

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

Resolution: Apply For and Accept FY2020 Section 5307 Grant

Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss stated she is still working on this grant application which funds 100% of the Gainesville Connection bus service and 90% of the Dial-A-Ride service. The delay ties to decisions regarding service for the next year. The funding request will be the same amount, i.e., \$1.6 million. The issue is what to request for capital purchases. She shared the federal allocation for other cities similar to Gainesville and anticipated the funding amount will decrease in 2020.

City Manager Lackey provided some background about the company the Metropolitan Planning Organization selected for the micro transit program indicating recommendations are expected during the first quarter of 2019.

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Resolution: Wal-Mart Foundation Local Facility Giving Program

Deputy Chief Jay Parrish stated the proposed resolution allows the department to accept a \$2,500 non-matching grant noting the funds would be used for the Explorers Program. He shared success stories which indicate how the program develops the youth and benefits the department.

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Resolution: FY2019 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG)

Deputy Director of Engineering & Transportation Matt Tarver stated this annual program offered by the Georgia Department of Transportation provides funding to improve roadways. The funding is based on population and this year's allocation is \$395,000 which is a 10% increase from last year. The grant requires a 30% match which is included in the FY2019 budget. Mr. Tarver stated portions of the following streets would be submitted as part of the grant application: Blue Ridge Drive, Howard Road, Lakeshore Circle, Landmark Place, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Virginia Circle. The proposed resolution authorizes staff to apply for and accept the grant funds.

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Resolution: Accepting Millside Parkway as a City Street

Deputy Director of Engineering & Transportation Matt Tarver stated the proposed resolution accepts a portion of Millside Parkway which is a four lane thoroughfare through the Mundy Mill development. There are two distinct portions of the road with a total length of 6,094 feet. Inspections have occurred and the city's criteria have been met. He recommended accepting the street.

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CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Westside TAD Urban Redevelopment Plan

City Manager Lackey introduced this public hearing item which will expand the Tax Allocation District (TAD) boundary around Lakeshore Mall for a bigger impact on the community.

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard commented on the desire to duplicate the success of TAD efforts in other parts of the city which prompted the creation of the Westside TAD to make some improvements. The focus will be on retail developments. She thanked Community Development, Finance and the Clerk's Office for helping with this agenda item.

Community Development Director Rusty Ligon discussed the areas included in this proposal. He indicated the next step was to conduct the public hearing. Then, the tax base must be certified by the Hall County Tax Assessor and the Georgia Department of Revenue by the end of the year.

Mrs. Sheppard stated the resolution adopts the urban redevelopment plan, dissolves the Lakeshore Mall TAD and creates the Westside TAD.

Public Hearing for November 20, 2018 Council Meeting
Resolution placed on November 20 Council Meeting agenda

Resolution: Property Acquisition at 506 & 508 Davis Street

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard commented on a railroad Y owned by the City on the midtown greenway noting a small portion of the railroad Y is owned by a private owner. The city has a vision for a new park in this area and has an opportunity to purchase the property from the private owner. The proposed resolution authorizes the purchase of the referenced property with CDBG funds as well as Parks and Recreation Agency funds.

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Christmas Donations in Lieu of Gifts

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard announced the Council has traditionally made donations to a non-profit organization/program in lieu of exchanging gifts with staff. This year's donations will benefit the Shop with a Cop Program.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Bruner

Presented the Main Street Advisory Committee ex-officio report.

Council Member Couvillon

Presented the Airport Advisory Committee meeting ex-officio report.

Mayor Dunagan

Reported pending appointments to the Friends of the Parks as well as the Parks and Recreation Board.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

1. Stated Council Members Brooks and Thompson will miss the Council Meeting and confirmed everyone else would be in attendance creating a quorum of the governing body.
2. The Airport Advisory Committee and the Cemetery Committee members will be recognized at the November 20, 2018 Council Meeting.
3. Announced GMA Mayor's Day registrations are in progress and requested notice of changes as soon as practical.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

Motion to close the Work Session at 9:31 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

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

Absent: Thompson, Brooks

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 10:03 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Bruner

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

Absent: Thompson, Brooks

OTHER BUSINESS:

Council Member Bruner announced she will be out-of-town starting November 21, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk