

# City Council Meeting Minutes - Final MAYOR AND COUNCIL



Derek Norton, Mayor  
Tim Gould, Mayor Pro Tem (Ward 6)  
Glenn Pickens (Ward 1)  
Latonia P. Hines (Ward 2)  
Travis Lindley (Ward 3)  
Charles "Corkey" Welch (Ward 4)  
Susan Wilkinson (Ward 5)  
Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. (Ward 7)

A. Max Bacon City Hall  
Council Chambers  
2800 King Street  
Smyrna, GA 30080

City Attorney Scott Cochran  
City Administrator Joseph Bennett  
City Clerk Heather K. Peacon-Corn

**August 26, 2024  
7:00 PM**

## I. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

### 1. Roll Call

**Present:** 5 – Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould, Councilmember Travis Lindley, Councilmember Charles Welch, Councilmember Susan Wilkinson, Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

**Absent:** 3 – Mayor Derek Norton, Councilmember Glenn Pickens, Councilmember Latonia P. Hines

**Also Present:** 1 – Jeffrey Tucker

**Staff:** 6 – Olivia Anderson, Jennifer Bennett, Joe Bennett, Jill Head, H. Houze, Heather Peacon-Corn

### 2. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould called to order the August 26, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting held at A. Max Bacon City Hall in Council Chambers at 7:00 PM.

### 3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

A. Pastor Richard Walker, Hurt Road Baptist Church (17 Hurt Rd)

### 4. Agenda Changes

### 5. Mayoral Report

### 6. Proclamations and Presentations

A. PRC2024-024 Proclamation in recognition of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month  
*Citywide*

Councilmember Susan Wilkinson presented and read aloud the following proclamation:

A Proclamation  
By the Mayor of the City of Smyrna  
2024 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

**Whereas**, Childhood cancer affects 47 new children each day nationwide, a battle which impacts entire communities including parents, grandparents, siblings, friends; and neighbors. This disease impacts hundreds of children each year in the state of Georgia, including some of Smyrna's youngest and most courageous citizens; and **Whereas**, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month (CCAM) is recognized in September with the goal to increase awareness of childhood cancer, the need for more funding and research, and to support those families in Smyrna affected by childhood cancer, in honor and in memory of their children; and **Whereas**, Families who have a son or daughter who are fighting or have fought active childhood cancer treatment often experience long term effects from the treatments that has helped them survive, and need additional emotional and medical care long after the final treatments are completed; and **Whereas**, Families who have had a son or daughter pass away from childhood cancer often choose to honor their loved children by continuing to fight against childhood cancer, like Smyrna native Millie Mracek who passed away at age 3.5 years old in 2021. Her family started the Mighty Millie Foundation to continue funding research as well as spreading joy and awareness for families fighting childhood cancer; and **Whereas**, Family support, research and advancements in childhood cancer are often funded by private charities run by individuals who have personally witnessed the long-term effects and outcomes of childhood cancer; and **Whereas**, Many health care providers, charitable organizations, religious, and social groups come together during the month of September to host events, raise funds for research, and offer families physical, emotional, spiritual, and financial support. These groups are committed to supporting families and children through and after the uniquely difficult treatment process; Now **Therefore**, I, Derek Norton, Mayor of the City of Smyrna, honor our youngest Smyrna residents, who have or are courageously battling pediatric cancer, and we proclaim September 2024 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and encourage all residents of Smyrna to join us in supporting the activities and events throughout the month of September to honor families walking through this journey at every step of the way to let them know that they are brave and they are not alone. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Smyrna to be affixed upon this 26th day of August in the year of Our Lord 2024.

Nick Mracek, Mighty Millie Foundation, lost their child at the age of 3 ½ years old. They began providing organic popsicles to hospitals, beginning first with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta to now, 118 hospitals across the country. Popsicles can change the mood of the room, can provide a small source of nourishment, and help families get through tough moments. Peter and Veronica Tompkins of Good Kitchen will be hosting an event on Thursday at their Marietta location. And Andrea Labouchere and Amy Brewton, part of the Mighty Mille Foundation leadership team, were also in attendance. To help, visit [MightyMillie.org](http://MightyMillie.org).

Emily, Ken, Noah and Lena Shields – 1115 Bank Street – Noah was diagnosed in May of 2023 with kidney cancer. He endured 8 ½ months of radiation and chemotherapy. He has had two clear scans and is doing well. Noah said that he was brave during treatment and now he is all done.

**B. PRC2024-026 Proclamation in recognition of Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2024  
*Citywide***

Melissa Tanner, Vice-Regent of the Fielding Lewis Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, stated the following:

I am Melissa Tanner, Vice-Regent of the Fielding Lewis Chapter of the American Daughters of the American Revolution. This year is the 237<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. The Fielding Lewis Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is so honored to receive this proclamation recognizing the signing of the US Constitution. I would like to introduce our Constitution Week Co-Chair Michelle Miller along with 16 other members of our chapter:

Michelle Miller – In honor of Constitution week, our chapter will be giving Constitution packets to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes of our local schools, as well as hosting an official bell ringing on the Marietta Square on September 17, 2024 at 3:30 PM.

Councilmember Charles Welch presented and read aloud the following proclamation:

A Proclamation  
By the Mayor of the City of Smyrna  
In Recognition of Constitution Week  
September 17 – 23, 2024

**Whereas:** The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

**Whereas:** September 17, 2024, marks the two hundred and thirty-seventh anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**Whereas:** It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it; and

**Whereas:** Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week; NOW

**Therefore:** I, Derek Norton, Mayor of the City of Smyrna, Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 17 through 23, 2024 as Constitution Week and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Smyrna to be affixed upon this 26th day of August in the year of Our Lord 2024.

**II. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

*Public comment during this portion of the Agenda must be limited to matters on the Agenda for action. If you wish to be heard, please sign up with the City Clerk, come to the podium when called by the Mayor, state your name and address for the record and make your remarks. The time allotted for each speaker is as follows: **Public Hearing - Five (5) Minutes***

**7. Community Development Items**

## 8. Privilege License and Show Cause Hearing

- A. LIC2024-016** Privilege License - New License request – Beer, Wine, Liquor (Pouring) and Sunday Sales – 1625 Roswell ST SE STE 200, Smyrna, GA 30080 - Ruby's Pizza LLC - DBA Ruby's Sourdough Pizza, Christopher William Rimby as agent.  
**Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley**

Christopher William Rimby (applicant) – 1676 Donna Lynn Drive – He stated that he started a pop up in 2020 at Neighbor's Feed N Seed. He anticipates opening in October. He stated he is familiar with the ordinance. ;

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item LIC2024-016; seconded by Councilmember Charles Welch.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- B. LIC2024-018** Temporary Sales Certificate - Fruit, Produce & Vegetable Stand - 1680 Spring RD SE STE B - Business Name - GlycoSponge - Niamke Shropshire-Boykin as Applicant  
**Ward 2 Councilmember - Latonia P. Hines**

Niamke Shropshire-Boykin (applicant) – They are a part of a farm collective. They grow food on an acre - ½ community garden, ½ farmer residents. They grow produce and market garden veggies. He has a relationship with Nick at Rev Coffee, and they provide produce to the local community. They operate every Sunday 10 – “when.” They also have a mutual aid fund where they distribute food to the elderly in the Bush Mountain city area. They also have 11-1 workshops - herbalism, basket weaving, how to make your own soil, etc.

Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. made a motion to approve item LIC2024-018; seconded by Councilmember Travis Lindley.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

## 9. Formal Business

- A. 2024-103** Approval of re-appointment of Charles "Corkey" Welch to the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority (CCMWA) to serve a four-year term beginning August 15, 2024.  
**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

The City of Smyrna has an appointment to the CCMWA to be selected by the governing authority of the City of Smyrna. The member of the authority appointed by Smyrna shall serve for terms of four years and until their successors are appointed and shall assume office on August 15 following the expiration of the prior members' term.

Councilmember Charles "Corkey" Welch is the current appointee from the City of Smyrna, and his term expires on August 14, 2024. The governing authority of the City of Smyrna recommends the reappointment of Mr. Welch to the CCMWA to serve another four-year term from August 15, 2024 – August 14, 2028.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item 2024-103; seconded by Councilmember Susan Wilkinson.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- B. RES2024-011** Authorization for the approval of Resolution 2024-011 for the continuation of a moratorium for sixty (60) consecutive days beginning on September 12, 2024 for the accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs and authorize the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem to sign and execute all related documents.

**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

A legal challenge was made regarding the legality of certain provisions of the Sign Ordinance for the City of Smyrna, at Chapter 82 of the Smyrna Code of Ordinances; and the City Council concluded that on July 15, 2024 it is was necessary and desirable to adopt a moratorium for 60 days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs while a legal review of the Sign Ordinance is conducted, and Resolution 2024-09 was adopted by the Mayor and City Council. Legal review has not concluded; therefore, it is necessary to extend the Moratorium an additional 60 days with Resolution 2024-011 to begin September 12, 2024.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item RES2024-011; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- C. **AGR2024-041** Approval for the renewal of the Professional Services Agreement with City of Smyrna Government Affairs Consultant, Mr. Kash Trivedi beginning September 1, 2024 and continuing until August 31, 2025 as well as have the Mayor sign and execute all related documents.

***Citywide***

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

Mr. Kash Trivedi is a Smyrna resident with a boutique firm focusing on government affairs efforts before the Georgia General Assembly and Executive Branch and has served as the City's Government Affairs Consultant since 2020. Mr. Trivedi is a seasoned government affairs consultant with ideal relationships with the leadership in both the State House and Senate Chambers. Mayor & Council propose the continued professional engagement of a government affairs consultant to represent the City of Smyrna before the Georgia Legislature and the Executive Branch. As our city manages the city budget and projects over the next few years, the need for possible state funds and assistance is anticipated. The services of the government affairs consultant would begin September 1, 2024 and continue until August 21, 2025 as provided in the Professional Services Agreement. This agreement would be strictly before the Georgia General Assembly, Administration and State departments. There would be no federal government activity.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item AGR2024-041; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- D. **ATH2024-117** Authorization to approve asphalt milling and paving from Cedar Cliff Drive to 1883 Ridge Road for a drainage project at a cost of \$94,755.00 to be paid from FY 25 Storm Water not to exceed to Wildcat Striping, Sealing & Paving, 5365 Truman Drive, Decatur, GA 30035 and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

***Ward 6 Mayor Pro Tem / Councilmember - Tim Gould***

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

This is a request for authorization to approve the following:  
Requesting the milling and overlay of 6" of 9.5mm Super Pave for 1,200 SY at a cost of \$94,755.00 to be paid from FY 25 Storm Water not to exceed to Wildcat Striping, Sealing & Paving, 5365 Truman Drive, Decatur, GA 30035.

This request was based off a Public Works review of a homeowners request to construct a pool at 1876 Cedar Cliff Drive. It was determined that city road water from Ridge Road was passing through this homeowner's property without proper easements as well as properly sized piping. It appears that a previous homeowner piped the system without city permission. The solution of redoing curb, gutter, and sidewalk along Ridge prevents the city from acquiring easement or having

infrastructure across private property and addresses the drainage issue in the right-of-way and allows the homeowner to construct the pool.

Councilmember Charles Welch made a motion to approve item ATH2024-117; seconded by Councilmember Travis Lindley.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- E. ATH2024-119** Authorization to replace three vehicles from the yearly vehicle replacement 1 Community Development and 2 Public Works vehicles from Wade Ford, (3860 South Cobb Drive SE, Smyrna, GA 30080) in the total amount is \$137,846.00 to be paid from the Vehicle Replacement Fund for a difference of \$32,846.00 from the original quote which requires a budget amendment for the additional cost and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.  
**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

This is a request for authorization to approve the following:

- Requesting replacement for Community Development - 2wheel drive F-150 standard cab at a cost of \$38,682.00 the amount budgeted is \$35000.00 with a difference of \$3682.00
- Requesting replacement for Building & Plants - 4wheel drive F-150 super cab at a cost of \$48592.00 the amount budgeted is \$35000.00 with a difference of \$13,592.00
- Requesting replacement for Sanitation - 4wheel drive F-150 crew cab at a cost \$50,572.00 the budgeted amount is \$35000.00 with a difference of \$15,572.00

This request was based off the annual vehicle replacement process.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-119; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- F. ATH2024-121** Authorization for the purchase of a new Heil PT-1000 20 Cubic Yard Rear Loader Recycling Truck from Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc. (500 Lee industrial Blvd, Austell, GA 30168) in the amount of \$237,252.00 on the City of Smyrna Sourcewell contract # 18956 to be paid from the general fund reserves and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.  
**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

This request was generated from the addition of a new recycling crew to include 1 driver and 2 laborers. This request was made regarding the workload on the current crews no longer being feasible due to volume. This extra crew and truck will balance the routes out and make our service more efficient and effective to the citizens.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-121; seconded by Councilmember Susan Wilkinson.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- G. ATH2024-123** Authorization to approve K.M Davis Contracting Company, Inc. (3259 Austell Road, Marietta, GA 30008) to perform the replacement of a failed roadway culvert pipe on Parkway Drive in the amount not to exceed \$384,840.00, to also include authorization to allow the City of Smyrna Public Works Department to purchase the replacement 6-foot x10-foot x 48-foot concrete box culvert in the amount not to exceed \$94,715.00 with the total project amount being not to exceed \$479,555.00 to be paid from the FY 2025 storm water fund and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.  
**Ward 5 Councilmember - Susan Wilkinson**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

This request is based off a failed 84-inch corrugated metal pipe that has exceeded its expected useful life as well as has caused the roadway to start to fail. The city has proposed replacement with a concrete box culvert that the city will purchase to allow for about \$16,000 in cost savings on the material. The total project amount is \$ 479,555.00 not to exceed to be funded out FY 25 Stormwater Fund.

