

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ISSUES:**

**Pawnshop License Applications**

- E-Z Pawn and Loan, 1110 Dawsonville Highway
- First American Title Lending of Georgia, 199 John Morrow Parkway
- Georgia Auto Pawn, 644 Jesse Jewell Parkway
- Great American Pawn and Title, Inc., 565 Shallowford Road, Ste E
- I-Loan, 1301 Browns Bridge Road
- Lanier Jewelry and Loan, 1310 E. Dawsonville Highway
- Lock N Load, LLC, 250 B Dawsonville Highway
- Loan Max, 628 Jesse Jewell Parkway
- Pappy's Pawn, 1511 Browns Bridge Road
- Pawn Mart, 1168 Jesse Jewell Parkway
- Title Max of Gainesville #1, 537 Shallowford Road
- Title Max of Gainesville #2, 215 Jesse Jewell Parkway

City Marshal Debbie Jones presented the twelve applications referenced above indicating all were in order.

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**Business Resolution: GMA Lease Supplement for Financing Leeboy Asphalt Paver**

Financial Analyst Alisha Broome stated the proposed resolution authorized the purchase of an asphalt paver through a Georgia Municipal Association's Lease Supplement Agreement. The equipment was budgeted at \$150,000. The purchase price was \$138,000. BB&T won the competitive bid.

After receiving questions from Mayor Dunagan and Council Member Hamrick, Chief Financial Services Officer Melody Marlowe was contacted to discuss the recommended purchasing option. She began by summarizing capital planning through the budget process indicating there are many pay as you go purchases in addition to debt service purchases. The budget plan was to finance the purchase of the asphalt paver. Mrs. Marlowe commented on the City's involvement in the lease pool noting the agreement was established many years ago. Council can opt not to finance the purchase. Doing so may prohibit something else from being funded.

Council Member Hamrick commented on potholes noting this equipment would be essential for addressing them.

City Manager Kip Padgett stated the Department of Transportation provided a draft agreement of services for the city to consider. This information will be reviewed by City Attorney.

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**CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:**

**Ordinance: Assignment of Gas Franchise from Atmos Energy to Liberty Energy**

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams reviewed the proposed ordinance indicating Atmos Energy holds a non-exclusive franchise. They are selling their assets to Liberty Energy. The ordinance allows the franchise agreement to be transferred effective upon the consummation of the sale.

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**Business Resolution: Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Hall County to Transfer Property at 117 Jesse Jewell Parkway and 430 Prior Street**

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard reviewed the history of the agreements indicating they covered a 40-year period ending in 2017. The portion of the building built on city property goes to the city and vice versa. The IGA states the City will deed property to the County and vice versa. Exhibits were provided to define the areas to be addressed. The transfer of the deeds will terminate the IGA's. Both parties agreed to accept the facilities as is. Hall County requested additional space (5,000 square feet) within the city's portion of the Community Service Center. There were provisions to relocate offices if the request is honored. The terms of the property swap are included in the IGA. The resolution authorized the terms of the IGA and authorized the necessary documents to be executed.

Council Member Figueras asked several questions to clarify who would own certain properties. The resolution pertained to the Joint Administration Building and the Community Service Center.

Upon inquiry from Council Member Hamrick, it was noted that the City Attorney had not reviewed the agreement. Council requested that the documents be reviewed by the City Attorney.

No action to be taken at this time

**COUNCIL ISSUES:**

**Council Member Figueras**

1. Commended the City Manager for his presentation at the Second Saturday Meeting.
2. Extended compliments about the Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce video.

**Council Member Bruner**

1. Reported she and the City Manager met with County representatives regarding funding for the Olympic venue. The plan was to establish a budget and reestablish the Hall '96 Board. The Parks & Recreation Agency was working on the budget and other tasks so the Board will be ready to move forward when formed. The people to serve on the board were expected to be fundraisers. She was disappointed about not receiving a firm commitment from the County.
2. Reported she has been participating in the Legislative Policy Council Conference Calls hosted by the Georgia Municipal Association. There was specific discussion about the bill regarding water rate differentials indicating the intent was to limit the bill to Sandy Springs.

**Council Member Wangemann**

Commented on attending the survey for Healthy Communities.

**Council Member Hamrick**

Reported the Georgia Mountains Players announced this year will be their last season. He encouraged everyone to go see their rendition of Smoke on the Mountains.

**Mayor Dunagan**

Reported receiving notice of a grant award to support a downtown convention center study. He asked Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard to share more information.

Mrs. Sheppard summarized a letter of agreement between Gainesville and the Georgia Department of Economic Development which provided a \$25,000 for the City to prepare and advertise a Request for Proposal for a feasibility study to be completed by September 1, 2013. A resolution had been prepared to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

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**CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

**Ordinance: Amend Chapter 9-20-4 entitled "Structures Dangerous to Public Health"**

City Attorney Palmour stated the proposed ordinance brings the City's Code Book into compliance with the state's code. There was discussion about the injunction process. It was confirmed that the Community Development Department was aware of the proposed ordinance.

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**CITY CLERK ISSUES:**

**House Bill 143 - Campaign Contribution and Personal Financial Disclosure Report Filing**

City Clerk Denise Jordan reported this bill will allow elected officials to file ethics reports with the City Clerk and eliminates filings when less than \$2,500 is collected and/or expended. She indicated Georgia Municipal Association staff met with the Clerk's earlier in the week. There were many questions some of which remain unanswered.

Council Member Wangemann commented on a negative experience with the Ethics Commission.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

City Manager Padgett requested an Executive Session to discuss personnel and potential litigation.

**Motion to close the Work Session to enter an Executive Session to discuss personnel and potential litigation at 10:04 AM.**

Motion made by Council Member Bruner

Motion seconded by Council Member Hamrick

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

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**Motion to close the Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 10:38 AM.**

Motion made by Council Member Figueras

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

**ADJOURNMENT: 10:38 AM**

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