

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2024 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL  
MEETING**

A SPECIAL meeting of the Hopewell City Council was held on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** John B. Partin, Mayor(Virtual, Closed session)  
Jasmine Gore, Vice Mayor  
Rita Joyner, Councilor  
Michael Harris, Councilor(Virtual, Closed session)  
Janice Denton, Councilor  
Brenda Pelham, Councilor ( Absent)  
Dominic Holloway, Councilor (Absent)

Council Joyner moves to make a motion to allow Councilor Harris and Councilor Pelham to participate virtually. Councilor Denton seconds the motion.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Councilor Joyner	Yes
	Mayor Partin	Yes
	Vice Mayor Gore	Yes
	Councilor Denton	Yes

**Motion Passes 4-0**

**CLOSED MEETING:**

Councilor Denton makes a motion to go into closed meeting pursuant to VA Code § 2.2-3711(A)(29) "Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining

position or negotiating strategy of the public body.” and to the extent such discussion will be aided thereby. Mayor Partin seconds the motion.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Councilor Joyner	Yes
	Councilor Harris	Yes
	Mayor Partin	Yes
	Vice Mayor Gore	Yes
	Councilor Denton	Yes
	Councilor Pelham	Yes

**Motion Passes 6-0**

**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING:**

Councilor Joyner moves to make a motion to reconvene open meeting.  
Councilor Denton seconds the motion.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Councilor Joyner	Yes
	Councilor Harris	Excused
	Mayor Partin	Yes
	Vice Mayor Gore	Yes
	Councilor Denton	Yes
	Councilor Pelham	Yes

**Motion Passes 5-0**

**CERTIFICATION:**

Immediately thereafter, council responded to the question pursuant to Virginia § 2.2-3712 (D): Were only public business matters (1) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (2) identified in the

closed meeting motion discussed in closed meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilor Joyner	Yes
Councilor Harris	Excused
Mayor Partin	Yes
Vice Mayor Gore	Yes
Councilor Denton	Yes
Councilor Pelham	Yes

**Motion Passes 5-0**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilor Denton motions to adjourn,

Yes 5

No 0



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**Brittani Williams, City Clerk**



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**Johnny Partin, Mayor**