

City Council Meeting
April 14, 2025
6:30PM, William Simmons Administration Building
MINUTES

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Johnson at 6:30PM. All Council Members are present: Richard Bracknell, Alexis Boles, Hiley Miller, Casey Russom and Howard Walden. (Mr. Bracknell was ten minutes late, he was not present for the vote on approving the agenda or voting on the approval of the minutes)

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Micheal Johnson

Public Comments: N/A

Introduction of new Temple Police Officers: Chief Creig Lee introduced Officer Brandon Clark and School Resource Officer Salazar.

Approval of Agenda, as presented:

There was a motion to approve the agenda by Council Member Walden, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

Approval of Minutes:

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the March 3, 2025 City Council Meeting, second by Council Member Boles. Vote 4-0.

Announcements: City Administrator Lisa Jacobson announced that Georgia Cities Week is next week. On Tuesday we will kick off the week with an Open House at City Hall which will include a Resource Fair, Touch a Truck, etc. Friday from 11:00am-1:00pm will be Friends and Family Friday at the Senior Center. We would love for our community to join us at these events.

Mayor's State of the City Address: by Mayor Michael Johnson

Consent Agenda:

There was a motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden, Vote 5-0.

1. Adopt a Resolution to renew the City of Temple's pledge to practice and promote civility in the City of Temple.
2. Authorize the acceptance of the GA Power Perpetual Easement for Ingress and Egress Agreement at Stephens Street, Temple, GA, Parcel #T03 0060002.

3. Authorize updates to the Personnel Policy Manual as presented at the 3/31/2025 Committees Meeting.
4. Adopt an updated fee sheet for violation fines as presented by Chief Lee.
5. Approve the second position of School Resource Officer with 50/50 funding from the Carroll County Board of Education.
6. Extend the current Moratorium on new residential developments for an additional 6 months.
7. Authorize the purchase of the hydro-vac trailer with the lease-to-own option, funding from SPLOST2021, Capital Budget FY24.
8. Authorize the purchase of a commercial mower from Bobcat in the amount of \$13,238.90, funding from SPLOST2021, Capital Budget FY25.

New Business

1. **Proclamation from West Georgia Advocacy recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month:** Mayor Michael Johnson read the proclamation. Ms. Desiree Kendricks, Forensic Interviewer/Child & Family Advocate with the Carroll County Child Advocacy Center was present at the meeting to explain the services that her organization provides for our community.
2. **Proclamation from Georgia Power recognizing April as Safe Digging Month:** Mayor Michael Johnson read the proclamation.
3. **Discussion on the 2024 Budget-to-Actuals report provided by Scott Akins at the March 31st:** Mayor Johnson explained that due to a scheduling conflict Mr. Akins is not able to be present at the meeting tonight. If anyone has questions regarding the Budget-to-Actuals, please email Lisa and she will forward them to Mr. Akins and he will respond either via email or at our Committees meeting.

Closing Comments by Mayor and Council

Howard Walden- Thinks it is great that we finally got into this building that we have worked on for so long. Lisa and the staff has done a wonderful job getting it set up. The committee that was put together for the pictures and decorating did a great job. He asked Chief Lee how many officers we are still short? Chief Lee stated two officers.

Richard Bracknell- wanted to echo that the building is beautiful and he appreciates the work of everyone. Thank you for the beautiful reception today; the staff did a great job!

Mayor Johnson- I would echo those comments. Today is a reflection where the staff in our City, in all of the departments, really shined. Their commitment, dedication and performance to deliver to the citizens. We are thankful in the positions we have, for that

commitment day after day. Thank you for all that you do; it is a blessing that you are on our staff and we hope you will continue to serve.

Executive Session, if needed N/A

Adjournment : There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:06PM.