

MINUTES
**CALLED MEETING AND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2016

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: Jimmy Burnette, Mayor
Linnea Miller, Mayor Pro Tempore
Daniel F. Foster, Councilmember
Richard I. Goodman, Councilmember
Beth Hilscher, Councilmember
Doug Ireland, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Gregory Jay, City Attorney
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk

5:30 P.M.
DINNER SESSION
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.

6:00 PM
CALLED MEETING
BIG SPLASH ROOM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Executive Session – Personnel

Interviews for Planning boards.

Motion to Enter Executive Session for Personnel by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

Motion to Exit Executive Session by Councilmember Ireland, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

No Action Taken.

3. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0. Brief break prior to regular Council Meeting.

6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

A. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:39 P.M., and read the procedures for Public Hearings for the record.

B. Public Hearing

- 1. RZ 2016-004 – Owner: Donald Johnsa. Applicant: Lynwood Development. The applicant requests a rezoning from M-1 (Light Industry District) and R-140 (Residential Single Family District) to PMUD (Planned Mixed-Use Development) to allow for a mixed-use development. The site is located in Land Lot 236 of the 7th District at 450 Buford Highway and contains approximately 18.0 acres**

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented the staff analysis. The project is approximately 240 multi-family units, up to 30,000 sq. ft. commercial, and 71 townhomes. This property is an expansion of a previous rezoning. Staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request with conditions. The development would have the look and style and mixed use environment as Town Center. Should Council desire to approve the request, staff recommends approval with conditions dated 11/14/2016.

Support:

- Marian Adeimy, Esq., Andersen, Tate & Carr, PC, One Sugarloaf Centre, Suite 4000, 1960 Satellite Boulevard, Duluth, GA 30097, represented the applicant. Lynwood Development has been successful to work with Terwilliger Pappas and the lumber yard to assist the City is fulfilling a Master Plan initiative. This project introduces a high end product to Suwanee Town Center. Townhomes will be a mixture of rear and front entry, pocket parks, pedestrian travel ease, and an opportunity for future development along Buford Highway with a mixture of retail uses. The applicant is in agreement with staff recommended conditions. Completion of the development will include approximately 4.5 acres of greenspace, pedestrian connectivity and add 150 parking spaces in the deck near the front retail portion of the property.
- Greg Power, Terwilliger Pappas, 2472 Fernleaf Court, Atlanta, GA 30318. Project originally zoned on 3 acres in September 2015. They have acquired the additional 15 acres to provide the project presented today.

Opposition: None

2. **RZ 2016-005 – Owner: Mun Sun Hui. Applicant: Caddis Acquisition Partners. The applicant requests a rezoning from M-1 and C-1 to PMUD to allow for a senior living facility. The site is located in Land Lot 236 of the 7th District at the intersection of Suwanee Dam Road and Brogdon Road and contains approximately 10 acres**

Josh Campbell, Planning Director presented the staff analysis. The proposed project is 171 units with a mixture of independent living units, assisted living units and memory care. It is proposed to be 73,000 sq. ft. of living space to include 59 assisted living units, 32 memory care beds and 83 living units. The proposal is in accordance with the Future Land Use Plan. Staff & Planning Commission recommends approval. Should Council desire to approve the rezoning, staff recommends approval with 11/3/2016 conditions.

Support:

- Judd Jacobs, Caddas, 5910 North Central Express Way, Dallas, TX 75206. This is a senior living community. The applicant adhere to recommendations and build up to the street giving the same look as Town Center. Just recently broke ground in Fayetteville on a similar facility. This will not be skilled nursing or a nursing home.

Opposition: None.

There being no additional discussion, the Public Hearing closed.

C. Announcements

1. *Applications for the 2017 **Suwanee Youth Leaders** (SYL) program, an eight-month City of Suwanee leadership program for high school sophomores and juniors, are being accepted through December 2. Applications are available through schools and at suwanee.com. Now in its fourth year, the award-winning SYL program is open to students who live in the North Gwinnett, Peachtree Ridge, and Collins Hill clusters. The program centers on civic involvement, leadership skills, and volunteer opportunities. For more information, contact Adam Edge at City Hall.*
2. *In an effort to provide complete and clear financial information, the City of Suwanee has launched its **open data budget website**, ensuring that city financial data is easily accessible and understandable for citizens. Rather than wading through hundreds of pages of scanned documents of legal and financial information, citizens and staff see financial data contextualized in charts, graphs, and images are attractive, navigable, and easy to understand. Visit budget.suwanee.com to explore the open budget.*
3. *The next **Winter Farmer's Market** will be held on Saturday, December 10 from 9-11 a.m. 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.

4. *Snap – and share – your photos of the Suwanee community through the City's annual **Snap Suwanee photo competition**. Photos submitted to the competition should represent the Suwanee community in some way and ideally be taken within the City of Suwanee limits. Winning photographs will be exhibited, beginning in March 2017, for an approximately one-year period at City Hall. The dozen winning photos from the 2016 competition are currently on display on the first-floor lobby of City Hall.*
5. *There are a small number of plots available at **Harvest Farm** community garden for the 2017 season. Garden plots are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to City residents, property owners, and taxpayers as well as returning gardeners. Plots are available in three different sizes, with the annual fee ranging from \$50-\$100. To apply, visit harvestfarmsuwanee.com.*

Councilmember Foster shared there is an Azalea Garden at Harvest Farm. This garden is a partnership between Atlanta Garden Club and the City – 67 azaleas. Councilmember Foster expressed thanks to Roger Grant and Columbia Engineering the donation of the design.

6. *'Tis the Season in Suwanee! You'd better watch out, and you'd better not cry – Santa Claus is coming to town on Friday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m. for the City of Suwanee's annual **Jolly Holly Day celebration at Town Center Park!** Santa will light Suwanee's Christmas tree, listen to wishes, and take photos with all the good girls and boys. Choruses from Level Creek, Riverside, Roberts, Burnette, Parsons, and Suwanee elementary schools will perform some of the season's favorite tunes, while performers from Sounds of Suwanee and Royal Dance Academy also will serve up some jammin' jingles. Santa Claus will magically arrive at the beginning of the holiday event and then will meet with children and families while performances continue onstage. Parents, be sure to bring cameras or phones to snap your own complimentary photos. Free hot chocolate, cookies, s'mores, and holiday crafts will be available while supplies last.*

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Goodman to approve the agenda as presented by staff, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller and so carried 6-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

1. **October 13, 2016 Council Workshop**
2. **October 25, 2016 Council Meeting**

Motion to approve the Minutes by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

G. Council Recognition

1. 2016 Suwanee Youth Leaders

Mayor Burnette, Denise Brinson and Adam Edge recognized the 2016 class.

H. Audience Participation - None

OLD BUSINESS

- I. RZ 2016-004 – Owner: Donald Johnsa. Applicant: Lynwood Development. The applicant requests a rezoning from M-1 (Light Industry District) and R-140 (Residential Single Family District) to PMUD (Planned Mixed-Use Development) to allow for a mixed-use development. The site is located in Land Lot 236 of the 7th District at 450 Buford Highway and contains approximately 18.0 acres**

Motion by Councilmember Goodman to approve RZ 2016-004 with conditions dated 11/14/2016, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

- J. RZ 2016-005 – Owner: Mun Sun Hui. Applicant: Caddis Acquisition Partners. The applicant requests a rezoning from M-1 and C-1 to PMUD to allow for a senior living facility. The site is located in Land Lot 236 of the 7th District at the intersection of Suwanee Dam Road and Brogdon Road and contains approximately 10 acres**

Motion by Councilmember Foster to approve RZ 2016-005 with conditions dated 11/3/2016, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- K. Authorize the Mayor, consultants working on behalf of the City, and staff to undertake those actions necessary to complete the timely certification of right-of-way for the Buford Highway Improvements between McGinnis Ferry Road and the entrance of George Pierce Park including, but not limited to, negotiations, land acquisition, easement acquisition, condemnation, and/or appraisals**

Motion to approve by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

- L. Authorize the Mayor and staff to take the necessary steps to donate city owned land to the Georgia Department of Transportation as needed to complete the timely certification of right-of-way for the Buford Highway Improvements between McGinnis Ferry Road and the entrance to George Pierce Park**

Motion to approve by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller and so carried 6-0.

M. Authorize the Mayor to enter into a supplemental agreement for Transportation Enhancement Activities with Georgia Department of Transportation.

The supplemental agreement is related to the completion of the Brushy Creek Greenway. It is part of the process of obtaining full re-imbursement for the project.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

N. Start Time Change for December 13, 2016 Council Meeting to 5:30 p.m.

Consideration to change the start time for the December 13, 2016 Council Meeting to 5:30 p.m.

Motion to approve by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0.

O. 2017 Council Schedule

Motion to approve by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

P. Executive Session: None

Q. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0.

Approved December 13, 2016