

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Sam Couvillon, George Wangemann, Ruth Bruner, Zack Thompson, Barbara Brooks
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.

City Manager Bryan Lackey delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS:

Volunteer of the Year Award - Dr. Bill Carr

Mayor Dunagan recognized Fire Chaplain Dr. Bill Carr for receiving the Volunteer of the Year Award. The Council Members and Fire Chief Yarbrough extended words of appreciation to Dr. Carr for his volunteer efforts and his service to the community. Dr. Carr expressed appreciation.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Brooks

Announced an appreciation event for all the public service professionals in Gainesville and Hall County will occur in November. Additional information will be relayed at a later date.

Council Member Wangemann

1. Provided a Rivers Alive clean up report.
2. Commented on his door knocking efforts this week and recognized a citizen in attendance as a result.

Mayor Dunagan

Reported on a HUB Cities meeting he attended in Atlanta.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: September 12, 2019 Work Session

Minutes: September 17, 2019 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Bruner

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

Resolutions:

A. PR-2019-14 FY2020 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG)

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

Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Brooks

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

GENERAL LEGISLATION:

Ordinance No. 2019-28

Amend Title 10 as it Pertains to Fire Protection Services Water Rates

City Manager Bryan Lackey stated the proposed amendment updates the rates associated with private fire fee services noting there was a fee reduction for the smaller meter size connections and a slight increase for the larger size meters.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2019-28, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF SECTION 10-1-45 ENTITLED "RATE SCHEDULE FOR WATER SERVICE FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES; FIRE HYDRANT METER RENTAL FEES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE BY ELIMINATING IT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING IN ITS PLACE THE LANGUAGE SET FORTH BELOW; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Business Resolution 2019-35

Temporary Moratorium on Vape Shops

City Attorney Abb Hayes stated the proposed resolution authorizes a temporary moratorium on the operation and issuance of business licenses/permits related to vape shops to allow time to enact regulations. The moratorium would last no longer than 120 days or upon the imposition of regulations to address vape shops (whichever comes first).

Upon inquiry on whether the moratorium would affect existing vape shops or new shops, Mr. Hayes confirmed those currently in operation were exempt but regulations will be in place noting no new vape shops would be allowed during this time.

Council Member Bruner was uncertain about the effects the moratorium would have on existing vape shops.

Council Member Wangemann commented on this being a proactive ordinance to regulate a potential health issue. It sends the message that vaping is not good for anyone.

Motion to adopt the resolution BR-2019-35 as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Couvillon

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Dunagan, Couvillon, Wangemann, Thompson

Votes opposing the motion: Bruner, Brooks

Mayor Dunagan provided the fourth affirmative vote required by the Charter.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:54 PM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk