

CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

September 27, 2022

Present: Mayor Jim Thornton; Council Members Nathan Gaskin, Tom Gore, Mark Mitchell, Willie Edmondson and Jim Arrington

Also Present: City Manager Meg Kelsey; City Clerk Sue Olson; Assistant City Manager Bill Bulloch; City Attorney Jeff Todd; Communications Manager Katie Van Schoor; City Planner Mark Kostial

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thornton, the invocation was given by Rev. Andy Buchanan, Troup Baptist Association and Mayor Thornton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Arrington, Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on September 15, 2022.

Mr. Edmondson reported that he participated in an interview in the new Moss-Wood Park located on McGregor Street. Mr. Edmondson thanked City Manager Kelsey and staff for the hard work on this park, and what a beautiful addition it is to the community.

Ms. Kelsey reminded the Council of the SPLOST meeting that will be held on October 5, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at the Great Wolf Conference Center.

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council voted unanimously to authorize the introduction of a substitute ordinance.

On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. Arrington, Council voted unanimously to approve the following ordinance:

A SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE

A SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY SO AS TO RECLASSIFY WITH CONDITIONS THE USE ZONE OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED ADJACENT TO MOOTY BRIDGE ROAD AND OWNED BY OXFORD CHARTER HOLDINGS, LLC; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO FIX AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone SU-R (suburban single-family residential district) to TN-R (traditional neighborhood low-density residential district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lots 46, 47, 50, and 51 of the 6th Land District, containing 123.68 acres, more or less, and more specifically shown as "PROPOSED TN-R" on the Plat of Survey attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit "B", each of which is incorporated herewith for the purposes of a more complete description.

SECTION 2:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone SU-R (suburban single-family residential district) to TN-MR (traditional neighborhood medium-density residential district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lot 51 of the 6th Land District, containing 32.58 acres, more or less, and shown as “PROPOSED TN-MR” on the plat of survey attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, and the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit “C”, each of which is incorporated herewith for the purposes of a more complete description.

SECTION 3:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone SU-R (suburban single-family residential district) to TN-MX (traditional neighborhood mixed used district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lots 46 and 51 of the 6th Land District, containing 56.78 acres, more or less, and more specifically shown as “PROPOSED TN-MX” on the plat of survey attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, and the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit “D”, each of which is incorporated herewith for the purposes of a more complete description.

SECTION 4:

Pursuant to the police power of the City of LaGrange, the Mayor and Council hereby impose and establish certain conditions as a requirement for the rezonings as referenced above in Sections 1, 2 and 3. Said conditions are imposed for the protection and/or benefit of neighboring land owners in order to ameliorate the effects of the rezoning of this property to TN-MX (traditional neighborhood mixed use district), TN-MR (traditional neighborhood medium-density residential district), and TN-R (traditional neighborhood low-density residential district) as follows:

A Type C 30 foot planted buffer (see Section 25C-10-53) shall be required along the northern and western boundaries of Wisteria Ridge Subdivision (see highlighted drawing attached hereto as Exhibit “E”). No such buffer shall be required to the extent either boundary area is developed as a detention or retention facility. However, any detention or retention facility shall meet all requirements of the Unified Development Ordinance, including but not limited to, any distance, screening and buffer mandates.

SECTION 5:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6:

This ordinance, after adoption by the Council and upon approval by the Mayor, shall become effective immediately.

INTRODUCED AND FIRST READING _____ September 15, 2022

SECOND READING AND ADOPTED _____ September 27, 2022

SUBMITTED TO MAYOR AND APPROVED _____ September 27, 2022

BY: /s/ James C. Thornton, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Sue Olson, City Clerk

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council voted unanimously to approve the following ordinance:

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THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone CP-GI (campus general industrial and agribusiness district) to CR-MX (corridor mixed use district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lot 150 of the 6th Land District, containing 20 acres, more or less, and more specifically shown as “TRACT 2C-2 20.000 ACRES” on the plat of survey attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, and the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit “B”, each of which is incorporated herewith for the purposes of a more complete description.

SECTION 2:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

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This ordinance, after adoption by the Council and upon approval by the Mayor, shall become effective immediately.

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THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

That the zoning map and ordinances of the City of LaGrange be amended so as to reclassify from use zone AC-MX (activity center mixed use district) to AC-MX (activity center mixed use district) the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lot 204 of the 6th Land District, containing .93 acre, more or less, and known as Troup County Tax Map # 052-000-003.

NOTE: The purpose of this rezoning is to remove from said property certain conditions as contained in that Notice of Conditional Zoning recorded in Deed Book 1729, Page 818, Troup County Records.

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In good news, closing comments, Ms. Van Schoor reported that we now have our 2022 LaGrange 101 Class in place. We plan to begin our LaGrange 101 Class with 15 citizens on Monday, October 3rd, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Thornton and City Manager Kelsey presenting. We are excited to start this class up again after having to cancel in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid. We are also excited to start our Leaving LaGrange Better Than We Found It season. Our next cleanup is this Saturday, October 1st from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. at Jones Street Park.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. by Mayor Thornton.

Mayor

City Clerk