

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

4:00 PM

City Hall

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Joint Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority

and City Council

Downtown Development Authority

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Grant.

Council Members Present:

*Mayor Bill Grant
Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Tolan
Councilmember Sandy McGrew
Councilmember Bryan Roach*

Downtown Development Authority Members Present:

*Ms. Jennifer Hughes
Ms. Brooke Schmidt
Mr. Lee Oliver
Ms. Carmen Slaughter*

City Staff Present:

*Mr. Billy Peppers, City Manager
Mr. Nathan Ingram, Assistant City Manager
Mr. Jeff Rusbridge, City Attorney
Mr. Marty Ferrell, Police Chief
Ms. Velinda Hardy, Downtown Development Manager
Ms. Aundi Lesley, Economic Development Manager
Ms. Lauren Johnson, Communications Manager
Mr. Kevin Turner, Community Development Director
Ms. Bethany Watson, City Engineer
Mr. Eric Fortner, Director of Building and Safety Services
Ms. Annie Fortner, City Clerk*

2. Presentation and Discussion of North Street Project - Goodwyn Mills Cawood

Ms. Daija Laney provided a presentation which reviewed the proposed mixed-use project along North Street. The presentation began by introducing the Goodwyn Mills Cawood company. Ms. Laney discussed the Project Approach Theory (PATH) process and how it was used to create a vision statement and key objectives. Each key objective has non-negotiable measures such as a major downtown parking deck, expansion of County Courthouse, additional office/retail/restaurant space, boutique hotel, and residential apartments. Ms. Laney provided site plans for the current subject property and displayed proposed renderings of the mixed-use layout. A copy of the presentation with all the renderings can be found in the office of the City Clerk. Following the presentation, members of Council and the Downtown Development Authority thanked the team of Goodwyn Mills Cawood and the stakeholder group for their hard work on this project. A link will be created on the City's website for citizens to view the presentation. Anyone with questions or concerns is asked to email northstreetproject@cantonga.gov.

3. Adjourn

Ms. Brooke Schmidt made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Jennifer Hughes seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.