

Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021

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

Attendees: James M. Burnette, Jr., Mayor
Linnea Miller, Mayor Pro Tem
Beth Hilscher, Councilmember
Heather Hall, Councilmember
Larry Pettiford, Councilmember
Peter Charpentier, Councilmember
Denise Brinson, Assistant City Manager
Robyn O'Donnell, City Clerk
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

Absent: Marty Allen, City Manager

DINNER SESSION – 5:30 PM
BIG SPLASH ROOM

City Council Informal Session

Agenda review and 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 p.m.

B. Public Hearing

1. Alcohol Beverage License for Two Cities Suwanee, 3433 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road

Sean Spurlock has applied for a new alcohol beverage license for on-premise consumption at Two Cities Pizza, a full-service restaurant located at 3433 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road. The Business Services Department recommends approval.

Representing Two Cities Pizza Mr. Zack Reeves, 6538 Vista View Court, Flowery Branch, spoke in support of the request. Mr. Reeves explained the history of the restaurant to Council. Mr. Reeves noted that the anticipated opening date of the restaurant is February 2022.

No one spoke in opposition.

2. RZ – 2021 – 007 – Owner: Carriage Hill Associates, Inc. Applicant: Oakmont Pacolet Acquisitions, LLC

The applicant requests a rezoning from RM-8 (Residential Multi-Family Duplex District) to M-1 (Light Industry District) to allow for a light industrial distribution facility. The site is located on Old Peachtree Road west of the intersection with Horizon Drive and contains approximately 10 acres. The Planning Commission and recommends approval.

On behalf of the applicant, Ms. Melanie Glouten of Anderson Tate and Carr, 1960 Satellite Blvd., Suite 4000, Duluth, spoke in support of the request. She noted that the property is surrounded by other industrial uses. The proposed use is for one single-story industrial warehouse with approximately 165,000 square feet. There would be 27 bay doors, 36 trailer parking spaces and approximately 138 surface parking spaces. The site would have two entrances that come out onto Old Peachtree Road and would be in compliance with stormwater and architectural requirements. Councilmember Charpentier asked if a tenant was already committed to the building and Ms. Glouten stated that there is no tenant at this time and the building would be a speculative space.

No one spoke in opposition.

C. Announcements

1. Suwanee's Winter Farmers Market is happening twice monthly. Come and enjoy the great outdoors at Town Center Park from 9am – noon. Stop by and enjoy fresh local winter produces such as lettuces, greens, potatoes, carrots baked goods and a variety of other delicious local flavors. Upcoming Farmers Market dates are November 20th, December 11th and December 18th.
2. The City of Suwanee will hold a run-off election on Tuesday, November 30th. Polls will be open that day at City Hall from 7 am until 7 pm. Early voting begins on Saturday, November 20th, from 9am – 5pm, and continues November 22nd – 24th, 9am – 5pm at City Hall.
3. Ring in the holiday season for Jolly Holly Day with festive performances by local schools, help us light the big tree, and get a photo with Santa himself on December 3rd at 6:30 in Town Center Park! Enjoy free crafts, s'mores, and hot chocolate while supplies last.
4. Come out to Suwanee Town Center on December 4th for the 4th Annual Run Run Rudolph 5K Run/Walk. Registration begins at 8am in front of Suwanee City Hall. All participants registered by November 22nd will be guaranteed a custom race t-shirt.
5. The City of Suwanee is accepting applications for community events to be hosted at City of Suwanee parks during 2022. The deadline for applications is December 1st. Once the city's event schedule is approved after the first of the year, no additional events may be added. Applications and guidelines are available at suwanee.com.

6. Save your receipts from any local restaurant and/or brewery from December 1st – January 31st and if you accumulate over \$100 take your receipts to the Suwanee Welcome Center and North Gwinnett Arts Center to receive a 2022 Mr. Eggward calendar. More information can be found in Suwanee Magazine.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented by Councilmember Pettiford, second by Councilmember Hall and so carried 6-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

1. **October 14, 2021 Called Meeting**
2. **October 14, 2021 Council Workshop**
3. **October 26, 2021 Council Meeting**

Motion to approve all sets of Minutes by Mayor Pro Tem Miller, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

G. Special Recognition – Police Department Promotions

H. Audience Participation

Mr. Jake Gleghorn, 665 Village Field Court, expressed his desire to see the city do more with composting to reduce the amount of trash in the landfill and CO2 emissions, offering to both businesses and residences.

NEW BUSINESS

I. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for Sean Spurlock, Two Cities Pizza, 3433 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road

Motion to approve by Councilmember Charpentier, second by Councilmember Hall and so carried 6-0.

J. Consider RZ–2021–007 Rezoning from RM-8 to M-1 at Old Peachtree Road

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

K. Consent Agenda

1. **Approve Sims Lake Park Trail Rehabilitation bid from Newlands Contracting**
Staff received a bid from Newlands Contracting, in the amount of \$72,312.00, to rehabilitate 12,529 square feet of trails at Sims Lake Park. The project includes removing and replacing asphalt trail surfaces that have tree roots and extensive

cracking, with improved drainage on trails to give an overall improvement on safe usage.

2. Approve 2022 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) Project Street Resurfacing List

Staff has assembled a list of streets, utilizing a scoring system as a guide to resurface the streets that need the most immediate attention. This list must be submitted to GDOT for their consideration.

3. Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreement

Approval of purchase and sale agreement and authorize staff to acquire and authorize staff to acquire approximately 2.59 acres of real estate known as Tax Parcels 7-236-021, 7-236-023 and 7-236-028 from Wayne and Carolyn Hill in an amount of \$800,000.00.

4. Approval of Right of Way Maintenance Agreements

Approval of Right of Way Maintenance Agreements with Georgia Professional Landscape for Right of Way Maintenance for certain roadways in an amount of \$136,800 annually.

5. Approve 2022 Holiday Schedule for the Employee Handbook Policy 4-02 Holidays

Staff is requesting approval of the Employee Handbook Policy 4-02 Holidays. At the November 4th Council Workshop, Council agreed to add Juneteenth to the 2022 holiday schedule therefore the Holidays Policy needs to be updated to reflect the additional date.

6. Approve 2022 Council Schedule

The schedule for the 2022 Council workshops and meetings has been created.

Councilmember Hilscher motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

L. Executive Session: None

M. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. by Councilmember Hall, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

Approved December 21, 2021