

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Zack Thompson, Barbara Brooks, Juli Clay, Danny Dunagan, George Wangemann
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan, Alisa Grayson

Mayor Couvillon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and served as the presiding officer.

Pastor Keya Hillman, Saint Paul United Methodist Church – Summit Street, delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Appointments: Airport Advisory Committee - Reappoint John Haynes, Allen Nivens, and Alvin Kemp Jr.

Motion to reappoint John Haynes, Allen Nivens and Alvin Kemp Jr. to the Airport Advisory Committee as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Dunagan, Wangemann

Absent: Clay

Minutes: June 1, 2023 Work Session

Minutes: June 6, 2023 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Brooks

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Dunagan, Wangemann

Absent: Clay

NOTE: Council Member Clay joined the meeting.

Resolution

- A. BR-2023-24 Exchange of Real Property Between City of Gainesville and Hall County
- B. BR-2023-25 School Resource Officer Program Intergovernmental Services Agreement
- C. BR-2023-26 TSPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement
- D. GR-2023-07 FY2024 Legacy Link Application and Grant Contract

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided a brief overview of the resolutions.

Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

BUDGET ACTION ITEMS:

AR-2023-12 Fiscal Year 2024 Budget

Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry commented on the recommended budget being presented at the May 11, 2023 Work Session and June 6, 2023 Council Meeting. No changes have been made to the budget and all required advertisements have been met.

Motion to adopt resolution AR-2023-12 as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

Mr. Perry presented the proposed ordinances for the Fiscal Year 2024 Ad Valorem Tax Rates and noted the General Government tax rate is set at \$0.749 mills and represents a full roll-back; the Fire Services tax rate is set at \$1.299 mills; the Police Services tax rate is set at \$0.712 mills; the Parks and Recreation tax rate is set at \$0.896 mills; and the Board of Education tax rate is set at \$6.195 mills. A Board of Education meeting was being held tonight to approve their rate. Any changes would be presented to the Council.

Ordinance 2023-09

Fiscal Year 2024 General Government Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-09, AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, TO FIX THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, EXCLUSIVE OF ACTIVITIES OF THE GAINESVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXCLUSIVE OF PARKS AND RECREATION OPERATIONS, EXCLUSIVE OF POLICE SERVICES OPERATIONS, AND EXCLUSIVE OF FIRE SERVICES OPERATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

Ordinance 2023-10

Fiscal Year 2024 Fire Services Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-10, AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, TO FIX THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

Ordinance 2023-11

Fiscal Year 2024 Police Services Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-11, AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, TO FIX THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE PROVISION OF POLICE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

Ordinance 2023-12

Fiscal Year 2024 Parks and Recreation Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-12, AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, TO FIX THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE PROVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

Ordinance 2023-13

Fiscal Year 2024 Board of Education Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-13, AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, TO FIX THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE GAINESVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024; AND OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

PUBLIC HEARING:

Request from the City of Gainesville to amend the Unified Land Development Code for the City of Gainesville, Georgia by amending Sections 9-22-1, 9-22-2-9, 9-22-6-6, and 9-22-7-5 and by adding Chapter 9-22-10 in order to bring the Code into compliance with the revisions to the Zoning Procedures Law of the State of Georgia, as passed by State House Bill Number 1405.

City Attorney Abb Hayes opened the public hearing and confirmed the notice was properly advertised. He presented the information noting the state updated requirements pertaining to zoning procedures, i.e. notices, appeals, variances, etc. Passage of the ordinance by the deadline brings the Unified Land Development Code into compliance with state law. Staff has reviewed the changes and all is in order.

Mr. Hayes opened the floor for public comments. There being none, the hearing was closed and the matter was returned to the governing body for consideration.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-14, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 9-22-1, 9-22-2-9, 9-22-6-6, AND 9-22-7-5 OF THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA AND TO ADD CHAPTER 9-22-10 TO THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA AS SET FORTH BELOW; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Clay, Dunagan, Wangemann

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

City Manager Bryan Lackey 1) thanked Council for their support on the budget and staff for all their hard work and support; and 2) wished all those traveling to Savannah for the GMA Convention safe travels.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:41 PM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk