

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: James M. Burnette, Mayor
Richard I. Goodman, Mayor Pro Tempore
Daniel Foster, Councilmember
Beth Hilscher, Councilmember
Doug Ireland, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Robyn O'Donnell, Administrative Coordinator
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

Absent: Councilmember Linnea Miller
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk

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.

COUNCIL MEETING – 6:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

A. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

B. Public Hearing

1. Alcohol Beverage License: Tequila Mama

Tequila Mama has applied for a new license for on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Tequila Mama is located at 340 Town Center Avenue, Ste A-8 (former Suwanee Park Tavern). Mr. Blake Jordan Rogers has applied as the licensee and the Business Services department recommends approval.

Mr. Blake Rogers, Tequila Mama, 340 Town Center Avenue, Suwanee, Georgia, 30024 spoke on the restaurant's environment and menu.

C. Announcements

1. The annual **Peach State Chili Cook-Off** returns this Saturday, November 17th. The event benefits the Georgia chapter of the Gift of Adoption Fund and serves as the International Chili Society Georgia State Championship. The winners will advance to the World's Championships. With over 50 different chilies available for tasting, the Peach State Chili Cookoff will also feature a People's Choice competition, live music, a kids area, arts and crafts vendors, and local food trucks and vendors.
2. We're now **applications for community events** to be hosted at City of Suwanee parks during 2019. Applications are due by November 28th and can be accessed at suwanee.com.
3. Santa's coming to Suwanee on Friday, November 30th for our annual **Jolly Holly Day** event! Join us in Town Center Park beginning at 6:30 pm as we ring in the holiday season with festive performances by local schools and light the big tree. Families can take photos with Santa and enjoy free crafts, s'mores, and hot chocolate while supplies last.
4. The holiday festivities will continue on Saturday, December 1st for **Happy Feat's Jingle in the Park**. Join us as Town Center Park is transformed into a pop-up holiday market, full of unique handmade gifts and decor. We begin the day with Prancer's PJs & Pancake 5K, followed by the Run, Run Rudolph Fun Run, led by Buddy the Elf! The Happy Holly Market is from 10 am-6 pm. Proceeds benefit Happy Feat, an organization that creates inclusive opportunities for the world to see that those with disabilities are beautiful, valuable, and capable.
5. Now in its sixth year, the award-winning **Suwanee Youth Leaders** program is accepting applications for its nine-month leadership program for high school sophomores and juniors. SYL is open to students who live in the North Gwinnett, Peachtree Ridge, and Collins Hill clusters, as well as home school and private school students who reside within those clusters. The program centers on civic involvement, leadership skills, and volunteer opportunities. Applications are due by December 1st and can be found at suwanee.com
6. We are now hosting our **winter season farmer's market**, which is the second Saturday of each month from 9-11am in Town Center Park. The next market will be Saturday, December 8th. Stop by and enjoy fresh local winter produce, such as lettuces, greens, potatoes, carrots, Brussels sprouts, baked goods, and a variety of other delicious, local flavors.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman to approve the Agenda as presented, second by Councilmember Doug Ireland and so carried 5-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

1. **October 11, 2018 Called Meeting**
2. **October 11, 2018 Workshop**
3. **October 23, 2018 Council Meeting**

Motion by Councilmember Hilscher to approve the Minutes as presented, second by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman and so carried 5-0.

G. Special Presentation: PlanFirst Community

Suwanee has been re-designated as a PlanFirst Community. Georgia Department of Community Affairs will formally present the award. PlanFirst is a program to recognize and reward communities that clearly demonstrate an established pattern of successfully implementing their Local Comprehensive Plan.

On behalf of Commissioner Nunn, Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, Mr. John Van Brunt presented the PlanFirst re-designation of the community of Suwanee to Mayor Jimmy Burnette.

H. Special Recognition: 2018 Suwanee Youth Leaders

I. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

NEW BUSINESS

J. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for Tequila Mama

Motion by Councilmember Foster to approve the alcohol beverage license for Tequila Mama, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 5-0.

K. Consider Approving Revision to Solis Phase II Concept Plan

Terwilliger Pappas requests changes to the approved concept plan for Solis Phase II.

Motion by Councilmember Hilscher to approve revision to Solis Phase II Concept Plan, second by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman and so carried 5-0.

L. Consider Intergovernmental Agreement with the DDA IGA

The city needs to execute an IGA in order to transfer property to the Downtown Development Authority.

Motion by Councilmember Foster to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the DDA IGA, second by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman and so carried 5-0.

M. Consider 2019 Council Schedule

The Council will adopt the schedule for their 2019 Council workshops and meetings.

Motion by Councilmember Hilscher to approve the 2019 Council schedule, second by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman and so carried 5-0.

N. Consider Memorandum of Agreement with Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Suwanee's PlanFirst Designation

Suwanee has been re-designated as a PlanFirst Community. PlanFirst is a program to recognize and reward communities that clearly demonstrate an established pattern of successfully implementing their Local Comprehensive Plan. Under this agreement, Suwanee will maintain the designation for three years and both parties will have certain responsibilities to uphold during this time period.

Motion by Councilmember Ireland to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Suwanee's PlanFirst Designation, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 5-0.

O. Executive Session: No Executive Session

P. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Councilmember Foster, second by Mayor Pro Tem Goodman and so carried 5-0.

Approved December 18, 2018