

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: Jimmy Burnette, Mayor
Beth S. Hilscher, Mayor Pro Tempore
Daniel F. Foster, Councilmember
Richard I. Goodman, Councilmember
Doug Ireland, Councilmember
Linnea Miller, Councilmember
Marty Allen, City Manager
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

5:30 P.M.
DINNER SESSION
BIG SPLASH ROOM, #2302

City Council Informal Session

Informal discussion among City Councilmembers and staff. Food provided for Elected Officials and staff. No action to be taken during session. Municipal Court nominees Norman Cuadra and Angela Duncan will be attending the end of the session.

6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. Call to Order – 6:32 P.M.

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order and read the procedures for Public Hearings for the record.

2. Public Hearing

A. SUP 2014-002 & 003 (JSU 2014-002 & 003): Special Use Permit Application by E&D LLC to expand an existing hair salon at 3725 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suites B4 & B5

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented the staff analysis. This request is for light retail use in a commercial district. The SUP is required to review the site to insure that use and parking accommodations are in line with the City's ordinances. Staff recommends approval.

Support: Dean Reeves, 4682 Blackwater Way, Suwanee. Mr. Reeves stated he owns the site and is in support of the request.

There was no opposition.

B. SUP 2014-004 (JSU 2014-004): Special Use Permit Application by Elena I. Bettis to allow for a health club/training facility on approximately 9.97 acres at 105 Satellite Boulevard

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented the staff analysis. This request is for a health club in M-1. Clients would be age 6-18. The permit is to insure the construction of the facility is adequate for public assembly use and to minimize conflict between truck and customer vehicles. In this case, truck access and customer access will be separate. There is an abundance of parking at this location. A condition is recommended that the applicant follow all requirements by Gwinnett Fire Marshal's Office and building codes of the inspections department. Staff and Planning Commission recommended approval.

Support: Sidney Mozziani, 105 Satellite Boulevard, Suwanee, GA, stated the building has adequate parking. Users of this facility will be children dropped off by their parent.

There was no opposition.

C. RZ 2014-005 (JRZ 2014-005): Rezoning Application by Maiser Aboneaaj to rezone approximately 6.05 acres located at 275 Satellite Boulevard and 3390 Annandale Lane from O-I and R-100 to M-1 for a 40,000 square foot warehouse expansion

Josh Campbell, Planning Director, presented the staff analysis. This request is for the expansion of an existing warehouse. Mr. Campbell advised Council that in discussions in the past week, the applicant has requested to not include the site with the house in the request. In response to this request, staff has modified conditions distributed dated 7/22/2014.

Support: Matt Reeves, 1 Sugarloaf Center, 1960 Satellite Boulevard, Suite 4000, Suwanee, GA, represented the applicant. Mr. Reeves stated S&A Industries is an innovative business providing services to hotels across the world. The site is a mixed zoning and the applicant requests the site be rezoned to M-1. In addition, the site with the house is requested to be removed as it is determined the site can be developed without impacting this site and would like the house to remain residential. There will be no new access roads pursuant to staff conditions. The applicant is in agreement with the seven recommended staff conditions. The majority of the expansion is along Satellite Boulevard. The applicant proposes an eighth condition to allow the applicant to delay building sidewalks until the adjacent property owners develop and install sidewalks. The client is committed to building the sidewalks when there is an adjacent sidewalk to connect to.

Opposition: Ari Russell, 3391 Annandale Lane, Suwanee. Ms. Russell states she is not in opposition or in support. She stated she was happy to hear the home will be left residential. She stated she is also in support of not putting a sidewalk on Satellite Boulevard. She added the residents along Annandale Lane feel their property is a restful, peaceful area. They are excited to hear that the development is more on Satellite Boulevard and not on Annandale Lane.

D. Alcohol Beverage License Request: Ms. Amanda Blackmon for Que's Restaurant & Bar, 1300 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard

Upon denial of an alcohol beverage license to Ms. Sandra Gardener in June, a new application has been submitted for this restaurant by Ms. Amanda Blackmon. This is for the on-premise consumption of beer, wine, and distilled spirits for Que's Restaurant & Bar, to be located at 1300 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard.

Marty Allen, City Manager, stated there is new information on this request. There was no audience comment.

Mayor Burnette called for a brief recess.

3. Announcements

- a. Don't miss our **August 16th concert**, headlined by alternative rock band Everclear at Town Center Park. The concert is combined with a wing festival featuring local restaurants. The wing festival and opening music performances will begin at 5:30 pm. Everclear will take the stage around 8:00.
- b. Join us this weekend for the Suwanee Performing Arts' 2014 **Broadway in the Park** production. A cast of 70 young local performers will bring Rogers & Hammerstein's Cinderella as well as an original one-act play, Spellbound – the Musical, to the Town Center stage. The performances will begin at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 25 and 26. Admission is free, but premium seating tickets are available for sale. Visit www.suwanee.com for more information.
- c. **Food trucks** are back on Friday, August 1. Students in the Suwanee Youth Leaders program are responsible for planning activities and entertainment at this event. They've booked Rupert's Orchestra, a popular and upbeat local party band, to perform beginning at 6:30 p.m. The tentative food truck line-up for August 1 is Freckled and Blue, King of Pops, Mac the Cheese, MG's Burger Que, Nana G's Chicken and Waffles, On Tapa the World, Pressed for Time, Smiley's Street Eats, Tex's Tacos, and Tracey's Tasties. The trucks will serve up dinner from 5:30-9:30 p.m.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

6. Approval of Minutes

a. June 12, 2014 Council Workshop

Motion to approve by Councilmember Miller, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

b. June 24, 2014 Council Meeting - Approve with staff recommended change to Budget Resolution, Appendix A, Page 1, as discussed at the Council Workshop.

Motion to approve with staff recommended change by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

7. Special Recognition

a. Elias Casanas

Officer Casanas will retire on July 31, 2014. Mayor Burnette and Chief Mike Jones recognized Officer Casanas. Mayor Burnette presented Officer Casanas with a Proclamation for his years of service to the community and the City. Council, staff and citizens commented on the impact Officer Casanas has had on their Suwanee experience.

8. Consider Appointments for Municipal Court Judges

Staff recommends appointing two new associate judges to municipal court due to Judge Lewis's pending departure at the end of his term and the upcoming transition to day court sessions. Staff advertised these openings and more than 40 candidates submitted resumes. A review team interviewed the top five candidates and recommends appointing Norman Cuadra and Angela Duncan.

Motion to appoint Norman Cuadra and Angela Duncan as Associate Municipal Court Judges in the Suwanee Municipal Court by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0. Mayor Burnette administered the oath of office.

9. Audience Participation – None.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Consider SUP 2014-002 (JSU 2014-002): Special Use Permit Application by E&D LLC to expand an existing hair salon at 3725 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suites B4 & B5

Motion to approve with conditions dated July 22, 2014 by Councilmember Goodman, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

- 11. Consider SUP 2014-003 (JSU 2014-003): Special Use Permit Application by E&D LLC to expand an existing hair salon at 3725 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road, Suites B4 & B5**

Motion to approve with July 22, 2014 staff conditions by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

- 12. Consider SUP 2014-004 (JSU 2014-004): Special Use Permit Application by Elena I. Bettis to allow for a health club/training facility on approximately 9.97 acres at 105 Satellite Boulevard**

Motion to approve with staff conditions by Councilmember Ireland, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0. Brief discussion to clarify conditions

- 13. Consider RZ 2014-005 (JRZ 2014-005): Rezoning Application by Maiser Aboneaaj to rezone approximately 6.05 acres located at 275 Satellite Boulevard and 3390 Annandale Lane from O-I and R-100 to M-1 for a 40,000 square foot warehouse expansion**

Motion to approve with staff conditions dated July 22, 2014 by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

- 14. Consider Alcohol Beverage License Request by Ms. Amanda Blackmon for Que's Restaurant & Bar, 1300 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard**

Motion to deny by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

- 15. Consider Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Grant Application for the 2015 LMIG Street Resurfacing Program**

Staff has prepared a recommended list of approximately 2.73 miles of streets to pave as part of the 2015 LMIG program. A grant application, approved by Council, must be submitted to make the City eligible for a state grant.

Motion to approve by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0.

- 16. Executive Session: Personnel**

Motion to Enter Executive Session for Personnel by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

Motion to Exit Executive Session by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

There was no action taken.

17. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

Approved August 26, 2014