

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

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and served as the presiding officer.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Chattahoochee Golf Course Tee Marker Sponsorship

Rodger Hogan, Director of Golf, stated the five-year tee marker sponsorships had expired and the proposed resolution authorized the execution of future tee marker sponsorship agreements. It was noted that the proceeds are used for the junior golf programs and golf course improvements.

Placed on June 7, 2016 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: FY2017 Budget

Chief Financial Officer Melody Marlowe presented the proposed resolution to approve the fiscal year 2017 budget. The attachments summarized the \$33,523,839 balanced budget.

Placed on the June 21, 2016 Council Meeting Agenda

Ordinance: FY2017 Ad Valorem Tax Rate

Chief Financial Officer Melody Marlowe presented the proposed ordinance to set the fiscal year 2017 millage rate for city government at \$2.98 on each \$1,000 of taxable property as follows:

General Government	\$1.63
Parks and Recreation	\$0.75
Debt	<u>\$0.60</u>
Total	\$2.98

Mrs. Marlowe stated the millage rate will be revisited when the county provides the certified tax digest to determine if adjustments are needed.

Placed on the June 7, 2016 Council Meeting Agenda

Ordinance: FY2017 Ad Valorem Tax Rate - Board of Education

Chief Financial Officer Melody Marlowe presented the proposed ordinance to set the fiscal year 2017 millage rate for the Gainesville City School System at \$6.89 which was the same as last year.

Maintenance and Operations	\$6.89
Debt Service	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total	\$6.89

Mrs. Marlowe closed by stating the appropriate advertisements had occurred.

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Resolution: General Banking Resolution

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams presented the general banking resolution to update signatures on the SunTrust Bank Account. This action was in preparation for Chief Financial Officer's retirement.

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Resolution: Financial Policies - Capital Assets

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams stated the capital improvement policy (last updated in 2011) was reviewed in preparation for the financial software update (New World Systems). She summarized the changes indicating they would lessen the burden of booking assets.

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Ordinance: Amend Title 10 - Schedule of Fees for Inside City Fire Sprinkler Fees and Sewer Fees

Finance and Administration Division Manager Tina Wetherford stated the proposed ordinance implemented the last phase of the Fire Line/Sprinkler fees. She distributed documents showing the four year implementation process.

Water Resources Director Linda MacGregor stated this fee addresses the cost associated with the availability of water flow.

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Resolution: Wilshire Trail Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project

Water Resources Director Linda MacGregor stated the proposed resolution awards a construction contract to Site Engineering, Inc. to address failing infrastructure. The funding sources were identified within the resolution with a total authorized expenditure not to exceed \$458,900.

Stormwater Program Civil Engineer Corey Jones provided a brief overview of the project.

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Resolution: Flat Creek Water Reclamation Facility Digester Repair - Phase II Additional Funding

Construction and Project Management Section Chief Jarrett Nash presented the proposed resolution to secure additional funding to finish the referenced project indicating the tonnage of solids was greater than originally estimated.

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Resolution: Support of an Application for Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LITC) - Atlanta Street Development, Phase 2

Housing Program Manager Chris Davis stated the redevelopment of Atlanta Street Apartments was underway as a low income tax credit project. Walton Communities, LLC requested a letter of support to strengthen the LITC application. It was noted that development of the multi-family units would not be possible without tax credits.

Upon inquiry, City Manager Bryan Lackey stated commercial development would not occur as part of Walton. The initial design provides for a leasing office. There was a brief discussion about relocating the tenants.

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Resolution: Adoption of FY15 Annual Update to the Capital Improvements Element (CIE)
Special Projects Manager Jessica Tullar stated the proposed resolution adopts the final CIE. Staff received some advisory comments from the Department of Community Affairs that were minimal in substance and are being addressed. Mrs. Tullar noted advertisement had occurred to receive public comments before adopting the resolution.

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Tabled from March 1, 2016 Council Meeting

Request from Andrew Hothem to rezone a 0.48± acre tract located on the southeast side of the intersection of Lakeview Drive and Park Hill Drive (a/k/a 1490 Park Hill Drive NE), from Residential-I (R-I) to Residential-II (R-II). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-079-002-007. Request: Two-family residence.

Planning Manager Matt Tate stated approval of this request would transition a single family home with a basement into two separate units. The hearing was originally scheduled for March 1, 2016 and was tabled until the June 7, 2016 meeting to resolve issues with the septic system.

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Request from the City of Gainesville to amend the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) for the City of Gainesville, Georgia. The proposed amendments are to include amendments to Article 9-3 entitled "General Provisions"; amendments to Article 9-7 entitled "Flexible Zoning Districts"; amendments to Article 9-8 entitled "Overlay Zones"; to adopt a new Article 9-9 entitled "Site and Architectural Design Review"; amendments to Article 9-13 entitled "Subdivisions and Land Development"; and to repeal and adopt a new Article 9-17 entitled "Access, Parking and Loading Requirements."

Planning Manager Matt Tate stated the current ULDC was adopted in 2005 with some amendments over the years. It's time to make additional amendments to address items in the comprehensive plan. Plans were underway to implement changes in two phases. Phase I was ready for consideration which addressed Site and Architectural Design Review.

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Request from Timothy Bullard to annex a 20.42± acres tract located on the west side of the intersection of White Sulphur Road and Pine Valley Road, having frontage on Crow Road (aka 1582 and 1586 Pine Valley road) and to establish zoning as Residential-II. Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 09-124-000-039B and 203. Request: 240 Multi-family apartments.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application noting the Gainesville City School System expressed some concerns. The Planning staff and the Planning and Appeals Board recommended denial.

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Request from Jack Bailey to rezone a 3.39± acres tract located on the southeast side of the intersection of Chestatee Road and Dixon Drive and the northeast side of the intersection of Chestatee Road and Wilshire Road (a/k/a 920 Chestatee Road NW; 828, 836 and 842 Wilshire Road NW) from Residential-I (R-I) to Residential-II (R-II). Ward Number: Five Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-043-001-067, 068, 069 and 070. Request: Residential townhomes.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application. The Planning staff and the Planning and Appeals Board recommended denial. Staff provided conditions if the governing body was inclined to approve the request.

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Request from Jess Hughes (Carroll Daniel Construction) to abandon the entire right-of-way known as Dale Street, consisting of 0.272± acre (395± linear feet), located at the east side of its intersection with Camp Street, south of Athens Street and having a zoning classification of Heavy Industrial (H-I). Ward Number: Three. Request: Abandonment of right-of-way.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application. The Planning staff and Planning and Appeals Board recommended approval. There were no public comments.

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Request from Teresa Vickers for a Special Use on a 0.23± acre tract located on the north side of Enota Avenue, west of its intersection with Walker Street (a/k/a 977 and 983 Enota Avenue NE), having a zoning classification of Office and Institutional (O-I). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-087-002-006. Request: Hair Salon.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application. The Planning staff and the Planning and Appeals Board recommended approval with one condition. There were no public comments.

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Public Hearings: Change in Process

City Attorney Abb Hayes requested a slight change to the public hearing process. He specifically expressed a desire to keep public hearings open for the governing body to ask questions as needed.

There was consensus to honor the City Attorney's request.

CITY MANAGER ISSUES

Presentation by Fairway Outdoor Advertising

City Manager Bryan Lackey introduced a presentation from Fairway Outdoor Advertising to discuss billboard advertising noting Phase II of the Unified Land Development Code will deal with signage. This has been a topic of discussion in the past making it timely to explore the options and receive feedback from the governing body.

Attorneys William Bagwell and David Dickerson introduced clients Terry Harkins from Fairway Outdoor Advertising, LLC as well as Jim Shimmin and Matt Leech from Formetco, Incorporated.

Mr. Harkins stated he had been in the industry for 38 years and commented on how digital changes give flexibility with messages without production cost. Fairway is an advocate for the community and wants to be a vested partner in sharing messages with the community. He used a display board to discuss a 3 to 1 ratio for removing existing structures. He also used a display board to show the limitations associated with new structures. Mr. Harkins presented before/after photographs of areas that could benefit from digital billboards noting such a change had the potential to remove approximately 18 billboards within the city.

Upon inquiry as to whether staff would have an opportunity to provide input on the billboards that are removed, Community Development Director Rusty Ligon stated staff would provide a recommendation after working through the details.

Mr. Shimmin spoke about control mechanisms on digital signage and displayed some equipment. He stated there are 12 technicians in the local area.

Upon inquiry as to how this equipment compares to billboards used in Atlanta, it was noted that this was the highest technology available. Spouts Springs Road and the I-985 Oakwood exit were identified as the closest examples.

Supporting Adoption and Foster Families Together, Inc. (SAFFT)

Mayor Dunagan stated he met with SAFFT at which time a request for funding was presented. He asked staff to present the information.

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard stated the city has a lease agreement with SAFFT for space at the Community Service Center noting their Forsyth location was a rent free facility. SAFFT approached Hall County Commissioner Kathy Cooper for assistance (\$22,200). The FY2017 budget does not include funding to support this request. Staff was requesting direction from the governing body as to how to proceed.

Council Members Bruner, Couvillon and Thompson were not inclined to honor the request.

Administration Building Renovation Project Update

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard provided an update on the renovation project indicating one remaining task was signage. She expressed a desire to name the conference rooms noting there had been discussion about the following:

- Midtown Conference Room: overlooking Jesse Jewell Parkway
- Downtown Conference Room: overlooking the courthouse annex and Kenya Plaza
- Roosevelt Room: across from the elevators (Bill Williams Conference Room)
- Board Room: across from the Public Works administrative offices

There was consensus to proceed with the names as presented.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES

Council Member Couvillon

Provided an ex-officio report from the Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee and the Parks & Recreation Board meetings.

Council Member Bruner

Provided an ex-officio report from the Chicopee Woods Area Park Commission meeting.

Council Member Brooks

1. Reported the Butterfly Release was a great event.
2. The next Second Saturday Meeting will occur on June 11 and will include discussion to transition it to a quarterly meeting.

Mayor Dunagan

Provided a report from the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District meeting.

Appointment(s): Cemetery Committee

Mayor Dunagan nominated Bill Coates, Ben Mason and Glenda Pierce.

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Appointment(s): Gainesville Non-Profit Development Foundation

Mayor Dunagan nominated Maria Calkins, Audrey Simmons and Joy Griffin.

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Appointment(s): Friends of the Parks

Mayor Dunagan nominated Harriett Taylor and Gina Miller.

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Appointment(s): Parks and Recreation Board

Mayor Dunagan nominated Sam Richwine.

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ADJOURNMENT: 10:50 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk