

CALLED MEETING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, COUNCIL ROOM, FEBRUARY 19, 2020, 5:30 PM.

Mayor Steve Horton presided with Mayor Pro-Tem Susie Keck, Council members: Hawnethia Williams, Kenneth Morgan, Anthony Henderson, Fleeta Baggett, and, Don T. Floyd, City Manager Scott Andrews, City Clerk Audra M. Gutierrez, and City Attorney Frank Turner, Jr. present.

Council member Morgan gave the invocation.

Mayor Horton led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

David Tracht of Elevation Development Group of Atlanta was in attendance to state there is a gap in the funding of their development at Covington Town Center of roughly \$3.5 million and asked the City for consideration for:

-Permit/tap fees	\$1 million
-Parking lot	\$1.8 million
-5 acres of greenspace	\$277,000
-Electric infrastructure	\$456,000

1. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Morgan to approve waving permit/tap fees and cost of electric infrastructure in the approximate amount of \$1.4 million in an effort to stimulate growth beyond just residential development at the Covington Town Center Overlay, as it has been strongly suggested that future commercial and retail development can be hindered without this development be brought to fruition.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion made by Council member Morgan, seconded by Council member Williams to approve the **first** reading of an ordinance for the City of Covington:

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISION OF TITLE 8 OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES **FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING CHAPTER**

**8.26 (BOARDED UP STRUCTURES) THERETO, TO REPEAL
CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”**

Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Steve Horton, Mayor

Audra M. Gutierrez, City Clerk