

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017

Meeting Location: City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue

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

DINNER SESSION – 5:30 PM
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.

COUNCIL MEETING – 6:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

A. Call to Order

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

B. Public Hearing

1. Alcohol Beverage License - Poza Rica Tequila Bar & Mex Grill

Ms. Rita Teresa Pena has applied for a license to serve beer, wine, and distilled spirits at this restaurant, located at 3463 A Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd, Ste. 100. The applicant's criminal history was reviewed in the GCIC database and there were no violations on file. The Business Services department recommends approval of the license.

All paperwork in order. There was no audience comment.

2. Urban Redevelopment Plan

Marty Allen, City Manager, stated the City of Suwanee Old Town Suwanee Urban Redevelopment Plan was originally adopted on September 17, 2002. Staff has prepared draft revisions to update the 2002 plan to clearly identify the pending Town Center on Main project as well as other proposed projects and

funding sources. This item is tentatively planned for consideration at the May 23 Council meeting.

There was no audience comment.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Burnette called the Public Hearing closed.

C. Announcements

1. *The City will be hosting our first public **open house for the 2040 Comprehensive Plan** this Thursday, April 27th, from 4-7pm. The City of Suwanee's Comprehensive Plan helps affirm where our city is going and provides a road map of how we're going to get there. For more information regarding the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, please visit suwanee2040plan.com.*
2. *On April 15, we hosted our first **Glow in the Park** community lantern parade, including a free concert by Electric Avenue. We expected around 3,000 attendees and were pleasantly surprised (and slightly overwhelmed) by the 7,000 people who came out to glow! Photos of the event can be found on our Facebook page.*
3. *We have two events coming to Town Center Park this weekend:*
 - *In the morning, **March of Dimes hosts Gwinnett March for Babies** to raise funds and awareness for improving the health of babies. The money raised will go toward families right here in our community. The walk begins at 9 am.*
 - *Saturday afternoon, we're having an old-fashioned carnival, complete with a Ferris wheel, rides, a midway with games, AND a concert featuring Andy Velo, **all benefitting HappyFeat**. The event is free to attend; unlimited rides, games, and fun wristbands are available for purchase. Go to www.HappyFeat.org for more information.*

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented by Councilmember Foster, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 6-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

1. **March 16, 2017 Council Workshop**
2. **March 28, 2017 Council Meeting**

Motion to approve the Minutes as presented by staff by Councilmember Goodman, second by Councilmember Hilscher and so carried 6-0.

G. Council Recognition

1. Snap Suwanee Winners

Mayor Burnette and Assistant City Manager, Denise Brinson, recognized the “2017 Snap Suwanee” winners.

2. Police Donation

Mayor Burnette and Police Chief Mike Jones, recognized

H. Audience Participation

- Richard Trice, 4021 McGinnis Ferry Road shared information regarding volunteer opportunities at the new orchard at Harvest Farm.

NEW BUSINESS

I. Consider Alcohol Beverage License for Poza Rica Tequila Bar & Mex Grill

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

J. Consider Award of Contract to L.C. Whitford Co., Inc. in the Amount of \$278,887 for the I-85 Fence Project

The City received bids on a project for the bridge on Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road over I-85. The project would replace the existing chain link fence with a decorative steel fence and branded medallions. Staff recommends awarding this contract to the low bidder, L.C. Whitford Co, Inc. in the amount of \$278,887. This project is funded from the 2014 SPLOST.

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

K. Consider Parking Agreements for Solis Town Center

In furtherance of the public-private parking deck associated with Terwilliger-Pappas’ Solis Project, staff has worked with the developer to develop draft agreements (Parking Agreement and Parking Escrow Agreement) that will authorize distribution of approximately \$1.73 million for ownership rights to 150 parking spaces.

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

L. Consider Declaration of Covenants for Solis Town Center

As a party to the Declaration of Covenants for Suwanee Town Center, the requisite parties need to approve a modification of the Declaration to reflect ownership of Tract 5 in the DDA and to approve the modification of boundaries to Tract 7 which will house the detention pond.

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

M. Consider Suwanee Sports Academy Lease Agreement

Consider an agreement between the city and Suwanee Sports Academy for off-site parking on a tract owned by the city on McGinnis Ferry Road.

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

N. Consent Agenda

1. Approve 3rd Quarter FY 17 Budget Adjustments

Staff has prepared recommended 3rd quarter adjustments to the FY 17 budget.

2. Authorize Mayor to Execute IGA with Gwinnett County Regarding Election Equipment

The City plans to borrow Gwinnett County's election equipment for the November 7, 2017 municipal election. This requires the Mayor to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Gwinnett County.

3. Adopt Revised Capital Assets Policy

Staff has worked on an administrative update to the Capital Assets Policy. The policy is scheduled to be effective on July 1, 2017 for the FY 2018 budget.

4. Adopt 2017-2021 Short Term Work Program

Staff has prepared the draft STWP, developed at the February Council retreat.

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

O. Executive Session: No Executive Session

P. Adjournment

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

Approved May 23, 2017