

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016**

*Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue*

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

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**5:30 P.M.**  
**DINNER SESSION**  
**BIG SPLASH ROOM**

**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**

**A. Call to Order**

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

**B. Organizational Matters for 2016**

**1. Oath of Office**

Gregory Jay, City Attorney, administered the oath of office for Mayor Jimmy Burnette and Councilmembers Dick Goodman and Doug Ireland.

**2. Selection of Mayor Pro Tempore**

In accordance with Section 2.27 of the City Charter, by a majority of vote, the City Council shall elect a Councilmember to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore for that ensuing year. The Mayor Pro Tempore shall assume duties and powers of the Mayor during the Mayor's disability or absence.

***Motion by Councilmember Goodman to nominate Councilmember Linnea Miller as Mayor Pro Tempore. There were no other nominations. Councilmember Doug Ireland seconded the nomination and so carried 6-0.***

### 3. Adoption of Rules and Procedure

In accordance with Section 2.19 of the City Charter, the City Council shall each year adopt its rules of procedure and order of business. Staff recommends adopting the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

*Motion by Councilmember Foster to adopt the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order as the rules of procedure and order of business, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.*

### C. Announcements

1. Mark your calendars now for the Suwanee social event of 2016: **Guess Who's Coming to Cocktails**, hosted at Town Center March 5 from 6:30 – 10:00 PM. Join the swankiest, hippest, and best dressed of Suwanee at this black-and-white, black-tie optional event in support of the Suwanee public art initiative. Party-goers can look forward to cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, music, and dancing, plus an opportunity to brush elbows with mystery guests. Visit [SuwaneeGuessWhosComing.com](http://SuwaneeGuessWhosComing.com) for more information and to purchase tickets.
2. If you're a procrastinator or haven't yet been able to bid farewell to your Christmas tree, give it a new sense of purpose through the City of Suwanee's "treecycling" campaign, which is part of Keep Georgia Beautiful's annual **'Bring One for the Chipper'** program. Area residents may drop off their Christmas trees at Sims Lake Park through January 31. Decorations, lights, and stands should be removed from all trees prior to donating. Last year, mulch from nearly 1,200 former Christmas trees was spread in Suwanee parks.
3. Have you signed up for our second annual **Suwanee Gateway Half Marathon** on Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>? Presented by Georgia Fitness, this Peachtree Road Race qualifier will begin at 7:30 a.m. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three male and female finishers. Registration and additional race information is available at [runsuwanee.com](http://runsuwanee.com).

**D. Pledge of Allegiance** – Ethan Brown from Troop 608 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### E. Approval of the Agenda

*Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller to adopt the agenda as presented, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.*

### F. Approval of Minutes

1. **December 3, 2015 Called Meeting**
2. **December 3, 2015 Council Workshop**
3. **December 15, 2015 Council Meeting**

*Motion by Councilmember Goodman to approve the Minutes as presented, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller and so carried 6-0.*

**G. Council Recognition**

**1. 2015 Employee Award Winners**

Marty Allen, City Manager, recognized City Hall employees; Mike Jones, Police Chief, recognized Police personnel.

**H. Presentation: FY 15 Financial Audit**

The audit for FY 15 is complete. Joel Black from Mauldin and Jenkins will presented the results. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was made available.

**I. Audience Participation – None.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**J. Authorize Contract with IPR Southeast, LLC for Stormwater Projects**

Staff has identified needed stormwater rehabilitation/repair work on Rising Fawn Trail, Eryn Circle, and Timberlost Trail. Staff recommends using the existing Gwinnett County on-demand contract with IPR Southeast, LLC to complete this work in an amount of approximately \$202,122.80.

*Motion to authorize the contract with IPR Southeast, LLC for stormwater projects by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Goodman and so carried 6-0.*

**K. Consider Modified Council Schedule**

Staff recommends modifying the Council meeting schedule to move the December meeting to December 13, 2016.

*Motion by Councilmember Goodman to modify the 2016 Council Meeting schedule to change the December meeting from December 20 to December 13, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Miller and so carried 6-0.*

**L. Executive Session: None**

**M. Adjournment**

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

**Approved February 23, 2016**