

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL  
February 1, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Randall Walker; Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King, and Council Members Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Joy Peterson, Darryl Albritton, and Riley Hunt.

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Brooke Newby, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, and Recording Clerk Annie Warren.

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Assistant Chief Kirk Crumpton - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn- Perry Police Department, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Anya Turpin – Special Events Manager, Holly Wharton – Community Planner, and Tabitha Clark – Communications Administrator.

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Ellie Loudermilk – Perry Area Historical Museum

\* Mayor Walker exercised Point of Privilege and requested a moment of silence for Lt. Jack Johnson and Mr. Lawrence Clarrington who died this weekend.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Council Member Albritton rendered the invocation and Mayor Pro Tempore King led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s) / Presentation(s): Mayor Randall Walker

4a. Hargray Community Donation. Mr. Robert Holley and Mr. Ken Mullis presented to Mayor and Council a donation of \$30,000 to help support students and athletics. Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Holley and Mr. Mullis.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s): Ms. Ellie Loudermilk, 113 Felton Road, appeared on the behalf of the Perry Area Historical Museum. Ms. Loudermilk provided a summary of the past year activities at the Perry Area Historical Museum.

6. Citizens with Input. None

7. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:13 P.M. Mayor Randall Walker called to order a public hearing at 6:13 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-66-4.

7a. ANNX-342-2021. Applicant, Joe Meadows, request the annexation and rezoning of property from R-1 (County) to C-2, General Commercial (City). The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000.

Staff Report: Ms. Wharton stated this is a 1.08-acre lot located at 2019 Hwy 41. The applicant is requesting to be annexed into the City of Perry with the zoning classification of C-2, General Commercial. The Planning Commission and staff recommends approval of the annexation request and proposed zoning classification of C-2, General Commercial. The County concurs with the City's request to annex and rezone the property.

Public Input: Mayor Walker called for any public input for or against the application.

For: Jerel Etheridge, owns the property south of the parcel. Mr. Etheridge inquired if a site plan will be required? Mr. Wood stated this is correct, the applicant will provide a site plan and obtain a permit from DOT to access the site.

Against: none

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 6:24 P.M. Mayor Walker closed the public hearing at 6:24 p.m.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the January 18, 2022 pre council meeting and January 18, 2022 council meeting.

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Council Member Peterson seconded the motioned and it carried unanimously.

9. Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

9a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend Code Section 15-126 revising the definition of Transient Merchant – Ms. B. Newby.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-05 to amend Code Section 15-126 revising the definition of Transient Merchant. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member

Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2022-05 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend Code Section 22-24 (1)(a) relative to investigating curbside toter complaints – Ms. B. Newby.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-06 to amend Code Section 22-24 (1)(a) relative to investigating curbside toter complaints. Council Member Albritton motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2022-06 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).

10. Any Other Old Business:

- 10a. Mayor Randall Walker - none
- 10b. Council Members – Council Member Peterson stated she attended a DDA meeting and answered a question. She did not answer on the behalf of Council.
- 10c. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none
- 10d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 10e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

11. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

- 11a. Matters referred from February 1, 2022 pre council meeting. none

11b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction.

1. **First Reading** of a Charter Amendment for Reapportionment of Representatives Districts – Ms. B. Newby (*No action required by Council*)
2. **First Reading** of an ordinance for the annexation of property to the City of Perry. The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000 – Mr. B. Wood. (*No action required by Council*)
3. **First Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from R-1 (County) to C-2, General Commercial (City). The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000 – Mr. B. Wood. (*No action required by Council*)

11c. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2022-21 Demolition of 1016 Duncan Avenue & 1044 Greenwood Drive – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington stated his office received three responsive bids. Staff recommends awarding the bid to low bidder Southern Equipment, LLC in the amount of \$33,800.00 for both properties. Council Member Albritton moved to award the bid to low bidder Southern Equipment,

in the amount of \$33,800.0 for both properties; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11d. Award of RFP #2022-01 for New City Hall CMAR – Mr. M. Worthington.

Mr. Worthington stated his office received four responsive offerors. Staff recommended to award the RFP #2022-01 to Allstate Construction Group, Inc. that had an RFP Score of 91.60, with an estimated cost of \$213,287.29. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to award RFP #2022-01 to Allstate Construction Group, In. for an estimated cost of \$213,287.29; Mayor Pro Tempore King second the motion and it carried unanimously.

11e. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. A resolution to adopt the 2022 Joint Comprehensive Plan Update for Houston County and the Cities of Centerville, Perry, and Warner Robins – Ms. H. Wharton.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-04 for the 2022 Joint Comprehensive Plan Update for Houston County and the Cities of Centerville, Perry, and Warner Robins. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-04 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

2. A resolution to adopt the City of Perry Pathways Plan – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-05 for the City of Perry Pathways Plan. Council Member Albritton motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-05 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

3. Resolution Authorizing Legal Action to Abate a Public Nuisance at 319 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard – Ms. B. Newby.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-06 Authorizing Leal Action to Abate a Public Nuisance at 319 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard. Council Member Albritton motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-06 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

12. Other Business – Supplemental Agenda Items:

12a. Appointments to Boards/Authorities and Commissions. Mayor Randall Walker

1. Mayor/Council Joint Appointment(s).

- Housing Authority of the City of Perry – Reappointment of Ms. Phyllis Ingram (Resident Commissioner)

Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to reappoint Ms. Phyllis Ingram (Resident Commissioner) to the Housing Authority of the City of Perry. Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

13. Council Members Items:

Council Member Bynum-Grace thanked Mayor/Council, Ms. Jazmin Thomas, Ms. Anya Turpin, and Ms. Alicia Harley for their work with the Black History banners.

14. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Chief Lynn stated the police department has finally received approval from GDOT to proceed with the Red Speed school zone project and thanked Mayor and Council for honoring Lt. Johnson.

Ms. Clark announced applications are being accepted for Perry University.

Ms. Turpin passed out the 2022 Special Events Calendar, Let's Go booklet, and a swag fan.

15. General Public Items: none

16. Mayor Items:

February 14, Work session  
February 15, Pre council and council

Mayor Walker entertained a motion to go into executive session for real estate acquisition.

17. Executive Session entered at 6:50 p.m.: Mayor Pro Tempore King moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of real estate acquisition. Council Member Peterson seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

18. Executive Session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.; Council regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held February 1, 2022 and reconvened into the regular meeting.

19. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-07 stated that the purpose of the executive session held on February 1, 2022, was to discuss real estate acquisition. Council Member Hunt moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the executive session held on February 1, 2022, was to discuss real estate acquisition; Council Member Albritton

seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2022-07 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

In the open meeting –

Council Member Hunt motioned to purchase the property located at 1514 Houston Lake Road for \$15,000.00 from Mr. Robert Lumpkin; Ms. Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

20. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held on February 1, 2022, Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Council Member Albritton seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.