

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

The Mayor position was vacated upon the resignation of the Ward 1 Council Member in August. Per the Charter, the Mayor Pro Tem has the rights and privileges of the Mayor in his absence. Mayor Pro Tem Hamrick called the meeting to order.

Reverend Adrian Niles delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **Life Saving Valor Awards**

Police Chief Brian Kelly presented *Life Saving Valor Awards* to Corporal Drew Reed and Officer Stephen Folkers for their heroic actions taken on November 9, 2013. Chief Kelly pinned each officer then presented each with a plaque and certificate. Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough commented on the officers' lifesaving actions. Council extended words of appreciation.

#### **Auditor's Report**

Chris Hollifield, Rushton & Company, reported the City is in very good financial status and received a clean opinion from the audit review. He provided a brief summary of the report. The financial statement indicates there is \$44 million in the budget. He presented other figures that were calculated during the report. Council extended words of appreciation to the auditors and to the Administrative Services Department.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Susan Clark, 325 Brookwood Drive**, commented on flowers being removed from Alta Vista Cemetery. She commented on a recent experience and on conversations with staff. Council Member Bruner suggested that this issue be forwarded to the Cemetery Advisory Committee for them to address.

Council Member Figueras introduced Trey Prim as a political science student at LaGrange College student. He was observing government in action.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

#### **Resolutions:**

- A. BR-2013-50 Adoption of A Facility Naming Policy
- B. BR-2013-51 Adoption of the Gainesville-Hall '96 Olympic Venue Service and Lease Agreements
- C. BR-2013-52 Designation of an Open Records Officer and Adoption of an Open Records Policy
- D. BR-2013-53 Intergovernmental Agreement Between The City of Gainesville and the City of Oakwood
- E. BR-2013-54 Regarding Gainesville Business Park
- F. BR-2013-55 Retirement Plan A Plan Document Amendment
- G. PR-2013-46 Milton Martin Toyota Utility Trailer Donation

City Manager Kip Padgett provided a brief overview of each resolution. He also indicated there was a change made to the Facility Naming Policy addressing the qualification criteria.

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

Motion made by Council Member Figueras

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

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

**GENERAL LEGISLATION:**

**Proposed Ordinance**

**Amend Chapter 10-1 Entitled Municipal Court Fees**

**Motion to hold first reading on Ordinance 2013-26, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10-1 OF TITLE 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE; TO ESTABLISH SECTION 10-1-9 OF ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 10-1 ENTITLED MUNICIPAL COURT FEES; TO PROVIDE FEES FOR MUNICIPAL COURT RECORDS; TO ESTABLISH SECTION 10-1-10 OF ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 10-1 ENTITLED CERTIFICATION OF RECORDS; TO PROVIDE FEES FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF RECORDS; TO REPEAL SECTION 10-1-68 OF ARTICLE 4 OF CHAPTER 10-1 ENTITLED GEORGIA MOUNTAINS CENTER MARQUEE RENTAL; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

City Manager Kip Padgett stated this was a companion ordinance to the Open Records Request Policy approved through the Consent Agenda. It establishes the fees associated with open record requests.

Motion made by Council Member Bruner

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

**Proposed Ordinance**

**Amend Chapter 1-6 Regarding Mayor and Council Compensation**

**Motion to hold first reading on Ordinance 2013-27, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1-6 ENTITLED PERSONNEL OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA; TO ADD SECTION 1-6-4; ENTITLED COMPENSATION, EXPENSE ALLOWANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.14. OF THE APRIL 11, 2013 CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

City Manager Kip Padgett stated the proposed ordinance is a requirement of the new charter to reestablish the current pay of the Mayor and Council.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras  
Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

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

**Second Reading: Ordinance No. 2013-25  
Amend Article 9-14 Entitled Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control**

**Motion to hold second reading on Ordinance 2013-25, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 9 ENTITLED "UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA; TO AMEND ARTICLE 9-14 ENTITLED "SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL" TO CHANGE THE ARTICLE TITLE TO "SOIL EROSION, SEDIMENTATION AND POLLUTION CONTROL"; TO AMEND SECTION 9-14-3 ENTITLED "MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR EROSION, AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL"; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

City Manager Kip Padgett commented this is the second reading to amend the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) regarding soil erosion and sedimentation control.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras  
Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

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

**REPORT:**

**Community Development, Planning Division**

*Action taken by the Gainesville Planning and Appeals Board on December 10, 2013 and new items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board.*

Community Development Director Rusty Ligon stated there was one item to refer to the January 7, 2014 Council Meeting consisting of a rezoning request and there are no items to refer to the January 2014 Planning and Appeals Board Meeting. The report was noted as follows:

**Motion to accept the report as presented.**

Motion made by Council Member Figueras  
Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

**CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:**

**Called Work Session**

City Manager Kip Padgett reminded Council of the special called work session on Thursday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in the Bill William's Conference Room.

**Guns in the School**

City Manager Kip Padgett reported there had been several inquiries regarding the Gainesville School Board's decision on guns in the school. He stated the School System and the Police

Department had worked together on this issue. There will be an amendment to the School Resource Officer annual agreement to address this. No action was required by the Council.

Upon inquiry, Mr. Padgett stated the guns will be located in a secured location with limited access.

**ADJOURNMENT: 5:58 PM**

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Robert L. Hamrick, Mayor Pro Tempore

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Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk