

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Ruth Bruner, George Wangemann,
Zack Thompson, Barbara Brooks
OFFICIALS ABSENT: Sam Couvillon
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan,
Alisa Grayson

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and served as the presiding officer.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Staff Sergeant Robert Cipriani, Retired Army Veteran, and his wife Wendy Cipriani extended heartfelt appreciation to Lieutenant Shawn Welsh and Officer Zachary Lowery for their professionalism and restraint shown during a recent occurrence involving a disabled veteran. They shared some insight on experiences with the Police Department and presented the two with plaques as tokens of appreciation. Mayor Dunagan expressed his gratitude to the officers.

Margaret Dowdy, 1211 Cumberland Valley Road, distributed information outlining her concerns about the proposed new roadway segment (also known as Enota bypass). The following topics were addressed:

- 2030 Comprehensive Plan
- 2040 Comprehensive Plan
- New road being presented as a short bypass
- Decreased residential property values
- November 2014 Participation Plan
- Participation in the Metropolitan Planning Organization focus group meetings
- Pond and Company surveys
- Traffic counts for Enota Avenue and Green Street

After sharing her concerns, Ms. Dowdy asked the Council to take plans for the Enota bypass off the table for consideration.

Ted Havlick, 1196 Cumberland Valley Road, felt the City had not been forthcoming about the Enota bypass project. He commented on previous traffic relief projects that had been rejected and specifically mentioned Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; Downey Boulevard; and Queen City Parkway. One concern was proceeding without citizen involvement. Another concern was trucks on Enota Drive. Other concerns were related to decreasing property values and safety with emphasis on the nearby school. He requested additional information surrounding the plan and the ability to provide input on the matter.

Mary Carden, 1354 Riverside Drive, commented on what attracted her family to the neighborhood and expressed concerns about widening Enota because this would bring additional traffic and noise, decreased property values and change the character of surrounding neighborhoods. She also commented on the need for more low and middle class housing.

Dwayne Loggins, 602 Hillcrest, stated he managed several rental properties in Gainesville. He commented on the fees incurred for water, sewer and trash pickup. He was concerned about the high cost of the garbage service and recalled proposals for decreased service costs. He stated garbage service in the County was less expense which included recycling. He recommended cutting garbage pickup service to once a week and reducing the cost to \$15.

Mayor Dunagan stated the Enota bypass was not a done deal. He briefly commented on the grant to conduct a feasibility study, the surveying work that was underway and the estimated timeline for a project of this nature. He assured everyone that the citizens of Gainesville would be included in decisions to alleviate traffic. The Mayor also stated it was necessary to address traffic issues and closed by stating the study on Green Street was to determine what was underneath the street.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolutions:

A. AR-2016-03 Funding for Tumbling Creek Road Bridge Project

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided a brief overview of the resolution.

Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

Votes favoring the motion: Bruner, Wangemann, Thompson, Brooks

Absent: Couvillon

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

Annexation/Zoning Items

Mayor Dunagan reviewed the public hearing process.

Request from the Butler Property, LLC to amend the existing Planned Unit Development (P-U-D) zoning on a 92.06± acres tract located on the north and south sides of the intersection of Old Oakwood Road and Millside Parkway (a/k/a 3035 Old Oakwood Road SW and 3523 Mountain View Road SW). Ward Number: Four. Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-024-005-008A (Part); 08-025-000-004C. Request: Single-family, multi-family, office/warehouse and commercial.

Attorney Hayes recused himself due to a conflict of interest and left the meeting room.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application. The Planning and Appeals Board and the staff recommended approval with amendments to three of the thirty conditions.

Mayor Dunagan opened the floor for comments.

FAVOR:

Wendell Starke, 6760 Hedge Row Lane, stated the primary motivation for the request was the desire to move the apartments away from the school. He provided a brief overview of the requested amendments.

There being no further comments, the hearing was closed and the matter returned to Council for a decision.

Motion to hold first reading on Ordinance 2016-01, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, BY AMENDING THE EXISTING PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, WITH CONDITIONS (P-U-D-c) ZONING ON A 92.06± ACRES TRACT LOCATED ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDES OF THE INTERSECTION OF OLD OAKWOOD ROAD AND MILLSIDE PARKWAY (A/K/A 3035 OLD OAKWOOD ROAD SW AND 3523 MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD SW); REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (Amendment to the Zoning Map) with conditions.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Bruner, Wangemann, Thompson, Brooks

Absent: Couvillon

City Attorney Hayes returned to the meeting room.

Request from the Alcovy-20, Inc. to amend the existing Planned Unit Development (P-U-D) zoning on a 0.244± acres tract located on the west side of Lenox Drive, north of its intersection with Athens Highway (a/k/a 2613 Lenox Drive SE). Ward Number: Three. Tax Parcel Number(s): 15-022G-000-012. Request: Single-family home.

Planning Manager Matt Tate stated the applicant requested to withdraw the application.

Motion to accept the applicant's request to withdraw the application.

Motion made by Council Member Bruner

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Bruner, Wangemann, Thompson, Brooks

Absent: Couvillon

ADJOURNMENT: 6:15 PM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk