



AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING & WORKSHOP
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020
5:30 PM

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Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue, Council Chambers

WORKSHOP – 5:30 pm

A. RZ-2020-002 – Owner: Noble Corner LP. Applicant: Ted Turner

The applicant requests a rezoning from C-2 (General Commercial District) and M-1 (Light Industry District) to RM-6 (Residential Multi-Family Duplex District) to allow for townhomes. The site is located in Land Lot 239 of the 7th District on Peachtree Industrial Boulevard between the two shopping centers of McGinnis Crossing and Plaza at Suwanee Station and contains approximately 16.3 acres. The Planning Department recommends approval with conditions. The Planning Commission has postponed this case to their November 3rd meeting. Consideration of this item will be included on the October 27th public hearing & regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

B. RZ-2020-003 – Owner: James M. Burnette Jr. Applicant: Lee Thompson

The applicant requests a rezoning from R-100 (Residential Single Family District) to IRD (Infill Residential District) to allow for single family detached homes. The site is located in Land Lot 236 of the 7th District at 541 Main Street and contains approximately 0.84 acre. The Planning Department recommends approval with conditions. Consideration of this item will be included on the October 27th public hearing & regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

CALLED MEETING – 5:35 pm

C. Call to Order

D. COVID/CARES Act Update (Temporary Standing Item)

E. Consider Change Order with Hogan Construction to Install an Elevator in the Municipal Court Building.

In order comply with COVID-19 Court Operating Guidelines from the state Administrative Office of the Courts, there is a need for greater social distancing, new technology, and other operational changes. Hogan is finalizing pricing to install an elevator to serve the second floor that is currently being finished out. Cost is not expected to exceed \$250,000.00. Final pricing is being developed and is expected to be available prior to the meeting.

F. Adjournment

WORKSHOP CONTINUES – immediately after Called Meeting

G. Police Quarterly Update

Police staff will share the report for 3rd quarter 2020.

H. Staff Updates

1. Consider Award of Contract to (Service Provider To Be Determined) for City Hall Building Coping & Precast Coating Project and Authorize the Mayor to Execute Contract Document

A project to address water leaking issues at the City Hall Building is being proposed which generally consists of 1) clean and coat the roof precast coping; 2) clean exterior building walls by pressure washing; 3) Alternate: coat exterior building precast bands; and 4) wet glaze front curtainwall. Consideration of this item will be included on the October 27th regular agenda, unless Council prefers otherwise.

2. Main Street Drainage & Parking Improvement Project Update

Norfolk Southern has notified us that they are sending a response to the Right of Entry Application, and we expect to receive it prior to the Council Workshop.

3. Gwinnett Creativity Fund Project Grant

The city has received a \$10,000 Gwinnett Creativity Fund Project Grant administered by Explore Gwinnett. The funds will be used to commission an artist to create a mural on the large retaining wall along Buford Highway near Town Center Avenue. It is a matching grant. We anticipate the total project cost to be between \$20,000-25,000. The city will do an RFP process to secure an artist and it will be a PAC-led project. The project must be completed by February 15, 2021.

I. CIP Updates

Staff will provide updates on the following projects:

- 1. Jackson Street**
- 2. Settles Bridge Road Speed Reduction**
- 3. McGinnis Ferry Bridge/Overpass Fencing Discussion**
- 4. Station Park Update**
 - a. Police Building Sign**

J. Code Amendment - Breweries

Staff is working on a code amendment to address operating hours for breweries as well as excise taxes required by state law for canned/bottled beer.

K. Pedestrian and Bicycle Loop Study

Staff will provide an update on the consultant selection for the study.

L. IGA with Downtown Development Authority

The city and DDA are working on a joint project pertaining to downtown development. The anticipated project includes funding assistance from the city to the DDA. An IGA is being prepared for Council consideration as a regular agenda item. Staff would like to discuss some of the elements of the anticipated arrangement.

M. Easement for Potential New Restaurant

Discussion of provision of easement for a potential new restaurant at the former Friends location.

N. Planning Boards Appointments

The Zoning Board of Appeals has two vacancies due to recent resignations. Council should discuss how they would like to fill the vacancies.

O. Court Mural

Staff will update Council on the status of the project. Concepts are due from the 3 artist finalists on October 12th and staff hopes to have a recommendation for Council at the workshop.

P. SculptTour Update

Staff will give an update on the program and a recommendation for 2021. The PAC is meeting on October 14th and will be discussing the 2021-23 exhibit. Staff may consider extending the 2019-21 exhibit for one year and is in the process of checking with the artists to see if that is a viable option.

Q. Event Evaluation (temporary standing item)

Staff is recommending that the city accept 2021 event applications during the normal timeframe (November/December 2020) for 5K runs only. Other events (festivals, concerts, etc.) will be evaluated during the 1st quarter of 2021.

R. Knowledge Sharing

- 1. Gwinnett Municipal Association Activities**
- 2. Other**

S. City Manager's Report

- 1. Minutes for Approval**