

Dublin City Hall  
May 5, 2026

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at Dublin City Hall on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 9:08 a.m.

Mayor Joshua Kight called the meeting to order. Council members Bennie Jones, Tess Godfrey, Sara Kolbie, Brandon Chain, and Paul Griggs were present. Council members Bill Brown and Chris Smith were absent.

The invocation was given by Councilman Paul Griggs, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kight stated that immediately following the regular City Council meeting, Council would convene a budget workshop expected to last approximately four hours. He explained that the purpose of the workshop was for Council to review the City's finances and begin discussions on budget items in preparation for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 1.

Prior to proceeding with the regular meeting agenda, Mayor Kight noted that an amendment to the agenda was necessary. Councilman Bennie Jones made a motion to amend the agenda by removing Items 5 and 6, and Councilmember Tess Godfrey provided the second. Mayor Kight explained that Items 5 and 6 pertained to the first reading of a rezoning ordinance and that the applicant had withdrawn the rezoning request. The motion carried unanimously by vote, (5,0)

The mayor introduced the first item of business, which was the approval of the minutes from the April 16, 2026, City Council meeting. He asked if there were any questions for staff regarding the minutes; none were raised.

#### **Approval of April 16, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Griggs and seconded by Councilperson Godfrey. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$15,000**

The Council reviewed the following bills for over \$15,000, as included in the meeting packet. Mayor Kight called for a motion to approve payment of the bills.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman Chain. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Type</b> | <b>Description</b>                             |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|--|
| 04/29/2026  | 73,598.92     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/29/2026  | 40,812.97     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/29/2026  | 21,275.21     | Bank Draft  | DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE                          |
| 04/29/2026  | 17,212.76     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/29/2026  | 136,744.57    | Check       | CITY OF DUBLIN-SELF INSURANCE FUND             |
| 04/27/2026  | 34,367.41     | Bank Draft  | CITY OF DUBLIN-WELLS FARGO CLAIMS ACCOUNT      |
| 04/24/2026  | 853,346.06    | Bank Draft  | MUNICIPAL GAS AUTHORITY OF GEORGIA             |
| 04/24/2026  | 22,548.21     | Bank Draft  | MUNICIPAL GAS AUTHORITY OF GEORGIA             |
| 04/23/2026  | 120,279.04    | Check       | TRUIST BANK                                    |
| 04/23/2026  | 30,006.80     | Check       | RYLAND OIL COMPANY                             |
| 04/23/2026  | 18,000.00     | Check       | PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE UNITED INC.              |
| 04/23/2026  | 71,232.52     | Check       | ATLANTIC & SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT LLC              |
| 04/20/2026  | 84,101.72     | Bank Draft  | CITY OF DUBLIN-WELLS FARGO CLAIMS ACCOUNT      |
| 04/20/2026  | 16,757.83     | Bank Draft  | CITY OF DUBLIN-WELLS FARGO CLAIMS ACCOUNT      |
| 04/17/2026  | 100,728.70    | Check       | TOTAL EARTH SERVICES LLC                       |
| 04/17/2026  | 20,330.00     | Check       | FORESITE GROUP, LLC                            |
| 04/17/2026  | 24,058.50     | Check       | DWL INSTRUMENT SERVICES LLC                    |
| 04/17/2026  | 18,780.36     | Check       | COFORGE BPS AMERICA                            |
| 04/17/2026  | 16,199.14     | Check       | DUBLIN INDUSTRIAL LLC                          |
| 04/15/2026  | 75,614.02     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/15/2026  | 45,611.51     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/15/2026  | 22,738.21     | Bank Draft  | DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE                          |
| 04/15/2026  | 17,683.84     | Bank Draft  | INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE                       |
| 04/15/2026  | 38,796.55     | Bank Draft  | GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AUTH.         |
| 04/15/2026  | 121,948.57    | Check       | CITY OF DUBLIN-SELF INSURANCE FUND             |
| 04/14/2026  | 54,033.40     | Bank Draft  | GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE                  |
| 04/14/2026  | 41,408.00     | Check       | WARNOCK BUILDERS                               |
| 04/14/2026  | 19,078.78     | Check       | UTILITIES, CITY OF DUBLIN                      |
| 04/14/2026  | 17,271.50     | Check       | TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC.                        |
| 04/14/2026  | 48,370.69     | Check       | LAURENS COUNTY SWMA                            |
| 04/14/2026  | 98,780.18     | Check       | GA POWER COMPANY                               |
| 04/13/2026  | 168,073.59    | Bank Draft  | GMEBS-RETIREMENT TRUST FUND                    |
| 04/13/2026  | 18,870.23     | Bank Draft  | ONE AMERICA                                    |
| 04/10/2026  | 19,165.30     | Bank Draft  | EMPLOYEE BENEFIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC      |
| 04/09/2026  | 31,354.81     | Check       | VISIT DUBLIN GA                                |
| 04/09/2026  | 47,250.00     | Check       | TOLAND MIZELL MOLNAR LLC                       |
| 04/09/2026  | 20,040.00     | Check       | TEEN CHALLENGE SOUTHEAST REGION - DUBLIN MEN'S |
| 04/09/2026  | 18,274.44     | Check       | T. LAKE ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN                   |
| 04/09/2026  | 229,083.00    | Check       | SANSOM EQUIPMENT CO, INC                       |
| 04/09/2026  | 18,000.00     | Check       | PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE UNITED INC.              |
| 04/09/2026  | 93,024.00     | Check       | L&L UTILITIES, INC.                            |
| 04/09/2026  | 19,659.32     | Check       | EPG - ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCTS OF GEORGIA        |
| 04/09/2026  | 31,354.81     | Check       | DUBLIN-LAURENS CO. RECREATION                  |
| 04/09/2026  | 665,053.94    | Check       | DUBLIN BOARD OF EDUCATION                      |
| 04/09/2026  | 15,677.44     | Check       | DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY                 |
| 04/09/2026  | 27,585.00     | Check       | BRIAN FELDER & ASSOCIATES, LLC                 |
| 04/09/2026  | 20,750.00     | Check       | A&H SERVICES LLC                               |
|             | 3,764,931.85  |             |  |

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$15, 000**

There were no purchases.

**FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE #26-04 TO REZONE D20E 040A FROM R-1 (Single Family Residential) TO R-2 (Single Family Residential)**

City Manager Powell explained that this property is located directly across from the Oconee Gymnasium and the purpose of the rezoning is to allow for after school and daycare activities. The applicant is Mary Austin, and she has indicated her primary focus is children ages 5-13. The property owner is Free Vision Deliverance Outreach Ministry. The property is currently zoned for R-1, which does not allow childcare facilities. There is a detailed staff report on your materials that we encourage you to review. The Planning Commission has reviewed this request and recommends that the council approve it. This is the first reading of this ordinance, and the second reading and public hearing will be on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 noon.

Mayor Joshua Kight stated that the item before Council constituted the first reading of the ordinance. He announced that a second reading and public hearing would be held on May 21 at noon, during which members of the public would have the opportunity to speak either in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance prior to Council taking action on the matter.

Mayor Kight further explained that the ordinance would allow for the operation of a daycare center on property owned by Free Vision Deliverance Outreach Ministry located across from the Oconee Gymnasium.

**Ordinance 26-05 and Resolution #26-25 were removed from the agenda due to the withdrawal of application from the applicant.**

**FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE #26-06 TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE FOR SUBDIVISION AND VARIANCE FEES BY RESOLUTIONS**

City Manager Powell explained that as you know, we removed all of the fees from within our ordinances and compiled them all into a fee schedule. When we have been reviewing the authorization of language fees, we did not find any that would cover variance application fees or subdivision plan review fees. Therefore, we have drafted the proposed ordinance which will add this language to the respective locations in our code for those provisions.

This is the first reading of this ordinance, and the second reading and public hearing will be held at the May 21<sup>st</sup> council meeting at 12:00 Noon.

Mayor Joshua Kight clarified that the item before Council constituted the first reading of an ordinance that would authorize subdivision and variance fees to be established by resolution rather than by ordinance. He noted that the change would provide a more efficient process, allowing the city to adjust fees more quickly without the need to adopt a new ordinance each time a change was required. Mayor Kight further stated that the process would consolidate all applicable fees into a single fee schedule, making the information more accessible to the public.

Mayor Kight advised that the matter was only at its first reading and announced that a second reading and public hearing would be held during the May 21 City Council meeting at noon. He stated that members of the public would have the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed ordinance prior to Council taking action on the item.

Following the discussion, Council proceeded to the next agenda item.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #26-20 TO AMEND THE PERMIT FEES AND OTHER ASSOCIATED FEES FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

City Manager Powell explained that based on the council's feedback from the last meeting, we have revised the building permit fees further for single-family home development. To meet the council's direction, we are proposing to mirror the county in the actual building permit fee amount. The building permit fee would be \$0.25 per heated square foot, minimum of \$200.00. These and the other fees being recommended for adjustment are highlighted in green in the resolution of your materials. We have discovered a lack of fee for subdivision development reviews, which oftentimes takes up a great deal of time for city staff. Therefore, we have added a proposed fee for that service. Staff recommends you approve the resolution to adjust the building permit fees for single-family residential developments and for other related fees. There is also a comparison of the previous, current, staff proposed, and council version of the fees for a 286-parcel subdivision development and the associated fees so you can see the financial impact this adjustment will have related to that type of development. Below you will find the comparison of the before - current - and proposed new along with the county's data for single-family home development and the associated fees.

| Single Family Home - 2,000 Square Feet (1,500 heated). |                            |                           |                            |                              |                   |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
|  | City of Dublin<br>Pre 2025 | City of Dublin<br>Current | City of Dublin<br>Proposed | City of Dublin In<br>the URD | Laurens<br>County |
| Survey/Site Plan*                                      | \$800                      | \$800                     | \$800                      | \$800                        | \$0               |
| Zoning Review  | \$0                        | \$75                      | \$50                       | \$0                          | \$0               |
| Plan Review  | \$0                        | \$250                     | \$100                      | \$0                          | \$0               |
| Building Permit  | \$977.02                   | \$2,881.57                | \$375                      | \$0                          | \$375             |
| Trades (HVAC/ Elec/<br>Plumbing)                       | \$135.00                   | \$0.00                    | \$0                        | \$0                          |                   |
| Capital Recovery Fee (Water)                           | \$500                      | \$500                     | \$300                      | \$0                          | \$0               |
| Capital Recovery Fee (Sewer)                           | \$500                      | \$500                     | \$600                      | \$0                          | \$0               |
| Tap Fee (1 Meter)                                      | \$1,200                    | \$1,200                   | \$1,200                    | \$1,200                      | 0                 |
| Health Dept. Permit*                                   | \$0                        | \$0                       | \$0                        | \$0                          | \$250             |
| Well*  | \$0                        | \$0                       | \$0                        | \$0                          | \$11,200          |
| Septic*  | \$0                        | \$0                       | \$0                        | \$0                          | \$5,900           |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>  | <b>\$3,312</b>             | <b>\$5,407</b>            | <b>\$2,625</b>             | <b>\$1,200</b>               | <b>\$17,725</b>   |
| <b>*Charges by Third Parties</b>                       |                            |                           |                            |                              |                   |

Council discussed the proposed fee resolution and sought clarification regarding capital recovery fees associated with water and sewer services. Bennie Jones questioned an apparent increase in the sewer capital recovery fee from \$500 to \$600 as reflected in the meeting materials. Staff clarified that the information shown in the comparison chart contained a typographical error and that the capital recovery fees were not being changed as part of the current resolution. Staff explained that the current and proposed sewer capital recovery fee both remained at \$600, while the water capital recovery fee remained at \$300.

During the discussion, staff further explained that Council had previously approved adjustments to the capital recovery fee structure, including discounted Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) percentages for residential development types. Staff noted that the overall intent of those prior changes was to reduce the total capital recovery costs for residential users.

The Council also discussed the distinction between capital recovery fees and tap fees. Staff explained that capital recovery fees represent the cost associated with the additional burden placed on the City's utility system by new development, while tap fees cover the direct costs of connecting the property to the utility system, including meter installation and service line costs.

Additional clarification was provided that the example of fee schedule being reviewed was based on a sample of 1,500-square-foot residence and was intended only to illustrate the fee structure. Staff reiterated that the current resolution only affected building permit, plan review, and zoning-related fees and did not alter capital recovery fees.

Mayor Joshua Kight summarized the intent of the proposed fee adjustments by comparing the costs of residential construction within the City of Dublin to those in unincorporated Laurens County. He explained that constructing a single-family home in the county often requires significant additional costs for well and septic installation, which can substantially increase overall development expenses.

Mayor Kight noted that within the City's urban redevelopment districts, developers currently benefit from reduced fees, with only a water and sewer tap fee required, and no building permit, trade, or capital recovery fees assessed. He further explained that the proposed changes would reduce fees in areas outside the redevelopment districts by lowering building permit costs to align with Laurens County's rates.

According to Mayor Kight, the overall goal of the proposal was to make residential construction within the city more affordable and competitive by reducing government-related development fees while providing access to City-maintained water and sewer services. He stated that the initiative was intended to encourage additional single-family residential development within the City of Dublin.

Mayor Joshua Kight discussed the financial impact of the proposed fee reductions on the City and acknowledged that the City would still incur operational costs associated with inspections, staffing, and impacts on the water and sewer system. He explained that the proposed reductions were intended to serve as an incentive for residential developers, particularly for large-scale subdivisions.

Mayor Kight stated that under the current fee structure, a proposed 280-home subdivision could generate approximately \$700,000 in City fees, while the proposed resolution would reduce those fees to approximately \$100,000, representing an estimated savings of nearly \$600,000 for the developer. He noted that although the city could experience a theoretical reduction in fee revenue, the incentive was designed to attract residential development that the city had not historically experienced.

Mayor Kight further explained that the city currently averages approximately 25 to 30 new homes per year and suggested that lowering development fees may be necessary to encourage larger residential subdivisions and stimulate additional growth within the city.

Following discussion of the proposed resolution, Mayor Kight asked Council if all members had received the information necessary to proceed with a vote on the matter. After confirming that a quorum was present and Council was prepared to move forward, Mayor Kight called for a vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Griggs and seconded by Councilperson Kolbie. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

Mayor Joshua Kight described the adoption of the resolution as a significant step for the City of Dublin in reducing government-related development fees to encourage single-family residential investment and construction within the city limits. He noted that the building permit fee for a typical 2,000-square-foot home had been reduced from more than \$2,800 to \$375.

Mayor Kight expressed hope that the reduced fee structure would encourage builders and developers to reconsider constructing single-family homes within the City of Dublin. He further stated that the new fee structure would become effective on May 11 to allow staff sufficient time to implement the updated fees within the City's system.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #26-24 TO AUTHROIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR THE 2027 PLAN YEAR FOR THE CITY OF DUBLIN**

City Manager Powell explained that Our property and casualty and supplemental liability insurance is up for renewal. Our broker, Gallagher, has been working to help secure the best option for us this year. The bulk of our coverage is through the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA) and includes the following: General Liability; Public Officials Liability; Law enforcement Liability; Automobile Liability, Auto Physical Damage Liability; Crime; Property and Equipment; Uninsured Motorist and the premium totals \$805,088 for May 2026-May 2027.

We also provide general liability and property insurance for the Land Bank through GIRMA that has a premium of \$4,375 for the same coverage period.

Additionally, we purchase supplemental insurance coverage for storage tanks, cyber liability, Law Enforcement Off Duty, and Pollution Liability, and those premiums are estimated to be \$42,752 for the year. The only one we have a firm quote on as of the time of publishing this agenda is the pollution at \$24,107, which is in your materials. The others we do not have a final quote for at this point and what is in your materials are the estimated costs. Overall, we are looking at a rate of increase of around 7.7% depending on where the supplemental coverages land. There are details on the coverage and deductibles for all of this. The resolution in your materials will authorize the city manager to approve the final coverage levels and sign the documents necessary to secure our coverage. Staff recommends you approve the resolution so we can secure our liability coverage for this year. These premiums are paid out of multiple accounts across multiple funds in the city's budget but are budgeted and will be in FY'27 when the bulk of these are paid.

A motion was made by Councilperson Kolbie and seconded by Councilman Griggs. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

For purposes of transparency, Mayor Kight outlined the estimated costs associated with the insurance policies, including approximately \$800,000 for automobile and general liability coverage, approximately \$4,200 for law enforcement off-duty, pollution liability, cyber liability, and storage tank coverage, and approximately \$24,000 for supplemental pollution coverage. He noted that the total authorization for all policies was estimated to be slightly less than \$900,000, although final amounts would not be determined until final plan costs were received.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #26-26 TO AUTHORIZE A BID AWARD FOR WEST MARY STREET CDBG PROJECT AND WEST MOORE STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS TO TOTAL EARTH SERVICES**

City Manager Powell explained that we solicited proposals for the CDBG Project on West Mary Street and the separate road and drainage project on West Moore Street under one solicitation. Back in 2024, we received funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the West Mary Project in the amount of \$939,537. Staff recommends awarding the projects to the lowest qualified bidder, Total Earth Services, LLC, in the amount of 1,177,787.68 for Division 1: West Mary Street and the amount of \$173,624.20 for Division 2: West Moore Street. The project will be funded as follows:

W. Mary - 322-4250-541418 ('24 SPLOST) - \$315,016.68

W. Mary - 341-4250-541418 (CDBG) - \$862,771

W. Moore - 235-4250-541420 (T-SPLOST) - \$173,624.20

The only cost we are still unsure on is whether there will be any cost associated with the relocation of the power poles from Georgia Power, which we are working on now.

Mayor Joshua Kight and staff discussed the purpose and anticipated impact of the West Main Street and West Moore Street infrastructure improvement projects. It was explained that the primary goal of the West Main Street project was to address significant drainage issues by diverting stormwater away from residential properties and preventing roadway flooding. The project would also include resurfacing West Main Street and the installation of sidewalks connecting to the existing sidewalk network near the Housing Authority area, thereby improving pedestrian safety.

Staff further explained that the West Moore Street project involved the replacement of a failing culvert beneath the roadway, along with additional stormwater infrastructure improvements. Upon completion of the projects, residents in the

affected areas were expected to experience relief from recurring flooding issues affecting both yards and streets.

Discussion also included coordination efforts related to construction activities and utility easements. Staff noted that the City's engineering department and project engineers would work closely with impacted property owners throughout construction. Attention would be given to coordinating with a nearby daycare facility to minimize disruptions, including the possibility of performing portions of the work during late-night hours or weekends to accommodate business operations.

Mayor Joshua Kight provided additional clarification regarding the West Main Street and West Moore Street infrastructure project costs and timeline. He noted that while the final bid was significantly lower than an initial estimate of over \$2 million, the competitive bidding process helped reduce overall project costs and made the work more feasible while preserving portions of the City's TSPLOST and SPLOST funds for other budgeted projects.

Mayor Kight also informed Council that the project would require additional use of TSPLOST and SPLOST funds beyond what was originally anticipated when the project was approved in 2024.

In response to questions regarding the construction timeline, staff explained that a preconstruction meeting would be held with the contractor to finalize scheduling. It was anticipated that construction would begin approximately 60 to 75 days after contract execution, or roughly within two to three months.

A motion was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilperson Godfrey. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

Mayor Joshua Kight expressed enthusiasm that the infrastructure project was finally moving toward implementation after an extended planning and development period. He noted that the project had been in progress for approximately two years since the grant award, with preliminary work and planning beginning even earlier.

Mayor Kight indicated that Council and staff were pleased to see the project advancing toward construction after the extended timeline.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION #26-27 TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASE WITH CALIX**

The City Manager explained that as you have seen through purchases in the past, we use equipment from the company Calix for our Telecommunications Network. We budgeted to upgrade our equipment so that we can provide faster speeds for internet service as well as necessary portal licensing to allow the individual devices to be monitored and managed by our staff, which will be billed based on the number of devices

connected. We are also purchasing access to their training materials and services to support staff with any troubleshooting information we may need throughout the year. This information used to be available for free to us, but now they are charging for it. The total maximum cost of this is expected to be \$53,756.40 (again subject to the number of devices connected) and we did budget for these devices and subscriptions. Staff recommends you approve the resolution which incorporates all of these items into one approval. This is going to be paid from Telecomm's Budget as follows:

- Equipment - Acct. #570-4750-531500 (Supplies/Inventory Purchase for Resale) \$36,128.40
- Conversion - Acct. #570-4750-521200 (Professional Services) \$12,000
- Licensing - Acct. #570-4750-522202 (Software Support) \$5,628.00

A motion was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman Griggs. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, (5,0)

#### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Kight then moved to administrative announcements and noted a vacancy on the Black History Banner Committee following the departure of Kerry Smith, who left the position after accepting employment in Jefferson, Georgia. He explained that, under the City Charter, appointments to mayoral committees are made by the mayor unless otherwise established by ordinance or resolution.

Mayor Kight announced the appointment of Richard Nesbitt to the Black History Banner Committee. He expressed appreciation for Mr. Nesbitt's willingness to serve and thanked Bennie Jones for providing the recommendation for the appointment.

#### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

There were none

#### **Council Comments**

##### **Councilman Bill Brown**

Councilman Bill Brown had just arrived at council meeting at 9:46a.m. He stated that he had no comment and glad to be present.

##### **Councilman Bennie Jones**

Councilman Bennie Jones expressed appreciation for the progress and approval of the West Mary Street project, noting that it had been in development for several years. He stated that while the road could have been paved earlier, the city prioritized

completing the project correctly by addressing all associated infrastructure needs, including sidewalks and roadway improvements.

Councilman Jones highlighted that the area experiences significant pedestrian traffic and emphasized that the completed sidewalk and repaved roadway would improve safety and accessibility for residents. He also noted ongoing concerns about speeding in the area and suggested that traffic-calming measures, such as speed bumps, may be considered in the future.

He concluded by thanking staff and Council for their work on the project and extended early Mother's Day greetings to all mothers in the community.

**Councilperson Tess Godfrey**

Councilmember Tess Godfrey thanked those in attendance at the meeting and expressed enthusiasm for the West Mary Street project. She also reminded the public of the upcoming Good Info Expo scheduled for Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Market on Madison, encouraging both citizens and City officials, including the Mayor and Council, to attend.

Councilmember Godfrey concluded her remarks by wishing everyone a great weekend and extending early Mother's Day greetings.

**Councilperson Sara Kolbie**

Councilmember Sara Kolbie thanked those in attendance and expressed her appreciation for the progress being made on long-discussed City projects. She stated that she was particularly encouraged by the potential for increased single-family home development within the City of Dublin.

Councilmember Kolbie emphasized the importance of attracting more families to the community and noted that the significant reduction in building permit fees—more than 80 percent, down to approximately \$0.25 per heated square foot—was expected to serve as a strong incentive for new residential development. She expressed optimism that these changes would help bring additional families to Dublin and support long-term community growth.

**Councilman Paul Griggs**

No comment

**Councilman Brandon Chain**

No comments

**Mayor Joshua Kight**

Mayor Joshua Kight expressed appreciation for the state and federal agencies that contributed funding to the West Mary Street project. He noted that the project had been a long-standing priority for the city and highlighted that nearly \$900,000 in grant funding was secured through a combination of federal and state sources, which enabled the city to complete the project properly.

Mayor Kight thanked the City's grant staff for their work in securing external funding and emphasized the importance of grant resources in supporting major infrastructure projects. He further stated that grant funding allows the City to undertake significant improvements while helping to keep local property taxes lower.

**City Manager Josh Powell**

No comment

**STAFF COMMENTS**

**City Treasurer Blake Daniels:** No Comment

**City Clerk Dorothy Rozier:** No comment

**City Attorney Duke Groover:** Absent

With no further business, the mayor adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone for attending and following would be the Workshop Meeting to discuss FY' 27 BUDGET.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business; Mayor Kight adjourned the Council meeting at 9:50 a.m.

  
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Joshua E. Kight, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Dorothy Rozier, City Clerk

