

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

August 23, 2022

Present: Mayor Jim Thornton; Council Members Nathan Gaskin, Tom Gore, Willie Edmondson, Mark Mitchell 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. Michael Jackson, Confidence Missionary Baptist Church, and Mayor Thornton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. Arrington, Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on August 9, 2022.

A public hearing was held to receive comments on a recommendation to restrict parking on a portion of Vernon Road. No comments were received and Council heard the first reading of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND SECTION 10-20-96 OF THE CODE SO AS TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON A PORTION OF VERNON ROAD; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO FIX AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Adam Speas introduced the 2022-2023 LaGrange Youth Council made up of 24 high school juniors and seniors. City Attorney Jeff Todd swore in the new members as a group and Mayor Thornton and Ms. Kelsey presented each of them with a LaGrange Youth Council pin.

Mr. Edmondson stated that he and Mr. Gaskin, along with Mayor Thornton, had taken part in presenting a proclamation recognizing National Black Business and Black Philanthropy Month.

Ms. Kelsey reminded the Council of the discussion in the Work Session earlier on this date regarding the upgrade to the public safety communications system, and that the City would partner with Troup County to split the cost at 50%. On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. Mitchell, Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Motorola for the upgrades.

On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council voted unanimously to change the September 13, 2022 Council meeting to Thursday, September 15, 2022 due to no quorum. Ms. Kelsey explained that we had previously advertised for public hearings to be held at the September 13, 2022 meeting for the Newman property on Mooty Bridge Road, property on Lukken Industrial Drive, and 2457 Whitesville Road. On a motion by Mr. Gaskin seconded by Mr. Arrington, Council voted unanimously to reschedule these public hearings for September 15, 2022.

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

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGRANGE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY; TO AMEND THE CODE SO AS TO AME CERTAIN STREETS IN CROSSVILLE VILLAGE SUBDIVISION; 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:

As provided in Section 15-5-6 of the Code of the City of LaGrange, those streets located within Crossvine Village, Unit Two, Phase One, Blocks A, D, E, G, H & I and shown as “Headwater Court”; “Shannondoah Lane”; “Glen Haven Drive”; “River Meadow Drive”; and that portion of “Rivermill Parkway” from the point that Rivermill Parkway intersects Millcreek Parkway and running westerly to the point which is marked as “End 50”, as shown on that drawing entitled “CROSSVINE VILLAGE, PHASE ONE, UNIT TWO, BLOCKS A, D, E, G, H & I” which drawing is attached hereto for the purposes of a more complete description, be and the same are hereby named as depicted.

SECTION 2

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

SECTION 3:

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

INTRODUCED AND FIRST READING _____ August 9, 2022 _____

SECOND READING AND ADOPTED _____ August 23, 2022 _____

SUBMITTED TO MAYOR AND APPROVED _____ August 23, 2022 _____

BY: /s/ James C. Thornton, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Sue Olson, City Clerk

In good news, closing comments, Ms. Van Schoor reported that we are excited for the induction of our new LaGrange Youth Council Class of 2022-2023. We are proud of all of our youth council and look forward to seeing what we can accomplish in the next year. She also invited everyone to an informal ice cream social immediately following this meeting next door at the Visit LaGrange building.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. by Mayor Thornton.

Mayor

City Clerk