



### City of Walthourville Mayor and Council Meeting February 8, 2022 @ 6:00 PM Walthourville Police Department

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

### The Honorable Mayor Larry D. Baker, Presiding

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tem Sarah B. Hayes

The Honorable Charlie L. Anderson, Sr.

The Honorable James Hendry

The Honorable Bridgette Kelly

The Honorable Luciria L. Lovette

Luke R. Moses, City Attorney Fire Chief, Gary Fairchild Police Chief, Alfonza (Al) Hagan

I. Meeting Called to Order:

Mayor Larry D. Baker

II. Roll Call:

Ms. Kara Jackson

III. Invocation

**Appointee** 

IV. Pledge of Allegiance:

In Unison

V. Adoption of City Council Agenda:

Councilmembers

VI. Adoption of City Council Minutes:

Councilmembers

January 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes

VII. Presentation:

Mr. Shuyron A. Macon Daylight Capital Advisors

VIII. Agenda Items:

1. City of Walthourville

Attorney Luke R. Moses

For Mayor and Council to approve/disapprove Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Option for Right of Way for 1-S-1 Southwest side of Highway 84, West of Talmadge Road.

2. City of Walthourville

Attorney Luke R. Moses

For Mayor and Council to approve/disapprove Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Option for Right of Way for Parcel 22-Carter Road.

**3. City of Walthourville**City of Walthourville Mayor and Council
City of Walthourville Purchasing Policy Draft.

4. City of Walthourville

Mayor Pro Tem Hayes

Arbor Day Proclamation. For Mayor and Council to approve February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as Arbor Day in the City of Walthourville.

5. City of Walthourville

Mayor Pro Tem Hayes

Discussion of City of Walthourville Repair and Maintenance.

6. City of Walthourville

Mayor Pro Tem Hayes

Discussion for City of Walthourville Dump Truck.

IX. Council Comments

Councilmembers

Fire Department

Councilman Charlie L. Anderson, Sr.

**Economic Development** 

Mayor Pro Tem Sarah B. Hayes

Public Works

Councilman James Hendry

Water Department

Councilwoman Bridgette Kelly

Parks and Recreation

Councilwoman Luciria L. Lovette

Police Department

Mayor Larry D. Baker

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Mayor Larry D. Baker

Office of the Mayor

None

X. Executive Session

Councilmembers

XI. Adjournment

When an Executive Session is required, one will be called for the following issues:

(1) Personnel (2) Real Estate or (3) Litigation



### City of Walthourville Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes January 25, 2021 Walthourville Police Department @ 6:00 PM

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry D. Baker at 6:09 PM.
- II. Roll Call: The roll was called by the City Clerk with the following members present:

Mayor Larry D. Baker
Councilman Charlie L. Anderson, Sr.
Councilwoman Bridgette Kelly
(The attendance of council constituted a quorum)

Mayor Pro Tem Larry D. Baker
Councilman James Hendry
Councilwoman Luciria L. Lovette

Attorney Luke R. Moses was present.

- III. Invocation was given by Councilman Charlie L. Anderson, Sr.
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Adoption of City Council Agenda: The motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Lovette and the second was provided by Councilman Hendry.

Vote: 5-0: Motion Carried.

V. Adoption of City Council Minutes: The motion to approve with corrections by Councilwoman Lovette was made by Councilman Anderson and the second was provided by Councilman Hendry. The corrections were under the Parks and Recreation section and it was listed as brownstone, and the councilwoman said it should have been brownfield. Also, page 2 paragraph Wilder should be removed.

Vote: 4-1: Motion Carried. Opposed: CW Lovette

VI. Presentation:

Mayor Larry D. Baker

Oath of Office for Fire Chief Gary M. Fairchild. Mayor Larry D. Baker administered the Fire Chief Oath of Office with Chief Fairchild's wife and daughters flanked alongside him. Chief Fairchild stated that he was honored and humbled to serve. He further stated that he considers this an honor to lead such a dedicated group of men and women. He said he was committed to operating an effective, dependable and accessible department.

#### VII. Agenda Items:

1. City of Walthourville Mayor Larry D. Baker/Attorney Luke R. Moses COVID Sick Pay for Employees, using CARES Funds. Mayor Baker stated several employees had been out of work sick with COVID. Several of these employees were recent hires and did not have the adequate sick/vacation leave. Also, some additional employees were out of work and would have had to exhaust their vacation/sick leave to accommodate for their 80 hours. Attorney Luke R. Moses stated that all city employees were vaccinated, and some has taken the booster vaccine. The omicron variant of the Coronavirus is spreading, and employees should not be penalized for an illness that is beyond their control when precautions (vaccines) have been taken. Councilwoman Kelly asked if this would be retro payment and it was stated no, it will be for current only. Councilman Anderson, "asked where is the money coming from?" Attorney Moses stated the CARES Fund and referenced the bank statement from Ameris Bank. Attorney Moses stated it would be the Mayor and Council's prerogative to decide if this will only apply to employees who don't have sick leave or would it be universal and all employees who are out sick with COVID will get paid from CARES. Councilwoman Lovette stated, "it should be allowable to use CARES as long as the funds are available and not penalize employees with using their sick or vacation leave. Mayor Pro Tem Haves also stated that employees should be able to use CARES Funds as this virus is unprecedented. Councilman Hendry was also in agreement. Councilwoman Kelly expressed her concern that the city would not be able to afford paying the employees from CARES. Attorney Moses stated the current balance in the CARES Fund was \$165,552.49 and employees getting paid should not deplete the funds. The motion to approve for all employee who are COVID positive (test will be submitted to HR) was made by Councilwoman Lovette and the second was provided by Councilman Hendry. Vote: 4-1: Motion Carried.

Councilwoman Kelly chose not to vote.

2. City of Walthourville

Attorney Luke R. Moses
Stated he had a Charter Item to discuss which was the appointment of the Mayor
Pro Tem. The City of Walthourville's Charter stated that a Mayor Pro Tem has to
be appointed annually and voted upon. If a nominated member cannot be voted
upon the highest vote getter (in the previous election 2019) would become the
Mayor Pro Tem. In the voting of the Mayor Pro Tem, the Mayor will get to vote.
Attorney Moses stated that Mayor Baker would like to renominate Sarah B. Hayes
as Mayor Pro-Tem. The motion to name Sarah B. Hayes as Mayor Pro Tem for
2022 was made by Mayor Baker and the second was provided by Councilman
Hendry.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

(Mayor Baker voted, the 6-0 is indicative of his vote).

Fire Department Councilman Charlie L. Anderson. Sr. Chief Gary Fairchild stated the Fire Department is doing well. The department is answering calls and rendering service to the community. Chief Fairchild again, thanked the Mayor and Council for an opportunity to lead.

Economic Development Mayor Pro Tem Sarah B. Hayes Reported she attended an Economic Development Leadership Breakfast. She is still speaking with the residents in Oakridge Estates about granting permission to enter their property for repairing drain lines. February 18<sup>th</sup> will be designated as Arbor Day in the City of Walthourville in conjunction with Keep Liberty Beautiful. She also stated February 19<sup>th</sup> will be the Recycle it Fair at City Hall from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM and the Shred-It Truck will be at City Hall. She is looking for volunteers to work this event. Also, she is looking into laptops for the Mayor and Council, she is working with the city's IT Company, Sophicity. She said in the event of a disaster, illness and or another pandemic, with the laptops the Mayor and Council will still be able to conduct the city's business. Attorney Moses stated these laptops could be paid for with CARES Funds as these funds were appropriated for these expenditures. All council members and the mayor were in support of them getting laptops.

Public Works

Councilman James Hendry
Reported that Public Works Administrator, Mr. Dave Martin stated no swimming
signs have been erected around the pond at Wilder Estates. The road department is
fixing potholes. Garbage and bulk trash are being collected timely.

Water Department Councilwoman Bridgette Kelly Reported there were 96 work orders generated and completed between January 11th-January 24th. The city had 11 trash connections, 8 sewer connections and 12 water connections. The city had smelly water on January 19th, 20th and 22nd, due to a chlorine tank malfunction at Well 3 on Carter Road. Woodrow Sapp was called in and assisted the city in repairing and installing a new chlorine cylinder. City Clerk, Shana T. Moss asked the Mayor and Council about a situation on 173 Sabreena Circle. Ms. Moss emailed the council about a sewer problem on January 12th and asked for the council's direction on repairing the problem. The citizens had a golf ball in their sewer line and the line is still clogged. To repair the line will cost the city about \$10,000. Mayor Pro Tem Hayes and Councilwoman Kelly responded to the email. The city had to call in an independent contractor who used an electric snake (equipment) to mitigate the problem. The contractor stated they know there is further clogging in the line. A discussion ensued among council about who should be responsible for the cost. Mayor Pro Tem Hayes, Councilwomen Lovette and Kelly and Councilmen Anderson and Hendry all agreed that the citizen should have to pay a portion of the repairs as this was negligence on the citizens behalf. Attorney Luke R. Moses said the city would have to repair the water line, but he

suggested the city would have the Right of Subrogation and should use that method to recoup the money. Mayor Pro Tem Hayes stated she went to the site and the water is running and has been running since the email was sent. She is concerned about the bill at the residence. The council unanimously agreed to repair the line and have Attorney Moses recoup the money.

