



CITY of POOLER
— GEORGIA —

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – MINUTES

February 18, 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
Shannon Valim, Councilmember
John Wilcher, Councilmember
Craig Call, City Attorney
Heath Lloyd, City Manager
Chris Lightle, Chief Finance Officer
Caroline Hankins, Assistant City Manager

Absent:

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Karen Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

III. INVOCATION

Father Pablo Migone of Corpus Christi Catholic Church gave the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Father Pablo Migone led the pledge.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Karen Williams wished Councilmember Shannon Valim a happy birthday.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. City Council Minutes of February 3, 2025

B. Public Hearing Minutes of February 10, 2025

**C. Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Nouria Energy Retail, Inc.
DBA Nouria 830 US Hwy 80 W at 830 US Highway 80 West
(Convenience/Gas/Drug Store)**

**D. Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Nouria Energy Retail, Inc.
DBA Nouria 907 East Highway 80 at 907 US Highway 80 East
(Convenience/Gas/Drug Store)**

**E. Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Nouria Energy Retail, Inc.
DBA Nouria 1601 Pooler Parkway at 1601 Pooler Parkway
(Convenience/Gas/Drug Store)**

**F. Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Nouria Energy Retail, Inc.
DBA Nouria 1264 Highway 80 E at 1264 US Highway 80 East
(Convenience/Gas/Drug Store)**

G. January 2025 Department Reports

Councilmember John Wilcher moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Wilcher

SECONDER: Higgins

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

VII. SPECIAL EVENTS

A. Special Event Permit Application (No Alcohol) for the Foodees Food & Culture Festival from March 21-23, 2025 at Tanger Outlets

Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to approve the Special Event Permit Application (No Alcohol) for the Foodees Food & Culture Festival from March 21-23, 2025 at Tanger Outlets.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Valim

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

B. Special Event Permit Application (No Alcohol) for the Special Kicks Car Show on April 12, 2025 at Tanger Outlets

Councilmember Tom Hutcherson moved to approve the Special Event Permit Application (No Alcohol) for the Special Kicks Car Show on April 12, 2025 at Tanger Outlets to include the fee waiver and subject to submission of the 501(c)3 certificate.

Motion to Approve with Stipulations; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Hutcherson

SECONDER: Wilcher

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

VIII. ORDINANCES, PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS

A. Proclamation for Georgia State Arbor Day on February 21, 2025

Mayor Karen Williams read aloud the proclamation.

B. Proclamation for National Black History Month

Mayor Karen Williams read aloud the proclamation and presented it to Moncello Stewart, President of the Greater Savannah Black Chamber of Commerce.

C. Resolution R2025-02A – House Bill 581 (Public Hearing #3, Action)

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented an overview of House Bill 581. Mayor Karen Williams opened the public hearing. Citizens Sam Florence, Pete Chaison, and Dave Hamilton commented, and Mayor Karen Williams closed the public hearing. No action was taken.

Councilmember John Wilcher moved to amend the agenda by placing New Business Item A. Zoning Map Amendment for Highway 80 and Sangrena Drive, Northeast Quadrant (Public Hearing, Action) before Outstanding Business.

Motion to Amend; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Wilcher

SECONDER: Higgins

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Zoning Map Amendment for Highway 80 and Sangrena Drive, Northeast Quadrant

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the amendment for consideration. Attorney Josh Yellin was present on behalf of the petitioner and verbally requested postponement of the item until March 18, 2025. Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to postpone the Zoning Map Amendment for Highway 80 and Sangrena Drive, Northeast Quadrant public hearing and agenda item until the March 18, 2025 Council Meeting. Attorney John Yellin verbally agreed to cover any associated readvertising costs.

Motion to Postpone; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Hutcherson

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

X. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

A. Site Plan for 100 William Blakely Crossing

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the site plan for consideration. Wesley Green of Coleman Company was present on behalf of the attorney. Citizens Ashley Kilgore, Latricia Brown, Cindy Fear, Jordan McNeal, Marvin Lloyd, Monica Bryant, Shirlinia Daniel, and Stephen Colson commented. Councilmember John Wilcher, upon review of the criteria, moved to approve the Site Plan for 100 William Blakely Crossing.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (4-2-0)
MOVER: Wilcher
SECONDER: Bashlor
AYES: Bashlor, Higgins, Valim, Wilcher
NAYS: Carpenter, Hutcherson

XI. NEW BUSINESS

B. Site Plan for Clear Lake Vista Multi-Family Development at 100 East Marketplace Way

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the site plan for consideration. Attorney Josh Yellin was present on behalf of the petitioner. Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins, upon review of the criteria, moved to approve the Site Plan for Clear Lake Vista Multi-Family Development at 100 East Marketplace Way.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Higgins
SECONDER: Hutcherson
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher
NAYS:

C. Site Plan for Self-Storage Facility at 1440 Pooler Parkway

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the site plan for consideration. Attorney John Northup was present on behalf of the petitioner. Councilmember Michael Carpenter, upon review of the criteria, moved to approve the Site Plan for Self-Storage Facility at 1440 Pooler Parkway.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Carpenter
SECONDER: Wilcher
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher
NAYS:

D. Acceptance of Maintenance Bond for Providence at Pooler Lift Station and Force Main at 100 Halliday Drive

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the bond for consideration. Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Higgins moved to accept the Maintenance Bond for Providence at Pooler Lift Station and Force Main at 100 Halliday Drive in the amount of \$234,375.00 not to exceed 24 months.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Higgins
SECONDER: Valim
AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher
NAYS:

E. Agreement with Sylvester, Georgia for Sale of 2009 Aerial Ladder Truck

City Manager Heath Lloyd presented the bond for consideration and Chief Wade Simmons provided an overview. Councilmember John Wilcher moved to

approve the sale Agreement with Sylvester, Georgia for Sale of 2009 Aerial Ladder Truck in the amount of \$250,000.00.

Motion to Approve; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Wilcher

SECONDER: Carpenter

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizen Pete Chaison commented.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn; PASSED (6-0-0)

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Wilcher

AYES: Bashlor, Carpenter, Higgins, Hutcherson, Valim, Wilcher

NAYS:

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 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, City Clerk