



*Town council work session meeting  
Nov. 24, 2025*

Present: Mayor Chris Lelle; Councilmen, Tommy Buchanan, Eric Dailey, Sally Brown, Sharon Johnson and Doug Koestel; Jack Samuels, attorney; Kathy Bridges, clerk

Visitors: Beth Buchanan, Candace Bugg

The meeting opened at 7:01 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Nov. 3 minutes. Eric Dailey made the motion to approve, Sally Brown seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote. Sharon Johnson and Doug Koestel abstained from voting since they were absent from the meeting.

Doug Koestel made a motion to add the business license at 151 Star St.; 316 signage; and review of CPL. Eric Dailey seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote.

The public hearing on the 2026 budget opened with no comments from the public.

The Mayor opened the regular meeting and the council discussed the budget asking about certain increases including: capital outlay-reroofing city hall, parking lot repairs and renovations at 742 Manger and 16 Angel; Christmas-town events not limited to Christmastime; maintenance/repair; and salary-adding an employee at city hall (assistant clerk).

The Mayor said the council could approve the budget at the December 1 meeting.

The business license for Reliable Pro Cleaning was approved with a motion by Sharon Johnson, a second by Doug Koestel and a unanimous vote.

Increasing business license fees would be revisited at the December meeting said the Mayor and the annexation of the land purchase by Bethlehem Christian would also be discussed at the December meeting.

The business license at 151 Star Street was a separate item from land use and was being dealt with by the code enforcement officer the Mayor said.

Sally Brown informed the 316 signage had to have specs drawn by an engineer per DOT request and she was researching the cost.

The council discussed CPL and decided to evaluate the fee schedule which was based on Gwinnett County's fees.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

