

AGENDA
CITY OF SUWANEE, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 16, 2012
5:30 P.M.

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Meeting Location: City Hall, Big Splash Room, 330 Town Center Avenue

A. Police Quarterly Report

Chief Jones will present his department's quarterly report.

B. Staff Updates Agenda: The following items are not planned for discussion at the workshop, unless specifically requested by Council.

- **Arbor Day Celebration**

To celebrate Arbor Day and to maintain Tree City USA status, the City will hold a celebration on March 10, 2012. As part of the celebration, staff and citizens will be invited to participate in a ceremony at White Street Park to plant 10 dogwood trees. The Arbor Day proclamation will be included on the February 28th agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

- **Town Center Fountain Work**

As part of the Facilities Maintenance Program, Public Works staff has three maintenance projects planned for the interactive fountain. These will be completed in the off-season before the fountain is opened again in the spring. For more details on these projects, please see the staff briefing included in the packet.

- **20/20 Vision Roundtables**

The roundtables for the strategic plan have been completed, with the 100th session taking place on February 1. Interface Studio is evaluating all the data that came from the 25 different roundtable groups. Interface is scheduled to attend the February 28 Council meeting to inform the community of the process that has taken place, feedback to date, etc.

- **Temporary Alcohol Licenses for Events**

Council needs to issue temporary alcohol licenses for the 2012 events. Approval of these licenses will be included on the February 28 consent agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

- **Alcohol Beverage License: American Ale, 3463 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd, Suite 100**

American Ale has applied for a new licensee for their alcohol beverage license. The applicant is Ms. Carri Sanders. The Finance department recommends approval of the license. Consideration of this

item will be included on the February 28 public hearing and regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

- **Alcohol Beverage License: Twisted Taco, 3433 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd**
Twisted Taco is opening in the location of the former Chili's. They have applied for a license to serve beer, wine, and distilled spirits on the premises. Mr. Gavin Abadi is the applicant. The Finance department recommends approval of the license. Consideration of this item will be included on the February 28 public hearing and regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.
- **Fountain Policy**
Over the past several summers, the interactive fountain in Town Center Park has been a popular activity for day care centers. Staff has been observing the usage and has some recommendations on how to manage the fountain's use so that it can be enjoyed by all visitors. Staff will forward a recommended policy, likely for the March workshop.
- **Title VI & ADA Compliance for Federal Funding**
The City must execute a "Non-Discrimination Agreement" and "Title VI Assurances" in compliance with federal highway regulations in order to continue to receive federal funds for road projects. The City must also develop a Transition Plan for compliance with ADA, which staff will begin drafting. Staff has reviewed and recommends executing the required documents. Approval of this item will be included on the February 28 consent agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.
- **Alcohol Beverage Ordinance Amendment**
As discussed in previous workshops, staff is working on some revisions to the Alcohol Beverage ordinance. Some of these changes are related to events and other revisions are changes affecting the overall ordinance. Due to the timing of some upcoming events, staff plans to present these in two different amendments, with the first likely being submitted for the March workshop.

C. Construction Projects Updates

Staff will provide an update on the following projects:

- 1) **Police Substation/Training Facility**
- 2) **Suwanee Creek Greenway Rehabilitation**
- 3) **Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan**
- 4) **Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Landscaping Project**
- 5) **Brushy Creek TE Project**
- 6) **Buford Highway Reconstruction**
- 7) **Town Center Improvement**

D. 4th Quarter 2011 Economic Indicators Report

Staff will present an update of economic indicators for Suwanee including unemployment, foreclosure data,

vacancy rates and residential development progress. The 4th Quarter 2011 report also includes an annual summary of economic indicators. Staff will provide an overview at the workshop.

E. Norfolk Southern Easement Agreement

For many years, the City has leased right-of-way from Norfolk Southern for the Caboose and parking in Old Town. The City proposes to expand this leased area in order to provide additional parking on Main Street to serve Pierce's Corner and the Old Town businesses. Staff is working with Norfolk Southern to revise the lease in order to incorporate this additional area. Consideration of this agreement will be included on the February 28 consent agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

F. Schedule for FY 13 Budget Preparation

Staff has prepared a draft schedule for preparation of the FY 13 budget.

G. 2012-2016 STWP Development

Staff and Council will review the work program so that a final draft can be prepared.

H. Update on Gwinnett Convention & Visitors Bureau

Jace Brooks will provide an update.

I. Update on Gwinnett Municipal Association Activities

Council-led discussion.

J. City Manager's Report

i. Special Recognition Options for the February 28, 2012 Council Meeting

I. Kyle Maynard

ii. Minutes for Approval

I. January 24, 2012 Council Meeting