

Buford City Commission

March 2, 2026

The regular monthly meeting was held on March 2, 2026 at Buford City Hall and all Commission members were present.

Chairman Beard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Mr. Burge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the agenda for the March 2, 2026 Commission meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the February 2, 2026 regular meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated that this portion of the meeting would be set aside for public hearings.

Rezoning:

#Z-26-07: Hudson Land Holdings, LLC requested a rezoning for the property located on North Bogan Road, parcel 08-156-002193, from M-1 to R-100. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The applicant/builder shall provide a house location plan (HLP) with the building permits to be approved by the Planning Director.
2. All homes shall be constructed with four (4) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 40% on each elevation. Accents shall include brick, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
3. All homes shall have a minimum gross-heated floor area of 3400 square feet exclusive of garages or basements. All homes shall have a minimum of two (2) car garages.
4. Driveways shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
5. All front yards shall be sodded and shall have two (2) 3-inch ornamental trees planted in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Special Use Permits:

#SUP-26-01: Communion House requested a special use permit for the property located at 2730 Faith Industrial Boulevard. The special use permit requested is to allow a church. The applicant was not present. Applicant was not present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The special use permit applies to Communion House only and at such time in the future the church leaves the building the special use permit expires.
2. The special use permit is for the operation of a church only. Weekly daycare is not approved under this application.
3. The applicant shall provide the City with the number of seats in the main auditorium to determine if the existing parking is sufficient per code. If parking is short of the required per code, the applicant needs to provide a solution for sufficient parking.
4. The approval of this special use permit does not provide relief of any requirement of the Zoning Ordinance or Development Regulations.
5. Written permission shall be provided by the landlord stating Communion Church shall use the adjoining parking lot.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated that this concludes the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve plat for four (4) homes on Washington Street, subject to adding the condition to the plat of no painting of the brick on the home.

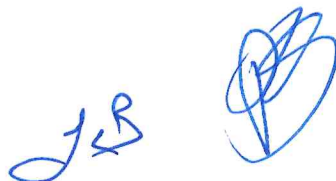
Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve bid for sale of parcel containing 3.20 acres +/-, 995 Gainesville Highway, Parcel 08-151-002008, City of Buford, Hall County, GA, and authorize City Manager to negotiate and enter into a purchase and sales agreement with final approval by the Buford City Commission.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve supplemental Project Framework Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to fund additional engineering fees for Buford Multi-Use Trail Extension project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize renewal of 2026-2027 general liability and property insurance policy package with Sterling, Seacrest & Pritchard / Pritchard Insurance Agency.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize release of pledged funds with Peoples Bank & Trust. Chairman Beard abstained.

Ayes 2
Nays 0
Abstained 1

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve rental of Phillip Beard Stadium on March 7-8, 2026 in coordination with Buford High School.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize Chairman to sign joint consent agreement with the Public Service Commission allowing Buford to encroach on the 80' buffer requirement and install gas lines on South Richland Creek Road.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of \$91,679.00 to Buford Housing Authority for one-half (1/2) of fence installation located at Forest Street Development.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #1 in the amount of \$135,446.50 to Ashford Gardeners, Inc. for I-985 Exit landscape project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #12 in the amount of \$162,739.21 to Backbone Infrastructure, LLC for Moreno Street LCI project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of Invoice #25106-01 in the amount of \$5,187.09 to Breaux & Associates for Buford High School Softball field house project.



Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #6 in the amount of \$238,629.00 to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. for Tom Riden track resurface project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #2 in the amount of \$98,189.28 to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. for New Street wall installation project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize final payment in the amount of \$27,637.64 to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. for Buford High School baseball sound system replacement project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of Invoice #4559, 4560 and 4561 totaling \$318,484.77 to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. for additional fencing and gates for Buford City Stadium project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's Report.

Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's Report.

After a brief discussion with the audience, motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adjourn.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Phillip Beard, Chairman



Chris Burge, Vice-Chairman



Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner

Keri C. Wolfe

City Clerk

4-6-24

Date