

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

Billy Breeden, Mayor
David Daughtry, Mayor Pro Tem
Richard Bush Rufus Sherman
Judy Powell Amanda White
Jamil Baggett

City Staff

Bob Alexander, City Manager
Bert Gregory, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The City Manager, City Attorney and all Councilmembers were present. Mayor Breeden led the pledge and Councilmember Baggett led the prayer.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) Mayor Breeden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from September 3, 2024. Councilmember White made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Breeden opened the Public Hearing on the Zoning Application for North Westover Properties, LLC (Z24-010). Amanda Nava Assistant Director of Planning, Zoning and Engineering presented the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the rezoning with certain conditions. City Manager Bob Alexander presented the Downtown Development Authority's recommendation to approve the rezoning. There were 7 persons that spoke in favor of the rezoning and 6 persons that spoke against the rezoning. Also, there were 81 persons that signed petitions against the rezoning. Mayor Breeden closed the Public Hearing.

Mayor Breeden opened the Public Hearing on the Zoning Application for Milan Patel (Z24-011). Amanda Nava Assistant Director of Planning, Zoning and Engineering presented the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the rezoning with certain conditions. There were 7 persons that spoke in favor of the Rezoning and 1 person that spoke against the Rezoning. Also, there were 81 persons that signed petitions against the Rezoning. Mayor Breeden closed the Public Hearing.

4. NEW BUSINESS

(A) Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry made a motion to approve the rezoning application of North Westover Properties, LLC (Z24-010) from C-2 to R-2 with the conditions recommended by the planning staff and with the additional comment to address flock systems at the preliminary plan stage. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(B) Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry made a motion to approve the rezoning application of Milan Patel (Z24-011) from C-2 to R-2 with the conditions recommended by the planning staff and with the additional comment to address flock systems at the preliminary plan stage. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(C) Finance Director Allison presented the 2024 Millage Rate of 4.673 mills. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry made a motion to approve the millage rate of 4.673 mills and the Resolution. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

- (D) Attorney Gregory discussed the request from Mossy Dell, Inc., for a portion of the property located on Robert B. Lee Drive which lies outside the city limits to be annexed into the City of Leesburg. Councilmember Bagget made a motion to table the request. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (E) City Manager Alexander discussed the recommendation from the Downtown Development Authority to upgrade the Downtown Master Plan. Councilmember Powell made a motion to approve an upgrade the Downtown Master Plan and to include Ordinances for Design Standards. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (F) City Manager Alexander discuss the Resolution in support of the Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund Award #24dd-nr-088-10618 for Drake Properties of Southwest Georgia, LLC. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

5. **CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS**

- (A) The Finance Director discussed the Monthly Financial Report and indicated everything was within the Budget.
- (B) City Manager discussed the current projects.

6. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Chief Prokesh discussed the 3rd Annual Berg Bash October 19.

7. **GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES.**

8. **COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER**

Councilmember Powell discussed the 2024 Georgia City Solutions Community Impact Award and the 150 Leesburg Celebration for October 26.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

10. **CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12. **PUBLIC FORUM**

13. **ANNOUCEMENTS**

Next Scheduled Council Meeting is November 5, 2024 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember White made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.