

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Juli Hayes, Barbara Brooks, Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson
VACANT POSITION: Ward 4
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan

Mayor Sam Couvillon called the meeting to order and served as the presiding officer.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Tourism Update - 1st Quarter 2024

Tourism Director Robyn Lynch presented the update. The following information was noted:

- Several art projects were completed at Lake Lanier Olympic Park.
- The Cool Bus is ready to use as a shuttle.
- Main Street has new business packets.
- Conference type events increased with five occurring during the first quarter.
- The boathouse hosted 13 events during its first month of operation.
- Sporting events had a big economic impact with baseball and softball taking the lead.
- Upcoming events include the return of Tulsa King (a movie production), First Friday Concerts and Blue Sky Concerts.

Resolution: Declaration of Surplus Property

Budget and Purchasing Manager Brenda Carpio presented a resolution to declare surplus property for items that have exceeded their useful life and are no longer needed.

Placed on the May 7, 2024 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Public Hearing Item Tabled at the April 16, 2024 Council Meeting: Request from Raven Residential Group for a special use on a 0.925± acre tract located on the south side of Washington Street, west of the intersection of Washington Street and West Academy Street (a/k/a 521 Washington Street, SW), having a zoning of Neighborhood Business (N-B). Ward Number(s): Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 01-027-001-003. Request: Residential condominium community. Proposed Zoning Resolution ZR-2024-03.

Public Hearing Item: Request from Monica Duran Pizano to annex a 0.6± acre tract located on the northwest corner of Mountain View Road and Whiting Road (a/k/a 3608 Whiting Road) and to establish a zoning of Residential-I (R-I). Ward Number: Four. Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-024-001-002A. Request: Sewer for an existing single-family home and detached guest house.

Public Hearing Item: Request from Michael G. Sheets (Gold Creek Acquisitions II, LLC) to annex a 2.13± acres tract located at the terminus of Industrial Drive, east of Memorial Park Drive (a/k/a 2093 Industrial Drive) and to establish a zoning of Light Industrial (L-I). Ward Number: Four. Tax Parcel Number(s): 08- 007-003-034. Request: Sewer for an existing office building.

Public Hearing Item: Request from the City of Gainesville to annex 2.81± acres consisting of 11 parcels located on the northwest side of Jesse Jewell Parkway within the New Holland Mill subdivision (a/k/a 3 and 4 Carolina Street, 0 Spring Street, 10 Myrtle Drive, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19 and 20 Victory Street) and to establish a zoning of Residential and Office (R-O). Ward Number: Two. Tax Parcel Number(s): 00-063-006-005, 006; 00-063-

008-008, 010, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016 and 018. Request: Existing uses.

City Attorney Abb Hayes summarized the public hearing items and recommended contacting the Community and Economic Development Department to resolve questions.

All public hearing items placed on the May 7, 2024 Council Meeting Agenda

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Appointment: Parks & Recreation Board

Mayor Couvillon nominated Anna Hester to replace John Simpson.

Appointment: Parks & Recreation Foundation

Mayor Couvillon nominated Tina Roberts to replace Rebina Warthen.

Both appointments placed on the May 7, 2024 Council Meeting agenda.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

City Clerk Denise Jordan summarized presentations/recognitions for the upcoming Council Meeting then shared details regarding invitations to various events.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Attorney Abb Hayes requested an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion to close the meeting to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters at 9:21 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

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

Vacant Position: Ward 4

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Motion to close the Executive Session and continue the meeting at 10:02 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Hayes

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

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Budget

City Manager Bryan Lackey reported tax digest information will not be available until the end of May which means budget adoption will not occur according to the calendar as originally published.

There was consensus to schedule a called meeting on July 2 to approve the budget.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:06 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk