



CITY OF LITHONIA
MINUTES– Work Session Meeting
Monday March 17, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting began at 5:40 pm.

Councilmember Wynn and Councilmember Howard were absent at the time of the roll call; all other members of council were present.

II. Moment of Silence

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the March 17, 2025, work session meeting agenda with the addition of letter A under action items Dog Park Tree Removal and Naming, Letter B Cricket, C will be Filming Request and the addition of letter d, Doug Thompson. Also moving Action items ahead of Discussion items. Mayor Pro Tem Inman seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

IV. Consent Agenda

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

V. Action Items

- a. For Decision – Dog Park Tree Removal & Naming – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator

Motion – made by Councilmember Honore to approve the tree removal quote from ArborServ in the amount of \$3500.00. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the naming of the dog park “Amelia Dog Park”. Councilmember Honore seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

- b. For Discussion - Cricket Team Request – Ashley Waters, City Clerk

The Tropical Sports club – Cricket team made a request to lower the fee for the rental of the lower fields for their Sunday games. There was some discussion on the time and number of dates the team would be using the fields. The council decided that the fees would not be adjusted to accommodate a discount.

c. For Decision – “By Any Means” Film Request – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator

Production crew for the film “By Any Means” requested to film on Swift and Born streets, Dean Court, and at the old Masonic Lodge on April 7th-10th.

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the filming request for the “By Any Means” film. Mayor ProTem Inman seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

d. For Decision – Demolition 7005 Swift Street – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator

Chief Dejarnette presented three (3) quotes for he demolition work needed at 7005 Swift Street. He stated that this would be paid for with SPLOST funding.

Motion – made by Councilmember Honore to approve Turner Landscaping LLC in the amount of \$73,850.00. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

VI. Discussion Items

a. **For Discussion** –Thrive Christian Academy – Renee Miller, Enigma Events

Mayor Reynolds stated she spoke with Thrive Christian Academy and coordinated all their requests prior to the meeting.

VII. Updates and Reports

a. **Mayor’s Report**

Doug Thompson, business owner of Flavaz Barbershop, stated he is coordinating a city event to host city staff and business owners for a field day with kickball, volleyball, food, and family friendly activities on July 13th at Lithonia Park’s lower fields.

Mayor Reynolds asked city staff to look into acquiring a Gold Kart of city events and stated that on June 21st or 28th the car club would like to hold their “Ride the City” event.

Charlene Anderson stated that the PTSA with Lithonia High School could provide students to assist with upcoming Cities Week events.

- b. City Administrator Report
- c. Police Update
- d. Councilmember Updates

Mayor Pro Tem Inman stated that Georgia Works will be hosting a ride along clean up event in the city on April 19th at 10 am.

Councilmember Sheppard reminded the council about the Bruce Street day event happening on April 200th. She also stated she is open for suggestions on how to improve the event.

Councilmember Honore stated the Lithonia Down Town Authority is looking into a mural on Swift Street and also providing businesses on main street with marketing opportunities.

VIII. Executive Session (If Necessary)

Motion - made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to enter Executive Session for Real Estate. Councilmember Honore seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to exit Executive Session and return to the work session. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

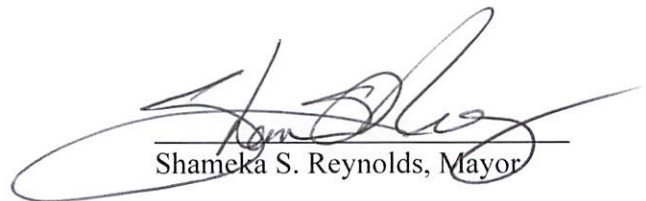
No action taken.

IX. Adjournment

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

Motion passed 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.


Shameka S. Reynolds, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ashley Waters, City Clerk





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