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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER** at 9am by Mayor Debbie Martin

**AGENDA APPROVAL** by T. Brown, seconded by D. Brown and all in favor of no changes to the agenda.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. O-25-04 Sign Ordinance (Second Read)

*City Planner explained the recommended changes to the council. Councilmember Dave Brown stated that he would like to remove “residential” from Section 43-121, Flags from Section A. and just expresses this statement to be for any establishment or institutional property.*

*Mayor Martin voted in favor of the amended Sign Ordinance, seconded by Sterling and all in favor.*

2. O-2025-05 Compensation for Mayor and Council (Second Read)

*Mayor Martin opened this up for discussion to all council that were present. Every council member had the floor to speak on behalf of their understandings, process, concerns and opinions. Conclusion was for the Mayor and Council to receive additional compensation and this would take the place of not receiving health benefits starting in year 2026.*

*Councilmember Dave Brown voted in favor of this new ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Tina Brown and all in favor.*

3. Kroger’s Final Plat

- *The council voted to approve the final plat, but signing and recording of the plat will not occur until staff comments are addressed*
- *Based on conversation with Clyde Ethridge, surveyor, the comments will be addressed within two days. The city extended the deadline until Friday.*
- *Since council voted to approve, the Certificate of Occupancy can be issued for the Kroger store and Fuel Center pending GDOT approval of the traffic signal and intersection.*
- *GDOT approval shall be in writing, like an email or letter, and the traffic signal shall be operational.*

- *No additional building permits will be issued in the development until the final plat is approved.*

*Mayor Martin voted in favor of adding these conditions in order for Kroger to be eligible to open on August 13, 2025. Seconded by Sterling and all in favor to approve with above stipulations.*

**Members Present:**

Debbie Martin, Mayor

Fredria Sterling, Mayor Pro-Tem

David Brown, Councilmember

Christina Brown, Councilmember

**Also Present:**

Jennifer Harrison, City Manager

Hu Blackstock, City Planner

Tiffany Wheeler, Finance Director

Ben Munro, Media

**Absent:**

James Lawson, Councilmember

JJ Jackson, Councilmember

**ADJOURN**

*Motion to adjourn at 9:56pm by Martin, seconded by Sterling and all in favor.*