

COUNCIL PRESENT: Bruner, Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras
STAFF PRESENT: Padgett, Palmour, Felts, Jordan, Grayson
STAFF ABSENT: Sheppard

Mayor Bruner called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison after which Dr. Terry Walton, Gainesville First United Methodist Church, delivered the invocation.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Georgia Cities Week

Communications and Tourism Director Catiel Felts stated the designated week would tell citizens what the city is all about. She commented on the activities to occur.

Mayor Bruner read the proclamation declaring April 17-23, 2011 to be Georgia Cities Week. Mrs. Felts accepted the proclamation.

Annual Spring Chicken Festival Day

Mayor Bruner read a proclamation declaring April 30, 2011 to be the Seventh Annual Spring Chicken Festival Day. It was presented to Keep Hall Beautiful Director Cindy Reed.

Ms. Reed commented on the activities scheduled for the event and presented gifts to the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes:

A. February 15, 2011 Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting the edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick
Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras
Vote – 5 favor

Resolutions:

- A. BR-2011-09 Declaration of Surplus Property
- B. BR-2011-10 Write Off of Delinquent Personal Property Taxes
- C. BR-2011-11 Fire Department Canine (K-9) Program

Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras
Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan
Vote – 5 favor

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATION:

El Ranchito Mexican Restaurant, 1830 Atlanta Highway, Suite B

City Manager Kip Padgett stated this was a new application for consumption on the premises of beer. The application was in order.

Motion to approve the license as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick
Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras
Vote – 5 favor

APPOINTMENTS:

Development Authority

(To address position held by Elizabeth Umberson)

Motion to appoint LeTrell Simpson to serve a four year term on the Development Authority.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras
Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan
Vote – 5 favor

REPORT:

Community Development, Planning Division

New items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board.

Director of Community Development Rusty Ligon stated there were no items to refer to the May 3rd Council Meeting. There were 4 items to be referred to the May for the Planning and Appeals Board meeting including two variances, one rezoning and one special use request. The report was noted as follows:

This report contains **(A)** action taken by the Planning and Appeals Board during their public hearing held on **April 12, 2011**, and **(B)** all new items, including variance requests, received by Planning Division staff to be referred by City Council to the Planning and Appeals Board for consideration during the public hearing to be held on **May 10, 2011**:

A. Planning and Appeals Board Actions for 04/12/11:

This meeting was cancelled since there were no new applications received for the closing date.

B. New items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board for 05/10/11:

- 1) Request from **ICCL, LLC** to vary the rear yard buffer width requirement and the location and number of parking spaces on a 13.0± acres tract located on the west side of McEver Road, north of its intersection with Donna Way (a/k/a **3100 McEver Road SW**), having a

zoning classification of Residential-I (R-I), Office and Institutional (O-I) and Planned Unit Development (P-U-D).

Ward Number: Four
Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-022-000-012
Request: VA medical clinic

- 2) Request from **Jake Brown** to vary the front yard setback requirement on a 1.75± acres tract located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Browns Bridge Road and Old Flowery Branch Road (a/k/a **2407 Browns Bridge Road**), having a zoning classification of General Business (G-B).

Ward Number: Four
Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-007-002-004
Request: Expansion of new car dealership

- 3) Request from the **Fair Street Area NPU Steering Committee** to rezone a total of 252 parcels consisting of 65.11± acres located between the southeast side of Jesse Jewell Parkway and E. E. Butler Parkway, having road frontage along Cloverdale Avenue; Carlton Street; Collins Street; Desota Street; Dunbar Place; Elm Street; Emily Street; Fair Street; Harvey Street; High Street; Hobbs Alley; Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; McBride Street; McDonald Street; Mill Street; Norwood Street; Patricia Drive; and Summit Street, from Residential-II (R-II) and Planned Unit Development (P-U-D) to Neighborhood Conservation (N-C).

