

City of Cumming
Work Session Agenda
January 3, 2023

- I. Meeting Called to Order-Troy Brumbalow, Mayor.
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge to Flag
- IV. Consider Agenda for Adoption
- V. Consider for adoption the following meeting minutes:
 - A. Regular Meeting of December 20, 2022
 - B. Special Called Meeting of December 27, 2022
- VI. Acknowledgements, Proclamations, Resolutions, etc.
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
 - A. Administration
 - 1. 2023 Sanitation Rates
 - B. Planning and Zoning
 - 1. Cumming Design Review Board Appointments
 - C. Utilities
 - 1. Water and Sewer Master Plans
- IX. Announcements
 - 1. City of Cumming non-essential offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2023, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- X. Executive Session (If Needed)
- XI. Adjourn.

**CITY OF CUMMING
COUNCIL MINUTES
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 3, 2023**

I. There was a Work Session meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cumming on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 6:00 P.M., at City Hall in Cumming, Georgia. The Mayor and all Council Members were properly notified as required by law and all were present. Mayor Troy Brumbalow presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order.

II. Invocation: Mayor Brumbalow asked City Administrator Phil Higgins to deliver the invocation.

III. Pledge to the Flag. Mayor Brumbalow led everyone in the Pledge to the American Flag.

IV. Consider Agenda for Adoption- A motion was made by Chad Crane and seconded by Jason Evans to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Consider for adoption the following meeting minutes: A. Regular Council Meeting of December 20, 2022: A motion was made by Jason Evans and seconded by Chad Crane to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 20, 2022 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Special Called Meeting of December 27, 2022: A motion was made by Jason Evans and seconded by Chad Crane to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting of December 27, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Acknowledgements, Proclamations, Resolutions, etc.- None

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business A. Administration: 1. 2023 Sanitation Rates: City Administrator Phil Higgins explained the current Solid Waste Removal contractor, Red Oak Sanitation has notified the City of a rate increase of \$.55 per customer would go into effect on April 1, 2023. This increase is due to higher fuel and labor costs and higher dumping fees. Unfortunately, we have no other choice but to increase the customer rate stated Higgins. An increase of \$1.50 per customer would cover the added costs mentioned. (see attached rate schedule) A motion was made by Christopher Light and seconded by Chad Crane to increase the customer rate by \$1.50. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Planning and Zoning: 1. Cumming Design Review Board Appointments: Planning Director Scott Morgan explained that the recent amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to include Design Review requires the appointment of one Planning Commission member and two Councilmembers to make up the Design Review Board. A motion was made by Joey Cochran and seconded by Jason Evans to appoint Planning Commission Chairman Ralph Webb, Councilmember Christopher Light and Councilmember Chad Crane to the Cumming Design Review Board. The motion carried unanimously

C. Utilities: 1. Water and Sewer Master Plans: Director of Utilities Jon Heard explained that the State of Georgia requires that each City and County that are a part of the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District, create and update a Water Master Plan and a Sewer Master Plan every 5 years. Our previous Master Plans were adopted in 2017. These Plans are used as a tool to guide and schedule system improvements, system expansions, and aging infrastructure replacement projects. The Department of Utilities requests the Mayor and City Council to adopt the Water Master Plan and the Sewer Master Plan to help maintain compliance with state law and remain qualified for grants, low interest loans, and water and sewer permit increases. A motion was made by Chad Crane and seconded by Linda Ledbetter to adopt the Water Master Plan and the Sewer Master Plan as presented by the Department of Utilities. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. Announcements: 1. City of Cumming non-essential offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2023, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

X. Executive Session: Mayor Brumbalow stated there was a need to have Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of real property. A motion was made by Jason Evans and seconded by Chad Crane to recess into executive session. The motion carried unanimously. After a brief executive session, a motion was made by Joey Cochran and seconded by Jason Evans to reopen the regular session. The motion carried 4-0 with Councilmember Ledbetter absent.

XI. Adjournment: A motion was made by Christopher Light and seconded by Chad Crane to adjourn. The motion carried 4-0 with Councilmember Ledbetter absent.

Approved this 17th day of January, 2023.

Mayor

Councilmember

Councilmember

Councilmember

Councilmember

Attest:

City Clerk

Councilmember