Councilmember Susan Wilkinson made a motion to approve item ATH2024-123; seconded by Councilmember Charles Welch.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- H. ATH2024-125** Authorization to replace the Street Department John Deere 710 Tractor from the yearly vehicle replacement. The new tractor will be purchased from Dobbs Equipment, 4500 Wendell Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30336, the purchase price of the new John Deere 710P 4x4 tractor is \$223,920.49 to be purchased on the City of Smyrna Sourcewell contract # 011723-JDC includes all extra attachments needed for public works operations with original budgeted amount of \$220,000.00 with a difference of \$ 3920.49 to be paid from the vehicle replacement fund that will require

an amendment to the budget to cover the additional cost and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

Requesting replacement of existing Public Works 710 John Deere Tractor for new John Deere 710P 4x4 Backhoe Loader budgeted amount is \$220,000.00 actual cost is \$223,920.49 with a difference of \$3,920.49. This request was based off the annual vehicle replacement process.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-125; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- I. **ATH2024-130** Authorization for the purchase and installation of lockers from RFS Sports Flooring & Lockers (375 Columbia Memorial Parkway, Kemah, TX 77565) for the Police Department Locker Room Renovation in the amount of \$56,223.00 priced under the TIPS Cooperative Contract to be paid from the CIP Fund and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

**Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

The Police Department Locker Room Renovation was awarded to Osprey Management at the 6/17/2024 council meeting. At that time the lockers were approved to be purchased separately at an estimated cost of \$25,000.00 with installation performed by Public Works. Quotes and specifications were obtained from three companies: RFS Sports Flooring & Lockers – \$56,223.00 includes lockers & installation All Wood Lockers – \$38,178.00 lockers only Salsbury Industries – \$25,691.91 lockers only.

After review of the specifications and quotes received, we have determined that RFS is the preferred company based on appearance and examples of work and product.

RFS Sports Flooring & Lockers quote includes design of locker layout and installation priced under TIPS cooperative contract.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-130; seconded by Councilmember Susan Wilkinson.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None

**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- J. ATH2024-129** Authorization to amend the FY 2025 Adopted Budget for the Water CIP Fund to increase transfers in from the Water and Sewer Fund and add a new CIP project for construction of a Water & Sewer Storage Building in the amount of \$42,500.00, and amend the FY 2025 Adopted Budget for the Water Sewer Fund to increase transfers out to Water CIP in the amount of \$42,500.00 to be funded by fund balance in the Water Fund. Further authorization to approve Commercial Buildings and Doors, Inc. (5810 Powell Dr, Mableton, GA 30126) to perform the reassembly of the metal building formally serving as the records center building and provide a new roof for a new building located at Smyrna Public Works in an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00 and approve Braswell Concrete (4620 Lost Mountain Dr, Powder Springs, GA 30127) to perform the concrete work in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.  
**Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

The Water and Sewer department is in need of a storage building to store materials to preserve their useful life. When these materials are subject to weather and direct sun, it can lead to these materials having a shorter useful life and failure once installed. The former records building was being disassembled to make room for the 2022 SPLOST funded surface parking lot so City staff consulted with Commercial Buildings and Doors, Inc about disassembling the records building and reconstructing it on the Public Works lot to meet the needs of the Water and Sewer Department. The initial estimate for a new building was \$200,000, and the cost reassemble and provide a new roof in an amount not to exceed \$42,500 provided a large cost savings for the City. City Administrator, Joe Bennett, discussed this request with Council prior to the records building being disassembled. This request is to amend the budget and establish the CIP project in the Water CIP fund and amend the budget for the associated transfers needed. The disassembly of the building is being funded by 2022 SPLOST in the Downtown Parking Deck project.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-129; seconded by Councilmember Susan Wilkinson.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

- K. ATH2024-132** Authorization for the approval to enter into an agreement with Red Canary, Inc. (1601 19th Street, Suite 900, Denver, CO 80202) for a term of 36 months at an annual cost of \$35,966.67 (\$107,900.00 total) for the annual subscription for Managed Detection and Response to Endpoints to be paid from the IT Professional Services Budget line item and authorize the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem to sign and execute all related documents.  
**Citywide**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

Red Canary is the city's current Managed Detection and Response (MDR) cybersecurity service provider. Red Canary monitors all city computers for malicious activities, analyze any incoming alerts, and will react accordingly to pre-determined "playbooks". The Smyrna IT department is seeking approval to renew the subscription for another three years to lock in better pricing. The 3-year term will allow the city to divide the total subscription into three annual payments of \$35,966.67.

Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. made a motion to approve item ATH2024-132; seconded by Councilmember Charles Welch.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

## 10. Consent Agenda

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 – Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 2 – Councilmember Pickens, Councilmember Hines

**A. MIN2024-125 Approval of the August 8, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

**B. MIN2024-127 Approval of the August 12, 2024 Pre-Council Meeting Minutes**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

**C. MIN2024-129 Approval of the August 12, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

**D. MIN2024-131 Approval of the August 14, 2024 Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Council – Service Delivery Strategy Minutes**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

**E. ATH2024-134**

Approve Settlement Agreement and Release with Donelson Construction Company paying \$68,000 for past services rendered, LLC. and authorize the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem to execute all related documents.

**Citywide**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- F. **BCA2024-015** Approval of the Mayor's re-appointment of Mr. Jeff Carter to the Smyrna Tree Board for a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Citywide**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- G. **BCA2024-017** Approval of the re-appointment of Ward 3 resident, Heather Kuemmerle to the Smyrna Tree Board for a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- H. **BCA2024-019** Approval of the re-appointment of Ward 4 resident, Carl Tackett, to the Smyrna Tree Board to serve a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 4 Councilmember - Charles 'Corkey' Welch**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- I. **BCA2024-021** Approval of the re-appointment of Ward 6 resident, Sabrina Crawley, to the Smyrna Tree Board to serve a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 6 Mayor Pro Tem / Councilmember - Tim Gould**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- J. **BCA2024-023** Approval of the re-appointment of Ward 7 resident, David Whitt, to the Smyrna Tree Board to serve a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 7 Councilmember - Rickey N. Oglesby Jr.**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- K. **BCA2024-025** Approval of the re-appointment of Ward 5 resident, Jennifer Corcoran, to the Smyrna Tree Board to serve a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 5 Councilmember - Susan Wilkinson**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- L. **BCA2024-027** Approval of the appointment of Ward 1 resident, Joseph Blankenship, to the Smyrna Tree Board to serve a four-year term that expires August 2028.

**Ward 1 Councilmember - Glenn Pickens**

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

**III. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

*Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the City Council. No subject may be acted upon by the City Council unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, please sign up with the City Clerk, come to the podium when called by the Mayor, state your name and address*

for the record and make your remarks. The time allotted for each speaker is as follows: **Public Comment - Three (3) Minutes**

## 11. Ward and Staff Reports

Councilmember Travis Lindley – Thanked staff for work on the robust agenda. He mentioned also that he attended the open house of the Tillman House on Church St in their new location. They provide many good services here for the community.

Councilmember Charles Welch – On September 7, the Taste of Smyrna will take place in the Market Village at 11:00. There will also be the Smyrna Public Safety Foundation Battle of the Badges Hot Rod Heroes Car Show at the Smyrna First Baptist lot.

Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. – Campbell High School Varsity football team is 2-0 currently. They beat Chapel Hill 27-0 and South Forsyth 48-7. Their next game is at home against Etowah. He encouraged the community to support the local football team Friday at 7:30 PM. He also announced that Smyrna Elite Track team now has a cross-country youth program. Registration is at [SmyrnaElite.com](http://SmyrnaElite.com).

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould – He also mentioned the Tillman House open house that he and Councilmembers Wilkinson and Lindley attended. He also stated that the Fanny Williams Legacy Project Committee is happy to announce that the memorial installation will be this weekend with a ribbon-cutting on Thursday, September 19. More details to come.

## 12. Public Comment

## 13. Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould adjourned the August 26, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting at 7:53 PM.

Facilities are provided throughout City Hall for the convenience of persons with disabilities.

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**THIS MEETING WAS PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NOTICING STANDARDS AS OUTLINED IN O.C.G.A. 50-14-3:**

The City of Smyrna website – [www.smyrnaga.gov](http://www.smyrnaga.gov) / City Hall, 2800 King Street SE, Notice Boards