

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Zack Thompson, Juli Clay, Danny Dunagan, George Wangemann

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Barbara Brooks

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

Mayor Couvillon called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and served as the presiding officer.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Approval of Agreement Regarding Term of Municipal Court Judge

Administrative Services Director Janeann Allison stated this is the annual reappointment of the Municipal Court Judge to comply with the mandate issued by the state.

Placed on the December 20, 2022 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Ordinance: Amend Section 10-1-8 Entitled Court Processing Fee

Administrative Services Director Janeann Allison stated the proposed ordinance adds an additional fee onto tickets to provide a new service that improves efficiency. It was noted this is not a revenue generating fee.

Placed on the December 20, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda

Resolution: Runway 5-23 Rehabilitation Project FAA-GDOT Grant Funding and Award of Contract

Airport Manager Lisa Poole stated there is a contract with Lead Edge Design Group, Inc. for consulting services to design, bid and provide construction management services. The proposed resolution awards the contract to C.W. Matthews Contracting, Inc. to repave the primary runway. The total project is approximately \$5 million with 75% of the cost paid from federal funds, 15% from state and the remainder from local funds. There was an inquiry about the down time during construction.

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Resolution: FY2023 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG)

Civil Engineer Corey Jones stated the proposed resolution authorizes the department to apply for and accept funds from the Department of Transportation for roadway improvements. The City has been allotted \$431,000 with a local match of 30% funded from Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST). The total project cost is \$560,516.55. Upon inquiry, there was discussion about last year's LMIG funding.

Council Member Dunagan requested a list of roads to be paved in 2023.

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CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Resolution: Approval of Gainesville Police Foundation, Inc.

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided the history of legislation supporting the creation of this foundation which allows donations to be applied to operational cost with a tax credit. The City Attorney and Police Chief drafted this document which names three board members and provides the ability to name others. IRS approval is required to receive donations.

City Attorney Abb Hayes shared details regarding IRS approvals and the maximum donation allowed.

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Mayor Couvillon commented on the prevalence of fentanyl in society and expressed appreciation for the efforts of law enforcement.

CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Resolution: Transfer of Property to Aaron Sims Griffith

City Attorney Abb Hayes stated the proposed transfer is allowed through the narrow strip ordinance. The resolution allows the sale of the property for almost \$18,000.

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Ordinance 2022-24 Annex Victory Street Property

(Tabled at the August 2, 2022, October 18, 2022, November 1, 2022 and December 6, 2022 Council Meetings)

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING ALL OF VICTORY STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY CONSISTING OF 0.66± ACRE, LOCATED BETWEEN JESSE JEWELL PARKWAY AND SPRING STREET ADJACENT TO BUT NOT NOW WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Ordinance 2022-25 Zone Victory Street Property

(Tabled at the August 2, 2022, October 18, 2022, November 1, 2022 and December 6, 2022 Council Meetings)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA BY ESTABLISHING THE ZONING ON ALL OF VICTORY STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY CONSISTING OF 0.66± ACRE, LOCATED BETWEEN JESSE JEWELL PARKWAY AND SPRING STREET AT THE TIME OF ANNEXATION AS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, WITH CONDITIONS (P-U-D-c); TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

City Attorney Abb Hayes stated these two ordinances should be ready for action at the upcoming meeting.

Both ordinances placed on the December 20, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda

Home Rule Ordinance 2022-01 Charter Amendment to Define and Revise Boundary Lines as it Pertains to Mayor and Council Elections

AN ORDINANCE TO REAPPORTION THE ELECTION DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA AND AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.C.G.A. § 36-35-4.1 AND PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3, IN ORDER TO DEFINE AND REVISE THE BOUNDARY LINES OF SUCH VOTING DISTRICTS, KNOWN AS WARDS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

City Attorney Abb Hayes requested the second reading and passage of this ordinance.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to close the Work Session at 9:13 AM to enter an executive session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan

Votes favoring the motion: Zack Thompson, Juli Clay, Danny Dunagan, George Wangemann

Absent: Barbara Brooks

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Motion to close the executive session at 10:39 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

Votes favoring the motion: Zack Thompson, Juli Clay, Danny Dunagan, George Wangemann

Absent: Barbara Brooks

OTHER BUSINESS:

Florence Drive Sewer Connection Request

Mayor Couvillon reported the request noting the property is outside the city limits and approved for an eight-bay garage by the Hall County Commission. After some discussion, the Mayor agreed to secure additional information.

The National Tax Allocation District (TAD) Agreement

Council Member Dunagan sought clarification about the ability to make a material modification to a TAD project.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:56 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk