

# AGENDA CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING & WORKSHOP THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2019 5:30 PM

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Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

# CALLED MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. Call to Order

### 2. Public Hearing: 2019 Millage Rate

We have received our 2019 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 2020 budget. This is also the same millage rate as the past seven years. Additional public hearings will be held on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at noon and 6:30 pm, with adoption scheduled at the August 27<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

#### 3. Adjournment

### COUNCIL WORKSHOP BIG SPLASH ROOM

#### A. Staff Updates

#### I. Hacienda Bar and Grill No. 5 LLC Beverage License

This business has applied for a new license for the on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Mr. Celerino Garcia has applied to be the licensee and the Business Services department recommends approval.

#### 2. Call for Special Election Brunch Bill

A referendum authorizing the City of Suwanee to permit and regulate Sunday sales of alcohol by the drink beginning at I I am will be included on the ballot for the November 5th municipal election. Better known as the "Brunch Bill" or "Mimosa Mandate," passed through the Georgia legislature in 2018, this legislation gives local governments the opportunity to call referendums if they so choose. Consideration of this item will be included on the August 27th regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

## 3. Station Center Traffic Calming Pilot Project

Over the years, the Suwanee Station HOA has approached the city about speeding along Station Center Boulevard. Speed studies show moderately elevated speeds. We have previously implemented radar

Speed Signs. They have asked for additional traffic calming measures. We have explored appropriate options and plan to undertake a small pilot project for on-road driver awareness signage.

#### 4. 457 Retirement Plan Match

With the FY20 budget, the City began a retirement match program for employees. This has been very well received by staff. As hoped, it has been very successful in leveraging a great number of existing employees to start or increase their personal retirement contributions. Staff will have updated information to present at the workshop.

#### 5. Public Works Move Update

Public Works is making excellent progress regarding the renovations at the new Public Works building on Swiftwater Park Drive. Select staff have already moved into the building.

#### **B.** Alcohol Ordinance Amendment

At the July workshop, Council discussed two amendments to the alcohol ordinance: 1) expand the Town Center entertainment district across Buford Highway and 2) permit the consumption of mixed drinks in the Town Center district. Staff has prepared the associated amendment. Consideration of this item will be included on the August 27th regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

# C. Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan Update

Staff will provide a brief summary of the August 7th Open House and stakeholder interviews for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan Update.

#### **D. Economic Indicators Report**

Staff will present the 2019 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report.

# E. Station Park (Town Center on Main Phase I)

Staff will present updated cost and design information pertaining to the park.

#### F. Draft IGA with County for Town Center on Main

Staff will provide the latest update.

### G. Norforlk Southern Main Street Update

Staff will provide the latest update.

#### H. Cybersecurity Update

Staff will update Council on efforts and potentially related staff adjustments.

#### I. Knowledge Sharing

- I. Gwinnett Municipal Association
- 2. Other

### J. City Manager's Report

- i. Special Recognition Options for the Council Meeting
- ii. Minutes for Approval
  - I. July II Workshop
  - 2. July 23 Council Meeting