



City Council Meeting & Public Hearing

OCTOBER 7, 2024

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Office of the City Clerk

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL

COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 2 PARK PLAZA | 6:30 PM

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The public is advised that the following minutes are not a verbatim transcription of business presented at the Council Meeting of the date shown; but are a synopsis of pertinent information. The public is further advised that the video recording for said meeting is a matter of public record and is available to be viewed at the City Clerk's office during normal business hours or viewed online at <https://www.youtube.com/user/alpharettagov>.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Gilvin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

• Council Members

- Mayor Jim Gilvin
- Mayor Pro Tem Dan Merkel
- Brian Will
- Donald F. Mitchell
- John Hipes
- Douglas J. DeRito

• Absent

- Fergal M. Brady

• Staff

- Chris Lagerbloom, City Administrator
- Molly Esswein, City Attorney
- Lauren Shapiro, City Clerk
- Adam Montgomery, Director of Information Technology
- Morgan Rodgers, Director of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Arts Services
- Pete Sewczwicz, Director of Public Works
- Tom Harris, Director of Finance
- Deanna McKay, Public Communication & Engagement Coordinator

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

4. PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclamation: Arts & Humanities Month

- Mayor Gilvin presented a proclamation to Kim Zane Manning and members of the Cultural Arts Commission recognizing October as National Arts & Humanities Month.

B. Proclamation: Alpharetta High School Model United Nations Team

- Mayor Gilvin presented a proclamation to Vishesh Jain, Akshat Anand, and members of the Alpharetta High School Model United Nations Team recognizing their recent accomplishments.

C. Proclamation: The North Park Pretenders Drama Club

- Mayor Gilvin presented a proclamation to Toby Smallwood and members of The North Park Pretenders Drama Club recognizing their recent State Award and upcoming showcases.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. City Council Meeting Minutes (Meeting of 9/30/2024)

Consideration of approval of the City Council meeting minutes from the meeting of September 30, 2024.

B. Financial Management Report (Month Ending August 31, 2024)

Consideration of approval of the Financial Management Report for the month ending August 31, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- There were no public comments.
- ❖ Council Member DeRito offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Merkel seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved unanimously (6-0).

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Resolution: Authorizing the Use of Eminent Domain for Parcel 01 of the Encore Greenway Park and Gateway Project

Consideration of adoption of a resolution for the Mayor and Council of the City of Alpharetta, Georgia to authorize the use of eminent domain to acquire certain property located at 7000 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30022 (Tax Parcel 12 261006870292) for right of way, permanent easement, and temporary easement for proposed Encore Greenway Park and Gateway Project and with authorization for the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.

- City Attorney, Molly Esswein, read the resolution title aloud and came forward to present this item.
- The City of Alpharetta (the "City") has determined that it is necessary to make pedestrian walkways and modifications along the intersection of Encore Parkway and North Point Parkway, such project being known as the Encore Greenway Park and Gateway Project (the "Project").
- In order to construct the Project, it is necessary to acquire certain rights to, in, over, under, through and across the property now or formerly owned by Blue Ventures, LLC, located at 2000 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022 (Tax Parcel No.: 12 -261006870292) within the City of Alpharetta, Georgia (reference: Project Parcel 01).
- Approval of this resolution will authorize the City Attorney's Office to acquire, through the use of Eminent Domain, the necessary property rights to, in, over, under, through and across the property in order to ensure the timely completion of the Project. Further, this resolution authorizes the Mayor and the City Administrator to execute, on behalf of and as if signed by every member of the governing authority of the City, the Mayor and Council, any and all documents necessary to further the filing of any Petition for Condemnation or Declaration of Taking related to the same and/or in furtherance of this Resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- There were no public comments.
- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Merkel offered a motion to adopt a resolution to authorize the use of eminent domain to acquire certain property at 7000 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30022 (Tax Parcel 12 261006870292) for right of way, permanent easement, and temporary easement for proposed Encore Greenway Park and Gateway Project and with authorization for the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
 - Council Member Mitchell seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved (6-0).

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Premises Use Agreement: Wire & Wood 2024

Consideration of approval of the premises usage agreement between the City of Alpharetta and Alpharetta First Methodist Church, Inc., located at 59 North Main Street, permitting the use of parking lot for Wire & Wood 2024.

- Director of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Services, Morgan Rodgers came forward to present this item.

- As in years past, the City of Alpharetta is requesting a usage agreement for the Alpharetta First Methodist Church, Inc. parking lot for the annual Wire & Wood event on October 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and October 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Due to the attendance of this event, it is required to accommodate parking for performers at the event.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- There were no public comments.
- ❖ Council Member Hipes offered a motion to approve the premises usage agreement between the City of Alpharetta and Alpharetta First Methodist Church, Inc., located at 59 North Main Street, permitting the use of parking lot for Wire & Wood 2024.
 - Council Member Will seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved (6-0).
 - During the motion, Council Member Hipes shared that he does serve on the Board of the First Methodist Church, but does not receive remunerations from their organization.

B. Purchase Approval: Annual Workstation Equipment Replacement

Consideration of purchase approval of workstation equipment from Dell Marketing, Inc. under the State of Georgia technology contract (#99999-SPD-0000161-0004) in the amount of \$215,000.00

- Director of Information Technology, Adam Montgomery, came forward to present this item.
- This request is to provide for the annual replacement of workstation equipment for all city departments.
- The current city standards for workstation equipment replacement (based on funding availability) are as follows: desktops and laptops (4 years) and monitors (8 years). The refresh of IT equipment is scheduled throughout the fiscal year and is allocated to the most essential needs first. Currently, the fleet has approximately 524 desktops and laptops that support our employees.
- If approved, 24%, or 129 units, will be replaced this year, which aligns with a four-year schedule.
- As in prior years, funding for technology replacement is placed in one capital project account to allow for more efficient management. The main component of the technology replacement account is funding for workstation and mobile equipment replacement. This request for \$215,000.00 is within the fiscal year 2025 budget.

- Workstation equipment refresh will be procured through Dell Marketing, Inc. using State of Georgia technology contract 99999-SPD-SPD0000161-0004.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- There were no public comments.
- ❖ Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve workstation equipment from Dell Marketing, Inc. under the State of Georgia technology contract (#99999-SPD-0000161-0004) in the amount of \$215,000.00.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Merkel seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved (6-0).

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

- There were no public comments.

9. REPORTS

- Council Member Hipes shared that Alpharetta Music City is in full force this weekend with the Wire & Wood festival beginning on Friday, October 11 and Saturday, October 12.
- Council Member Will shared that Former Alpharetta Fire Captain John Roach passed away at the young age of 49 and services will be in Gainesville tomorrow. Captain Roach served the city from 1998 until 2023, and he made this place a better place.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Merkel offered a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purposes of litigation.
 - Council Member DeRito seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved unanimously (6-0).
 - Mayor Gilvin recessed the meeting at 7:05 p.m.
- ❖ Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to reconvene the meeting.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Merkel seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved unanimously (6-0).
 - Mayor Gilvin reconvened the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

- ❖ Council Member DeRito offered a motion to adjourn the meeting.
 - Council Member Will seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved unanimously (6-0).

- With there being no further items to consider or discuss, Mayor Gilvin adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lauren Shapiro". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lauren Shapiro, City Clerk