



**COUNCIL MEETING
4040 SOUTH BERKELEY LAKE ROAD
BERKELEY LAKE, GEORGIA 30096
FULL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 17, 2022**

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Lois Salter

Council Members: Rodney Hammond, Scott Lee, Chip McDaniel, Bob Smith and Rebecca Spitler

City Officials: Leigh Threadgill - City Administrator
Dick Carothers – City Attorney

Members of the Public: 1

Members of the Press: 0

WORK SESSION

The mayor and council reviewed the meeting agenda and materials with staff.

CALL TO ORDER

Salter called the meeting to order at 8:07 PM. A quorum of council members was in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING

- a) O-22-244 – Proposed 2023 Budget

Salter solicited comments from the public regarding the proposed 2023 budget.

There were no comments.

AGENDA

Salter solicited motions regarding the agenda.

Hammond made a motion to accept the agenda as submitted. McDaniel seconded the motion. All council members were in favor and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Salter noted the following as items on the consent agenda and solicited a motion:

- a) Minutes of October 20, 2022, Council Meeting
- b) Financial Statements of September 2022 – Unaudited
- c) Public Works: ARPA Stormwater Project, Change Order #1 (to fix sink hole in Hermitage Dr.)

Lee made a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Spitler seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- a) O-22-244 – Proposed 2023 Budget

Threadgill: O-22-244 is the proposed budget for 2023. This measure as presented anticipates no increase in the real property tax millage rate for 2023 over the rollback rate for 2022. The measure is presented for second read consideration.

Smith made a motion to place O-22-244, an ordinance to establish the budget for the year 2023, to repeal conflicting ordinances, to provide for an effective date and for other purposes, on second read. Hammond seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) O-22-245 – Proposed Amendment to Sections 78-3(Definitions), 78-111(Walls and Fences), and 78-203(RMD Residential Multifamily Duplex District) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding short-term rentals and front yard walls and fences

Threadgill: O-22-245 is a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance. Section 78-3, Definitions, is proposed for amendment to add a definition of short-term rental as well as to fix formatting, spelling and grammatical errors. Section 78-203 is proposed for amendment to add short-term rentals as a permitted use in the RMD, Residential Multifamily Duplex district, subject to certain criteria. Section 78-111 is proposed for amendment to add standards governing walls and fences in the front yard. The Planning & Zoning Commission considered the proposed amendments at their meeting on October 25, 2022, and recommended approval.

McDaniel made a motion to place O-22-245, an ordinance to amend Sections 78-3(Definitions), 78-111(Walls and Fences), and 78-203(RMD Residential Multifamily Duplex District) to adopt regulations pertaining to short-term rentals and front yard walls and fences, to repeal conflicting ordinances, to provide for an effective date and for other purposes, on first read and to schedule a public hearing on the matter for Thursday, December 1st at 8:00 PM. Lee seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Spitler moved to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Salter adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM.

Submitted by:


Leigh Threadgill, City Clerk

