

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

Mayor Couvillon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and served as the presiding officer.

Council Member Brooks delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

PRESENTATIONS:

Proclamation: Constitution Week

Mayor Couvillon read and presented a proclamation celebrating the 235th anniversary of the Constitution and declaring September 17-23, 2022 to be Constitution Week.

Proclamation: Attendance Awareness Month

Mayor Couvillon read and presented a proclamation declaring September to be Attendance Awareness Month urging community partners to work toward reducing absenteeism in schools.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Dunagan

Encouraged the community to support local businesses during Main Street Gainesville's fall sidewalk sale.

Council Member Thompson

Announced Mule Camp will return to downtown Gainesville October 7-9, 2022 and commented on some activities occurring during this time.

Council Member Clay

Shared a few details about Squarecrow on the Square event noting squarecrows will be on display mid-October for the community to enjoy. Visit the city's website for more information.

Council Member Wangemann

Announced the Lake Lanier Association's Shore Sweep is scheduled for this weekend with volunteers gathering at Laurel Park.

Council Member Brooks

Announced a statewide burn ban is in effect thru September 30 and encouraged the community to contact a local fire department to address questions.

Mayor Couvillon

Announced the North Georgia Food Bank Luncheon recognized Council Member George Wangemann for his commitment to this organization.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: September 1, 2022 Work Session

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan

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

Minutes: September 6, 2022 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

Resolutions

A. BR-2022-53 Modify Boundaries Related to the Downtown Dining District

B. BR-2022-54 Old Oakwood Road Service and Development Agreement

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided a brief summary.

Motion to adopt the consent agenda resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

GENERAL LEGISLATION:

Ordinance 2022-30 Amend Section 3-5-7 Entitled Criminal Trespass in Public Parking Lots

City Manager Bryan Lackey summarized the purpose of the ordinance noting ambassadors will be hired to assist the Police Department and cameras were installed to provide video evidence.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2022-30, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3-5-7 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE BY ELIMINATING IT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING IN ITS PLACE THE LANGUAGE SET FORTH BELOW; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

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

Ordinance 2022-31 Amend Chapter 6-4 and Section 1-7-2 Related to Alcoholic Beverages

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard briefly summarized the amendments associated with this ordinance.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2022-31, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 6-4-2, 6-4-63, 6-4-82, 6-4-83, 6-4-84, 6-4-87 AND 1-7-2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

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

Votes opposing the motion: Wangemann

RESOLUTIONS:

BR-2022-55 Intergovernmental Agreement Securing the Series 2022A Bonds and Series 2022B Bonds

Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry introduced Financial Advisory Bill Camp and Disclosure Counsel Roger Murray. Both were involved in preparing for this bond issue.

Bill Camp complimented staff before reviewing materials entitled Gainesville (Georgia) Redevelopment Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2022A & B Pricing Summary. Notable points are as follows:

- The bonds will be paid over a 21-year period and most of the debt will be priced in a market that is below average.
- There were ten different bidders willing and able to fund \$39 million based on the city's credit rating.
- Payments will be made from November 15, 2024 to November 15, 2043.
- Money is borrowed for three projects bundled in these bond series.
- The annual debt service (\$2,830,000) will be paid from different revenue sources.
- The Redevelopment Authority is the issuer and the City is responsible for the payments.

Roger Murray stated the resolution authorizes execution of the intergovernmental contract and other related documents including but not limited to validation proceedings. The contract is the agreement to pay the Gainesville Redevelopment Authority sufficient amounts to pay the debt service on the bonds.

City Attorney Abb Hayes commented on scheduling the validation hearing in October with a targeted closing date of October 20.

Motion to approve Resolution BR-2022-55 as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

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

BR-2022-56 Plan of Finance for The Coop and The Boathouse

Motion to approve Resolution BR-2022-56 as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

ADJOURNMENT: 5:55 PM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk