

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
AND
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF CLAYTON COUNTY**

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR SESSION MEETING**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026

The regular session meeting of the Development Authority of Clayton County, Redevelopment Authority of Clayton County, and Urban Redevelopment Agency of Clayton County was held on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., at the Clayton County School District Café, 1098 Fifth Avenue, Jonesboro, GA 30236.

Members present at the meeting were Dr. Harrison Braddy, Chair; Terry Baskin, Secretary/Treasurer; Emma Godbee; Ramona Bivins; Rosannette Kirby; and Christopher Blocker. Also present was Authority counsel, M. Michelle Youngblood; Dr. Shaun Johnson; Levar Norsworthy; and Somanetha Moulate, assistant to the Chairman; and members of the public.

Call to Order and Invocation

Dr. Braddy opened the meeting at 6:12 p.m. and called on Terry Baskin for the invocation.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Braddy presented the agenda for approval. Upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Dr. Keith Horton, it was unanimously resolved to make the minutes of the executive session held at the special called meeting on December 19, 2025, item #4 on the consent agenda. Upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Dr. Terry Baskin, it was unanimously resolved to move public comment after the consent agenda. After further discussion, upon motion by Dr. Braddy, seconded by Rosanette Kirby, it was unanimously resolved to move the Affidavit of Qualifications after the consent agenda and before public comment. After a general discussion, upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Dr. Terry Baskin, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the agenda be approved as amended.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Dr. Braddy presented the consent agenda (items 1 – 5: minutes of December 11, 2025 regular and executive session meetings, minutes of December 19, 2025 special called meeting open and executive session meetings, and Treasurer's report) for approval. After a general discussion, upon motion by Emma Godbee, seconded by Ramona Bivins, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the consent agenda be approved as presented.

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NEW BUSINESS

6. Affidavit of Qualifications

Authority counsel reminded the Board that the County previously had requested confirmation that each Board member met the statutory qualifications to serve on the Authority. She noted that the County still would circulate its conflict of interest form, which also would have to be completed. All Board members completed and signed the affidavit of qualifications.

Public Comment

Members of the public addressed the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Momentum 500

Dr. Shaun Johnson reported that over 120 applications had been received for the small business grant, and there were several additional late submissions. Over 90% of the applicants met the eligibility criteria, and 30 grants were awarded, totaling \$325,000. The mandatory training for all grant recipients began with orientation on January 7, 2026, with 23 recipients attending. The training will continue January 10, 17, and 24, 2026. The funds will be distributed in February.

8. State of the Authority Event

Levar Norsworthy reported that the event will be held on May 1, 2026.

9. DNR Tenant Requests

Authority counsel reported that she had met with the property manager, who indicated that most of the requested repairs already had been addressed prior to the letter from the State. She is working to find dates that work for everyone to meet on site to discuss the windows.

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NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

10. Election of Officers

After a general discussion, upon motion by Dr. Keith Horton, seconded by Rosannette Kirby, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: To keep the same slate of officers and re-elect Dr. Braddy as Chair, Dr. Hynes as Vice-Chair, and Dr. Baskin as Secretary/Treasurer.

10. Workforce Development and Training Report

Dr. Shaun Johnson presented the Workforce Development and Training Report. She reported that the MOU with Goodwill of North Georgia has been executed, as well as the Partnership Agreement with Construction Ready, who has agreed to maintain the rate of \$4,000 per student (instead of the increase to \$5,000 they had proposed).

11. Marketing and Strategic Branding Report

Levar Norsworthy presented the Marketing and Strategic Branding update. He reported that social media engagement increased 74.8%, with a 150% increase in views by non-followers. He into phase 3 of the marketing plan, creating and developing compelling storytelling assets, including video testimonials. The next steps include Invest Clayton 2.0 and a brand book.

12. 2026 Conflict of Interest Resolution

Authority counsel presented and reviewed the 2026 conflict of interest resolution. After a general discussion, upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Rosannette Kirby, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the 2026 conflict of interest resolution be and hereby is adopted as presented.

12. 2026 Indemnification Resolution

Authority counsel presented and reviewed the 2026 indemnification resolution. After a general discussion, upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Emma Godbee, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the 2026 indemnification resolution be and hereby is adopted as presented.

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OTHER BUSINESS

12. **Executive Session**

There was no need for an executive session.

13. **Consideration of items, if any, discussed in Executive Session**

There being no further business to come before the Authority, upon motion by Ramona Bivins, seconded by Dr. Tim Hynes, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

Whereupon, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Terry Baskin, Secretary/Treasurer