

**CITY OF SUWANEE, GEORGIA
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2006
5:30 P.M.**

Meeting Location: Suwanee City Hall

Attendees: Nick Masino, Mayor
Jace Brooks, Councilmember
Jimmy Burnette, Councilmember
Dan Foster, Councilmember
Alan Landers, Councilmember
Jeannine Rispin, Councilmember
Hardin Watkins, City Manager
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

1. Call to Order

Mayor Masino called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.

2. Swearing in of Newly Elected Councilmembers

This is an informal swearing in since it is the first business meeting of the year. Gregory Jay will administer the oath of office for Councilmember Elect Dan Foster, ~~Mayor Pro Tem~~ Councilmember Jace Brooks and Councilmember Alan Landers. A formal ceremonial swearing in will take place at the regular Council Meeting.

3. Consideration of Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into Agreement with the Lowest Qualified Bidder for the Interactive Fountain Project

Bids for construction of the interactive fountain are due on January 5. Staff is requesting authorization to contract with the lowest qualified bidder. Information on the companies that submitted proposals and who the apparent low bidder is will be available the night of the workshop. ACTION: Consider authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreement with the lowest qualified bidder for the interactive fountain project.

Motion by Councilmember Landers to postpone action to the next Council Meeting, second by Councilmember Rispin and so carried 6-0.

4. Consideration of Approval of Letter of Understanding with Hardin Watkins

As mentioned via email messages last week, City Manager Hardin Watkins would like for City Council to consider voting to approve the draft Letter of Understanding prepared December 29, 2005 as an update to the letter prepared and signed in March 2000. ACTION: Consider approval of the Letter of Understanding with Hardin Watkins.

This item was moved to Executive Session

5. Executive Session: Real Estate Matters

Motion by Councilmember Burnette to ENTER Executive Session to discuss Real Estate Matters and Personnel Matters, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0. Time: 6:06 PM

Motion by Councilmember Burnette to EXIT Executive Session, second by Councilmember Brooks and so carried 6-0. Time: 6:30 PM

Motion to suspend the Council Meeting and enter the Workshop by Councilmember Burnette, second by Councilmember Rispin and so carried 6-0.

Motion to RE-ENTER Executive Session by Councilmember Burnette to reviews the City Manager's Employment Agreement, second by Councilmember Brooks and so carried 6-0. Time: 6:44 P.M.

Motion to EXIT Executive Session by Councilmember Burnette, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0. Time: 6:50 PM.

Motion by Councilmember Burnette to accept and approve the employment agreement with the City Manager, Hardin Watkins, in the form presented, second by Councilmember Rispin and so carried 6-0.

6. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Landers to adjourn, second by Councilmember Burnette and so carried 6-0. Time: 6:54 P.M.

Approved 02/21/2006