

Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022, 6:30 PM

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

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

A. Call to Order

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

B. Public Hearing

1. FY2023 Budget and 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program

This is the second public hearing for the FY 2023 and 2023-2027 CIP. The first public hearing was held at a Called Meeting on June 16th. Assistant City Manager Denise Brinson presented the proposed budget.

2. Alcohol Beverage License for HEG, LLC dba Courtyard Marriot, 310 Celebration Drive

HEG, LLC dba Courtyard Marriott, located at 310 Celebration Drive, has applied for an alcohol license for on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits under new ownership. Syed Ali has applied to be the licensee and the Business Services Department recommends approval. No one spoke in support or opposition.

3. RZ-2022-003 – Owner/Applicants: Tanya Sola Christiano and Jennifer Spencer

The applicant requests a rezoning from R-100 (Residential Single-Family District) to IRD (Infill Residential District) to allow for single family homes. The site is located at 781 White Street and contains approximately 0.42 acre. The Planning Department recommends approval with conditions. The Planning Commission recommends approval with modifications to staff's conditions, which is to have a 30-foot setback. The applicant, Ms. Tanya Christiano, 781 White Street, appeared before Council in support of the application. No one spoke in opposition.

4. **SUP-2022-002 – Owner: Renato Rodriguez. Applicant: Rivan Peachtree LLC**
The applicant requests a Special Use Permit to allow for an automotive use in the C-2 (General Commercial District) zoning district. The site is located at 50 Old Peachtree Road and contains approximately 3.5 acres. The Planning Department and the Planning Commission recommend approval. No one spoke in support or opposition.
5. **SUP-2022-003 – Owner: The Honeybaked Ham Company, LLC. Applicant: H&G Properties Management, LLC**
The applicant requests a Special Use Permit to allow for outdoor storage in the C-2A (Special Commercial District) zoning district. The site is located at 3370 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road and contains approximately 2.09 acres. The Planning Department recommends approval with conditions. The Planning Commission recommends approval with staff conditions. Mr. Chris Cummings of The Honeybaked Ham Company, LLC, 175 Brittain Way, Newnan, Georgia, appeared before Council in support of the application. No one spoke in opposition.

C. Announcements

1. Glass Recycling is now available at the city’s Public Works department. Bring your recyclable glass to Public Works at 3625 Swiftwater Park Drive between the hours of 7am – 5pm, Monday through Friday. No paper or plastic will be accepted.
2. The city’s 2021 Annual Report is now available in hard copy and on the web. This year’s fun and informative report was created based on the game of “Life”. Pick up a copy at City Hall or find the online publication at Suwanee.com.
3. Food Truck Fridays continue July 8th! Come out and enjoy the season’s best food trucks and music at Town Center Park beginning at 5:30 pm. The next Food Truck Friday is scheduled for August 5th.
4. Movies Under the Stars is celebrating Christmas in July with a double feature at Town Center Park on Saturday, July 16th! This signature movie night will feature The Grinch at 7 pm followed by Christmas Vacation beginning around 9:00 pm. The movies are free and open to the public. Bring chairs, blankets, and snacks. No alcohol may be brought into the park, but food and beverages, including beer and wine, may be purchased from Town Center merchants.
5. Don’t forget to visit Suwanee’s Summer Farmers Market every Saturday! Come and enjoy the great outdoors at Town Center Park from 8am – noon. Stop by and enjoy the season’s finest fresh local produce, baked goods, and a variety of other delicious local flavors. The Summer Farmer’s Market is held every Saturday through September 2022.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda by Councilmember Miller, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

1. May 12, 2022 Council Workshop
2. May 26, 2022 Council Meeting

Motion to approve both sets of minutes by Councilmember Hall, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Pettiford and so carried 6-0.

G. Special Recognition

1. Suwanee Magazine
2. Performance Race Services
3. Kate Fanale

H. Audience Participation

Suwanee Youth Leaders (SYL) Report – SYL members Mr. Jason Omwumere, Ms. Krupa Patel, Ms. Amari Carter, and Ms. Ziyada Rakhimova presented individual reports of their experience in the program thus far. Their reports included how they became interested in the program and what benefits they have experienced since beginning the program in March 2022.

Mr. Van Schliestett, 1173 Bent Creek Trail – Mr. Schliestett expressed concern regarding the information on stormwater utility that was reported in the June issue of the city's newsletter. He feels that land over a certain size should be exempt from the stormwater utility fee.

Jake Gleghorn, 665 Village Field Court – Mr. Gleghorn stated that he would like to see traffic improvements for people turning left onto Suwanee Dam Road and who stop on the railroad tracks. Additionally, he would like to see more recycle bins in city parks as well as regular trash pickup along Stonecypher Road.

NEW BUSINESS

I. Consider FY2023 Budget and 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program

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

J. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for HEG, LLC dba Courtyard Marriott, 310 Celebration Drive

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

K. Consider RZ-2022-003 – Owner/Applicants: Tanya Sola Christiano and Jennifer Spencer

Councilmember Miller motioned to approve subject to the Planning Commission recommendations, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

L. Consider SUP-2022-002 – Owner: Renato Rodriguez. Applicant: Rivan Peachtree, LLC

Councilmember Miller motioned to approve with staff conditions, second by Councilmember Hall and so carried 6-0.

M. Consider SUP-2022-003 – Owner: The Honeybaked Ham Company, LLC Applicant: H&G Properties Management, LLC

Councilmember Charpentier motioned to approve with the conditions listed, second by Councilmember Hall and so carried 6-0.

N. Consider Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Use and Distribution of Proceeds Generated by the 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)

Approval of funding allocation categories and the amounts to be included in the 2022 SPLOST IGA with Gwinnett County and to authorize the Mayor to execute the IGA. The draft IGA proposes the allocation of the 2022 SPLOST based on population between the municipalities and the County.

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

O. Consider Stormwater Utility Ordinance

For the establishment of a stormwater utility program, associated enterprise fund, and user fee structure, and other purposes, a Stormwater Utility Ordinance has been created.

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

P. Authorize the Mayor to Enter into a Construction Management At-Risk Agreement with Reeves Young for Town Center on Main, DeLay Nature Park, and Main Street Realignment

Subject to City Attorney review and approval, authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Reeves-Young Construction to perform CM At-Risk services for the Town Center on Main, DeLay Nature Park and Main Street Realignment project.

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

Q. Consent Agenda

1. Approve 4th Quarter Budget Adjustments for Special Revenue

As a part of the fourth quarter special revenue funds budget adjustments, staff is recommending increasing the Suwanee Fest fund budget by \$26,300 and the Hotel/Motel Tax fund budget by \$209,000.

2. Approve 4th Quarter Budget Adjustments for Equipment

As part of the fourth quarter operating budget adjustments, staff is recommending transferring \$144,000 from the general fund to the facilities enhancement fund. These transfers are funding one police vehicle (currently on back order), police equipment, and public works equipment. These adjustments do not increase the total general fund budget.

3. Approve Gwinnett County Easement Request

Gwinnett County is requesting a 5,134 square foot easement for a relocated water line along Buford Highway in front of Suwanee Creek Park.

4. Approve Semi-Annual Contract Renewals

Staff has prepared a list of existing contracts that are expiring on or around the end of the fiscal year which are recommended for renewal.

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

R. Executive Session: Legal, Personnel, and/or Real Estate (if needed)

Motion to enter Executive Session for Legal and Real Estate matters at 7:28 p.m. by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Mayor Pro Tem Pettiford and so carried 6-0.

Motion to exit Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. by Councilmember Hall, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

S. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by at 7:51 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Pettiford, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

Approved July 26, 2022