



**MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, April 28, 2025, 7:00 PM
Tucker City Hall
1975 Lakeside Pkwy, Ste 350B, Tucker, GA 30084**

Council Members Present: Roger W. Orlando, Council Member District 1, Post 1
Cara Schroeder, Council Member District 2, Post 1
Virginia Rece, Council Member District 1, Post 2
Amy Trocchi, Council Member District 3, Post 2
Vinh Nguyen, Council Member District 2, Post 2

Council Members Absent: Frank Auman, Mayor
Alexis Weaver, Council Member District 3, Post 1

VIDEO LINK: www.tuckerga.gov/agendas/

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem, Cara Schroeder, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

The above were in attendance for a quorum. Mayor Auman and Councilmember Weaver were absent.

MOVER: V. Rece

SECONDER: A. Trocchi

Motion to excuse Mayor Auman and Councilmember Weaver passed unanimously.

AYES: (5): R. Orlando, C. Schroeder, V. Rece, A. Trocchi, and V. Nguyen

ABSENT: (2): F. Auman, and A. Weaver

APPROVED (5 to 0)

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Trocchi.

D. MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder spoke about a number of upcoming events including: the kickoff event for Tucker Summer of Fun this Friday May 2 (First Friday Concert); Main Street Theater's production of the musical "Oliver" continues; and Tucker day is this Saturday May 3rd

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVER: V. Rece

SECONDER: V. Nguyen

Motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously

AYES: (5): R. Orlando, C. Schroeder, V. Rece, A. Trocchi, and V. Nguyen

ABSENT: (2): F. Auman, and A. Weaver

APPROVED (5 to 0)

F. STAFF REPORTS

F.1 Finance Department: March 2025 Interim Financials

Beverly Hilton, Finance Director, spoke on the March 2025 Interim Financials.

F.2 City Manager: Report of Potential Upcoming Agenda Items

John McHenry, City Manager, spoke on potential upcoming agenda items.

G. PRESENTATIONS

G.1 Update on the Transportation and Trail Master Plan

Ken Hildebrant, City Engineer, spoke on the Transportation and Trail Master Plan. Pond & Company was selected as the consultant for both the Transportation and Trail Master Plan Update and the Lawrenceville Highway Access Management and Beautification Plan. Both plans are on schedule to be completed by the end of the year. Kat Onore and Mitchell Lloyd from Pond and Company provided an update on the status and schedule of the project including data collection and the feedback from the Stakeholder Committee and the public thus far.

H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1 GIRMA RENEWAL-2025-2026-TU3

Beverly Hilton, Finance Director, spoke on approval of the REVISED renewal terms and request approval of the requisite invoice of \$162,501 (Increase of \$46,217 over the previous year) for the annual contribution with a \$2500 deductible and Option 3 payment terms. The City of Tucker is a member of the GMA Property & Liability Self-Insurance Program through the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency. This membership provides general liability coverage, public officials / errors & omissions liability coverage, automobile liability and automobile physical damage coverage, crime/fidelity coverage, property insurance, cyber security liability coverage, and boiler and machinery coverage. The invoice for coverage brought to the April 10th Council meeting was tabled until a revised invoice was received.

MOVER: V. Rece

SECONDER: R. Orlando

Motion to approve GIRMA RENEWAL 2025-2026-TU3 Option #3 payment terms passed unanimously.

AYES: (5): R. Orlando, C. Schroeder, V. Rece, A. Trocchi, and V. Nguyen

ABSENT: (2): F. Auman, and A. Weaver

APPROVED (5 to 0)

H.2 Resolution R2025-04-13

Larry Kaiser from the Tucker Summit Community Improvement District (CID) spoke on the proposal to expand to CID by 16 parcels that will be contributing members. Expanding the parcels that pay the CID millage of 4 mils, requires approval of the local jurisdiction – the City of Tucker. A REVISED resolution, an added Certificate of Compliance from the Dekalb County Tax Commissioner, a map showing the parcels in question and a spreadsheet detailing the address and taxable value are included in the packet. The 16 parcels fall within the CID current boundary.

The Tucker Summit CID is a continued valuable partner with the City of Tucker. We are actively working on a range of projects including Mountain Industrial Boulevard (MIB) at US 78, MIB at the Hugh Howell intersection, several other major intersections on the corridor and sidewalks. The CID is an active funding partner in these improvements.

MOVER: R. Orlando

SECONDER: V. Rece

Motion to approve Resolution R2025-04-13 passed unanimously

AYES: (5): R. Orlando, C. Schroeder, V. Rece, A. Trocchi, and V. Nguyen

ABSENT: (2): F. Auman, and A. Weaver

APPROVED (5 to 0)

H.3 FY2026 Budget Workshop 1

John McHenry, City Manager spoke on the proposed Draft #2 of the FY2026 Operating and Capital Budgets and discuss as necessary. Draft #1 of the proposed FY2026 Operating Budget and the FY2026 Proposed additions to the Capital Outlay list of Projects were provided during the April 14th Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council. This information was also published on our website for public view. There have been a few updates to the Capital Budgets since the first draft was provided:

- Tucker Northlake Trail was lowered to include appropriate funding for the ROW phase only.
- Old Norcross Sidewalk expenditures were reduced by \$100K.
- The Hotel Motel TPD project line was added for Parks and Recreation. These funds must be used within a year of receipt.
- The original amount requested for the City Guidebook Implementation was corrected at \$200K added in 2026.
- The original recommendation for the Montreal Rd and Montreal Industrial Way Sidewalks were moved to the SPLOST 1 Fund. The remaining amount in this fund designated for Sidewalks/Trails could accommodate both projects that were desired to be constructed together because they were designed together.

- Resurfacing was updated to include additional funding from LMIG.

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder led budget discussions centering on stormwater fees, operating expenses, positions & studies, and capital improvement.

By law, a second budget workshop could be held but it was noted that budget workshop #2 would need to occur before the May 12, 2025 Council meeting.

I. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed

K. ADJOURNMENT

MOVER: V. Rece

SECONDER: V. Nguyen

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:54PM passed unanimously.

AYES: (5): R. Orlando, C. Schroeder, V. Rece, A. Trocchi, and V. Nguyen

ABSENT: (2): F. Auman, and A. Weaver

APPROVED (5 to 0)

APPROVED: Frank Auman, Mayor

ATTEST: Bonnie Warne, City Clerk

Date Approved SEAL