

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Commission of the City of Auburndale held December 4, 2023, at 7:04 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, after having been properly advertised.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS – RICHARD HAMANN & JACK MYERS

Mayor Taylor Bogert, Commissioners Keith Cowie and Bill Sterling recognized and thanked outgoing Commissioners Richard Hamann and Jack Myers.

Commissioners Hamann and Myers expressed their gratitude. They addressed the audience about their years of service on the Commission.

INSTALL COMMISSIONERS ELECT – ALEX CAM & JORDAN HELMS

City Clerk Brandon Henry administered the Oath of Office for City Commissioner to Alex Cam and Jordan Helms. Copies of the Oaths of Office are attached to the Minutes.

ELECT AND INSTALL 2024 MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

City Clerk Brandon Henry conducted the nominations for the Office of Mayor and Vice Mayor for the 2024 year. Dr. Dorothea Taylor Bogert was nominated as Mayor and Keith Cowie was nominated as Vice Mayor for 2024. Both were unanimously voted upon for their respective positions. He administered the Oaths of Office for Mayor and for Vice Mayor. Copies of the Oaths of Office are attached to the Minutes.

Mayor Taylor Bogert thanked the Commission for their confidence. It is a privilege, and she is honored.

The Meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Brad Bennett, Auburndale Community Church, and a salute to the flag.

The following members were present: Mayor Dorothea Taylor Bogert, Commissioners: Keith Cowie, Alex Cam, Jordan Helms, and Bill Sterling. Also, present were: City Manager Jeffrey Tillman, City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr., City Clerk Brandon Henry, and Police Chief Terry Storie.

Motion by Commissioner Cowie, seconded by Commissioner Sterling, to approve Minutes of the Canvassing Board Meeting of November 7, 2023; Special Commission/Canvassing Board Meeting of November 9, 2023; Canvassing Board Meeting/Audit of November 14, 2023; Special City Commission Workshop of November 20, 2023; and Regular Meeting of November 20, 2023.

City Manager Jeffrey Tillman said that corrections needed to be made to the Canvassing Board Meeting/Audit of November 14, 2023 relating to his and Commissioner Cowie's attendance.

Amended motion by Commissioner Cowie, seconded by Commissioner Sterling, to include the attendance corrections to the Minutes of the Canvassing Board Meeting/Audit of November 14, 2023. Upon vote, all ayes.

City Manager Tillman announced that it is a great time of year to have all of the holiday events coming up. This Thursday we have our Lights in the Park event. On Friday we will have the Havendale Christmas Parade. He is looking forward to all the events coming up to kick off the holiday season.

City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr. said it is his honor to serve the City. He congratulated former Commissioners Myers and Hamann on their service. He congratulated the new Commissioners Helms and Cam for their installation. He congratulated the entire Commission.

Mayor Taylor Bogert recognized Greater Auburndale Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Sandra Hall, who was in attendance.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked if there was public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no public comment.

Mayor Taylor Bogert closed the Regular Meeting and opened the Public Hearing.

1. ORDINANCE #1768 – ANNEXING PROPERTY INTO CITY LIMITS – INTERSECT PROPERTIES

City Manager Tillman said the City has received a petition from Intersect Orlando to annex +/- 3.24 acres of property into the City limits. The property consists of one parcel located at the northwest corner of Berkley Road and Pace Road. The property is adjacent to City limits to the west. The annexation does not create an enclave. The proposed annexation is as a result of the owner's request for city utilities and proposed future development.

Establishing a Future Land Use and Zoning classification on the property will be considered at Public Hearings before the Planning Commission and City Commission at later dates. The action currently before the City Commission is only on the annexation of the property into the City.

The proposed Ordinance was prepared by the Community Development Department and reviewed by the City Manager and City Attorney. If approved on first reading, the proposed Ordinance will be presented for second and final reading on December 18, 2023. Staff recommends approval of Ordinance #1768 annexing the Intersect property into the City limits.

City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr. read Ordinance No. 1768 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUBURNDALE, FLORIDA, SO AS TO INCLUDE THEREIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LYING CONTIGUOUS AND ADJACENT TO THE PRESENT BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY; DESCRIBING SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE (General Location: Pace Road and Berkley Road),** by title only.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Sterling, seconded by Commissioner Cam, to approve Ordinance #1768 annexing property into City limits – Intersect Properties, as read on first reading by title only. Upon vote, all ayes.

City Manager Tillman said that completes the agenda this evening. He invited everyone to the Historic Train Depot for a reception to thank and honor the former and new commissioners.

Mayor Taylor Bogert invited everyone to come out to Lights in the Park on Thursday and the Havendale Christmas Parade on Friday.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:36:03 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.



Brandon Henry, City Clerk