

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

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order.

COMMUNICATIONS & TOURISM ISSUES:

Main Street Board Appointments

Main Street Manager Regina Mansfield presented recommendations regarding appointments to the Main Street Board.

Placed on the July 16, 2013 Council Meeting Agenda

Update

Main Street Manager Regina Mansfield provided brief updates regarding the Spring Chicken Festival and the Farmers Market. She also indicated there would be future postings regarding public parking for downtown activities.

PUBLIC UTILITIES ISSUES:

Project Resolution: FY2014 Water Service Connections

Engineer Kevin Purcell stated the proposed resolution addresses new water service connections noting these sales are increasing which is good. The resolution authorizes funding, i.e., \$310,600, to address the connections in regards to materials, legal fees, staff time and other miscellaneous project expenses.

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Project Resolution: FY2014 Automated Meter Reading Project - Award of Contract

Engineer Kevin Purcell stated the proposed resolution addresses the Flex Net Project which allows meter reading from antennas. It awarded a contract to Kendall Supply, Inc. with a maximum expenditure of \$152,250 from the Public Utilities Capital Project Fund.

Mr. Purcell stated the southeastern portion of the water system is populated which represents approximately fifty-five percent of the customers. He offered to provide a service map showing the areas that require a drive-by read using a vehicle. Mr. Purcell stated the project had been successful.

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Project Resolution: FY2014 Water Meter Replacement Project – Award of Contract

Civil Engineer Jason Perry discussed the annual Water Meter Replacement Project. The proposed resolution awarded a contract to Pride Utility Construction Company with a maximum expenditure of \$979,200.50 from the Public Utilities Capital Project Fund.

Public Utilities Director Kelly Randall distributed a revised resolution correcting the cost for the project.

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PUBLIC WORKS ISSUES:

Business Resolution: Installation of Speed Tables on Memorial Drive

Traffic Engineer Dee Taylor stated there have been several traffic studies in the Longstreet Hills area. Memorial Drive has met the national standards for a speed table. The residents are willing to pay one-half of the cost for a second speed table that is not warranted. The proposed resolution authorized the acceptance of funds from residents for construction of the second speed table.

After some discussion, there was Council consensus to limit speed table installations to only those which are warranted.

City Manager Kip Padgett stated the approved budget included funding for one speed table. It would be installed and did not require any further action by Council. Based upon the consensus of the Council, no action was required on the proposed resolution.

There was discussion about the impact of speed tables to surrounding areas noting traffic flow in Longstreet Hills may need to be revisited after the speed table is installed.

Transportation Master Plan

Traffic Engineer Dee Taylor provided an update on the traffic study meetings. He also distributed a copy of the survey results.

CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:

Lenox Drive Closure

Assistant Public Works Director Chris Rotalsky provided an update related to the rain that has fallen over the last few days. Lenox Drive was in critical condition. The road had been closed and a temporary access was created to ensure emergency response. Several departments worked together to address this problem. Mr. Rotalsky stated he was attempting to compile the man-hours required to address this area. Upon inquiry, he stated Lenox Drive would be rebuilt.

Mr. Rotalsky stated the Public Works staff was inspecting all the roads and removing debris from stormwater drains in hopes of avoiding problems in other areas if more rainfall occurs. He noted the community had pulled together to mitigate storm drain issues.

Council and City Manager extended words of appreciation to the staff for their efforts to address the problems.

Midtown

Council Member Wangemann reported the creek in the midtown area overflowed and created a pond. There was also water flowing along Grove Street for a while.

Communication/Tourism Report

Communication and Tourism Director Catiel Felts reported 15,000 people would be in Gainesville this weekend for a Lacrosse Tournament (100 different teams). She also stated the German American Young Leaders would be at the Olympic Venue on Sunday.

Departmental Reports

City Manager Kip Padgett stated several departments will attend future Work Sessions to provide project updates. He asked Council to advise him of specific projects they'd like to be addressed in this forum.

COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Wangemann

1. Reported Keep Hall Beautiful set a new record for the fiscal year by exceeding 90,000 tons of litter during their cleanup efforts.
2. Commented on an upcoming "Day of Service" event where 175 young adults would be in Gainesville to address service projects for Parks and Recreation, the Arts Council, Good News at Noon, Elachee Nature Center, the Boys & Girls Club, Action Ministries and the Georgia Mountains Food Bank.

Council Member Figueras

1. Provided a brief report regarding the following Planning and Appeals Board Meeting and the Human Council Meeting.
2. Reported the Second Saturday Meeting scheduled for July 13th will focus on small business.

Council Member Hamrick

1. Provided a brief report regarding the Golf Course Advisory Committee Meeting.
2. Presented and discussed a Power Point presentation sharing the history of Gainesville in 1973. The presentation included but was not limited to information regarding the budget, the organizational chart, city-owned buildings and housing concerns.

Mayor Dunagan

Commented on the Building Inspection Report.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

City Clerk Denise Jordan stated a legal advertisement would appear in the July 14th newspaper regarding the Qualifying Period.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:30 AM

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