

# 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

**July 29, 2024  
7:00 PM**

## **I. CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

### **1. Roll Call**

**Present:** 6 – Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould, Councilmember Latonia P. Hines,  
Councilmember Travis Lindley, Councilmember Charles Welch,  
Councilmember Susan Wilkinson, Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby Jr.

**Absent:** 2 – Mayor Derek Norton, Councilmember Glenn Pickens

**Also Present:** 1 – Scott Cochran

**Staff:** 5 – Joe Bennett, Dustin Davey, Jill Head, Heather Peacon-Corn, Enoch Serna

### **2. Call to Order**

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould called to order the July 29, 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 Courtney Harkness, Cumberland Community Church (3059 South Cobb Drive)

### **4. Agenda Changes**

### **5. Mayoral Report**

## **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***

### **6. Proclamations and Presentations**

## 7. Community Development Items

- A. **LIC2024-014** Temporary Sales Certificate - Fruit, Produce & Vegetable Stand - 1275 Concord Rd SE - Gifting Tree & the Secret Garden LLC, DBA Gifting Tree & the Secret Garden, Nancy Martin as Applicant  
**Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley**

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

Temporary Sales Certificate - Fruit, Produce & Vegetable Stand - 1275 Concord Rd SE - Gifting Tree & the Secret Garden LLC, DBA Gifting Tree & the Secret Garden, Nancy Martin as Applicant

Full Description of Activity – Fresh Market Wednesdays is from 4-7pm and GA farmers bring their fresh produce and farm products to sell to the community. We also have a fresh flower bouquet vendor, King of Pops and a local baker. The market is to provide a place for the community to buy fresh consumables and the farmers to sell their goods.

A public hearing was called, and no one came forward in favor of or in opposition to this item.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item LIC2024-014; seconded by Councilmember Charles Welch.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

## 8. Privilege License and Show Cause Hearing

## 9. Formal Business

- A. **RFP24-033** Authorization of RFP 24-033 for the replacement of apparatus bay door for Fire Station 1 in the amount of \$294,084.00 to be paid from 2022 SPLOST – Facility Improvements with installation to be completed by Metro Garage Doors (Douglasville, GA) 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 Smyrna Fire Department requested FY2022 SPLOST funds for facility improvements. Within facility improvements, the Fire Department has planned for the replacement of six (6) existing roll-up sectional bay doors with six (6) four-fold doors in the front and rear of Smyrna Fire Station 1 located at 2620 Atlanta Road, Smyrna, GA 30080. After review of the proposals by Smyrna Fire and Purchasing staff, we recommend the award of the Fire Station 1 Bay Door Replacement to the low bidder, Metro Garage Doors (Douglasville, GA).

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item RFP24-033; seconded by Councilmember Latonia P. Hines.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

- B. REC25-003** Authorization of Recommendation 25-003 for the renovation of the bathrooms and apparatus bay at Fire Station 1 in the amount of \$249,915.22 to be paid from 2022 SPLOST – Facility Improvements and to be completed by Osprey Management LLC (1640 Powers Ferry Road, Building 26, Suite 200, Marietta, GA 30067) using Gordian ezIQC contract (Sourcewell # GA-ST08-040820-OML / State of Georgia) 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 Smyrna Fire Department requested FY2022 SPLOST funds for facility improvements. This project focuses on two high-traffic areas within Fire Station 1. The first area involves a comprehensive renovation of the fire response, administrative staff, and public restroom facilities, which are original to the building and require rehabilitation. Planned upgrades include replacing wall and floor tiles, plumbing fixtures, counter tops, electrical fixtures, and repainting the walls. The restroom finishes will mirror those used in the construction of Fire Station 2.

The second area of focus is the apparatus bay, where the project entails stripping and resealing the existing epoxy floor covering, along with repainting the vertical wall surfaces.

