

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2017

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: Jimmy Burnette, Mayor
Doug Ireland, Mayor Pro Tempore
Daniel F. Foster, Councilmember
Richard I. Goodman, Councilmember
Beth Hilscher, Councilmember
Linnea Miller, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Gregory Jay, City Attorney
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk

DINNER SESSION – 5:30 PM
BIG SPLASH ROOM

City Council Informal Session

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 6:31 PM

B. Public Hearing

1. **RZ 2017-008 – Owner: Halifax Enterprises, LLC. Applicant: Corridor Development, Inc. The applicant requests a rezoning from C-2 (General Commercial) to RM-8 (Residential Multi-Family Duplex District) to allow for townhomes. The site is located in Land Lot 237 of the 7th District at 760 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard and contains approximately 6.1 acres**

The applicant was not present and requested postponement of this case.

Motion to Postpone RZ-2017-008 to the November 9, 2017 Public Hearing by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

2. Alcohol Beverage License – Dash Fin dba Sushi Nama Suwanee

Dash Fin dba Sushi Nami Suwanee, located at 4369 Suwanee Dam Road, has applied for a new license to serve beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Mr. Scott Jeon is the licensee.

The Business Services department recommends approval. The applicant Mr. Scott Jung, 2825 Monticello Drive, Cumming, GA was present.

There being no additional items for consideration, Mayor Burnette closed the Public Hearing.

C. Announcements

- 1. This Saturday, join us for the **Jonny & Xena “Spread the Words” 5K**. The mission of Jonny and Xena's “Spread the Words” Foundation is to improve the lives of individuals living with autism and other developmental disabilities. The nonprofit “spreads the words” of kindness, acceptance, hope, and understanding through educational programs. The race will be held Saturday, October 28 at 9 am.*
- 2. It wouldn't be Halloween in Suwanee without our annual **Trek or Treat** event. This family favorite event will also be held Saturday, October 28th from 1-3pm at Sims Lake Park.*
- 3. The **Annandale Extra Mile Run/Walk 5K** will be held at Town Center Park Saturday, November 4 beginning at 8 am. Community gem Annandale Village will be hosting this event, which brings the community together to raise awareness for individuals and families living with and affected by developmental and intellectual disabilities and those that have experienced an acquired brain injury. For more information and registration please visit www.extramileclub.com.*
- 4. Tickets are on sale now for the popular Suwanee Wine Festival. The festival will be held Saturday, November 4, beginning at noon for VIP ticketholders and 1 pm for General Admission ticketholders. Benefitting Annandale Village, local wine experts will hand-select over 150 premium wines from around the world. In addition, craft beer samples, complimentary food samples, live entertainment and a variety of shopping and activities are available. There will also be a big TV screen showing the “game of the day.” Purchase your tickets at suwaneewinefest.com.*

5. *You'll want to come out to Town Center Park on Sunday, November 5 for the annual **Suwanee Classic Car Show**. Beginning at 10 am, the award-winning event features approximately 150 classic cars, race cars, a silent auction, and a paint-a-wreck, all benefitting the North Gwinnett Arts Association. For more details, visit www.ngaa4arts.com.*
6. *Join us bright and early in Town Center Park on Saturday, November 11th for the **Suwanee Kiwanis All American 5K**. The proceeds from the race will all be donated to assist Gwinnett Police Corporal Michael Duncan. Duncan was paralyzed from the waist down as a result of a police helicopter accident on September 1, 2017.*
7. *Registration is now open for the **2018 season of Harvest Farm**. Georgia's largest organic community garden is located in the City of Suwanee's White Street Park. The garden includes 76 plots that can be rented on an annual basis to grow veggies, fruits, flowers, and herbs. Applications can be submitted online at harvestfarmsuwanee.com. The 2018 season will open January 1 and run through December 31.*
8. *We're excited to announce that the **Winter Farmer's Market** is back! The Farmers Market is being held the second Saturday of the month from 9-11 a.m. through April at Town Center Park. Stop by and enjoy fresh local winter produce, such as lettuces, greens, potatoes, carrots, Brussels sprouts, baked goods, and a variety of other delicious, local flavors.*
9. *Beginning November 1, applications for the 2018 **Suwanee Youth Leaders** (SYL) program, a nine-month City of Suwanee leadership program for high school sophomores and juniors, are being accepted through December 1. Applications are available through schools and at suwanee.com. Now in its fifth year, the award-winning SYL program is open to students from public schools, private schools, GSMST, and home school who live in the North Gwinnett, Peachtree Ridge, and Collins Hill cluster areas. The program centers on civic involvement, leadership skills, and volunteer opportunities. For more information, contact Adam Edge or Denise Brinson at City Hall.*

D. Pledge of Allegiance – Pack 1010

E. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

- 1. September 14, 2017 Called Meeting**
- 2. September 14, 2017 Council Workshop**
- 3. September 26, 2017 Council Meeting**

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

G. Council Recognition

1. Suwanee Fest Committee and Sponsors
2. Suwanee Public Works Department

H. Audience Participation – None.

OLD BUSINESS

I. Consider RZ 2017-008 – Rezoning from C-2 to RM-8 at 760 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard and contains approximately 6.1 acres

Motion to Postpone to the November 14, 2017 Council Meeting by Mayor Pro Tempore Ireland, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

J. Consider Alcohol Beverage License – Dash Fin dba Sushi Nama Suwanee

Motion to approve by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

K. Consider Authorizing Mayor to Execute Contract with Everclear Enterprises, Inc. for City Hall Roof and Window Repairs

Due to ongoing water leaks of the City Hall roof and window front curtain, a consultant has studied and prepared a report with recommended repairs. Based on bids received, staff recommends awarding this contract to Everclear Enterprises, Inc. of Atlanta in the amount of approximately \$54,950.

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

L. Consider Comcast Cable Communications, LLC Franchise Agreement

Comcast Cable Communications, LLC has requested the approval of a franchise agreement between Comcast and the city of Suwanee to provide service within the city.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Goodman, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Ireland and so carried 5-0-1 (Foster abstained).

M. Consider Authorizing Mayor to Enter into a Contract for Construction of Sidewalks and Walking Path.

Staff is currently reviewing bids for construction of sidewalks on Stonecypher Road and a path between George Pierce Park and Ruby Forest subdivision.

Motion to approve a Task Order with PeachState Construction for sidewalks on Stonecyper Road and a path between George Pierce Park and Ruby Forest subdivision, by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 4-0-2 (Burnette and Ireland abstained).

N. Consent Agenda

1. Approve Municipal Court Fee Revisions

Due to recent changes in state law, staff recommends changes to the fees associated with Failure to Appear, Contempt Fee, and Warrants.

2. Approve Budget Adjustment for Buford Highway Reconstruction Project

Georgia DOT has received the bids for the Buford Highway reconstruction project. The bids were higher than the original GDOT pre-bid estimates, which requires an additional contribution from the City to fully fund the project. Staff recommends increasing the initial project budget by \$1.5 million, approximately \$1.1 million for construction and \$400,000 for contingency, using the Master Plan Implementation fund for this.

3. Approve 2017 SPLOST Intergovernmental Agreements

The County has forwarded two intergovernmental agreements that need to be adopted by the City concerning the city-managed and county-managed projects that are part of the 2017 SPLOST program.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

O. Executive Session: Legal

Motion to ENTER Executive Session for Legal by Mayor Pro Tempore Ireland, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

Motion to EXIT Executive Session by Councilmember Hilscher, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0.

P. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Councilmember Miller, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

Approved November 14, 2017