

City of Powder Springs

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Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Mayor Albert Thurman

Council Members: Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Dwight McMutry, Patricia Wisdom

Monday, July 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Patricia C. Vaughn Cultural Arts Center 4181 Atlanta Street | Building 1 Powder Springs, GA 30127

Special Called Meeting: 1st Reading, Public Hearing and Introduction
On Site Only Meeting

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All council members were present except Council Member McMutry. Also present was City Clerk Kelly Axt.

Staff in Attendance: Travis Sims

Present 5 - Al Thurman, Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Henry Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Doris Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Dwayne Green, and Council Member - At Large Post 2 Patricia Wisdom

Absent 1 - Council Member - At Large Post 1 Dwight McMutry

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was led by Council Memebr Dawkins and the Pledge of Allegiance by Council Member Wisdom

3. Citizens Comments

No Citizen Comments

Registration to speak at any City Council meeting, per City Charter, is the day of the meeting only beginning 20 minutes prior to the start of the meeting (6:40 - 7:00 PM). The first twelve registering to speak will be given five (5) minutes to address Mayor and Council with their comments. Comments only - this is not a question and answer dialogue.

You can register by signing up in person at the Cultural Arts Center located at 4181 Atlanta Street - location of the on site meeting. Only on-site Citizen Comments are available. There are no virtual opportunities to provide Citizen Comments.

4. City Attorney

Regular Agenda | Public Hearing

ORD 25 -015 AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1st Reading, Public Hearing and Introduction: July 7, 2025 7:00 PM 2nd Public Hearing: July 21, 2025 12:00PM 3rd Public Hearing, 2nd Reading and Adoption: July 21, 2025 6:00PM

City Clerk Axt introduced ORD 25-015. Finance Director Sims provided an overview presentation noting the City's millage rate would be unchanged. Due to the same millage rate collecting more tax revenue than the previous year, the Mayor and Council must intentionally vote to not roll back the millage rate to collect the same projected revenues as the previous year. Mr. Sims further explained that an individual property tax bill for Powder Springs would be the same for 2025 as 2024 unless improvements were made to the property adjusting its homestead value; no homestead exemption is on file or is not eligible for a homestead exemption as a non owner occupied property. The adopted FY26 budget revenue projections are based on the existing 9.5 mills.

5. Executive Session, if called for purposes of Real Estate, Litigation or Personnel Matters

No Executive Session Held

6. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post Wisdom, that this adjournment was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, and Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom

Absent: 1 - Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry