

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson, George Wangemann, Sam Couvillon, Barbara Brooks, Juli Clay
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: Corporate Hangar AA1 Sublease and SASO Agreement

Airport Manager Lisa Poole stated the proposed resolution authorizes a sublease to North Georgia Aviation and a SASO agreement for a new flight school. The resolution also authorizes execution of the necessary documents.

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CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Resolution: Agreement for Construction Management Services by Walton Construction Services

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard reported a partnership opportunity for sidewalks in coordination with the Walton Harbor redevelopment project. The City would fund the section that connects Shallowford Road to Jones Street. Walton does all the work. The resolution authorizes the City Manager to sign the agreement.

Upon inquiry from Council Member Wangemann, staff confirmed there is no sidewalk fund. Sidewalks are addressed as capital projects.

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Resolution: Transfer of City of Gainesville Owned Property (Between Washington Street, Spring Street and Maple Street)

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard displayed diagrams of the alleys to be transferred noting the City does not need these properties. They will be divided among Ninth District Opportunity, Peach State Bank, Ernest Hyman Reynolds and James Tortorelli. The resolution concurs with the City Manager's determination letters, authorizes the transfers and authorizes the execution of the necessary documents.

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Fiscal Year 2022 Recommended Budget

City Manager Bryan Lackey presented the proposed budget noting it includes innovative ideas. He provided a recap of the retreats; an overview of revenues and expenditures; summarized the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to be received over the next two years; announced the fund balance is set above the requirements of the financial policy; provided an overview of capital projects; and provided an overview of SPLOST VII and SPLOST VIII projects. In summary, the recommended budget

- Includes a full roll-back of the millage rate (no tax increase)
- Provides a 1.0 mill credit associated with the American Rescue Plan Act
- Provides compensation adjustments (4% cost of living increase)

- Includes a new position for Community & Economic Development and a new position for Solid Waste
- Continues the High Deductible Health Plan incentives
- Provides \$122.2 million for capital projects

The budget will be presented again at the May 18 Council Meeting. Adoption is scheduled for the June 15, 2021 Council Meeting.

Public hearing advertised for May 18, 2021 Council Meeting.

The Mayor and Council extended support and appreciation for the efforts to build this budget.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Couvillon

Congratulated Community Service Center Director Phillippa Lewis Moss for receiving the John Cleveland Citizenship Award at the 2021 Gainesville American Values Dinner.

Council Member Wangemann

Presented the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission ex-officio report.

Council Member Thompson

Presented the Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee ex-officio report.

Council Member Clay

Presented the Airport Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation and Friends of the Parks ex-officio reports.

Council Member Brooks

Presented the Gainesville Non-Profit Development Foundation and the Board of Health ex-officio reports.

Mayor Dunagan

Requested nominations to the Friends of the Parks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

Motion to close the Work Session at 10:05 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate and legal matters.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 10:38.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

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

OTHER BUSINESS:

Social Distancing at Work Sessions/Council Meetings

Elected officials were asked for guidance as to when to revert back to the standard room setup (pre-COVID) noting Municipal Court must continue social distancing per the governor's order but the dais could be changed.

There was consensus to revert back to the standard room setup starting with the May 18, 2021 Council Meeting.

Sewer Connection Policy

Community and Economic Development Director Rusty Ligon advised there are two potential developments that may request sewer connection without annexation. City Manager Bryan Lackey reminded the group of the policy.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:51 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk