

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

10:00 AM

**City Hall
110 Academy Street**

Downtown Development Authority

1. Call to Order

Board Members Present:

*Jennifer Hughes (Chair)
Raul Cifuentes
Tammy Perkins
Brooke Schmidt
Cory Wilson*

City Staff:

*Bill Grant, Mayor
Billy Peppers, City Manager
Nathan Ingram, Asst. City Manager
Velinda Hardy, Downtown Development Manager
Lauren Johnson, Communications Manager
Kristin Norton Green, Theatre Events & Facilities Director
Bethany Watson, City Engineer*

2. Approval of Agenda

Member Hughes requested to move Item 6. New Business in front of Item 5. Old Business and add an Item B. to New Business, "Discussion and Approval of Easement"; Member Schmidt seconded the motion; Motion carried.

Member Schmidt Moved to approve the agenda as amended; Member Wilson seconded the motion; Motion carried.

3. Review/Approval of Minutes

- A. Downtown Development Authority Draft Minutes - February 14, 2024 - Attachment 3A

Attachments: [Minutes - Downtown Development Authority - February 14, 2024](#)

Member Perkins Moved to approve the minutes; Member Schmidt seconded the motion; Motion carried

4. Financials

Mr. Ingram presented the Board with an updated bank balance.

5. Old Business

A. Update on the City's Downtown Master Plan

New Business Item A: Presentation, Discussion, and Consideration to Approve Hickory Flat Highway Gateway Concept Plan Proposal

Bethany Watson provided the Board with information on the Concept Plan being proposed by Modern Mobility Partners for the Hickory Flat Hwy/Marietta Road area. Member Schmidt moved to approve the Concept Plan Proposal; Member

Wilson seconded the motion; Motion carried.

New Business Item B: Discussion and Approval of Easement

Mr. Ingram asked the Board to consider approving an easement on the recently purchased property located at 687 Marietta Hwy. At the time of purchase, the approval of said easement was not signed as was originally intended. The City's Attorney notified City Management that this had inadvertently been omitted from the closing documents. Member Perkins moved to approve the easement and authorize the Chair to sign; Member Schmidt seconded the motion; Motion carried.

Old Business: Update on the City's Downtown Master Plan

Bethany Watson provided the Board a quick update on where the City is at on the Downtown Master Plan.

6. New Business

- A. Presentation, Discussion, and Consideration to Approve Hickory Flat Highway Gateway Concept Plan Proposal - Attachment 6A

Attachments: [Hickory Flat Hwy Concept Plan Proposal](#)

7. What's Going On In Canton?

Ms. Velinda Hardy provided the Board an update on upcoming events.

8. Executive Session for Real Estate

Member Perkins moved to enter executive session to discuss real estate. Member Hughes seconded the motion; Motion carried.

Member Perkins moved to exit executive session; Member Hughes seconded the motion; Motion carried.

9. Adjourn

Member Perkins moved to adjourn; Member Hughes seconded; Motion carried