

**Ashburn City Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Present: Mayor Sandra Lumpkin, City Manager Sedric Carithers, Councilmembers, Tommy Bateman, James Burks, Howard Jordan, Rhonda Walker and City Attorney Tommy Coleman**

**Guest: Brandon Montgomery, Charles Jordan, Fire Chief Jamie Turner, Jan Winter, Probate Judge Penny Thomas, Ben Walker, Sonny Walker, Captain Richard Purvis, Ramona Tukes, Buster Felton, James Davis, Police Chief Cliff Jordan, and family and friends of Rhonda Walker.**

**Probate Judge Penny Thomas administered the oath of office to the new elected Councilmembers Tommy Bateman, Howard Jordan, and Rhonda Walker who will serve the City of Ashburn for the next 4 years.**

**City Auditor Brandon Montgomery presented the Council with information on the FY July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015-June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Audit.**

**City Manager Sedric Carithers informed the council and public about when the completion of Carlos and the Downtown Sidewalk Projects should be, change needed in the way the City does drug testing, and a Housing Maintenance Ordinance.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Jordan, second by Councilmember Bateman to approve the minutes of the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 Council Meeting. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Walker, Jordan**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Jordan, second by Councilmember Burks to re-appoint Ray Holland as Municipal Court Judge, Flynn Coleman as Municipal Court Prosecutor, John Sherrar as Municipal Court Indigent Defense Attorney, Tommy Coleman as City Attorney, and Michael Dent to serve on the Turner County Board of Health. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Walker, Jordan**

**Mayor Sandra Lumpkin appointed Councilmember Howard Jordan as Mayor Pro-tem for 2017.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Burks, second by Councilmember Bateman to approve all the Alcohol Beverage License for 2017. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Jordan, Walker**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Jordan, second by Councilmember Bateman to adopt the Ordinance amending the Charter to comply with the new provisions of the Georgia Law relating to Municipal Court Judges. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading was on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Ordinance adopted on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Walker, Jordan**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Jordan, second by Councilmember Bateman to adopt the Georgia Fund 1 Resolution to authorize Investments or Withdrawals by the City Manager and the City Clerk. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Jordan, Walker**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Burks, second by Councilmember Jordan to name the street located behind the City of Ashburn as Council Way. The naming of the street was requested by a citizen so they could establish an address in order to open a business. Ayes: Bateman, Burks, Jordan, Walker.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Burks, second by Councilmember Jordan to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Ayes: Bateman, Walker, Jordan, Burks**

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**City Clerk**

**Approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2017**

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**Mayor**