

Ashburn City Council Meeting  
Thursday, July 11, 2024  
6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Sandra Lumpkin, Attorney Gary Lamar, Councilmember Jermaine Rockwell, Councilmember Andrea Pierce, Councilmember Corey Jordan, Councilmember John Burgess, City Manager Daryl Hall, Utilities Clerk Shabrika Evans, Councilmember Sheldon Smith, by phone.

Guests: Rose Mary Hall. Howard Jordan, Director of Public Safety Richard Purvis, Ashley Miller

Mayor Lumpkin called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. The Invocation was done by Councilmember Pierce followed by a moment of silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was done next.

Mayor Lumpkin asked to let the record show that all the council members were in attendance and Councilmember Smith was present on the phone. No roll call was done.

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Burgess offered a motion for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Pierce made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the June 7, 2024, Retreat Training minutes. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for approval of the June 7, 2024, Retreat Training minutes. Councilmember Jordan made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the June 13, 2024, Regular Council Meeting minutes. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for approval of the June 13, 2024, Regular Council Meeting minutes. Councilmember Jordan made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the June 27, 2024, Public Hearing FY 2025 Budget. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for approval of the June 27, 2024, Public Hearing FY 2025 Budget. Councilmember Jordan made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the FY 2025 Budget. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for approval of the FY 2025 Budget. Councilmember Jordan made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked City Manager Daryl Hall if he would like to inform the council on what's going on with the E-911 expenses going up the County. Mr. Hall suggested to the council that they make a request to the county commissioner to come back to the table and revisit House Bill 489 because the budget has increased without any input from the council, and he feels the council should have input. Councilmember Burgess agreed with Mr. Hall and Mr. Hall stated he would draft a letter and send it to the county commissioners. Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to approve the revisit House Bill 489 and not to accept the letter increasing the E-911 service from the Turner Co Board of Commissioners. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for approval of the revisit House Bill 489 and not to accept the letter increasing the E-911 service from the Turner Co Board of Commissioners. Councilmember Rockwell made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked City Manager Daryl Hall if he would like to discuss the four-day work week. Mr. Hall inform the council that he's thinking about implementing a four-day work week where the city would be open four days a week and closed either on Friday or Monday. Mayor Lumpkin and Councilmember Pierce were opposed because it would be an inconvenience to the citizens and cost the city money. Councilmember Pierce stated she would agree to a four-day and half day work week or if salaried employees would work the day the hourly employees are off. Councilmember Rockwell asked how the citizens would get help on the closed day? Mr. Hall stated the person on call for the weekend would handle the off day as well. Mayor Lumpkin stated she would like to be included in this decision and she would like for other cities that have adopted the four-day week to be contacted and see have they lost any money in the switch and how were their citizens affected. Mayor Lumpkin asked if this could be tabled until the next meeting and for a motion. Councilmember Burgess offered a motion for the four-day work week discussion to be tabled until the next meeting. Councilmember Jordan made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Pierce offered a motion for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:01pm. Councilmember Burgess made the second.

Ayes: Pierce, Jordan, Smith, Rockwell, Burgess