

City of Blue Ridge Special Called Meeting February 28, 2024 6:00 p.m. Blue Ridge City Hall 480 West First Street Blue Ridge, GA 30513

1.Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Rhonda Haight called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Rhonda Haight, Council Members Bill Whaley, Angie Arp, Jack Taylor, Christy Kay, Bill Bivins, City Attorney Chuck Conerly and City Assistant Jennifer McDaris.

2. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Council Member Council Member Bill Whaley

3. Public Hearings

a. A ZONING ORDINANCE/ACTION AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, BY REZONING A PARCEL OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, BEING TAX PARCELS 0045-20E, 0045-20C01, AND 0045-20C02 OWNED BY CHNA HOLDINGS LLC AND BEING APPROXIMATELY 4.14 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE DEED(S) ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THIS ZONING ORDINANCE ("PROPERTY"), AND REZONING THE PROPERTY FROM MANUFACTURING ("M-1") TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL ("C-2"); REPEALING CONFLICTING ZONING ORDINANCES APPLICABLE TO THE PROPERTY; TO PROVIDE A SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. BR2024-07

A motion to approve the second reading for item *BR2024-07* was offered by Council Member Angie Arp, seconded by Council Member Jack Taylor. All Council Members voted in favor.

4.Consent Agenda

a. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, ESTABLISHING GENERAL PURCHASING REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER SECTION 6.31 ("PURCHASING"); PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. BR2024-08

A motion to remove/table item "a" from the Consent Agenda was offered by Council Member Jack Taylor, seconded by Council Member Bill Bivins. All Council Members voted in favor, with the exception of Bill Whaley.

b. Motion to Adopt the GMEBS Retirement Plan restated agreement.

A motion to adopt the GMEBS Retirement Plan was offered by Council Member Jack Taylor, seconded by Council Member Bill Whaley. All Council Members voted in favor.

5. Action agenda items

a. Downtown Restroom Project

A motion to remove/table item "a" of the Action Agenda was offered by Council Member Jack Taylor, seconded by Council Member Angie Arp.

Questions will be gathered and phoned in on Monday March 4^{th} , 2024. A "Special Called Meeting" will be scheduled to follow.

6. Executive Session

A motion to enter executive session was offered by Mayor Rhonda Haight. Motion made by Council Member Bill Whaley, seconded by Council Member Christy Kay, passed unanimously. Executive session began at 6:42 p.m.

The executive session concluded at 8:02 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the executive session was offered by Council Member Bill Whaley, seconded by Council Member Jack Tayor.

A motion to approve the employment of the new Tax and License Clerk, Jennifer McDaris was offered by Council Member Bill Whaley, seconded by Bill Bivins.

All votes yes, with Christy Kay abstaining.

7.Adjournment

Mayor Rhonda Haight adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Mayor, Rhonda Haight

City Clerk, Amy Mintz

Date