

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

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order.

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ISSUE:

Business Resolution: Issuance of the Special Project Revenue Obligation (Gainesville Independent School, Inc.)

Attorney Tread Syfan asked for adoption of a resolution to approve the issuance of its tax-exempt revenue obligation in an amount not to exceed \$3,850,000 to refinance a project for the School System, i.e., Lakeview Academy. The purpose of the refinancing was to obtain a lower interest rate. Council was required to approve the issuance after a public hearing had been conducted. There was no financial obligation to the City.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Manager Kip Padgett requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation, personnel and real estate matters.

Motion to close the meeting to conduct an Executive Session to discuss litigation, personnel and real estate matters at 9:03 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras

Votes in favor of the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner

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STAFF PRESENT: Padgett, Sheppard, Palmour, Marlowe, Mallett, Jordan

Motion to close the Executive Session and continue the meeting at 9:48 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras

Votes in favor of the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner

NOTE: Mayor Dunagan left the meeting.

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:

Chattahoochee Golf Course

Director of Golf Rodger Hogan reviewed the goals and commented on the accomplishments of the department. He discussed efforts to offer new tournaments at the course and complimented the staff on their ability to keep the course in great condition.

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Agency Director Melvin Cooper introduced the Board Members in attendance after which Dr. Richwine commented on some of the activities of the agency. He also commented on fees noting the agency had been cautious with fee structures.

Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Graham used a power point presentation to discuss successes and challenges. The mission statement and values were reviewed. Several slides addressed two topics: (1) challenges, innovative measures and successes for FY12 and (2) FY13 proposed budget.

The discussion closed with a statement indicating quality of life is important and great communities have great parks.

RECESS: 10:36 AM
RECONVENE: 10:41 AM

Community Service Center

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss reviewed the accomplishments of the department. She also reviewed the goals for the upcoming year.

Fire Department

Chief Jon Canada reviewed the departmental goals and accomplishments of FY12. He also reviewed the goals for FY13.

PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES:

Project Resolution: U.S. Department of Justice Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Application 2012

Chief Brian Kelly stated the Police Department was eligible to receive \$11,288 (with no required cash match) to purchase equipment and technology for basic law enforcement functions. The proposed resolution allowed the department to apply for the grant.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES ISSUES:

Project Resolution: New Holland Milliken and Co. Sanitary Sewer Extension Cost Participation Request

Civil Engineer Nick Swafford stated this request pertained to a proposed shopping center at 601 White Sulphur Road (also known as the Milliken property). The developer requested cost participation. The proposed resolution authorized reimbursement at 50% of the cost up to \$35,727.50 contingent upon annexation of the property. Reimbursement would be provided within sixty days from the final inspection and approval by City staff. Funding shall be provided from the Public Utilities Capital Projects Fund and/or other funding sources. The proposed resolution also authorized the necessary documents to be executed.

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PUBLIC WORKS ISSUES:

Discussion regarding Engine 209 Baggage Car

Public Works Director David Dockery stated he was hoping to receive some direction from Council as to how to proceed. He distributed some historical information and a summary of six options that have been explored along with photographs of the area. The options were noted as follows:

1. Repaint the baggage car
2. Surplus the baggage car
3. Continue to look for a group to adopt the Engine 209 display
4. Complete restoration of the baggage car and maintenance at the existing location
5. Complete restoration and covered structure
6. Relocation and renovation of the entire Engine 209 display

Council Member Wangemann requested that the options be placed on the website to receive input from the community.

Council Member Hamrick requested community input as well. He also expressed a desire for the car to be painted. He considered it to be an attraction to the downtown area that should be maintained in the same manner as other city properties.

Mr. Dockery asked if a community survey was of interest noting this could possibly be done through the city's website. Council was interested in the survey and shared some ideas about questions to be included. Mr. Dockery stated he would work with the Communication and Tourism Office to proceed with a survey.

Airport Manager

Upon inquiry from Council Member Hamrick, Public Works Director David Dockery confirmed the position had been filled.

Project Resolution: FY2011 Road Paving Project Adding West Haven Drive and Florence Road

Civil Engineer Stan Aiken stated the proposed resolution allowed two streets be added to the FY2011 road paving project to take advantage of unused funds after other streets had been addressed. The two streets were identified as Westhaven Drive and Florence Drive. The

resolution authorized the streets to be included in the existing contract with Allied Paving Contractors, Inc.

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Overgrowth and paving on/near Athens Highway

Council Member Figueras commented on community questions about overgrowth in general on Athens Highway. She also reported the community's appreciation for the road paving work that occurred in this area.

Sidewalks

Council Member Wangemann stated there were a lot of foot paths where sidewalks don't exist. He wondered if the department was tracking these areas to address them in the future.

Public Works Director David Dockery stated many of these paths were on state routes. The City can install sidewalks in these areas with approval from the Department of Transportation. It was noted the cost would be more expensive to meet DOT's requirements.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES:

Project Resolution: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fourth Program Year 2012 Annual Action Plan (11:36 am)

Housing Program Manager Chris Davis distributed a copy of the Annual Action Plan indicating the estimated funding to be received was \$380,250. The formal notification letter had not been received yet but discussions led staff to believe it was forthcoming. The plan was noted as follows:

Funding Sources

2012 Grant Allocation	380,250
Projected Program Income	<u>30,000</u>
Total Funding	\$410,250

Proposed Activities

Housing	
• Homeowner Rehab	147,250
• Property Acquisition	130,000
Public Services	57,000
Fair Housing	4,000
Program Administration	<u>72,000</u>
Total Expenditures	\$410,250

The proposed resolution authorized the execution of the necessary documents to obtain and administer the 2012 Community Development Block Grant. The Loan Review Committee approved agency funding for Gateway House, The Guest House, Our Neighbor, Action Ministries, Newtown Florist Club and Credability. A public hearing had been advertised.

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CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:

Midtown Greenway Dedication Ceremony

City Manager Kip Padgett reminded Council of the ceremony scheduled for Saturday, April 28th.

Resolution: Fiber Agreement with Hall County

City Manager Kip Padgett commented on the recently approved Intergovernmental Fiber Agreement with Hall County. Some amendments had occurred since the last discussion prompting the need to amend the agreement.

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COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Figueras

1. Asked if the Police Department was eligible for the Drug Take Back Program.
2. Commented on the Main Street Board Coffee Break event.
3. Commented on the agenda for the May 12th Second Saturday Meeting (The One Community Organization).
4. Announced a Spelling Bee was scheduled for April 24th to benefit Adult Literacy.

Council Member Wangemann

Invited everyone to attend the Spring Chicken Festival this weekend.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

City Clerk Denise Jordan announced pending appointments to the Building Board of Appeals, the Chicopee Woods Area Park Commission and the Ethics Commission.

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ADJOURNMENT: 12:00 PM

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