Moncrief closed the public hearing at 6:41pm and opened the floor to discussion by Council. There was various discussion between the Council, Mayor, Zoning Administrator, Mr. Myers, and the City Attorney. Council Members McClanahan and Miles asked for conditions to be considered for incremental extensions to the six month timeframe

being considered to be limited to two months of extension time that could be granted by the Mayor and also that Mr. Myers, owner of Mike's Tires, be required to provide a copy of the signed lease which starts on or before June 1st, 2025 for the property currently under way at Anderson Pipeline by Mr. Shellnut. Council Member Davis made a motion to approve the amendment to the Downtown Overlay excluding Tax Parcels WG010256 and WG010255. Council Member Davis further motioned to approve the conditional use permit to allow a tire shop at Tax Parcel WG0101256 for six months with the following conditions: a two month extension limit approvable by the Mayor and also requiring Mike's Tires to provide a signed lease for the building currently under way at Anderson Pipeline with Mr. Shellnut which begins June 1st, 2025. Council Member Miles seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- VII. **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REPORT** – Megan Ragan and/or Joe Walter – Zoning Administrator, Mr. Walter, gave the report.
- VIII. **ACTION ITEM: WG-2024-04** – Amendment to the Downtown Overlay & Rezone with Conditional Use Permit.
- IX. **ACTION ITEM:** City of Walnut Grove Holiday Schedule Amendment – Veteran's Day – Council Member Davis motioned to approve Veteran's Day be added to the City of Walnut Grove Holiday Schedule, Council Member Miles seconded. Discussion was had to review all holidays and the current schedule for the future. Motion carried unanimously.
- X. **ACTION ITEM:** Georgia Municipal Association "Call to Action": Council supports additional emergency funding for communities impacted by 2023-2024 natural disasters & urging Congress to swiftly pass an emergency disaster supplemental appropriate bill – Mayor Moncrief summarized the "Call to Action". Council Member McClanahan motioned to sign the "Call to Action" letter in support of legislation for emergency disaster relief funding, Council Member Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Moncrief asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Miles made the motion, Council Member Davis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Attest: City Clerk/Deputy Clerk

Mayor, Stephanie Moncrief

Mayor Pro Tem, Erica Miles

Council Member, Maxine Mclanahan

Council Member, Linda Pilgrim

Council Member, Rachel Davis