

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Juli Hayes, Barbara Brooks, Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson, Abigail Guzman
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan

Mayor Couvillon called the meeting to order and served as the presiding officer.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: FY2025 Legacy Link Grant Application and Contract

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss stated the proposed resolution authorizes the application for and acceptance of a reoccurring grant providing funds for the Meals on Wheels Program, the Senior Center and other senior services. It also authorizes execution of applicable documents.

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Resolution: FY2026 Section 5307 Grant Application & Contract

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss stated the proposed resolution authorizes the application for and acceptance of \$2.3 million in State/Federal funding for Hall Area Transit, the Gainesville trolley and the WeGo service. It also authorizes execution of applicable documents.

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Resolution: Georgia Transit Trust Fund Program (TTFP) 2025

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss indicated the State imposed a rider fee for Uber, Lift and similar services which generates \$15 million annually for local transit agencies. The proposed resolution authorizes acceptance of \$272,000 to apply toward replacing the aging fleet and authorizes execution of applicable documents.

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Resolution: Update to Hall Area Transit Title VI Plan

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss presented the annual update required by the Federal Transit Administration to address anti-discrimination provisions. In summary, a review of the census data identifies the need for advertisements in languages with poor proficiency. The proposed resolution adopts the updated Plan.

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CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Resolution: Tax Allocation District (TAD) Funding for 126 Bradford Street NE

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard reviewed the TAD application from Capstone Advisory Group for the "Bradford Building" (currently a vacant parking lot between Yellow Fin and Centro). A PowerPoint presentation supplemented the discussion. Notable information provided below.

- Estimated Construction Cost: \$14,257,826
- TAD Funding Request: \$2,874,500
- TAD Committee Recommendation: \$1,874,500 with payment schedule and architectural rendering related conditions.

Council Member Hayes confirmed this project supplements the alleyway improvement project and inquired about saving the public art in this area.

Council Member Guzman inquired about the construction timeline.

Parity Bond Resolution: Water and Sewerage Revenue Bonds, Series 2024

City Manager Bryan Lackey stated authorization was granted several weeks ago to move forward with the referenced bonds. Bids will be finalized next week to update the draft documents in the agenda packet. The action to refund 2014 bonds combined with new bonds totals approximately \$73 million in bonds which will be utilized primarily for improvements at the Flat Creek Water Reclamation Facility and the Riverside Water Treatment Plant. The bond counsel will present the actual numbers at the Council Meeting.

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MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Hayes

Reminded the group of the Parks & Recreation 100th Anniversary Celebration on the Midtown Greenway.

Council Member Thompson

Presented the Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee Meeting ex-officio report.

Mayor Couvillon

1. Earlier in the meeting, inquired about the Meals on Wheels Program, i.e., number of meals served and the number of city employees participating as volunteers.
2. Commented on pending appointments to the Redevelopment Authority.
3. Nominated Casey Graybeal and Mike McGraw to serve on the Airport Advisory Committee.
4. Nominated Elizabeth Horton to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Appointments placed on the September 17, 2024 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

City Attorney Hayes requested an Executive Session for real estate and litigation matters.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Attorney Abb Hayes requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation and real estate matters.

Motion to close the meeting to enter an Executive Session to discuss litigation and real estate matters at 9:22 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

Votes favoring the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson, Guzman

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 9:55 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan

Votes favoring the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson, Guzman

OTHER DISCUSSION:

1. City Manager Bryan Lackey commented on the grand opening at Publix on Limestone.
2. City Manager Bryan Lackey briefly shared information about the Lakeshore Mall Redevelopment Project.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:15 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk