

CITY OF THOMSON CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING November 30, 2022

3:00PM

Thomson-McDuffie Government Center

Present:

Kenneth Usry, Mayor Alton Belton, Councilmember Keryl Corley, Councilmember Elaine Johnson, Councilmember

John Smalley, Councilmember Scott Whittle, Councilmember John Waller, City Administrator Lucretia Ferguson, City Clerk Jimmy Plunkett, City Attorney

At 3:00pm, Mayor Kenneth Usry welcomed all to the Called Council Meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion to approve the agenda with addition of a City wage raise was made by Councilmember Belton and seconded by Councilmember Whittle. A vote of 5-0 passed the motion.

BUSINESS:

Mayor Usry started the discussion of Merit raises versus Across-the-Board raises for City employees. The 2023 City Budget was formed with a 1.5% increase in the payroll budget. The intention had been to have Merit raises for those employees who met certain criteria. Councilmember Belton felt that this might end in some people being overlooked in the process. He made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve a 1.5% raise for all City employees. A vote of 4-1 approved the motion, with Councilmember Corley voting against the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL:

A motion was made by Councilmember Whittle and seconded by Councilmember Smalley to move into Executive Session for the purpose of a Personnel matter. A unanimous affirmative vote was taken, 5-0, and the Executive Session opened at 3:05pm.

Councilmember Belton made the motion to move back into Regular Session and was seconded by Councilmember Johnson. A vote of 5-0 was taken to go back into Regular Session, which reopened at 4:29pm.

BUSINESS:

Having no other business before the Council, Councilmember Whittle made the motion to adjourn, Councilmember Belton seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kønneth L. Usry, Mayor