

AGENDA
CITY OF SUWANEЕ, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012

Note: As set forth in the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, the City of Suwanee does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to or treatment or employment in its programs or activities. Billie Marshall, 330 Town Center Avenue, Suwanee Georgia 30024 has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements contained in Section 35.107 of the Department of Justice Regulations. Information concerning the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the rights provided thereunder, is available from the ADA coordinator.

The City of Suwanee will assist citizens with special needs given proper notice. Any requests for reasonable accommodations required by individuals to fully participate in any open meeting, program or activity of the City of Suwanee should be directed to Billie Marshall, 330 Town Center Avenue, Suwanee Georgia 30024. 770-945-8996.

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

5:30 P.M.
CALLED MEETING

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Consider an Ordinance to Cancel the July 31, 2012 Special Election and to Certify Results.**
Qualifying for the July 31 special election concluded on June 27. One candidate, Beth Hilscher, qualified and has been declared.
- 3. Adjournment**

5:31 P.M.
(or immediately following Called Meeting)
COUNCIL WORKSHOP

A. Planning Commission Update

The Planning Commission will provide their annual update to Council.

B. Performance Measures Presentation: Planning and Police

Josh Campbell and Chief Jones will share the recently received data from the ICMA performance measures program for their departments.

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

1) I-85 Landscape Project

A Request for Bids to install landscaping around the I-85 interchange has been issued. The selected contractor will also be responsible for one year of maintenance following installation. Bids are due during the second week of August. Landscape installation will begin on or after October 15th which marks the beginning of GDOT's recommended planting season.

2) Buford Highway Context Sensitive Design

The Scoping Study has been submitted to the Atlanta Regional Commission for review. Any comments received from ARC will be addressed by staff and the study will be resubmitted for final approval. Once approved by ARC, the project will be added to the regional TIP during the month of September and the consultant process will begin.

3) Town Center Park Sod Replacement

Town Center lawn landscape repair is underway.

4) 20/20 Vision Video and Summary Poster Update

Production of the 20/20 vision video and summary poster is currently underway. These items will be released at the July 24th Council meeting. Hard copies of the adopted plan will also be available.

5) Summer Interns

The Economic Development department is hosting three un-paid interns. All three represent Georgia schools and are working as part of a formal internship program for their respective schools. Zanir Malani (Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology) and April Radford (University of West Georgia, History and Planning) are both working with Amy Doherty in organizing events for 2012. Zach Lawson (Georgia Gwinnett College, Public Administration and International Studies) is working with Ali Starnes on re-vamping the city's webpage as it relates to small business assistance.

The Administrative Services department is also hosting an un-paid intern. Grant Thomas is a first-year undergraduate student in the Honors Program of The Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at the University of Georgia. He is an aspiring attorney. He is working with Mariza with

the scanning project, supporting court staff and interacting with solicitors, probation officer, and Judges.

6) Suwanee Day Logo

Suwanee resident Shannon Schells' design has been selected as the official logo for the 2012 Suwanee Day festival. This is the second time Shannon has won this design competition. In 2009, her "flower power" design was chosen.

7) Concert Updates

The August 11th band will be Vertical Horizon. They are an alternative rock band that began in the early 90's. Two of their hits include "Best I Ever Had (Grey Sky Morning)" and "Everything You Want." The Suwanee Day feature band (September 15th) will be The Smithereens. They began in the early 80's and have a classic rock feel. Check out their websites for more information, www.verticalhorizon.com and www.officialsmithereens.com. Rock on.

8) Fountain Reservation Update

D. Construction Updates

1) PIB Landscape Project

2) Police Substation/Training Facility

3) Suwanee Creek Greenway Rehabilitation

4) Town Center Park Irrigation Well

5) Pedestrian Bicycle Plan Implementation

6) Shade Structures

E. Discussion of 2012 Millage Rate

The City has received the 2012 tax consolidation information from Gwinnett County. After analyzing the data provided from Gwinnett County, staff is recommending a proposed millage rate of 4.93 mills in order to receive the amount of property tax revenue projected in the FY 2013 budget. Please note that the City Council can always adopt a lower rate than advertised. Should Council wish to adopt a higher rate, we would need to re-advertise before setting a higher rate. The millage rate is proposed for adoption at the August 28 Council meeting.

F. Interagency Agreement for Narcotics and Vice Gwinnett/Metro Task Force

As a result of the settlement in the Services Delivery Strategy case, it is incumbent on cities to identify resources to handle complaints and investigate incidents of narcotics use and abuse as well as violations of vice laws occurring within the various municipalities located in Gwinnett County. Adoption of this agreement will be included on the July 24th regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

G. GCPS Support

Councilmember Foster would like to discuss how the City can further support the local school system.

H. Update on Gwinnett Municipal Association Activities

Council-led discussion.

I. City Manager's Report

i. Special Recognition Options for the July 24, 2012 Council Meeting

ii. Minutes for Approval

1. June 14, 2012 Called Council Meeting

2. June 26, 2012 Council Meeting