

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2018

NOON

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: James M. Burnette, Mayor
Beth Hilscher, Councilmember
Linnea Miller, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

Absent: Richard I. Goodman, Mayor Pro Tempore
Daniel Foster, Councilmember
Doug Ireland, Councilmember

1. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM.

2. Public Hearing

a) 2018 Millage Rate

Marty Allen, City Manager, stated this is the 2nd of three hearings for the Millage Rate. We have received our 2018 tax consolidation information from Gwinnett County. After analyzing the data provided from Gwinnett County, staff recommends a proposed millage rate of 4.93 mills, the same proposed millage rate used in the adopted FY 2019 budget.

There was no citizen attendance. Mayor Burnette closed the Public Hearing and the meeting dismissed.

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DINNER SESSION – 5:30 PM
BIG SPLASH ROOM

City Council Informal Session

Informal discussion among City Councilmembers and staff. Food provided for Elected Officials and staff. No action to be taken during session.

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COUNCIL MEETING – 6:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

3. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM and read the procedures for Public Hearings for the record.

4. Public Hearing

a) 2018 Millage Rate

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b) RZ-2018-004 – Applicant & Owner: Barc Holdings, LLC. The applicant requests a rezoning from R-100 (Residential Single-Family District) to IRD (Infill Residential Development) to allow for 3 single family homes. The site is located in Land Lot 237 of the 7th District at 722 and 662 Scales Road and is approximately 1.1 acres

- c) **RZ-2018-005 – Applicant & Owner: Barc Holdings, LLC. The applicant requests a rezoning from R-100 (Residential Single-Family District) to IRD (Infill Residential Development) to allow for 3 single family homes. The site is located in Land Lot 237 of the 7th District at 674 Scales Road and is approximately 0.5 acres.**

The planning department recommends approval with conditions of the request.

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented RZ-2018-004 and 005 together. There are two separate tracts with the same applicant in both locations. Each rezoning consists of 3 houses to be constructed. The location at the intersection of Scales Road and Calaboose Street will have rear loaded units with an alley off Calaboose Street. The planning department recommends approval with conditions of the request. The Planning Commission recommended approval with staff conditions. At Planning Commission meeting RZ-2018-005 there were concerns regarding stormwater on Calaboose. Staff has crafted conditions in an attempt to address these issues.

Support: Tyler Marchman, 6845 Shiloh Road East, Suite D-3, Alpharetta, GA. The applicant is in agreement with the condition to address the stormwater issue.

Opposition: None

- d) **RZ-2018-006 – Applicant: ASSK 7 USA LLC. Owner: Afzin Enterprises, Inc. The applicant requests a rezoning from C-2 (General Commercial District) to C-2A (Special Commercial District - Alcoholic Beverage Sales) to allow for a convenience store with alcohol sales. The site is located in Land Lot 169 of the 7th District at 3034 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road and contains approximately 0.7 acres.**

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented the staff analysis as follows: This location was recently zoned for a gas station and convenience store. The applicant is requesting alcohol sales at the location. There are other similar uses in the area. Some concerns were expressed regarding a smoke shop at the location. There is one condition crafted to prohibit a smoke shop at this location.

Support: Chuck Ross, Webb, Tanner, Powell, 10 Lumpkin Street, Lawrenceville, GA, represented the applicant. The store has been open about three months. There are no concerns with the condition of no smoke shop.

Nadeem Ali, 3974 Bennigan Lane, Duluth, GA, owner was present.

Opposition: None

- e) **RZ-2018-007 – Applicant: Spartan Investors I, LLC. Owner: Suwanee First Baptist Church. The applicant requests a rezoning from RM-6 (Residential Multi-Family District) to RM-6 (change of conditions) to allow for single family detached and single family attached homes. The site is located in Land Lot 237 of the 7th District at 641 Eva Kennedy Road and is approximately 18.2 acres.**

There will be no action on this case tonight. There was no audience comment.

Motion by Councilmember Ireland to postpone RZ-2018-007 to the September 25, 2018 meeting, second Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman and so carried 5-0.

5. Announcements

- a) On Saturday, September 8th, Annandale Village will host their **Extra Mile 5k Walk/Run**, a fundraising and disabilities awareness campaign to honor and celebrate individuals and families living with and affected by developmental disabilities and those that have experienced a traumatic brain injury.
- b) Named Best Festival in 2015 by the Southeast Festival and Events Association, we cannot wait for **Suwanee Fest**, our annual two-day celebration of community! Kicked off with a parade and featuring over 200 vendor booths, including specialty food and drink, woodworking, jewelry, pottery, and more, plus 12 hours of on-stage entertainment, Suwanee Fest is not to be missed! Town Center Park will be the place to be on Saturday, September 15th and Sunday, September 16th. For more details, please visit suwaneefest.com.
- c) Rounding out our September event calendar is **Happy Feat's Happy Carnival** on Saturday, September 29th. The carnival, held in Town Center Park from 2pm-9pm will benefit Happy Feat, an organization that creates inclusive opportunities for the world to see that those with disabilities are beautiful, valuable, and capable.
- d) September is the final month for our summer **Farmer's Market**. Visit us each Saturday (except Suwanee Fest day on September 15th) from 8am-noon in Town Center Park. The market will transition to our winter farmer's market on October 13th.

6. Pledge of Allegiance

7. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 5-0.

8. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a) **July 12, 2018 Council Workshop**
 - b) **July 24, 2018 Council Meeting**

Motion to approve by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 5-0.

9. **Special Recognition**
 - a) **Ray Stanjevich and Suzanne Cartwright: Berlin Wall donation**
 - b) **North Gwinnett HS Girls Golf Team: State Champions**

10. Special Presentation: Suwanee Youth Leaders

Abigail Ventimiglia, and Erich Langstine, provided a mid-year report on the 2018 program.

11. Audience Participation – None

NEW BUSINESS

12. Consider 2018 Millage Rate of 4.93 Mills

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman and so carried 5-0.

13. Consider RZ-2018-004 from R-100 to IRD at 722 and 662 Scales Road

Motion to approve by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Councilmember Goodman. Amended motion by Councilmember Hilscher to approve with staff condition, amended second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 5-0.

14. Consider RZ-2018-005 from R-100 to IRD at 674 Scales Road

Motion by Councilmember Hilscher to approve with staff conditions dated 8/28/2018, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 5-0.

15. Consider RZ-2018-006 from C-2 to C-2A at 3034 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road

Motion by Councilmember Miller to approve with staff conditions dated 8/28/2018, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman and so carried 5-0.

16. Consider RZ-2018-007 from RM-6 to RM-6 (change of conditions) at 641 Eva Kennedy Road

Motion by Councilmember Ireland to postpone to the September 25, 2018 Council Meeting, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman and so carried 5-0.

17. Authorize Mayor to Execute Right-of-Way Agreement with Gwinnett County

Heartis Senior Living, located at 4055 Suwanee Dam Road, will be planting street trees and other landscaping, installing pedestrian street lights, and constructing sidewalks in the right-of-way, which is a road maintained by Gwinnett County. This agreement clarifies that these improvements will not be maintained by Gwinnett County, but rather by the City of Suwanee.

Motion to approve by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 5-0.

18. Authorize Mayor to Execute Right-of-Way Agreement with Heartis Senior Living

This right-of-way agreement transfers maintenance responsibility for street trees, landscaping, street lights, and sidewalks located at 4055 Suwanee Dam Road from the City of Suwanee to Heartis Senior Living. Staff is finalizing the draft agreement with Heartis now and the full, final agreement will be forwarded for signature.

Motion to approve by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 5-0.

19. Authorize Mayor to Execute Contract with Columns Fundraising to for Public Art Capital Campaign

The Public Arts Commission recommends that the City enter into a contract with Columns Fundraising to provide consulting services related to a public art capital campaign.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman and so carried 5-0.

20. Consent Agenda

a) Approve Revised Safety Policy

Staff has prepared some minor administrative updates to the City's Safety Policy.

b) Authorize Contract for Roth 457 Employee Retirement Plan with ICMA

Based on requests from staff, the City would like to offer employees the ability to contribute to an ICMA Roth 457 plan. The City currently offers a 457 plan and this would not replace that, but rather provide an additional option for contributions. Like the current 457 plan, the Roth 457 would also be funded 100% by employees, with no contribution from the City.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 5-0.

21. Executive Session: None

22. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mayor Pro Tempore Goodman, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 5-0.

Approved September 25, 2018