



CITY OF LITHONIA
MINUTES– Special Called Meeting
Monday February 3, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting began at 5:38 pm.

All members of the city council were present.

II. Moment of Silence

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to approve the February 3, 2025, council meeting agenda. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Mayor Pro Tem Inman requested the agenda be amended to include letter b under discussion, Dog Park Name.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Public Hearing

Citizens interested in commenting on the public hearing portion of the meeting may comment in person. You may also submit your comment in writing to cityclerk@lithoniacity.org by 2 pm the day of the Public Hearing to be read into the record at the meeting. If you choose to submit your comment in writing, please include your full name, address, the item you are speaking about and if you are for or against it. When it is your turn to speak, please state your name, address, and relationship to the case.

There is a ten (10) minute time allotment for each item per side during all public hearings. Only the applicant may reserve time for rebuttal.

a. For Discussion – House Bill 581 – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to open the Public Hearing for House Bill 581. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Dejarnette provided an overview of House Bill 581 and the options available to the council.

No one spoke in favor.

No one spoke against.

There was discussion about the rate of inflation, tax revenue, and effects on the Millage Rate.

Motion – made by Councilmember Wynn to exit the public hearing and return to the regular council meeting. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

V. Old Business

a. For Discussion – Dog Park – Ameila Inman, Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Pro Tem Inman discussed the trees located at the dog park and the removal/replacement of them on that property. She also discussed some of the additional work that may be necessary on the property. Councilmember Howard asked about the trees slated to be removed from the property and if some of them could remain. Councilmember Sheppard mentioned that she does not recall there being trees in the dog parks she has visited. Mayor Pro Tem Inman mentioned including a pavilion or gazebo to provide shade for visitors and a dog water fountain.

b. For Discussion – Name of the Dog Park – Ameila Inman, Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Pro Tem Inman requested the council consider naming the dog park Amelia Dog Park. Mayor Reynolds requested that a sign be included at the dog park location.

VI. Executive Session (If Necessary)

(When an executive session is required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation, 3) Real Estate, 4) Cyber Security

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to go into executive session for real estate. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – made by councilmember Howard to exit executive session. Councilmember Wynn seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Updates and Reports

- a. Mayor's Report
- b. City Administrator's Report

Chief DeJarnette provided an update on the sidewalk project on Klondike Road.

- c. Police Update

Chief DeJarnette gave an update on fraud operation and arrest in conjunction with a jurisdiction in Texas that Lithonia Police Department assisted in.

- d. Councilmember Update


VIII. Adjournment

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Honore seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Attest:



Ashley Waters, City Clerk





Mayor Shameka Reynolds