



# 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 8, 2024

12:00 PM

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

### Special Called City Council - Millage 1st Public Hearing and Introduction Onsite at Patricia Vaughn Cultural Arts Center - 4181 Atlanta Street

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82700736773>  
Meeting ID: 827 0073 6773 Dial: 1-929-205-6099

#### 1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. All council members were present except Council Members Lust and McMutry. Also present were City Manager Pam Conner, City Clerk Kelly Axt, Finance Director Travis Sims and Sr. Accountant Glenda Lehner.

**Present** 4 - Al Thurman, Mayor - Ward 2 Doris Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Dwayne Green, and Council Member - At Large Post 2 Patricia Wisdom

**Absent** 2 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Henry Lust, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 Dwight McMutry

#### 2. 1st Public Hearing, 1st Reading, and Introduction of 2024 Millage Rage

[PR 24-003](#)

## Presentation - 2024 Millage Rate Presentation for Fiscal Year 2025

Finance Director Travis Sims provided a presentation on the proposed millage rate (9.5) to include a timeline; 5 year Tax Digest and explanation of the floating homestead exemption. He stated the floating homestead exemptions have a significant impact on tax collections as it holds the value of the home at the time of the exemption filing. He further stated by maintaining the existing 9.5 millage rate, a taxpayer is only going to see a higher tax bill if they have additions to their exempt property; the taxed property is not a primary residence; or is a commercial/rental property. Mr. Sims stated the adopted FY25 budget revenue estimates are based on the current millage rate of 9.5. Since the amount of taxes collected - even with the same millage rate of 9.5 - is higher than last year, the state deems it to be a tax increase and requires advertising and three hearings to inform citizens the City is not going to rollback the millage rate to keep projected revenue the same as the previous year.

[ORD 24-015](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1st Public Hearing, 1st Reading and Introduction of 2024 Millage Rate Only - No Action Taken

### 3. Citizens Comments

No Citizen Comments

### 4. Adjournment

**A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that this Adjournment at 12:13PM was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, and Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom

**Absent:** 2 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMurtry