

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

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

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Amendment to PFM Agreement for Financial Advisory Services

Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry presented the proposed resolution to authorize an amendment to the agreement transitioning the financial advisory services from PFM (Public Financial Management) group to PFMFA (Public Financial Management Financial Advisors) LLC. He indicated this was an annual agreement to be executed by the City Manager.

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Resolution: GEMA GSAR FY2017 Homeland Security Grant Award

Fire Division Chief Keith Smith requested approval to accept a \$64,000 grant and a \$3,500 grant for equipment to support the Georgia Search and Rescue (GSAR) program. He stated this year's grant amount was larger than previous amounts due to 20 additional members on the team.

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Resolution: Hall County Mitigation Plan Update 2016-2021

Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough stated the referenced Plan is updated every five (5) years and is a requirement of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Adoption of the plan qualifies the County and its municipalities to receive federal funds for emergencies. The next update will be in 2022. The proposed resolution requested authorization to adopt the plan.

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Resolution: Transfer of Funds to Police Department for Cooling System Repair

Captain John Robertson presented the proposed resolution to request a transfer of funds from the contingency in the amount of \$17,000 to repair the cooling system in the Gainesville Justice Center.

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Resolution: FY2018 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG)

Deputy Director of Engineering and Transportation Matt Tarver presented the proposed resolution to apply for and accept the referenced grant in the amount of \$366,983.54. The amount represents a 10% increase over last year. The streets for this project were identified as portions of Nancy Creek Road, Lakeview Drive, Crudup Drive, Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, Parkway Drive, Brookwood Drive and Springway Drive. The grant requires a 30% match which was included in the budget.

Council Member Couvillon confirmed all the streets would be completed.

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Resolution: Authorization to Apply for and Accept a 2018 Community Home Investment Program (CHIP) Grant

Special Projects Manager Jessica Tullar stated the city was eligible for another grant opportunity. She presented a request for authorization to apply for and accept a 2018 CHIP grant noting this was a two-year cycle program. The requested amount is \$612,000 to assist with a combination of homeowner rehab and new construction/reconstruction projects. The proposed resolution authorized application and acceptance of any awarded funds. There was no match requirement.

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Public Hearing Item for the November 7, 2017 Council Meeting

Request from Lanier Technical College to annex an 8.154± acres tract having no road frontage and located east of State Route 365 (Cornelia Highway), north of Lanier Tech Drive and Howard Road (a/k/a 0 Howard Road) and to establish zoning as Light Industrial (L-I). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 15-020-000-068. Request: Technical College. Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application request indicating the Planning and Appeals Board and staff recommended approval.

Placed on the November 7, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda as a Public Hearing Item

Public Hearing Item for the November 7, 2017 Council Meeting

Request from The 5 MCS, LLC to rezone a 5.24± acre tract located on the southwest side of the intersection of Enota Avenue and Yonah Avenue (a/k/a 1012 Enota Avenue NE) from Planned Unit Development (P-U-D) and Residential-I (R-I) to Planned Unit Development (P-U-D). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-075-001-024. Request: Assisted living facility, townhome cottages and single-family home.

Planning Manager Matt Tate reviewed the application request noting there were two citizens that presented concerns regarding traffic and further encroachment. The Planning and Appeals Board and staff recommended approval with five conditions.

Placed on the November 7, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda as a Public Hearing Item

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Resolution: Federal Courthouse Easement Agreement

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard presented a request for consideration of an easement agreement between the City and the Federal Government to install an identification sign on the sidewalk in front of the Federal Courthouse on Spring Street to reflect its recent renaming to the Sidney Oslin Smith, Jr. Federal Building. Due to its historical nature, a sign cannot be attached to the building. The proposed resolution authorized execution of the agreement. There was some discussion about the size and location of the sign.

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MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Bruner

1. Thanked Council Member Brooks for her efforts with the Dedication of the Memorial Garden event.
2. Presented a Gainesville-Hall '96 ex-officio report.

Council Member Brooks

1. Reported she will attend the Friends of the Parks meeting this afternoon.
2. Reported Trick or Treat on the Trails was canceled due to the inclement weather.
3. Commented on the Dedication of the Memorial Garden ceremony and expressed appreciation for everyone's participation.

Council Member Thompson

Extended appreciation to Council Member Brooks, staff and participants of the Dedication of the Memorial Garden event.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

Open Enrollment Information

City Clerk Denise Jordan commented on the upcoming open enrollment period and distributed information packets to Council for review.

Industry Appreciation Event

City Clerk Denise Jordan announced the referenced event was on November 14 at 11:00 AM at the Chattahoochee Country Club.

Mayors' Day Conference

City Clerk Denise Jordan announced the referenced conference was scheduled for January 19 – 22, 2018. Information packets were available to assist with completing the registration process.

November 7, 2017 Council Meeting

City Clerk Denise Jordan stated she will not be in attendance at the Council Meeting due to her involvement in the election process. Deputy City Clerk Alisa Grayson will cover the meeting.

November 7, 2017 Municipal Election

City Clerk Denise Jordan confirmed Early Voting concludes on November 3 and the polls close at 7 PM on Election Day. She shared some statistics on early voting participation to date.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:26 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk