

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

Attendees: Jimmy Burnette, Mayor
Beth S. Hilscher, Mayor Pro Tempore
Richard I. Goodman, Councilmember
Daniel F. Foster, 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.

6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. Call to Order

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM and read the procedures for Public Hearings for the record.

2. Public Hearing

a. Alcohol Beverage License: Oknam Kim, 2820 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd.

Ms. Oknam Kim has applied for a retail license to sell beer, wine, and distilled spirits for off-premise consumption (Beverage Superstore location). The Business Services department has reviewed and recommends approval.

Support/Applicant:

- Christine Choy, KC Licensing, 3863 Post Drive, Duluth, GA 30096
- Oknam Kim, 2491 Lockerly Pass, Duluth, GA 30097

Request for change of ownership approval.

Opposition: None.

- b. SUP-2015-002 – Owner: Stark-Bowen, LLC. Applicant: Bill Baraban’s Academy ForeGolf. The applicant requests a special use permit to allow for a golf academy in the M-1 (Light Industry District) Zoning District. The site is located at 3690 Burnette Park Drive and contains approximately 1.41 acres.**

Josh Campbell, Planning & Inspections Director presented the staff analysis as follows: This a request for a golf academy in a light industrial use. The SUP is required to insure the use does not conflict with the existing zoning, review parking and insure public assembly requirements are met. Staff recommended approval with conditions. Planning Commission recommended approval with conditions.

Support:

- Bill Baraban, 4234 Carlsbad Court, Suwanee. Mr. Braban requested approval of the SUP application in order to continue his golf instruction business. Mr. Baraban states he works with a number of local high schools.

Opposition: None.

3. Announcements

- a.** The City is now accepting applications for the next session of the **Citizen’s Police Academy**, which begins on March 9. The class runs through May 11 and meets on Monday evenings and offers residents a better understanding of the day-to-day functions of police officers as well as an opportunity to patrol Suwanee's streets alongside an officer. The academy offers classroom training and hands-on experiences in crime scene processing, traffic stops, building searches, crime prevention, and narcotics identification and provides an understanding of the risks and responsibilities of officers. Notarized applications are due on February 27th. The application and more information can be found at suwanee.com.
- b.** The City of Suwanee will officially kick off its second update to the **Downtown Master Plan** at a community meeting at City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 5. Originally adopted in 2002 and last updated in 2009, the Downtown Master Plan provided the foundation for development of Town Center. This Downtown Master Plan update, which will include a market analysis, design charrette for targeted areas, and other opportunities for public input, is intended to determine the kinds of development that will be appropriate for downtown and to position the City to be eligible for grant funds related to transportation projects associated with future development. The area in the study covers Town Center and Old Town and includes the entire Downtown Development Authority area. For more information, please visit suwanee.com.

- c. We're excited to bring author and bottom-up community development guru, **Peter Kageyama** (cog-ee-yom-uh) to Suwanee in late March. Kageyama hammers home in his book For the Love of Cities that little things matter a lot and that creative, innovative, and engaged citizens are essential to producing vibrant, lovable communities. Kageyama will explore these topics and inspire residents to work together to make Suwanee even more loveable. His keynote presentation will be an interactive community workshop, offered from 2-5 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, at the George Pierce Park Community Center. All Suwanee residents and businesspeople are invited to attend this free workshop. Please RSVP to love@suwanee.com by March 17 if you plan to attend.
- d. The City has announced it's **2015 event calendar**. A total of 48 events, including 19 runs/walks, six Food Truck Fridays, numerous traditional favorites, and several new events, are sprinkled throughout the City of Suwanee's 2015 calendar. New events include:
- The Big Cheesy Festival on April 18
 - Chili Cook-Off on May 2
 - Melanoma Awareness event on May 31
 - Alive! Expo on October 24

Returning favorites include:

- Food Truck Fridays on the first Friday of the month beginning in April
- Suwanee Beer Fest on March 14
- Woofstock on May 9
- Arts in the Park on May 16
- Broadway in the Park July 24 and 25
- Taste of Suwanee on October 10

The award-winning Suwanee Fest, Suwanee's two-day "celebration of community," will be September 19 and 20. The full calendar of new and returning events is available at suwanee.com and the Go! Suwanee app.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was led by Scout Troops 511 and 1534.

5. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda removing Item #15 by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.

6. Approval of Minutes

- January 14, 2015 Called Meeting**
- January 14, 2015 Council Workshop**
- January 27, 2015 Council Meeting**

Motion to approve the Minutes by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

7. Special Recognition

a. Jack Griffin, Peachtree Ridge H.S.

Mayor Burnette recognized Jack Griffin for his creation of a website that provides assistance to kids on free and reduced lunch to locate food at no cost when outside the school setting and weekends.

b. Amie Sakmar

Mayor Burnette and City Manager, Marty Allen, recognized Finance Director, Amie Sakmar for 15 years of service to the City.

8. Consider Appointments to the Advisory Committee for the Public Art Master Plan

As discussed at the Workshop, our consultant recommends appointing an advisory committee for the Public Art Master Plan process. Staff presented a list of recommended appointees.

Motion by Councilmember Goodman to appoint committee members as recommended by staff, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher, and so carried 6-0.

9. Audience Participation

- Maurice Cook, 1342 Riverview Run Lane, Suwanee. Mr. Cook expressed concern that there are no events recognizing or honoring Veterans. He also expressed concern that the Memorial Day event has been rebranded as “Red, White, Bluegrass & Bach.”

NEW BUSINESS

10. Consider Alcohol Beverage License: Oknam Kim, 2820 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road

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

11. Consider SUP-2015-002 – Owner: Stark-Bowen, LLC. Applicant: Bill Baraban’s Academy ForeGolf. The applicant requests a special use permit to allow for a golf academy in the M-1 (Light Industry District) Zoning District. The site is located at 3690 Burnette Park Drive and contains approximately 1.41 acres

Motion to approve SUP-2015-002 by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Ireland for discussion – add conditions. Motion to amend motion to include staff conditions by Councilmember Foster, amended second by Councilmember Ireland and so carried 6-0.

12. Arbor Day Proclamation

To celebrate Arbor Day and to maintain Tree City USA status, the City will hold a celebration on March 28, 2015. As part of the celebration, staff and citizens are invited to participate in a tree planting ceremony. Visit suwanee.com for more details.

Motion to adopt the Proclamation by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

13. Consider Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract for Installation of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station

Staff released bids to install an electric vehicle charging station recommend awarding the contract to EnviroSpark Energy Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$47,424.43.

Motion to approve contract by Councilmember Miller, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher. Discussion – add contractor name and contract amount. Motion amended by Councilmember Miller to approve the contract with EnviroSpark Energy Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$47,424.43 and authorize the Mayor to sign, amended second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

14. Consider Adopting a Resolution Regarding Electric Vehicle Parking on Savannah Square Street

Pending the installation of an electric vehicle charging station on Savannah Square Street, staff has prepared a resolution regarding parking around the station. The resolution will prohibit parking in the two spots next to the station for vehicles other than electric plug-in vehicles.

Motion to adopt the Resolution by Councilmember Ireland, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

15. Consider Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract for the Suwanee Creek Greenway Maintenance Project

Removed from Agenda

16. Consider Approving an Amendment to the Concept Plan for the Terraces at Suwanee Gateway

In 2007, per RZ-2006-013, the City rezoned an approximately 140 acre tract to the Planned Mixed Use Development District (PMUD). This project was called the OPUS project and is now commonly referred to as the Terraces at Suwanee Gateway (the Terraces). When the rezoning request was approved it was approved per a concept plan as required by the PMUD district requirements. The developer has submitted a revised concept plan, which requires City Council approval.

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

17. Consent Agenda

a) Authorize Staff to Apply for a Grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety

The police department has been selected to apply for a \$10,000 Small Agency Incentive Grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. The department plans to use it to purchase four speed detection devices.

b) Authorize Staff to Purchase Police Vehicles from Hayes Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep of Lawrenceville

Staff has received three quotes for the purchase of two police package Dodge 1500 SSV Crew Cab 4x4 pickup trucks. Staff recommends awarding this purchase to Hayes Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep in the amount of \$26,457.00 per vehicle. This purchase is approved in the FY 15 budget. Due to the cost, Council must authorize the purchase.

c) Approve 2015-2019 Short Term Work Program

The Short Term Work Program outlines the projects and policies the City expects to advance over the next five years.

Motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher, second by Councilmember Foster and so carried 6-0.

18. Executive Session: No Executive Session

19. Adjournment

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

Approved March 24, 2015