



DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
CITY OF AUBURN, GA  
Bel Outwater, Chair  
Cameron Whitehead, Vice Chair  
Susan Long, Secretary  
Massa Williams  
Tina Nix  
Mayda Brown  
Jon Gomolak

### MINUTES

January 16, 2025  
7:15  
Auburn Public Library  
24 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Members Present: B. Outwater, C. Whitehead, S. Long, M. Williams, T. Nix, M. Brown, J. Gomolak  
(by telephone)  
City Officials/Staff Present: M. Parks, J. Wilson

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order 7:19 pm

#### Executive Session – Real Property Disposition

- Action taken – Vote to move into executive Session.

C, Whitehead	Yes
S. Long	Yes
M. Williams	Yes
T. Nix	Yes (1 <sup>st</sup> Motion)
M. Brown	Yes (2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion)
J. Gomolak	Yes
  
- Action taken – Vote to Return from executive Session.

C, Whitehead	Yes
S. Long	Yes
M. Williams	Yes
T. Nix	Yes (1 <sup>st</sup> Motion)
M. Brown	Yes (2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion)
J. Gomolak	Yes

**After executive session, the DDA’s attorney reported that the Authority met in executive session to discuss one matter regarding real property disposition, as allowed under the Open Meetings Act. There were no votes taken in executive session. The original affidavit and resolution required by State law have been signed and delivered to the staff to be included with the minutes of this meeting.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Regular Meeting – February 4, 2025

**ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn meeting

C. Whitehead	Yes (1 <sup>st</sup> Motion)
S. Long	Yes
M. Williams	Yes (2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion)
T. Nix	Yes
M. Brown	Yes
J. Gomolak	Yes

Respectfully submitted 2/04/2025

Susan Long

Susan Long  
Secretary

Attest

Bel Outwater

Bel Outwater  
Chair

**AFFIDAVIT**

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Bel Outwater, Chairman who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

(1) I was the presiding officer of a meeting of the City of Auburn, Georgia Downtown Development Authority held on the 16th day of January, 2025.

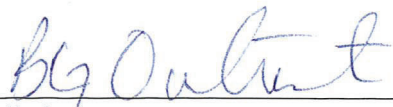
(2) That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) provides as follows:

When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.



(3) The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 16th day of January 2025, which was closed for the purposes of discussion with staff regarding the potential acquisition of real property as allowed by O.C.G.A., Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

(4) This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 16 day of January, 2025.

  
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Belinda Outwater

Sworn to and subscribed before me,  
this 16 day of January, 2025.

  
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Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:  


**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, GA**  
**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Auburn, Georgia Downtown Development Authority (hereinafter "Auburn DDA") as follows: At the meeting held on the <sup>16</sup>5th day of January 2025, the Auburn DDA entered into closed session for the following purposes:

- staff meetings for investigative purposes under duties or responsibilities imposed by law, O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(a)(1);
- ✓ — discussing the future acquisition of real estate, O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(b)(1);
- discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee, O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(b)(2);
- meeting with legal counsel covered by the attorney/client privilege for consulting about pending or potential litigation, settlement, and claims, O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2(1).

At the close of the discussions upon this subject, the Auburn DDA did vote to re-enter into open session and herewith takes the following action in open session:

- (1) The actions of the Auburn DDA and the discussions of the same regarding the matter set forth for closed session purposes are hereby ratified.
- (2) Each member of this body does hereby confirm that to the best of his or her knowledge, based upon the advice of the Authority's Attorney, the said subject matter of the meeting and of the closed session portion was devoted to matters within the specific relevant exception(s) as set forth above.
- (3) The Chair is hereby authorized and directed to execute an affidavit, with full support of the members of the Auburn DDA, in order to comply with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b).

This 16 day of January, 2025.

  
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Belinda Outwater, Chair (SEAL)

  
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Cameron Whitehead, Secretary

Susan Long  
Susan Long

Massa Williams  
Massa Williams

Tina Nix  
Tina Nix

Mayda Brown  
Mayda Brown

Attended by teleconference  
Joe Gomolak