

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
October 19, 2021
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 October 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Riley Hunt

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

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

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): none

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor Randall Walker

Mayor Pro Tempore Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member Albritton led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s)/Presentation(s):

4a. Recognitions from Fire and Emergency Services Department – Chief L. Parker.

- Promotion – Fire Lieutenants Austin Redmond and Jonathan Yoder

Chief Parker introduced Fire Lieutenants Austin Redmond and Jonathan Yoder to Mayor and Council. Mayor and Council congratulated both on their promotions.

4b. Special Events Applications – Mayor R. Walker

1. Perry Main Street Sweets & Treats event. Ms. Thomas presented for Council’s consideration the Perry Main Street Sweets & Treats event street closures and new footprint for approval. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approval the request as presented; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
2. The City of Perry’s International Festival event. Ms. Turpin presented for Council’s consideration the City of Perry’s International event modified street closures and time change request. Council Member Peterson motioned to approve the request as presented; Mayor Pro Tempore Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s): none

6. Citizens with Input. none

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

- 7a. Council’s Consideration – Minutes of the October 4, 2021 work session, October 5, 2021 pre council meeting, and October 5, 2021 council meeting. *(Mayor Pro Tempore Robert Jones and Council Member Riley Hunt was absent from October 4 & 5, 2021 meetings and Council Member Darryl Albritton was absent from October 4, 2021 meeting.)*

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried with Mayor Pro Tempore Jones abstaining from the October 4 & 5, 2021 meetings and Council Member Albritton abstaining from October 4, 2021 meeting.

8. Old Business:

8a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the annexation of property to the City of Perry. The properties are located at 2315 Marshallville Road and South Perry Parkway; Tax Map Numbers 000180 018000 and 000190 10A000– Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2021-22 for the annexation of property to the City of Perry. The properties are located at 2315 Marshallville Road and South Perry Parkway; Tax Map Numbers 000180 018000 and 000190 10A000. Mr. Wood stated the Planning Commission and staff recommends approval of the annexation request. Council Member King motioned to adopt as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2021-22 has been*

entered into the City's official book of record).

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from R-AG (County), Residential-Agricultural District to R-2A (City), Single-family Residential District. The properties are located at 2315 Marshallville Road and South Perry Parkway; Tax Map Numbers 000180 018000 and 000190 10A000 – Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2021-23 for the rezoning of property from R-AG (County), Residential-Agricultural District to R-2A (City), Single-family Residential District. The properties are located at 2315 Marshallville Road and South Perry Parkway; Tax Map Numbers 000180 018000 and 000190 10A000. Mr. Wood stated the Planning Commission and staff recommends approval of the proposed zoning classification of R-2A, single-family residential based on the following conditions: 1) Building permits for the proposed development shall only be issued at such time as the subject property has adequate sewer capacity as determined by the City of Perry in accordance with its sewer capacity assessment and developing sewer master plan, 2) The developer/builder shall install landscaping along South Perry Parkway in accordance with the requirements of Article 6 of the Land Management Ordinance and shall thereafter grant a landscape easement in favor of the City for landscape maintenance to support corridor enhancement, particularly along arterial roads near commercial nodes, and 3) Access to the parcels adjacent to South Perry Parkway shall only be via internal subdivision roads. There shall be no direct access to South Perry Parkway except for subdivision entrance roads. Council Member Peterson motioned to adopt as presented with the conditions: 1) Building permits for the proposed development shall only be issued at such time as the subject property has adequate sewer capacity as determined by the City of Perry in accordance with its sewer capacity assessment and developing sewer master plan, 2) The developer/builder shall install landscaping along South Perry Parkway in accordance with the requirements of Article 6 of the Land Management Ordinance and shall thereafter grant a landscape easement in favor of the City for landscape maintenance to support corridor enhancement, particularly along arterial roads near commercial nodes, and 3) Access to the parcels adjacent to South Perry Parkway shall only be via internal subdivision roads. There shall be no direct access to South Perry Parkway except for subdivision entrance roads. Mayor Pro Tempore Jones motioned to adopt as presented; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2021-23 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

9. Any Other Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker
 - 9a. Mayor Randall Walker - none
 - 9b. Council Members - none
 - 9c. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none
 - 9d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none

9e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

10. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

10a. Matters referred from October 18, 2021 work session and October 19, 2021 pre council meeting.

1. Award of emergency contract to repair Houston Lake Drive Sewer Main.
Mr. Worthington stated a 12” sewer main that runs under Houston Lake Drive has collapsed near the intersection of Houston Lake Drive and Sunshine Avenue, posing a potential threat to the integrity of the street and sewerage system. Staff received two quotes to both repair the collapsed section and clean/camera an additional 1,000 feet of sewer main between Main Street and SR-127. The quotes range from \$115,630.00 to \$126,000.00. Since the amounts are over \$100,000.00 this will have to be bid out following Public Works Construction Contracts which requires 30 days, bid bonds and performance bonds. There is a subsection of the law that will allow the city to award this bid as an emergency contract. It’s staff recommendation to award this bid as an emergency contract in accordance with GA Code 36-91-22 (e) to low bidder Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$115,630.00. Council Member Albritton motioned to award the bid to low bidder Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$115,630.00; Mayor Pro Tempore Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
2. Approval to proceed with application for environmental grants – Mr. R. Smith.
 - Remediation on Former Stanley Property
 - Brownfield Assessment Grant

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve both grant applications as submitted by Mr. Smith; Mayor Pro Tempore Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3. Proceed with award of bid FY2022 Police Vehicles – Mr. M. Worthington.

Mr. Worthington stated the FY 2022 budget includes the purchase of nine (9) vehicles for the police patrol division. Prater Ford, Inc. has informed the City that they are willing to sell additional 2022 model Police patrol vehicles at the same price bid of the previous vehicles, \$40,753.14 per vehicle (total bid award of \$366,778.26).

Mr. Worthington advised Council that our purchasing policy allows the city to piggyback off previous contracts and contracts with other cities. Staff’s recommendation is to award to Prater Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$40,753.14 per vehicle (total bid award of \$366,778.26). Council Member Albritton motioned to approve the bid as submitted; Mayor Pro Tempore Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10b. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-52 amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Council Member King motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Mayor Pro Tempore Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2021-52 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).

10c. Selection of a grant writer and administrator for 2022 CDBG and CHIP applications – Ms. H. Wharton.

Ms. Wharton stated the Community Development received two complete and qualifying proposals. Staff recommends selecting Grant Specialists of Georgia for 2022 CDBG and CHIP grant writing and administration. Council Member King motioned to approve the recommendation of Grant Specialists of Georgia for 2022 CDBG and CHIP grant writing and administration. Mayor Pro Tempore Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Council Members Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Jones requested a light at the intersection of Bear Branch and Houston Lake Road. Administration will make a request to DOT.

Council Members Bynum-Grace, Albritton, Peterson, and King had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour, Ms. Newby, and Mr. Smith had no reports.

12. Department Heads/Staff Items.

Chief Lynn advised Mayor and Council of the passing of Colonel Rueben McGhee, retired from Houston County Sheriff Department.

Chief Parker reminded everyone October is Fire Safety month and the 3rd Annual Fire Safety Poster Contest is opened until October 31.

Mr. Swan reported registration for youth basketball ends on October 24 and his department has started an instructional basketball program for 3–4-year-old.

13. General Public Items: none

14. Mayor Items:

- October 26, State of Community Luncheon
- November 1, work session
- November 2, pre council and council
- November 8, Redistricting meeting at the Middle Georgia Regional Commission

15. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held October 19, 2021, Mayor Pro Tempore Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.