



CITY of POOLER
— GEORGIA —

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – MINUTES

January 6, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. | 100 US Highway 80 SW, Pooler, GA 31322

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Karen Williams, Mayor
Wesley Bashlor, Councilmember
Michael Carpenter, Councilmember
Aaron Higgins, Mayor Pro Tem
Tom Hutcherson, Councilmember
John Wilcher, Councilmember
Craig Call, City Attorney
Heath Lloyd, City Manager
Chris Lightle, Chief Finance Officer
Kiley Fusco, Clerk of Council

Absent: Shannon Valim, Councilmember

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Karen Williams called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

III. INVOCATION

Executive Pastor Shirlinia Daniel gave the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Executive Pastor Shirlinia Daniel led the pledge.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. City Council Minutes of December 16, 2024

B. City Council Executive Session Minutes of December 16, 2024

C. City Council Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2024

D. Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Ruby Tuesday Operations, LLC DBA
Ruby Tuesday #4274 at 110 Pooler Parkway (Restaurant)

Councilmember John Wilcher moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (5-0-0)
MOVER: Wilcher
SECONDER: Higgins
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher
NAYS:

VII. SPECIAL EVENTS

- A. Temporary/Special Event Permit Application (Dispensing Alcohol) for a Quinceañera at Cottonwood Suites at 301 Governor Treutlen Drive on January 25, 2025

Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to approve the Temporary/Special Event Permit Application (Dispensing Alcohol) for a Quinceañera at Cottonwood Suites at 301 Governor Treutlen Drive on January 25, 2025.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (5-0-0)
MOVER: Higgins
SECONDER: Hutcherson
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher
NAYS:

VIII. ORDINANCES, PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS

- A. Proclamation for National Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Mayor Karen Williams presented Julie Wade, Tharros Place Executive Director, with a Proclamation for National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Bill Gettis, Savannah Interagency Diversity Council Chairman, announced the upcoming Savannah Traffick Jam event to be held January 24-25, 2025 at Savannah State University.

IX. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

- A. Release of Maintenance and Warranty Bond for Telfair Park, Phase 1 (Easthaven Area D)

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the bond for consideration. Councilmember John Wilcher moved to approve the Release of Maintenance and Warranty Bond for Telfair Park, Phase 1 (Easthaven Area D) in the amount of \$380,246.03.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (5-0-0)
MOVER: Wilcher
SECONDER: Bashlor
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher
NAYS:

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Zoning Map Amendment for 500 Seabrook Parkway (Public Hearing, Action)

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the amendment for consideration. Attorney John Northup and John Porter were present on behalf of the

petitioner. Mayor Karen Williams opened the public hearing. Citizen Sherry Ellis commented, and Mayor Karen Williams closed the public hearing. Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to postpone the Zoning Map Amendment for 500 Seabrook Parkway until such time that the petitioner hold a community information session at a location to be determined, potentially City Hall or the proposed site at 500 Seabrook Parkway.

Motion to Pospone; PASSED (5-0-0)

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Carpenter

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher

NAYS:

- B. Proposal from Kimley-Horn for Transportation Engineering Services, Quacco Road at Easthaven Boulevard Left-Turn Phasing Analysis, Not to Exceed \$3,500.00

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the proposal for consideration. Citizen Kimberly O'Connell commented. Councilmember Michael Carpenter moved to approve the Proposal from Kimley-Horn for Transportation Engineering Services, Quacco Road at Easthaven Boulevard Left-Turn Phasing Analysis, Not to Exceed \$3,500.00.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (5-0-0)

MOVER: Carpenter

SECONDER: Wilcher

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher

NAYS:

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

With no further public business to conduct, Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to enter Executive Session. Mayor and Council entered at 7:20 p.m.

Motion to Enter; PASSED (5-0-0)

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Hutcherson

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher

NAYS:

Mayor Karen Williams called the meeting back to order at 7:34 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember John Wilcher moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn; PASSED (5-0-0)

MOVER: Wilcher

SECONDER: Higgins

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wilcher

NAYS:

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The foregoing minutes are true and correct and are approved on this _____ day of

_____, _____.

CITY OF POOLER, GEORGIA

Karen L. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kiley Fusco, Clerk of Council