



City of Powder Springs

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4426 Marietta Street
Powder Springs, GA 30127
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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, June 2, 2025

7:00 PM

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

Onsite at Patricia Vaughn Cultural Arts Center - 4181 Atlanta Street, Bldg. 1

Pre-Meeting Discussion at 6:30PM

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89028911974>

Meeting ID: 890 2891 1974 Dial: 1-929-205-6099

1. Call to Order

Mayor Albert Thurman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All Council Members were present on-site. Also present were City Attorney Julie Livingston and City Manager Pam Conner. City Clerk Kelly Axt was absent.

Staff in Attendance: Phyllis Calloway, Lane Cadwell, Travis Landrum (Zoom), Tamara Newkirt, and Travis Sims (Zoom).

Present 6 - Al Thurman, Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Henry Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Doris Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Dwayne Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Patricia Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 Dwight McMutry

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was led by Council Member Green and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member McMutry.

3. Approval of Minutes

[2025 -034](#)

City Council Work Session Minutes 05/14/2025

A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that City Council Work Session Minutes 05/14/2025 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[2025 -037](#) City Council Agenda Minutes 05/19/2025

A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that City Council Agenda Minutes 05/19/2025 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[2025 -038](#) Special Called City Council Agenda Minutes 05/27/2025

A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that Special Called City Council Agenda Minutes 05/27/2025 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[2025 -035](#) City Council Work Session Minutes 05/28/2025

A motion was made by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that City Council Work Session Minutes 05/28/2025 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

4. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Thurman thanked the City Manager and Staff that helped host the Employee Appreciation Luncheon last week Thursday; congratulated Public Works and the Family of Thomas Jefferson Henderson on their proclamations.

5. Citizens Comments

No citizen comments were made.

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.

6. Public Reports | Presentations

[2025 -036](#)

Proclamation – Thomas Jefferson Henderson

Council Member McMutry read and presented the proclamation to the family of Thomas Jefferson Henderson.

Council Member Lust read and presented the Public Works Week proclamation to the Public Works Staff. Mayor Thurman read and presented Service Awards to John Brown with 37 plus years of service Lane Cadwell with 25 plus years of service.

7. City Attorney

A. Consent Agenda

[RES0 25-101](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE POWDER SPRINGS SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS / FOREST HILL KNOWN AS PROJECT NO. 1476.013; FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$16,300.00; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CONDEMNATION TO ACQUIRE THE RIGHT OF WAY, IF NEEDED; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE DEEDS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO COMPLETE ACQUISITION, CLOSING AND CONVEYANCE TRANSACTIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

approved

[RES0 25-102](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF STREETS AND OTHER ITEMS CONTAINED WITHIN SWEETWATER LANDING TOWNHOUSE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT; EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMING THE ACCEPTANCE OF OTHER ITEMS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

approved

[RES0 25-103](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BH GREGORY LLC TO COMPLETE INTERIOR FLOORING AT THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,026.25; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

approved

[RES0 25-104](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RELATING TO MAINTENANCE BY THE CITY OF CERTAIN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS INSTALLED BY THE DEPARTMENT AT AND NEAR THE FINCH ROAD RAILROAD CROSSING; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

approved

[RES0 25-105](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING LEGAL ACTION TO RESOLVE A DISPUTE REGARDING THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY FOR COBB COUNTY; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry, to approve the Consent Agenda as read by the City Attorney Julie Livingston. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

B. Regular Agenda | Public Hearing

[PZ 24-029](#) Rezoning Request to rezone an approximate 4.9-Acre Tract from R-20 to PUD-R. The property is located at 3720 and 3716 Powder Springs Rd, within land lots 833 and 870, 19th District, 2nd Section, Cobb County, Georgia. PINs: 19087000010, 19087000150.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Rezoning PZ 24-029 be tabled to the City Council, on 7/21/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[PZ 25-004](#) Rezoning - To consider a change in the zoning conditions of PZ22-012. The property is Villas on Powder Springs Creek, located at 4975 and 5001 Hill Road, within land lot 953 of the 19th District, 2nd Section, and Cobb County, Georgia. PINs: 19095300070 & 19095300060.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry, that Rezoning PZ 25-004 be tabled to the City Council, on 8/18/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

ORD 25
-010

Annexation of a 9.3-acre tract, to rezone from R-20 (county) to PUD-R (city). The property is located at Old Horse Shoe Bend Road at Barrett Pwky., within land lot 691, 2nd section, Cobb County Georgia. PIN: 19069100070 and 19069100010. Applicant: Traton, LLC.