Park and Recreation Councilwoman Luciria L. Lovette Reported that there are Brownfield Grants for the city to participate in. She asked Mayor Baker to see if the city's Grant Writer, Dr. Bonnie Kelly could research and write a grant. Ms. Walthour has not contacted her regarding the rock garden at Johnnie Frasier Park. She further stated that citizens are driving cars in the park and jumping the fence to obtain entry when the park is closed. The Mayor and Council discussed the park's hours. Mayor Baker stated he observed park participants jumping the fence after he had locked the gate. Chief Hagan stated he would have the officers on patrol more. Attorney Moses said he doesn't know if it is a good ideal to tell citizens they cannot use the park. This could reflect a bad image on the city.

#### Police Department

Mayor Larry D. Baker Chief Hagan stated the department is operating smoothly. The department has had some domestic violence calls. He works closely with the Fort Stewart Police Chief but most of the domestic violence calls are not military. He referenced the 173 Sabreena and stated the Police Department gave them a citation to clean up their property and they citizens complied. He further stated that the city doesn't want to pick on poor people or less fortunate about their property. He discussed 18-wheeler trucks parking within the city and stated he was researching what could be done because this poses a hazard. Chief Hagan also brough to the attention of the Mayor and Council that the city's sanitation workers are at a disadvantage. Citizens will have bags of trash on the ground and overnight animals rummage through the trash and the employees are having to pick the trash up. He stated this is unfair to the employees and asked the Mayor and Council to make a decision that the employees only have to pick up bagged trash in the receptacles. Ms. Natalie Lopez the police department's Public Information Officer was present and stated that April is Autism Awareness Month, and she would like to have an event to embrace the special needs community.

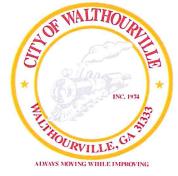
#### Office of the Mayor

Mayor Larry D. Baker Councilwoman Kelly stated she had sent an email regarding Women's History Month. Her vision was to celebrate the first mayor's family the late Mayor Lyndol Anderson. Mayor Baker asked Councilwoman Kelly to spearhead that event. Councilwoman Kelly and Mayor Pro Tem Hayes inquired about the Purchasing Policy that CPA Matthew Caine was suppose to present. Mr. Caines sent a text message to Attorney Moses and City Clerk Moss that he apologized and would have it available for the February 8th, Meeting. Councilwoman Kelly asked about the donation that Mrs. Edna Walthour had asked the Mayor and Council about making to the Boys and Girls Club that will be located in Walthourville. Attorney Moses stated he would research to see if this was legal and, in the city's, best interest. Also, Councilwoman Kelly asked about the salary for Ms. Lopez's position. Chief Hagan stated it comes out of the budget for the police department.

Councilwoman Lovette said that her birthday was Saturday January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Everyone sang Happy Birthday to her and wished her Birthday Blessings.

- IX. Executive Session None
- X. Adjournment: At 7:32 PM a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Hendry and the second was provided by Councilwoman Lovette.

Vote: 5-0: Motion Carried.



# PRESENTATION Shuyron Macon Daylight Capital Advisors

(Mr. Macon will bring his handouts with him).





# Owner's Receipt of Plans & Explanation Acknowledgement

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Drivew	vay profiles (if applicable) (Negotiator to init		n/a ight corner	of plans or	n date given to property owner.)	
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_	(OWNER NAME -	PRINTED)			(OWNER SIGNATURE)	
GDOT	REPRESENTATIVE:	Gregory Jones	,			
PHONE	E#: 912-530-4363		EMAIL:	GJor	nes@dot.ga.gov	
-	(GDOT SIGNA	ATURE)			(DATE)	



### **Receipt for Brochure**

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ROW-RA-2-D -Revision Date: 2/10/20

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STATE OF GEORGIA





### **Option for Right of Way**

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GEORGIA,	Liberty	COUNTY	PI#: 522570	PARCEL: 22
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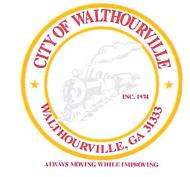
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### **Purchasing Policy**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Walthourville, Georgia hereby adopts the following policy as the rules by which purchases by all City Departments and City Officials shall be made. This policy shall promote and effect open and intelligent purchasing of supplies, equipment and services, which will result in the maximum value received for each tax dollar spent.

