

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

Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Brooks called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and served as the presiding officer in the absence of Mayor Sam Couvillon.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Authorization to Apply for and Accept a *Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program Planning Grant*

Neighborhood Development Manager Jessica Tullar stated the Athens Street Plan is complete. Staff is working on traffic priorities to eradicate, mitigate and remove barriers created by transportation. The proposed resolution is for a \$400,000 grant with a local match of \$80,000 from the FY23 capital improvements budget. The grant funds would be used to complete a formal engineering study at the intersection of Athens Street, EE Butler Parkway and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to improve pedestrian safety.

Placed on the October 4, 2022 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Public Hearing Item: Request from Arturo Maruri to annex two tracts totaling 0.32± acre located on the east and west side of Ralston Street, south of Hazel Street (a/k/a 1511 and 1514 Ralston Street) and to establish zoning as Residential-I (R-I). Ward Number: Four. Tax Parcel Number(s): 00-129-002-010 and 00- 130-001-007. Request: Sewer for two existing single-family homes.

City Attorney Abb Hayes summarized the application and events from the Planning and Appeals Board. The Community & Economic Development Department should be contacted to address questions.

Public Hearing advertised for the October 4, 2022 Council Meeting

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard commented on the following:

1. Last week's employee event was very successful.
2. Mule Camp, hosted by the Gainesville Jaycees, is scheduled for October 6-8, 2022 at the Midland Greenway. This event will impact the neighborhood trolley service.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Dunagan

Presented the Main Street Advisory Board Meeting ex-officio report.

Council Member Thompson

Expressed concern for the State of Florida in light of Hurricane Ian.

Council Member Clay

1. Expressed concerns for the State of Florida and for power service providers in lite of Hurricane Ian.
2. Stated the Fire Station 2 Community Meeting was very productive.
3. Presented the Parks and Recreation ex-officio report.
4. Commented on the Renaissance Building ribbon-cutting.

Council Member Wangemann

1. Commented on the Shore Sweep and Keep Hall Beautiful activities.
2. Commented on the Georgia Food Bank Empty Bowl Luncheon.
3. Presented the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission ex-officio report.

CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Resolution: Acquisition of Land and Easement Rights to Construct the Green Hill Circle Connector Between Green Hill Circle and Shallowford Road

City Attorney Abb Hayes stated the proposed resolution authorizes condemnation proceedings for the Greenhill Circle Connector Project.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard requested an Executive Session to discuss real estate and legal matters.

Motion to close the Work Session at 9:11 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate and legal matters.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

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

Absent: Couvillon

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 9:36 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

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

Absent: Couvillon

OTHER BUSINESS:

Redistricting

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard announced staff and a few elected officials will meet with the Newtown Florist Club on October 6, 2022 at 5:00 PM. There was a brief discussion about the Board of Education's involvement in this process.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:54 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk