OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Juli Hayes, Barbara Brooks, Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson, Abigail Guzman
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:

Resolution: Issuance of Water and Sewerage Revenue Bonds
Water Resources Director Linda MacGregor requested approval to proceed with a $60 million revenue bond for improvements at Flat Creek Water Reclamation Facility, Riverside Water Treatment Plant and Lakeside Water Treatment Plant.

Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Perry stated the proposed resolution authorizes (1) the issuance of $60 million in revenue bonds, (2) the refunding of the Series 2014 water and sewerage revenue bonds and (3) the use of existing funds for the improvement projects with reimbursement from bond proceeds. He commented on savings, lower payments and lower interest rates associated with refunding the referenced bonds. Mr. Perry identified those assisting with this project then closed by summarizing the bond schedule.

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Resolution: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) PY2024-2028 HUD Consolidated Housing Plan & 2024 Annual Action Plan with Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
Neighborhood Development Manager Jessica Tullar stated every five years HUD requires the adoption of a strategic plan to continue receiving CDBG funds. This plan identifies community needs as it pertains to housing and infrastructure. The identified needs are used to develop goals for utilizing CDBG funds.

Jeremy Gray, Mosaic Community Planning, used a PowerPoint presentation to provide background information, discuss the process and share goals. Notable comments are stated below.

- The CDBG funding for 2024 is $420,750.
- The CDBG objectives are to provide decent housing, suitable living environment and economic opportunity benefitting low and moderate income households, i.e., households containing four family members with less than $70,000 in annual income.
- The three phase planning process included a 30 day public comment period occurring at five community-wide events.
- The five year goals and funding would be allocated as shown below.

Expand and preserve affordable housing (24%)	$ 500,000
Improve infrastructure and public facilities (24%)	$ 500,000
Homeowner housing rehabilitation (11%)	$ 250,000
Down payment assistance (5%)	$ 108,000
Demolition and acquisition (5%)	$ 100,000
Public services and economic development (5%)	$ 100,000
Section 108 loan repayment (5%)	$ 100,000
Code enforcement (1%)	$ 25,000
Administration and planning (20%)	$ 420,750
CDBG Total	**$2,103,750**

- A total of $617,294 will be reprogrammed from prior years.
- Fair housing impediments include
  - Lack of affordable housing disproportionately impacts Black and Latino households as well as people with disabilities
  - Racial disparities in access to homeownership
  - Continued need for targeted neighborhood investment
  - Continued need for fair housing education and enforcement

Elected officials expressed appreciation for the focus on affordable housing. The Mayor requested a summary (or graphic) of housing inventory additions over the last 10 years.

Mrs. Tullar stated the resolution authorizes adoption of the consolidated plan, submittal to HUD and execution of documents directly associated with accepting and administering the grant.

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Public Hearing Item: Request from AP2 Ventures, LLC for a special use on a 7.01± acres tract located on the west side of Mabry Road, southeast of Old Flowery Branch Road (a/k/a 3521 Mabry Road, SW), having a zoning of Light Industrial (L-I). Ward Number: Four. Tax Parcel Number(s): 08-024-002-047. Request: Vehicle storage yard.

Public Hearing Item: Request from the City of Gainesville to amend the Gainesville Unified Land Development Code consisting of Articles 9-1 through 9-24, as published by Municode. The City of Gainesville is proposing to amend Articles 9-1 through 9-24 of the Gainesville Unified Land Development Code as part of the update of both the Code of Ordinances and the Unified Land Development Code in partnership with Municode.
City Attorney Abb Hayes summarized both applications noting the first item is expected to be withdrawn without prejudice. He closed by stating the Community and Economic Development Department would address questions.

Public hearing items were scheduled for the August 6, 2024 Council Meeting Agenda

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Ordinance: Amend Chapter 6-4 as it Pertains to Alcoholic Beverages
Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard stated the proposed ordinance compiles changes/modifications accumulated over the last two years.

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Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Update
City Manager Bryan Lackey provided an update from the first TSPLOST meeting noting the second meeting occurs later today. The city will be involved as needed to educate but cannot advocate.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

All elected officials thanked staff for cleanup efforts after the storm.

Appointments: Convention & Visitors Bureau Authority
Mayor Couvillon nominated Nimisha Patel and Amy Bradford for reappointment.

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Future Appointments
Mayor Couvillon requested suggestions for filling positions on the Historic Preservation Commission, the Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee, the Planning and Appeals Board, the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Gainesville Redevelopment Authority and the Airport Advisory Committee.

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 9:39 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan
Motion seconded by Council Member Hayes
Votes in favor of the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson, Guzman

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

Motion to close the Executive Session at 11:05 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan
Motion seconded by Council Member Hayes
Votes in favor of the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson, Guzman

ADJOURNMENT: 11:05 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk