

**Minutes of the
City of Darien Regular Council Meeting
July 15, 2025
David Bluestein Meeting Room, City Hall**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hugh “Bubba” Hodge called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Hugh “Bubba” Hodge, Mayor Pro-tem Griffin Lotson, Councilmember William Collins, Councilmember Russ Quarterman, and Councilmember Jeff Ragsdale

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: City Clerk Priscilla Taylor, City Manager Holden Osburn, and City Attorney Sam Oliver

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made to approve the July 15 agenda.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Lotson
Second: Councilmember Collins
Vote: Unanimous

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made to approve the minutes of the June 16 Work Session, June 17 Regular Meeting, and June 25 Special Called Meeting.

Motion: Councilmember Ragsdale
Second: Councilmember Collins
Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC HEARING: None

VISITOR PRESENTATION: Members of the State of Georgia House of Representatives – In Honor of Dr. Charles L. Houston Jr.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Motion made to allocate \$6,000.00 from Hotel/Motel tax funds for the year 2026 of the Concert in the Park Series.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Lotson
Second: Councilmember Ragsdale
Vote: Unanimous

B. Motion made to approve Special Conditions of the Special Event Permit for Second Saturday closing of Broad Street.

Motion: Councilmember Quarterman
Second: Councilmember Ragsdale
Vote: Unanimous

- C. Motion made to approve a request by Jeff Ragsdale to use a Goat Rental Company for clearing brush on Fort King George Drive.

Motion: Councilmember Quarterman
Second: Councilmember Collins
Vote: 3 to 1 with Councilmember Ragsdale abstaining

REPORTS:

Mayor Pro-tem Griffin Lotson:	Gave report.
Councilmember William Collins:	Gave report.
Councilmember Russ Quarterman:	No report.
Councilmember Jeff Ragsdale:	Gave report.
Mayor Hugh "Bubba" Hodge:	Gave report.
City Manager Holden Osburn:	Gave report.
City Attorney Sam Oliver:	No report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Hugh "Bubba" Hodge adjourned the meeting at 6:10pm.

Priscilla Taylor, City Clerk