We requested a proposal from Osprey Management LLC using Gordian ezIQC contract (Sourcewell # GA-ST08-040820-OML / State of Georgia). Gordian is a Job Order Contracting (JOC) platform that allows us to perform construction projects quickly and easily and reduces engineering and design time by awarding contracts for renovation, repair, and construction projects. We recommend that the award of the Fire Station 1 Bathroom and Bay Renovations to Osprey Management LLC.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item REC25-003; seconded by Councilmember Latonia P. Hines.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

- C. **ATH2024-101** Approval for the replacement of sewerage lift station pump located at 1327 Belmont Ave in the amount of \$56,302.20 from Water CIP FY2025 to Xylem Water Solutions USA, Inc. Located at 90 Horizon Drive Suwanee, Ga 30024 and authorize Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

***Ward 3 Councilmember - Travis Lindley***

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

Current City owned sewerage pump station serves 100 homes in the area to pump its sewerage from low point on Belmont Ave to gravity fed line that feeds to Cobb County treatment facility. Pump station pump one experienced failure a few weeks ago posing emergency operation plan to be put in place until new pump one is installed. At this time water sewer is relying on one pump to operate every hour on the hour putting unnecessary strain on the existing pump.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item ATH2024-101; seconded by Councilmember Charles Welch.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

- D. **AGR2024-037** Authorization for the approval of the Inmate Food Services Agreement between the City of Smyrna and Trinity Services Group, a Florida Corporation (477 Commerce Boulevard, Oldsmar, FL 34677-3018) on a scale amount of price per inmate as indicated on Exhibit A – Schedule 1, Inmate Population Sliding Scale, Smyrna City Jail 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 Smyrna Jail has encountered challenges maintaining full time and/or part time staff for the food services provided to inmates. As a result, the recommendation is to contract with Trinity Services Group to provide consistent cooking needs as indicated in the Food Services Agreement attached.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item AGR2024-037; seconded by Councilmember Susan Wilkinson.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

- E. **2024-223** Authorization for the approval of the Croy Engineering Professional Engineering Services Agreement for the Tolleson Park Aquatics Center – Concept Development in the amount of \$113,765.00 to be paid from 2022 SPLOST – Aquatics Center Line item and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

***Citywide***

Joe Bennett, City Administrator, provided the following background:

The City of Smyrna requested that Croy Engineering provide land surveying, civil engineering, architectural and aquatics/pool design services for the preliminary design and concept development of a proposed redevelopment of the existing Tolleson Park facility. Croy, along with its subconsultants, agreed to develop up to three conceptual layouts based on potential budget ranges from 8-12 million dollars. Croy's proposal incorporates the terms and conditions of the Professional Services Agreement for Smyrna 2022 SPLOST Program Management Services dated June 7, 2021. The scope of services will include 5.4 Acres Partial Site Survey, Preliminary Engineering and Concept Development, Conceptual Aquatics Layouts, provided by Councilman-Hunsaker, and Visions Design Package and Perspective Rendering by Nelson, all totaling \$113,765.00.

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve item 2024-223; seconded by Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby Jr.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

**10. Consent Agenda**

Councilmember Travis Lindley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Latonia P. Hines.

The motion to approve carried with the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 – Councilmember Hines, Councilmember Lindley, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Oglesby  
**Nay:** 0 – None  
**Absent:** 1 – Councilmember Pickens

- A. **MIN2024-101** Approval of the July 11, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- B. **MIN2024-102** Approval of the July 15, 2024 Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Council Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

C. **MIN2024-103** Approval of the July 15, 2024 Pre-Council Meeting Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

D. **MIN2024-104** Approval of the July 15, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

E. **MIN2024-105** Approval of the July 17, 2024 Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Council – Service Delivery Strategy Mediation Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

F. **MIN2024-106** Approval of the July 22, 2024 Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Council Minutes

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

### III. **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

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#### 12. **Public Comment**

#### 11. **Ward and Staff Reports**

Councilmember Latonia P. Hines – working on historic preservation of Rose Garden area. More information to come later.

Councilmember Travis Lindley – acknowledged and thanked the Mayor, City Attorney, and City Administrator for sitting through 24 hours with the County and sister cities in the County for the mediation process.

Councilmember Charles Welch – wanted to emphasize that this council is working very hard to make sure Tolleson pool does not close for too long. It is anticipated that it will have to close for at least one season, even though this is not something this council wants to see.

Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. – thanked Ward 7 citizens who came out to his town hall on July 21. It was standing room only. He also personally thanked city staff who took time on their Sunday to answer questions – Community Development Director Russel Martin and Public Works Director Eric Randall. He also announced that the River Walk will be coming in the fall. And a congratulations to the Smyrna Youth Track League who returned with lots of All-Americans.

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould – reiterated that Smyrna has an amazing collection of athletes. He reminded all that school starts this week, so be patient with traffic. And support local schools and their foundations, PTAs, sports programs, etc.

### **13. Adjournment**

Mayor Pro Tem Tim Gould adjourned the July 29, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting at 7:17 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