This policy shall supersede and replace any and all previously adopted policies pertaining to municipal purchases that may have been in effect prior to the effective date of this policy as noted below.

In any event that any portion of this policy is found to be in violation of federal or state law or inconsistent with any provision applicable thereto, the remainder of this policy shall remain in full force and effect.

The City shall not discriminate in its selection of vendors on the basis of race, gender, political affiliation, family relations, friendship or business affiliation. In the event an employee makes a purchase from any vendor whom a personal, business or family relationship exists, three written price quotes shall be required as evidence that the best possible deal for the City was obtained.

Employees shall not make any purchases from a vendor in which that employee has an ownership interest, except when specifically authorized by the Mayor and City Council. Employees must publicly disclose all potential purchase conflicts prior to any purchasing decisions being made.

The City shall seek to obtain the best quality products and services at the lowest possible price in the most convenient manner under all circumstances. However, local vendors However, local vendors should be supported to the greatest extent possible without sacrificing quality or price.

#### **PURCHASING AGENT**

The Purchasing Agent shall be appointed by the Mayor and report to him/her. The Purchasing Agent is responsible for overseeing the procurement of centralized goods and services, the administration of the Contracting and Purchasing Policy and the management of surplus of City property.

#### GIFTS AND UNAUTHORIZED PURCHASES

City employees, officers or officials are not entitled to any special consideration from vendors and merchants in their personal affairs nor are such city employees, officers, or officials to attempt to procure materials for the personal use of any other person. City employees, officers or officials shall not solicit or accept any gifts. Except for emergencies or other authorized exemption, no purchase shall be made without specific authorization as outlined in this policy. The person ordering the unauthorized purchase may be held personally liable for the costs of the purchase or contract.

#### PURCHASE ORDER PROCEDURES

- (a) Department Heads shall submit a Requisition to the Purchasing Agent prior to initiation of the purchase. Documentation of the required procurement procedures shall be attached to the requisition.
- (b) The Purchasing Agent shall verify proper coding, availability of budgeted funds, proper bidding/quote procedures, then forward the requisition to the Mayor.
- (c) The Mayor shall approve, deny, or forward the request to Council.
- (d) Mayor and Council Approval shall be required when any one of the following conditions are met:
  - 1. Item is not specifically approved in the budget and exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)
  - 2. Item is specifically approved in the budget yet exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)
  - 3. Purchase will require a budget amendment.

#### PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

\$2,500 - \$10,000 Department Hea

Department Head shall solicit a minimum of three (3) price quotes, when possible, (written, oral, phone, or catalog methods are acceptable) and documentation shall be attached to the corresponding purchase requisition before forwarding to the Purchasing Agent. Approval of the Mayor shall be obtained prior to initiation of purchase.

\$10,001 - \$25,000

The Purchasing Agent shall solicit a minimum of three (3) price quotes, when possible, (written, oral, phone, or catalog methods are acceptable) and documentation shall be attached to the corresponding purchase requisition before forwarding to the Mayor. Approval of the Mayor shall be obtained prior to initiation of purchase.

\$25,001

Manner of procurement (i.e., quotes, sealed bids, etc.) to be determined by the Mayor and Council on an item-by-item basis.







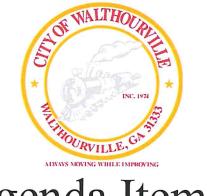
### ARBOR DAY OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS	in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, <i>and</i>			
WHEREAS	this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed wit Nebraska, <i>and</i>	h the planting of more than a million trees in		
WHEREAS	Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation ar	nd the world, and		
WHEREAS	trees can be a solution to combating climate change by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for	moderating the temperature, cleaning the air,		
WHEREAS	trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood other wood products, and	for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless		
WHEREAS	trees in our city increase property values, enhance the beautify our community, and	e economic vitality of business areas, and		
WHEREAS	trees – wherever they are planted – are a source of jo	y and spiritual renewal.		
NOW, THEREFORE,	I, Larry D. Baker, Mayor of the City of Walthourville <b>ARBOR DAY</b> here <b>in</b> the City. I urge all citizens to protect our trees and woodlands, <i>and</i>			
FURTHER,	I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart generations. This 8 <sup>th</sup> day of February 2022.	and promote the well-being of this and future		
	Larry D. Baker, Mayor	Shana T. Moss, City Clerk		



# Mayor Pro Tem Hayes

(Agenda Information will be provided)



### Dump Truck