Ward Number: Three
Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-021-001-023, 023A, 023B, 024, 025, 026, 027;
01-021-002-001, 002, 010, 011, 012, 013, 013A, 014, 016;
01-021-003-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 009, 013;
01-021-006-002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010;
01-021-007-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 008, 010, 011, 011A, 012, 015, 018, 019, 020, 023A, 024, 025, 026, 027, 028, 029, 030;
01-021-008-001, 001A, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 012, 013;
01-021-009-001, 002, 003, 004, 007;
01-034-001-002, 003, 004, 008, 009, 010, 014;
01-034-002-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011;
01-034-003-002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 010A, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016, 017;
01-034-004-001, 002, 003, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016, 017, 018, 019, 020, 021, 022, 023;
01-034-005-001, 002A, 003A, 003B, 004, 005, 007, 008, 008A, 008B, 008C, 008D, 009, 010, 011, 012, 013;
01-034-006-001, 001A, 002, 004, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016, 017, 018;
01-034-007-011, 012, 013, 014A, 014B, 014C, 014D, 014E, 014F, 015, 016A, 017, 018, 019, 020, 021, 022, 023, 024, 025, 026, 027, 028, 029, 030, 031, 033;
01-034-008-001, 002, 004, 005, 006, 007, 010, 011, 012;
01-035-002-042, 043, 044;
01-035-004-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007;
01-035-005-004, 005, 006;
01-060-001-001A, 002, 004, 005, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 011A, 012, 014, 016, 017, 018, 019, 033, 034;
01-060-002-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016;
01-060-003-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008
Request: Neighborhood Conservation District

- 4) Request from **Kauffman Tire, Inc.** for a Special Use on a 1.19± acres tract located between southwest corner of the intersection of Dawsonville Highway and Green Hill Circle (a/k/a **801 and 805 Dawsonville Highway**), having a zoning classification of Regional Business (R-B).
Ward Number: Five
Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-116-002-053 and 086
Request: Automotive tire and service store

Motion to accept the report as presented and to refer the new items to the Planning and Appeals Board.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras
Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann
Vote – 5 favor

COUNCIL'S ISSUES:

Council Member Hamrick

1. Commented on the Financial Report for March and expressed words of caution about increasing fuel costs.
2. Commented on a book written by Laura Summer sharing the history of Gainesville, Georgia at a child's level.

Council Member Figueras

Commented on the phrase "American people".

Council Member Figueras

1. Commented on a recent tour of a company interested in moving to Gainesville-Hall County.
2. Shared brief details about upcoming activities.

Council Member Wangemann

1. Commented on a recent Community Cleanup effort in Oakwood.
2. Invited 144 people to this meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:

Police Department Introduction

Police Chief Brian Kelly introduced Major Gerald Couch who began employment with the department this week.

Joint Municipal Association (JMA) Meeting

City Manager Kip Padgett reminded everyone of the upcoming Joint Municipal Association meeting on April 25th at the Gainesville Justice Center. A tour of the facility would be provided immediately following the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Manager Kip Padgett requested an executive session to discuss real estate acquisition and potential litigation.

Motion to close the Council Meeting to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate and potential litigation at 5:57 PM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Council Members voting in favor of the motion were Bruner, Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick and Figueras

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STAFF ABSENT: Sheppard

Motion to close the Executive Session to continue the meeting at 6:44 PM.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Council Members voting in favor of the motion were Bruner, Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick and Figueras

OTHER BUSINESS:

Project Resolution 2011-09

Public Utilities Department Land Acquisition

Assistant Public Utilities Director Tim Collins commented on the need to purchase four sites necessary for future water tanks and booster pumps stations. The sites were included in the Master Plan. The resolution authorized the expenditure of up to \$750,000 for appraisals, surveys and the purchase of the sites. The revenue sources were identified in the Fiscal Year 2011 and 2012 Capital Improvement Plans.

Motion to approve the Resolution PR-2011-09 as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Hamrick

Vote – 5 favor

ADJOURNMENT: 6:50 PM

DJ:ag

Ruth H. Bruner, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk