



# City of Powder Springs

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4426 Marietta Street  
Powder Springs, GA 30127

## Meeting Minutes - Final Council Work Session

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Wednesday, November 1, 2023

5:00 PM

Ford Center Reception Hall  
4181 Atlanta Street, Building 2  
Powder Springs, GA 30127

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### Location Information:

**Onsite: Ford Center Reception Hall, 4181 Atlanta St., Powder Springs, GA 30127**

**Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85620441419>  
Meeting ID: 856 2044 1419 Dial: 1-929-205-6099**

*Public Comments are reserved for City Council Public Hearings.  
No Public Comments are heard during work Session Agenda Meetings.*

### Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Henry Lust called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Mayor Al Thurman was absent on City Business with Georgia Municipal Association. Council Members Bordelon, Dawkins, Green, and Wisdom (arrived at 5:09pm) were present on site. Also present on site were City Attorney Julie Livingston, City Manager Pam Conner, and City Clerk Kelly Axt.

Staff in attendance: Lane Cadwell (Zoom), Dwayne Eberhart (Zoom), Tina Garver (Zoom), Travis Landrum (Zoom), Shaun Myers (Zoom), Rosalyn Nealy (Zoom), Tamara Newkirt, Travis Sims, Bill Tanks (Zoom), Marsellas Williams, Wayne Wright (Zoom).

### Mayor's Comments

Mayor Thurman was absent on City Business.

### Work Session Matters

Finance Director Travis Sims facilitated the Work Session.

[RES0  
23-198](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEETING DATE SCHEDULE FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Kelly Axt, City Clerk and Director of Administrative Services, discussed the proposed 2024 City Council scheduled agenda and work session meetings.

No discussion was held.

[RES0  
23-197](#)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF THE SALLY PORT DOOR REMOVED FROM THE MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING AT 4483 PINEVIEW DRIVE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Dwayne Eberhart, Public Works Director, discussed placing the sally port door on Gov Deals for surplus.

The Council body asked what is the sally port door. City Manager Pam Conner replied that it is the garage door from the old municipal court building.

[RPT 23-089](#)

Presented by Bill T. - Oath of Office Youth Council

Bill Tanks, Equity and Inclusion Agency Executive Director, discussed the new student council swearing in.

The Council body asked what is the description of the student council; and what are the ages of the students. City Manager Pam Conner replied that the bylaws and description will be available before the swearing in; and Mr. Tanks answered that the ages are from 14-17 years of age and from McEachern High School.

[RPT 23-090](#)

Presented by Marsellas W. - Economic Development Report

Marsellas Williams, Economic Development Director, provided updates on business retention and recruitment, annexation of businesses and property owners, filming in the City and marketing.

The Council body made comments in regards to the fire marshal processes and helping businesses with their marketing appearances. They thanked Mr. Williams for his informative updates and efforts.

[RES0  
23-196](#)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF A FREEZER LOCATED AT THE FORD CENTER RECEPTION HALL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Travis Landrum, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the request to surplus the inoperable freezer in the Ford Center kitchen.

[RPT 23-091](#)

Presented by Travis L. - Report - Event Calendar 2024

Travis Landrum, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the proposed City events for 2024. Mr. Landrum added that the events will be advertised quarterly next year instead of one annual calendar.

The Council body asked if the July 4th event be held on the Thursday of the 4th. Mr. Landrum replied that is correct.

[RPT 23-092](#)

Presented by Pam C. - Report - Convention Funding and Operating Agreement

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed the previously approved Convention Funding and Operating agreement with the Council body.

Michelle Swann, General Manager of the Cobb-Marietta Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Authority, mentioned the changes that the Bond Council prepared for the Mayor and Council's review.

Rob Turner, Director of Finance of the Cobb-Marietta Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Authority, stated that there are no financial term changes to the agreement, and noted that the junior bonds have been paid off by the Authority, the agreement does accommodate all cities within the County and there are dates referenced throughout the agreement.

The Council body asked if all the cities within the County participating. Mr. Turner replied that with the exception of Marietta and not having a conversation with Mableton yet, the remaining cities are participating.

[RPT 23-093](#) Presented by Pam C. - Report - Misty Bleau Bid Opening

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed receiving one bid for the sale of 3862 Misty Bleau property. Mrs. Conner opened and read into records the one bid proposal that included the land sale bid sheet, \$12,000 bid, and \$1,200 bid bond. The City Manager stated that upon review by the Staff and the City Attorney, a recommendation will be presented to Mayor and Council on Monday November 6, 2023.

No discussion was held.

[RESO 23-199](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COBB COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE TO ESTABLISH AN OFFICE AT THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO MEET CUSTOMER SERVICE OBJECTIVES FOR THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES OF THE CITY AND COBB COUNTY; SPECIFYING TERMS AND CONDITIONS RELATED TO PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Tina Garver, Community Development Director, discussed the agreement to allow a Fire Marshall office space Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 7am-4pm within Community Development to assist in addressing the City's identified needs.

No discussion was held.

[PZ 23--024](#)

Presented by Shaun M. - Special Use Request, to allow a Recovery Residence / Halfway House, per Table 2-1. The property is located at 3240 Dogwood Drive, within land lot 756 of the 19th District, 2nd Section, Cobb County, Georgia. PIN: 19075600580.

The Council body asked for the reason for tabling this agenda item.

Community Development Director Tina Garver replied that Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff recommends tabling the application to look at the requirements and to confirm if it's the correct application based on the application use.

**Executive Session was called for the purpose of Real Estate and Litigation Matters**

**A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 1 Bordelon, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that this Executive Session called for the purpose of Real Estate and Litigation be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Patrick Bordelon, and Patricia Wisdom

### **Executive Session was concluded for the purpose of Real Estate and Litigation Matters**

A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that this conclusion to the Executive Session called for the purpose of Real Estate and Litigation be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Patrick Bordelon, and Patricia Wisdom

### **City Manager and Council Reports**

City Manager Pam Conner provided updates on service delivery strategies, deductive change order for the Powder Springs Furniture, sale of the Misty Bleau property, Georgia Fund One funds transfers to Truist Bank, recommendations for an Insurance Broker; and reminded of the Volunteer Banquet Dec 12th, Employee Appreciation Luncheon Dec 15th, Town Hall the week after Thanksgiving, National League of Cities November 16-18, Dec 4th Farewell to Council Member Bordelon, and Jan 2nd Reception for Newly Elected Council Members.

Council Member Dawkins made no reports or comments.

Council Member Green made no reports or comments.

Council Member Bordelon thanked everyone for attending the meeting and requested updates on boards and commissions vacancies.

Council Member Wisdom shared that she visited businesses with the Economic Development Director and attended a fall festival of a local vendor.

Mayor Pro Tem Lust shared that he will be attending the South Cobb Area Council Luncheon Tuesday Nov. 2nd, the Military Luncheon Monday Nov. 6th, the Georgia Recreation and Park Association Awards Wednesday Nov. 8th in Athens, and the Veterans Ceremony Saturday Nov. 11th at the Powder Springs Public Library.

### **Recess to Next Scheduled City Council Meeting**

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, that this Recess to Monday November 6, 2023 at 6:30PM be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Patrick Bordelon, and Patricia Wisdom