

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

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order.

Council Member Wangemann delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **Downtown Farmers Market**

Mayor Dunagan read and presented a proclamation declaring "Steven Thomas Day" in light of his efforts with the Historic Downtown Gainesville Farmer's Market.

Mr. Thomas commented on the Downtown Farmer's Market and extended appreciation to the Council and staff for their support. He indicated their mission was to bring foot traffic and awareness to the downtown business district.

Council extended words of appreciation. Linda Tench and Abit Massey also expressed their appreciation for Mr. Thomas' countless hours of volunteer work.

### **CITIZEN'S ISSUES:**

**Yvonne Kincaid**, Gainesville, expressed concern regarding the disconnection of water service from households. She shared statistical information and asked Council to take some action. Ms. Kincaid commented on a meeting with the Public Utilities Director and shared her interpretation of the conversation. She also expressed her opinion regarding who controls water.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

#### **Resolutions:**

- A. PR-2012-42 FY2013 Water Service Connections
- B. PR-2012-43 Lee Gilmer Airport Terminal Area Improvements Construction Authorization
- C. PR-2012-44 Purchase of Truck Mounted Asphalt Patcher

#### **Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.**

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

**Votes favoring the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner**

**REPORT:**

**Community Development, Planning Division**

Action taken by the Gainesville Planning and Appeals Board on September 11, 2012 and new items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board.

Community Development Director Rusty Ligon stated there were no items to be referred to the October 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting and there were two items to be referred to the October 9<sup>th</sup> Planning and Appeals Board Meeting including one annexation and one road action request.

This report contains **(A)** action taken by the Planning and Appeals Board during their public hearing held on **September 11, 2012**, 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 **October 9, 2012**:

**A. Planning and Appeals Board Actions for 09/11/12:**

- 1) **Conditionally approved** the request from **Jesus Ruelas** to vary the front yard and left side yard setback requirements on a 0.19± acre tract located on the south side of Hollow Drive, northwest of its intersection with Spring Haven Drive (a/k/a **2529 Hollow Drive SW**), having a zoning classification of Planned Unit Development with conditions (P-U-D-c).  
Ward Number: Five  
Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-006A-000-028  
Request: Front porch addition and one-bay garage addition with an upper level bedroom

**B. New items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board for 10/09/12:**

- 1) Request from **Grelove, LLC** to annex a 2.36± acres tract located at the southeast side of the intersection of Athens Highway and Old County Dump Road, across from its intersection with Athens Street (a/k/a **1800 Athens Highway**) and to establish zoning as General Business (G-B).  
Ward Number: Three  
Tax Parcel Number(s): 15-032-000-035  
Request: Retail and restaurant use
- 2) Request from the **Harold R. Westbrook** to abandon a 0.115± acre unopened cul-de-sac portion of Longstreet Circle south of its intersection with Longstreet Trail having a zoning classification of Residential-I (R-I).  
Ward Number: Two  
Request: Abandonment of right-of-way

**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

**Votes favoring the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner**

**OTHER ISSUES:**

**Council Member Figueras**

1. Commended the Hall County Election Office for bringing the importance of voting into the school system by allowing students to register to vote.
2. Congratulated Pam Ware for her recent recognition by the Woodruff Center.
3. Commented on the increased activity in the downtown square.
4. Commended the volunteers for the Flat Creek Cove Clean-Up.
5. Reported the United Way kick-off campaign for this year had begun.

**Council Member Wangemann**

Thanked the 212 volunteers that helped with the Flat Creek Cove Clean-Up, specifically mentioning the students. He indicated the next cleanup will be at Clarks Bridge Park.

**Council Member Hamrick**

1. Expressed appreciation for the Alta Vista Cemetery being listed on the National Historical Registry of Historical Places.
2. Commended the Communication & Tourism staff for a recent event at the square.

**ADJOURNMENT: 5:57 PM**

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C. Danny Dunagan, Mayor

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Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk