

## MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING

April 25, 2025, AT 3:00 P.M.

City Council Chamber, City Hall

102 East Liberty Street, Washington, GA 30673

The mayor and City Council of the City of Washington, Georgia, held a called meeting on Friday, April 25, 2025, at 3:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall. Councilmembers present were Cullars, Fisher, Gunter, Hill, and Anderson.

- **Honoring Maceo Mahoney**

The meeting began with a moment of silence in honor of former Councilman Maceo Mahoney, followed by an invocation led by Councilman Hill and the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Councilman Cullars moved to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Councilman Hill, with no discussion. The motion passed unanimously. Cullars-Y, Hill-Y, Anderson-Y, Gunter-Y, Fisher-Y.

- **Council Discussion/Action Items:**

This document summarizes the proceedings of a special city council meeting held to address the process, timing, and funding for a special election to fill the vacant council seat left by the passing of Councilman Maceo Mahoney. The discussion covers legal requirements, election logistics, budget considerations, council dynamics, and community concerns. Key debates centered on the timing of the special election (June, September, or November), the associated costs, and the importance of district representation. The document also details motions, voting outcomes, and the need for transparency and legal compliance. Action items have been consolidated and grouped at the end for clarity.

- **Motion for Special Election Date:** Councilman Cullars moved to set June 17<sup>th</sup> as the special election date, noting it is the third Tuesday in June, seconded by Councilman Hill. Motion Failed. Hill-Yes, Cullars-Yes, Fisher-No, Anderson-No, Gunter-No.

- **Motion for Special Election in November:** Councilman Gunter moved to hold the special election in November instead of an earlier date, which Councilman Fisher seconded. Motion Passed. Hill-N, Cullars-N, Fisher-Yes, Gunter-Yes, Anderson-Yes.

- **Adjournment**

- Councilman Cullars moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Hill. The motion passed unanimously.

  
Bruce A. Bailey, Mayor



  
Yonhe T. Jenkins, City Clerk