

Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024

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

Attendees: Beth Hilscher, Mayor Pro Tempore
Julianna McConnell, Councilmember
Larry Pettiford, Councilmember
Peter Charpentier, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Gregory Jay, City Attorney
Robyn O'Donnell, City Clerk

Absent: Jimmy Burnette, Mayor
Linnea Miller, Councilmember

A. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

B. Announcements

1. Bringing local produce to Town Center Park, Suwanee's Summer's Farmers Market is happening every Saturday in Town Center Park from 8am – noon through September. In addition to fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables, market vendors often include curated selections of pastas, jellies, sauces, spices and rubs, sausage, eggs, fresh-cut flowers, and baked goods. The market also features various international flavors, sweet and savory food items, and much more!
2. From sultry jazz to soulful blues, join the City of Suwanee and Jazz Matters as we kick off the summer with a concert in Town Center on Saturday, June 1st at 6pm! Expect delicious food & soulful tunes with an amazing lineup of entertainers. Stage entertainment is provided by Jazz Matters, a non-profit organization that celebrates and promotes the art of jazz by highlighting the diversity and cultural roots of jazz music, and musical genres influenced by it. Visit yesjazzmatters.org for more information.

3. Suwanee Summer Porch Jam is back on Friday, June 14th. Join us in Old Town Suwanee for an evening of food & music al fresco! Summer Porch Jam evokes the feeling of an old-fashioned summer block party, complete with food trucks and beverages! Musicians play outdoors at multiple venues throughout Old Town Suwanee (such as the Mayor’s front porch!). Bring a chair or blanket and stroll from venue to venue, enjoying a variety of musicians, food and fun. NEW in 2024, join us as we celebrate Suwanee's 75th anniversary as a city! Catch the free shuttle from the lot behind Ippolito’s – or just use the pedestrian walkway under the railroad tracks to get to Main Street and the area where the action is!

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Charpentier motioned to approve the Agenda, second by Councilmember McConnell and so carried 4-0.

E. Approval of Minutes

1. April 11, 2024 Council Workshop
2. April 23, 2024 Council Meeting

Councilmember McConnell motioned to approve the minutes, second by Councilmember Pettiford and so carried 4-0.

F. Special Recognition

1. Coach Randy Black, North Gwinnett High School

G. Audience Participation

None.

NEW BUSINESS

H. Authorize Mayor to Sign GMA/Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit Systems (GMEBS) Restated Adoption Agreement

Staff received documents from GMA outlining consolidated changes to the Basic Plan Document for the Defined Benefit Plan managed by GMA/GMEBS. GMEBS has recently received a favorable determination letter from the IRS. Each employer using the GMEBS Plan is required to adopt the restated Adoption Agreement as part of the restatement process.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Pettiford, second by Councilmember McConnell and so carried 4-0.

I. Consider Identified Stormwater Projects - \$1,800,000

Continuing the city's stormwater repair projects, locations that are next for rehabilitation are 4800 & 4570 Settles Point Road, 4334 Silver Peak Parkway, 4270 & 4139 Lansfaire Terrace, 360 & 100 Ruby Forest Parkway, 4220 Ruby Forest Boulevard, 3969 Treemont Lane, 252 & 211 Saint Martin Drive, 1430 & 1510 Chattahoochee Run Drive, 3354 White Sands Way, 1039 Industrial Court, and 930 Landover Crossing. The city's contracted vendor, IPR, has submitted a scope of work with an estimated cost of \$1,800,000.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Charpentier, second by Councilmember Pettiford and so carried 4-0.

J. Consider Supplemental Agreement with Thomas & Hutton for Suwanee Loop Trail Engineering

The city has a contract with Thomas & Hutton for the initial phase of engineering the Suwanee Loop Trail, with a maximum allowable cost of \$372,539. As part of this process, certain tasks originally planned for future phases need to be incorporated into the first phase, without any increase in the overall project cost. Consequently, a supplemental agreement for Task Order #1 is being proposed, which increases this task order amount by \$21,758, resulting in a revised total task order amount of \$394,297.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Pettiford, second by Councilmember Charpentier and so carried 4-0.

K. Consider FY 2024 4th Quarter Capital Budget Adjustments

The 4th quarter capital budget adjustments have been presented for consideration.

Motion to approve by Councilmember McConnell, second by Councilmember Pettiford and so carried 4-0.

L. Executive Session: None.

M. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. by Councilmember Charpentier, second by Councilmember Pettiford and so carried 4-0.

Approved June 25, 2024