

MINUTES

City Council Meeting Monday, March 2, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Opening: Councilmember Hall gave the invocation, and Mayor Campbell led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

City Council Members: Mayor Bruce Campbell, Councilmember Bruner, Councilmember Figiel, Councilmember Gwyn Hall, Councilmember Natalyn Morris, and Councilmember Debbie Ruiz. Absent: Councilmember Richard Lassiter.

Staff Members: Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Gil Ballard, Police Chief; Cliff Ducey, Parks and Recreation Director; Tonya Roper, Clerk of Council; and Kyle Thomas, IT Tech.

Presentations: Mayor Campbell announced the presentation of the service awards to former Board of Appeals/Planning Commission members Michael Bruner and Dr. Jenecia Perry is postponed.

Informal Public Comment: Mr. Williams, 14 W. Jones Street, stated there is a road he hopes can be repaired by Garden City. Mr. Williams stated he is unsure if this is the correct forum for the request but the road in need of repair is Telfair Road at Telfair Place. The road is in a rough condition and wanted to bring it to the City's attention.

Mayor Campbell stated the City has plans for the repairing of Telfair Road.

The City Manager stated both roads of Telfair Place and Telfair Road have been looked at by engineers, and the engineers are putting together a design for paving the roads.

Shawanda Jeff, 74 Bazemore Avenue, stated she wanted to thank the city and the efficiency provided with the previous issue with the dredging and drainage. Mrs. Jeff finished by saying that with the recent rain, and the issues concerning drainage were alleviated by the city being effective.

Council in unison thanked Mrs. Jeff and acknowledged the Public Works department for their work.

City Council Minutes: Councilmember Bruner a motion to approve the minutes of the February 17th Pre-Agenda session and City Council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hall and passed with all voting in favor of the motion.

Items for Consideration:

Resolution – SBA Cell Tower Lease Extension Agreement: The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution to authorize the execution of an amendment to that certain option and lease agreement dated June 1, 2004 by and between Garden City and SBA Towers II, LLC (A successor by merger to National Wireless Construction, LLC); to provide for an extension of the lease term; to modify rental payments and increases; to provide for a one-time amendment fee; and other lawful purposes.

Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion is seconded by Councilmember Ruiz; and passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Councilmember Morris made a motion to request to collectively combine the resolutions of the FY2025 Budget Amendments for the General Fund, Enterprise Funds, Special Revenue Funds, SPLOST Fund, Capital Projects Fund and American Rescue Plan Act Fund. Councilmember Hall seconded the motion; the vote passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Campbell called for a motion to adopt the following resolutions of the FY2025 Budget Amendments with a reading of each title header by the Clerk of Council:

- **Resolution – General Fund Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 General Operating Fund budget to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the city’s General Fund budget.
- **Resolution – Enterprise Funds Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 budgets for the four(4) Enterprise Funds in the Fire Protection Fund budget, Stormwater Fund budget, Sanitation Fund budget, and Water/Sewer Fund budget; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenses for certain various line items in the budgets of the four(4) Enterprise Funds.
- **Resolution – Special Revenue Funds Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 budgets for the three (3) Special Revenue funds in the Confiscated Assets Fund budget, Hotel/Motel Tax Fund budget, and Tourism Fund budget; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presented projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the budgets of the different Special Revenue Funds.
- **Resolution – SPLOST Fund Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 SPLOST Fund budget; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the SPLOST Fund budget.
- **Resolution – Capital Projects Fund Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 Capital Projects Fund budget for the new gym recreation complex; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the Capital Projects Fund budget.
- **Resolution – American Rescue Plan Act Fund Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2025 ARPA Fund budget; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted

and presented projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the ARPA Fund budget.

Councilmember Morris made a motion to adopt the resolutions approving the FY2025 Budget Amendments. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hall; the vote passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Adjournment: Councilmember Bruner made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:07pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ruiz and passed without opposition.

Transcribed & submitted by: The Clerk of Council

Accepted & approved by: The City Council on 3-16-26