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

Ordinance: Ad Valorem Tax Rate - Board of Education
Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry presented a proposed ordinance to set the millage rate for the Board of Education at 6.85 mills noting approval of the ordinance is required to proceed with billing. He requested a called meeting on September 28, 2017 at 9:00 AM to hold second reading on the ordinance. Mr. Perry thanked the school system staff for meeting the city's deadline.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda with consensus to schedule a called meeting as requested.

Resolution: High Street Booster Pump Station Improvements
Design and Permitting Section Chief Matt Henderson identified the location of the referenced pump station noting it is an aging system that is important to the community. The design work was completed by the Jacobs Engineering Group. The proposed resolution authorized awarding the construction contract to Allsouth Constructors, Inc. at a cost not to exceed $838,000 and authorized execution of documents necessary to complete the project. It was noted that the pole and wires will transition to an underground feed during this project.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Linwood Water Reclamation Facility Service Area Collection System Study
Civil Engineer Michelle Embry provided some background information about the service area. Staff received a proposal from CH2M to perform the study. The proposed resolution authorized execution of the necessary documents to complete the study at a cost not to exceed $264,000.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Linwood Water Reclamation Facility Outfall Diffuser
Civil Engineer Jason Perry provided some background information about the facility before stating the outfall diffuser had reached the end of its useful life expectancy. Proposals were received and Jacob's Engineering Group received the highest score during the review process. The proposed resolution authorized an agreement for professional services at a cost not to exceed $370,000 to be paid from the Department of Water Resources Capital Projects Fund. It also authorized execution of the documents necessary to complete the project.

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Resolution: Downtown Utilities Improvements - Phase 1
Engineering and Construction Services Division Manager Myron Bennett stated this project will update water, sewer and stormwater utilities in the referenced area with better materials. The proposed resolution authorized Phase 1 to proceed at a cost not to exceed $1.95 million to be

paid from the Department of Water Resources Capital Projects Fund. The resolution also authorized execution of documents necessary to complete the project.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: CIP Funding for Complete Street and Intersection Improvements at Glenwood Drive, Memorial Drive and Prior Street
Deputy Director of Engineering and Transportation Matt Tarver stated the proposed resolution established a capital project to improve the referenced area by creating a roundabout. It transfers $60,000 from the FY16 Street Resurfacing Program.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

City Manager Bryan Lackey extended a thank you to staff for collective team efforts to address post storm tasks. Damage assessments are already underway.

Hurricane Irma Debris Cleanup and Funding
Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard stated a resolution will be presented at the upcoming Council Meeting to address ways to expedite cleanup efforts. It will remove the limitation on the volume and the fee for a 30 day period. It will also authorize additional funding from the contingency fund for any extra fees the City may incur.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda

After Council Member Thompson's report that commercial customers had inquired about assistance, City Manager Bryan Lackey suggested focusing on residential customers noting staff would evaluate the need after the 30 day window.

Hurricane Irma Update
Mayor Dunagan reported extra utility crews were being sent to Hall County to help with recovery.

Public Works Director Chris Rotalsky shared some statistics related to the storm.

Resolution: Ratification of Amendments #1 and #2 and to Authorize Amendment #3 of the Agreement Between the City of Gainesville and Gainesville Housing Authority
Special Projects Manager Jessica Tullar distributed a revised amendment #3. She stated the proposed resolution is a housekeeping matter to satisfy the federal government.

City Attorney Abb Hayes reported all was in order and the amendments don't change any funding.

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Resolution: Authorize Transfer of Property Located at 2307 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and 793 Carlton Street to the Gainesville Nonprofit Development Foundation, Inc.
Special Projects Manager Jessica Tullar stated the proposed resolution authorized the transfer of the referenced properties to allow the construction of a new single-family home that will be sold for ownership. It also authorized execution of the necessary documents for the transfer.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Adoption of the DCA-Approved FY2016 Annual Update to the Capital Improvement Element (CIE)
Special projects Manager Jessica Tullar stated the proposed resolution approves the final version of the CIE as approved by the Department of Community Affairs.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda as a Public Hearing Item

Public Hearing Item for the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting
Request from Lidl US Operations, LLC to rezone a 6.854± acres tract located on the east side of Dawsonville Highway, southeast of Beechwood Boulevard (a/k/a 0 and 1010 Dawsonville Highway) from Office and Institutional (O-I) and General Business (G-B) to General Business (G-B). Ward Number: One. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-115-001-002 and 061. Request: Grocery store.
Planning Manager Matt Tate summarized the application. Staff as well as the Planning and Appeals Board recommended approval with six conditions.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda as a Public Hearing Item

Public Hearing Item for the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting
Request from JH Homes, Inc. to rezone a 21.87± acres tract located on the east side of South Enota Drive, having frontage on Smokey Mountain Springs Lane and Pearce Way (a/k/a 1024, 1030 and 1037 Pearce Way NE; 0 South Enota Drive NE) from Office and Institutional (O-I) to Residential-II (R-II). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-083-001-005, 151, 152 and 153. Request: 65 residential townhomes.
Planning Manager Matt Tate summarized the application. Staff as well as the Planning and Appeals Board recommended approval with eight conditions.

Council Member Couvillon reported some residents were concerned about the traffic.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda as a Public Hearing Item

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Department of Water Resources September 2017 Update
Director of Water Resources Linda MacGregor presented (1) an update on projects in conjunction with Department of Transportation projects, (2) an update on the drought, (3) highlights from the Riverside Water Treatment Plant Water Quality Building project and (4) indicated a ruling on the Florida versus Georgia Supreme Court case on equitable apportionment is expected by June 2018.

Downtown Parking
City Manager Bryan Lackey used a power point presentation to discuss plans for downtown parking. He commented on existing parking lots and their availability on the weekends. He also mentioned the possibility of an additional parking deck.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Thompson
Presented a Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee Meeting ex-officio report.

Council Member Brooks
Presented a Friends of the Parks Meeting ex-officio report.

Council Member Bruner
1. Commented on the Dragon Boat Festival.
2. Provided a Main Street Advisory Committee Meeting ex-officio report.
3. Provided a Chicopee Woods Area Park Commission Meeting ex-officio report.

Council Member Wangemann
1. Reported citizen concerns about the Mundy Mill Homeowners Association requirements.
2. Reported citizen concerns about garbage fees.
3. Provided a Georgia Mountains Regional Commission Meeting ex-officio report.

Council Member Couvillon
Reported a citizen concern about garbage pickup noting the citizen was advised of the community's desire to retain backyard pickup.

Mayor Dunagan
Nominated Richard Labriola and Tharpe Ward for reappointment to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority. He also nominated Robyn Lynch to replace Morgan House.

Placed on the September 19, 2017 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Manager Lackey requested an Executive Session to discuss real estate and legal matters.

Motion to close the Work Session at 10:21 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate and litigation.

Motion made by Council Member Brooks
Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner
Votes favoring the motion: Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon, Thompson, Brooks

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Note: Linda MacGregor, Myron Bennett, Rusty Ligon, Matt Tate and Jessica Tullar attended a portion of the Executive Session.

Motion to close the Executive Session at 11:35 AM to continue the Work Session.

Motion made by Council Member Brooks
Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner
Votes favoring the motion: Bruner, Wangemann, Couvillon, Thompson, Brooks

OTHER BUSINESS:

Lanier Tech Conference Center
Mayor Dunagan reported Lanier Tech is building a conference center that will seat 750 people banquet style and a 3,000 seat amphitheater. He reported Forsyth signed a contract to use the space. The City has been asked if there was any interest in using the facility.

The Council unanimously agreed there was no interest in participating.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:40 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk