

Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.

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

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

A. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. Public Hearing

1. Alcohol License Amendment for Don Bonachon Bar & Grill, 4369 Suwanee Dam Road, Suite 105

Don Bonachon Bar & Grill, located at 4369 Suwanee Dam Road, Suite 105, has changed ownership. Mr. Wilson P. Cabrera has applied for a license for the on-premise consumption of beer, wine and distilled spirits. The Business Services department recommends approval.

Applicant Wilson Cabrera, 4369 Suwanee Dam Road, spoke in support of the request. No one spoke in opposition.

2. Alcohol Beverage License for Presna Corporation dba Senõr Taco, 3255 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd, Unit A

Presna Corporation dba Senõr Taco, located at 3255 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Unit A, has applied for an alcohol license for on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Irayda Marin has applied to be the licensee. The Business Services Department recommends approval.

Applicant Irayda Marin, 3255 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, spoke in support of the request. No one spoke in opposition.

3. Alcohol Beverage License for Parmita HK, Inc. dba Hongbanjang, 2850 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suite M3

Paramita HK Inc. dba Hongbanjang, located at 2850 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suite M3, has applied for an alcohol license for on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Doohyen Kim has applied to be the licensee. The Business Services Department recommends approval.

Applicant Doohyen Kim, 2850 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, spoke in support of the request. No one spoke in opposition.

C. Announcements

1. Ring in the holiday season at Suwanee's annual Jolly Holly Day event! With festive performances by local schools, help us light the big tree, and get a photo with Santa himself on December 1st at 6:30 in Town Center Park! Enjoy free crafts and giveaways while supplies last. Food and other goodies will be available for purchase. Check Suwanee's social media outlets for full details.
2. Oh, What Fun it is to Run! Come out to Town Center Park on December 2nd for the annual HappyFeat Run, Run Rudolph 5K Run/Walk. 5K race time is 9am. All participants registered by November 24th will be guaranteed a custom race t-shirt. Visit Suwanee.com for more information.
3. Join us on Saturday, December 9th at 11am in Town Center Park for the Ugly Sweater 5K, part of the Suwanee Running Series! What a holly jolly (or Grinchy) time to run in the cooler weather of Georgia and wear your ugliest sweater (or costume) and have a great time with friends. Special awards will be presented for the Ugliest Sweater and the Ugliest Sweater team/group! For more information visit Suwanee.com.
4. Come and enjoy the great outdoors for Suwanee's Winter Farmers Market at Town Center Park from 9 – 11 am twice monthly. Stop by and enjoy the season's finest fresh local produce, baked goods, and a variety of other delicious local flavors. Upcoming Winter Farmer's Market dates are December 9th and December 16th.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of Agenda

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

F. Approval of Minutes

1. **October 12, 2023 Council Workshop**
2. **October 24, 2023 Council Meeting**

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

G. Special Recognition

1. **City of Sugar Hill for North Gwinnett Co-Op Food Drive Challenge - Postponed**
2. **Playtown Suwanee Committee**

H. Audience Participation

NEW BUSINESS

- I. Consider Alcohol License Amendment for Don Bonachon Bar & Grill, 4369 Suwanee Dam Road, Suite 105**

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

- J. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for Presna Corporation dba Senõr Taco, 3255 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Unit A**

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

- K. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for Parmita HK, Inc. dba Hongbanjang, 2850 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suite M3**

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

L. Consider Certifying Results of the Municipal General Election

Council will adopt a resolution to certify the results of the November 7th general election. The vote counts for each candidate are as follows:

Mayor

James M. Burnette, Jr. (incumbent) – 1,009
Unopposed

Councilmember Post 1

Karim Ladha – 70
Julianna McConnell – 603
Glenn Weyant – 479

Councilmember Post 2

Bradley Golz – 446
Larry Pettiford – 689

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

M. Consider Authorizing the Mayor to Enter in an Agreement with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the Management of the Hilltop Plaza Area of Town Center on Main

This agreement would grant the DDA management authority and responsibilities concerning the future partner/vendor at the Hilltop Plaza area within the new park, Town Center on Main.

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

N. Consider Update to the City’s Master Traffic Sign Map

Consider a proposal to change to the city’s “Official Street Signs Map” to include all the signs needed to convert Jackson Street to a one-way street in the northbound direction between Scales Road and Stonecypher Road.

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

O. Consider Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Southern Premier Contractors for On-Demand Concrete and Stormwater Repair Work

This agreement piggybacks on a contract that was bid by the City of Dunwoody. It aligns with the State of Georgia's purchasing laws. Implementing this approach will provide Suwanee with three contracting project groups, ensuring timely repairs to the city's infrastructure.

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

P. Consider Board Appointment Policy

A policy revision to enhance alignment with the current conditions for appointment to the city's specialized boards and planning boards.

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

Q. Consider MS4 Permit Application Submittal

The current MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit for the City is set to expire on June 10, 2024. Approval from Council is required to move forward with the application.

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

R. Consider Open Container District Map Revision

The open container boundaries for alcoholic beverages will be extended to include areas within the city's entertainment district.

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

S. Consider Adoption of the 2024 City Council Meeting Schedule

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

T. Executive Session: None.

U. Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tempore Miller motioned to adjourn at 7:09 p.m., second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 6-0.

Approved December 19, 2023