

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Dunagan, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon
STAFF PRESENT: Padgett, Sheppard, Palmour, Felts, Jordan, Grayson

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

Sister Johns, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: February 12, 2015 Work Session

Minutes: February 20, 2015 Mayor/Council Meeting

Minutes: March 3, 2015 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting the edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras

Votes favoring the motion: Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon

APPOINTMENTS:

Parks and Recreation Board

To Fill Position Previously Held by Helen Perry

Motion to appoint Kristin Daniel to serve a five-year term on the Parks and Recreation Board.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

Votes favoring the motion: Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon

GENERAL LEGISLATION:

Proposed Ordinance

Amendment to Chapter 1-8-1 Entitled Administrative Hearing Officer

City Manager Kip Padgett stated the proposed ordinance would amend the powers of the Administrative Hearing Officer and conforms to the recently adopted alcohol ordinance.

Motion to hold first reading on Ordinance 2015-06, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1.8 ENTITLED ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA; TO AMEND SECTION 1-8-1 TO ADD TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER THE OPTION OF IMPOSING A MONETARY ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY; TO DEFINE THE JURISDICTION OF THE HEARING OFFICER AS CONCURRENT WITH THAT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT; AND THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER, THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER SHALL APPOINT AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER PRO HAC, UPON APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, TO PRESIDE OVER ALL ISSUES WHICH COME BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick

Motion seconded by Council Member Figueras

Votes favoring the motion: Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon

RESOLUTIONS:

PR-2015-10 Authorize Memorandum of Understanding between GEMA/HS and City of Gainesville Regarding Use of Homeland Security Grant Program Funding

Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough stated the grant award had been approved for acceptance for this year noting the grant is used to replace equipment used with the GSAR unit. There are several items to be purchased with the \$20,000 grant. The proposed resolution allowed the State to purchase the equipment for the City.

Motion to adopt the resolution as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

Votes favoring the motion: Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon

REPORT:

Community Development, Planning Division

Action taken by the Gainesville Planning and Appeals Board on March 10, 2015 and new items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board.

City Manager Kip Padgett stated there were two items to refer to the April 7th Council Meeting consisting of one variance and one special use request and there were two items to refer to the April 14th Planning and Appeals Board meeting consisting of one annexation and one zoning amendment request. The report was noted as follows:

This report contains **(A)** action taken by the Planning and Appeals Board during their public hearing held on **March 10, 2015**, and **(B)** all new items, including variance requests, received by Planning Division staff to be referred by City Council to the Planning and Appeals Board for consideration during the public hearing to be held on **April 14, 2015**.

A. Planning and Appeals Board Actions for 03/10/15:

- 1) **Conditionally approved** the request from **BGW Dental Group, Dr. Richard Bennett** to vary the sign illumination requirements to allow an electronic message board sign on a 2.32± acres parcel located on the northeast side of the intersection of Downey Boulevard and Vine Street (a/k/a **1215 and 1221 Vine Street NE**) having a zoning classification of Office and Institutional (O-I).
Ward Number: Three
Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-064-002-002
Request: Electronic message board sign
- 2) **Recommended conditional approval** of the request from **Nilanjan Datta** for a Special Use on a 39.7± acres tract located on the northwest side of the intersection of Atlanta Highway and Chicopee Mill Road (a/k/a **2100 Atlanta Highway SW, Building 3, Suite A**), having a zoning classification of Light Industrial (L-I).
Ward Number: Four
Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-011-000-003 (Part)
Request: Micro-brewery

B. New items to be referred to the Planning and Appeals Board for 04/14/15:

- 1) Request from **Fernando Martinez** to annex a 0.24± acre tract located on the west side of Pine Circle Drive, having road frontage on Spring Road (a/k/a **2321 Pine Circle Drive**) and to establish zoning as Residential-I (R-I).
Ward Number: Five
Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-006-006-001
Request: Sewer for an existing single-family residence
- 2) Request from **Chris Patton** to amend an existing condition of zoning for a 0.67± acre tract zoned Neighborhood Business (N-B) located on the east side of Thompson Bridge Road, south of Virginia Avenue (a/k/a **1510 Thompson Bridge Road**).
Ward Number: Two
Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-087-004-006
Request: Professional office

Motion to accept the report as presented and to refer the new items to the Planning and Appeals Board.

Motion made by Council Member Figueras

Motion seconded by Council Member Hamrick

Votes favoring the motion: Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon

OTHER BUSINESS:

Recent Events

Council Member Figueras commented on the following events: (1) the Grady Young Foundation Memorial Scholarship Weekend and (2) the Lanier Tent Rental Customer Appreciation.

Citizen Advisory Roundtable (AKA Second Saturday Meeting)

Council Member Figueras briefly reviewed the topics of discussion at the Second Saturday Meeting. She also reported a concern regarding ingress/egress at a future housing development on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Federal Interest Rates

Council Member Hamrick stated it seemed evident that the Federal Government would raise interest rates. He asked the Finance Department staff to review the City's indebtedness portfolio for potential refinancing opportunities.

Community Cleanup

Council Member Wangemann reported a community cleanup would occur on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 8:00 AM on Atlanta Highway. This was the beginning of the Great American Cleanup.

SPLOST VII Voting

Mayor Dunagan commented on the SPLOST VII voting today.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:41 PM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk