

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

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:

Public Works Department Goals and Objectives

City Manager Bryan Lackey complimented staff for continuing discussions with the Department of Transportation to keep projects moving.

Public Works Director Chris Rotalsky summarized activities from the previous year before discussing opportunities and goals/objectives for the department. He also discussed performance measures for each division.

Communications and Tourism Goals and Objectives

Director Catiel Felts introduced Nikki Perry as her successor (due to her upcoming retirement) before presenting budget information related to Main Street Gainesville, Gainesville Tourism (Explore Gainesville) and Public Information. Mrs. Felts reviewed activities from the previous year, the goals/objectives and the performance measures for the department.

TV 18 Cable Television Fund Goals and Objectives

TV18 Station Manager Ronny Childs reviewed the mission statement before discussing activities from the previous year, goals/objectives and performance measures.

Community Service Center Goals and Objectives

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss summarized activities from the previous year, departmental opportunities and performance measures.

Council Member Bruner commented on the Community Service Center's involvement in the last census and expressed the importance of making sure residents complete the 2020 census. She asked staff to be prepared to address this.

Parks and Recreation 2019 Budget Presentation

Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Graham presented the budget information. He discussed some successes during the last fiscal year, accomplishments during the current fiscal year, and major capital development projects. He also discussed opportunities/challenges for the next fiscal year as well as initiatives and performance measures. Mr. Graham summarized revenue sources and expenditures by cost center. He also reviewed the five-year capital improvement plan.

RECESS: 11:02 AM

RECONVENE: 11:08 AM

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Dawsonville Highway Bridge Replacement Utilities Relocation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Georgia Department of Transportation

Civil Engineer Jason Perry stated the MOU defines who is responsible for the cost of any relocations that are needed. The proposed resolution authorized execution of the MOU and associated cost not to exceed \$30,000 which would be paid from the Department of Water Resources Capital Improvement Fund.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Cargill Global Edible Oil Solutions Donation to the Fire Department

Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough stated Cargill has a Hurricane Relief Fund and wanted to make a \$10,000 donation to the community from the fund. The donation would be used to purchase Search and Rescue Equipment. Matching funds were not required. The proposed resolution authorized acceptance of the donation.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: North Georgia Community Foundation Donation to the Fire Department

Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough stated the North Georgia Community Foundation desired to donate \$6,565.19 which would be used for the Drone Program. Matching funds were not required. The proposed resolution authorized acceptance of the donation.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Master Lease Purchase Agreement with PNC Equipment Finance, LLC

Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry stated this agreement is for the purchase of a fire truck. Purchasing the truck through the capital budget would use 36% of those funds. Handling the purchase through a lease agreement will reduce the impact to 8% of the capital budget. The City has until May 1 to submit the approved paperwork to avoid tariffs. The cost of the truck is \$1.3 million. The lease purchase process allows the city to receive a \$67,000 discount.

Fire Chief Jerome Yarbrough showed a photograph of the existing truck which has been in service for 22 years. ISO no longer recognizes the truck as a front line vehicle and some parts are no longer available for purchase.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Fourth Quarter Budget Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2017

Budget/Purchasing Manager Kevin Hutcheson reviewed budget adjustment requirements noting all adjustments were balanced. There were no notable adjustments that hadn't already been discussed with the governing body.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Second Quarter Budget Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2018

Budget/Purchasing Manager Kevin Hutcheson briefly reviewed three notable adjustments.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Finance Resolution: Write-off of Delinquent Personal Property Tax

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams stated the list consists of businesses that have either closed or can't be located and the statute of limitation on the FIFAs has expired. She indicated 72% of the tax was for the school system. Mrs. Williams confirmed the School Board was notified.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Write-off of Delinquent Utilities Receivables

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams stated this write-off was on behalf of the Department of Water Resources. The account holders were deceased or had declared bankruptcy.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Finance Resolution: Write-off of Uncollectible Returned Checks

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams stated the last write-off for uncollectible returned checks occurred in 2013.

Placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Request from Lake 53, LLC to rezone a 6.227± acres tract located on the west side of Dawsonville Highway, north of Avonlea Way (a/k/a 1995 Dawsonville Highway NW) from General Business (G-B) to Planned Unit Development (P-U-D). Ward Number: One. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-110A-003-003. Request: 79 residential condos and office space. Planning Manager Matt Tate summarized the application for a six-story condominium building. The Planning and Appeals Board as well as staff recommend approval with three conditions.

Public Hearing Item for the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting

Request from John Harris to rezone a 5.73± acres tract located on the southeast side of Lanier Valley Drive, west of Otila Drive (a/k/a 1331 Lanier Valley Drive NW) from Residential-II (R-II) and General Business (G-B) to General Business (G-B). Ward Number: One. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-115-002-002. Request: Non-profit residential facility. Planning Manager Matt Tate summarized the application. The Planning and Appeals Board as well as staff recommend approval with eight conditions.

Public Hearing Item for the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Brooks

1. Requested donations for the Friends of the Parks.
2. Presented a Gainesville Non-Profit Development Foundation ex-officio report.

Council Member Bruner

1. Presented a Main Street Advisory Committee Meeting ex-officio report.
2. Presented a Hall '96 Meeting ex-officio report.

Mayor Dunagan

1. Announced he would attend Career Day at New Holland Elementary School on April 13.

2. Announced he would attend an event at Brenau Hosch Theatre to welcome the Climate Change Forum.
3. Nominated Jackie Walters to replace Allen Nivens on the Development Authority.
4. Nominated David Abee for reappointment and nominated Tyler Smith to replace Mike Weaver on the Redevelopment Authority.
5. Expressed a desire to allow Redevelopment Authority appointees to serve two full terms.
6. Reported pending appointments to the Friends of the Parks, Gainesville Non-Profit Development Foundation and the Metropolitan Planning Organization Citizens Advisory Committee.
 - Appointments placed on the April 17, 2018 Council Meeting Consent Agenda
 - Staff to review Redevelopment Authority legislation.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

City Clerk Denise Jordan announced the following calendar events:

- April 20: Senior Life Campus Ribbon Cutting, 12:30 PM.
- April 23: JMA Meeting hosted by town of Braselton at Chateau Elan, 5:30 PM.
- May 17: Chamber Annual Gala at the Chattahoochee Country Club, 6:00 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

Motion to close the Work Session at 11:33 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss litigation and real estate matters.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

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

Absent: Wangemann

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Sam Couvillon, Zack Thompson, Barbara Brooks

OFFICIALS ABSENT: George Wangemann

STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan

NOTES:

- Council Members Couvillon and Bruner attended a portion of the Executive Session.
- Rusty Ligon, Frank Norton, Jr. and Eddie Hughes also attended a portion of the Executive Session.

Motion to close the Executive Session at 12:25 PM.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

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

Absent: Wangemann, Bruner

ADJOURNMENT: 12:25 PM

/dj

C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk