

**Minutes of the
City Council
Regular Monthly Meeting**

Monday, January 8, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Washington, Georgia, held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024, at the Edward B. Pope Center, at 6:00 PM.

Present were Mayor Bill DeGolian, Attorney Adam Nelson, City Administrator Jerry deBin, City Clerk Wanda Dinger, and Council Members Andy Anderson, Nathaniel Cullars, Sr., Larry Hill and Maceo Mahoney. Also present were Mayor Elect Bruce Bailey, Council Members Elect David Fisher and Newton Gunter.

The invocation was given by Mayor Bill DeGolian Hill and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Anderson.

The November minutes were approved with a motion from Hill and seconded by Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

The November Agenda was approved with a motion from Mahoney and seconded by Cullars. Motion passed unanimously.

Public comment was welcomed by Planning and Zoning official Jimmy Toto to discuss the potential rezoning of a parcel on N. Mercer Street which is currently zoned R2 and C2 to entirely R2.

Mayor's Topics

No Mayor's Topics for November

Council Action Topics

- a. Council Member Denard made motion to approve a Resolution to introduce local legislation to the Georgia General Assembly for the purpose of amending the Charter of the City of Washington to provide for term limits for mayor and council members. Attorney Barry Flemming discussed the timeline regarding this action. Discussion was had by Cullars and Mahoney as to the need to have voter input via referendum. The motion was seconded by Andy Anderson, Wagner voted yes, opposed were Cullars, Mahoney and Hill. The tie was broken by Mayor DeGolian agreeing. This motion passed as presented.

Council Member Cullars excused himself from the meeting at 6:35.

Council Discussion Topics

- a. Council Member Mahoney discussed the City of Washington Youth Leadership Program.
- b. Council Member Mahoney discussed "Peace Day" at Reese Booker Park by Devarious Smith.

The City Council Meeting for November was adjourned at 6:45 with a motion from Denard and seconded by Wagner, this passed unanimously.

Mayor Bill DeGolian

Wanda Dinger, City Clerk