



**CITY OF LITHONIA**  
**MINUTES– Council Meeting**  
**Monday January 6, 2025 @ 5:30 pm**

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**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting began at 5:39 pm.

All members of the council were present at the time of roll call.

**II. Moment of Silence**

**III. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the January 6, 2025, council meeting agenda with the addition of The Heathen film permit request as item E. Mayor Pro Tem Inman seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**IV. Public Comments**

**V. Old Business**

**VI. New Business**

- a. **For Discussion** – Banking – Chief Dejarnette & Lisa Diggs, City Administrator & City Accountant

Chief Dejarnette & Lisa Diggs gave a presentation about extending the services we currently have with Regions Bank. The services would include moving all eleven (11) accounts the City of Lithonia holds to Regions Bank. Regions Bank currently holds the city's SPLOST Bond account and has offered to accommodate the city's other accounts, offering a four (4) percent interest on all accounts.

This item will be brought back before the council for a decision at a later meeting this month.

- b. **For Discussion** – SPLOST II – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator

Chief Dejarnette gave an overview of the upcoming projects to be paid for with SPLOST II funding. He stated the final survey on the parking lot was received and is currently with the City's Attorney's Office. He stated that he is looking into upgrades to the Amphitheatre including the sound, ticket window/booth, greenroom, a new awning and possible seating improvements. The improvements also included adding a restroom, an ADA compliant ramp and installation of sound dampening materials to minimize some of the noise during events. There was also mention of paving projects for certain streets of concern including Johnson,

Wiggins, Council and Born. Chief DeJarnette stated he would look into quotes for repaving Swift and Conyers Street as well.

c. **For Decision** – Dog Park/Off Leash Area – Chief DeJarnette, City Administrator

Chief DeJarnette stated that he would be requesting quotes to begin clearing the land and area designated for the Dog Park on Council and Johnson Street.

d. **For Decision** – Holiday and Meeting Calendar – Ashley Waters, City Clerk

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Honore to approve the Holiday Calendar for the year 2025. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion** – made by Councilmember Honore to approve the 2025 meeting calendar. Councilmember Howard seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

e. **For Decision** – The Heathen Film Request – *Nicole Pemberton, The Heathen*

Nicole Pemberton requested to film January 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 on Max Cleland Blvd for four (4) hours.

**Motion** – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the filming request for The Heathen on January 18, 2025. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**VII. 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 enter Executive Session for Personnel and Real Estate. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion** – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to exit Executive Session and return to the regular council meeting. Councilmember Howard seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**VIII. Updates and Reports**

a. Mayor's Report

A report from the Resource center given by Joyce McKibben.

**IX. Adjournment**

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

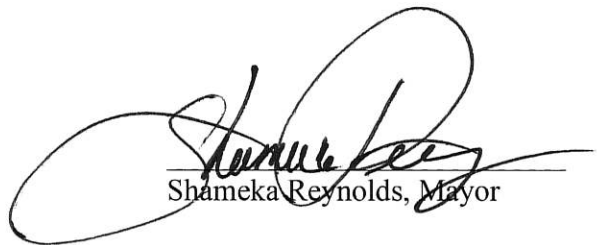
**Motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Attest:



Ashley Waters, City Clerk



Shameka Reynolds, Mayor