1st Reading 5/5/25 2nd Reading 5/19/25

Motion to Table 1st reading to June 2, 2026

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Ordinance ORD 25 -010 be tabled to the City Council, on 7/21/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

PZ 25-005

Rezoning. For a 9.3-acre tract, to rezone from R-20 (county) to PUD-R (city). The property is located at Old Horse Shoe Bend Road at Barrett Pwky., within land lot 691, 2nd section, Cobb County Georgia. PIN: 19069100070 and 19069100010. Applicant: Traton, LLC.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Rezoning PZ 25-005 be tabled to the City Council, on 7/21/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[PZ 25-007](#)

Rezoning. For a 6.26-acre tract, to rezone from CRC to PUD-R. The property is located at 3200 Powder Springs Road, within land lots 866 and 867, 2nd section, Cobb County Georgia. PIN: 19086700050. Applicant: Kenneth Ellsworth

Motion to Table to June 2, 2025 Council Meeting

Kenneth Ellsworth, rezoning applicant, discussed request to build. town houses.

Carol Dalton, resident of 3906 Abbott Way in Powder Springs GA, discussed her concerns with traffic and safety with additional 89 units.

April Jordan, resident of 3163 Hadrian Court in Powder Springs GA, discussed her concerns with traffic, children safety, and congestion of schools.

Patty Harms, resident of 3807 Abbott Lane in Powder Springs GA, questioned if there will be any upgrades to Pine Grove Drive with addition of residents.

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Rezoning PZ 25-007 be tabled to the City Council, on 7/21/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[PZ 25-008](#)

Variance. To allow development in the floodplain, future conditions flood and/or adjacent area. The property is located at 5525, 5535 and 5500 Elliott Road within land lots 598, 599, 660, 661, 19th district, 2nd Section, Cobb County, Georgia. PIN: 19067400030, 19066000050 and 19066000060.

Request to table to June 30, 2025 Planning and Zoning Commission

Request to table to July 21, 2025 Mayor and Council

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Variance PZ 25-008 be tabled to the City Council, on 7/21/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[ORD 25](#)
[-011](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS (“CITY”) TO REPEAL SECTION 8-45 OF THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO TERMINATION OF THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1st Reading 05/19/2025 2nd Reading 06/02/2025

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry, that Ordinance ORD 25 -011 be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[ORD 25](#)
[-012](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL FUND AS ONE TIME EXPENDITURES; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1st Reading 05/19/2025 2nd Reading 06/02/2025 (Tabled to June 16, 2025)

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that Ordinance ORD 25 -012 be tabled to the City Council, on 6/16/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[ORD 25](#)
[-013](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1st Reading - 6/2/25 2nd Reading - 6/16/25

Pam Conner, City Manager, provided a presentation of the fiscal year proposed budget focusing on development, promoting a safe city, attracting and retaining businesses.

Travis Sims, Finance Director, presented the funding budget assumptions based on the proposed budgeted items.

This Ordinance ORD 25 -013 was a first reading only. No action was taken.

8. City Manager and City Council Reports

City Manager Pam Conner made no reports.

Council Member Green shared his peace and blessings.

Council Member Dawkins welcomed everyone that attended the meeting.

Council Member Lust shared that he will on vacation next week.

Council Member McMutry shared that he enjoyed the State of Cobb County Address earlier in the day; and he'll be leaving for Columbus GA this coming Friday.

Council Member Wisdom welcomed everyone that joined the meeting in person as well as online.

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

No executive session was held.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that this Adjournment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry