

City of Sugar Hill Council Meeting

Monday October 8, 2001

7:30 PM Community Center

The City of Sugar Hill held its regular council meeting on Monday October 8, 2001 at 7:30 PM in the Community Center.

Notice of the meeting was placed on the doors of city hall and the community center. Notice was placed on the board at Peachtree Industrial Blvd and Alton Tucker Blvd. Notice was also sent to the local news media.

Those present at the meeting included Mayor Roberta Crabb, Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Abbey, Council Members Meg Avery, Michael Mosley and newly appointed Council Member Thomas A Rhodes. Also present were City Manager Bob Hail, Assistant City Manager for Development Jim Osborn, City Attorney Lee Thompson and City Clerk Shirley Gibbs. Absent was Council Member Kim Hall.

**CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:**

Mayor Crabb called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council Member Mosley gave the Invocation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the motion to approve the agenda with two changes. One was to add Item E under New Business as a Budget Item and the other change was to reverse Items A and B. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**APPROVAL OF 9/10/01 & 9/25/01 MINUTES:**

Council Member Avery made the motion to approve the minutes of the 9/10/2001 and 9/25/2001 meetings. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A: APPOINT REPLACEMENT TO P&Z BOARD:**

Council Member Avery made a motion to table this item until the November meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS:**

Mr. Jim Sands of Old Spring Way expressed the need for their street to be paved by presenting the City Manager with a piece of asphalt from their street. They also needed some street signs put up and he wanted to know when Springhill Drive would be fixed. He also felt that Springhill and Level Creek Road should be made a four way stop.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**B: PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENT TO 2000 ZONING ORDINANCE, SUBPARAGRAPH C(8) OF SECTION 907 OF ARTICLE IX BY DELETING IN ITS ENTIRETY AND WOULD FURTHER AMEND**

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**SECTION 909 OF ARTICLE IX BY ADDING SUBPARAGRAPH B(15),  
AND IN ARTICLE 3 ADDING A DEFINITION FOR ADULT  
ENTERTAINMENT:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the motion to enter into Public Hearing. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0. Assistant City Manager for Development, Jim Osborn, gave background information on this item and the reason for putting it in zoning classification HM1. City Attorney Lee Thompson gave a summary of case studies regarding Adult Entertainment Establishments (see attachment). Comments from the public included concerns about an increase in crime, sale of alcohol at these establishments and if they would be a stand-alone building or in a mall. Council Member Mosley made the motion to return to regular session. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the motion to amend the 2000 Zoning Ordinance regarding Adult Entertainment Establishments as presented by Assistant City Manager for Development Jim Osborn and City Attorney Lee Thompson. Council Member Rhodes made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**A: AMEND ADULT ENTERTAINMENT ORDINANCE:**

Council Member Thomas Rhodes made the motion to approve the amendment to the Adult Entertainment Ordinance as presented by City Attorney Lee Thompson. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**C: PUBLIC HEARING: ANNEXATION AX-01-006: TAX ID 7-255-013 & 7-  
255-027, LOCATED AT 467 BUFORD HIGHWAY 5.47 ACRES:  
CURRENTLY ZONED RA-200 REQUESTING HSB ZONING:**

Council Member Mosley made the motion to enter into Public Hearing for AX-01-006. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0. Assistant City Manager for Development, Jim Osborn, gave the staff recommendation and the Planning Commission recommendation, which was for approval with conditions regarding lighting on the property. There were no comments from the public. Council Member Mosley made the motion to return to regular session. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0. Council Member Avery made the motion to approve this annexation and rezoning with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and to add that the development be on sewer instead of septic system. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**D: RATIFICATION OF FINAL PLATS LAUREL PARK PHASE 3A, 50  
LOTS:**

Assistant City Manager for Development Jim Osborn reported the final plats for Laurel Park, Phase 3A had been signed off on and was ready to be ratified. Council Member Avery asked if there had been any complaints in this subdivision with water, roads, etc. Mr. Osborn replied that he was unaware of any problems in the subdivision but he would be glad to check out any complaints. Council Member Mosley made the motion to

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approve the ratification of final plats for Laurel Park Phase 3A. Council Member Rhodes made the second. Motion passed on a vote of 3-1. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey was opposed to the motion.

**E: BUDGET ITEM:**

City Manager Hail reported that he would soon be having three police officers patrolling the Sugar Hill area and he needed to be given the authority to change the budget. He needed to be able to take money from the contingency fund and transfer it to salaries in order to pay these policemen. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the motion to authorize City Manager Hail to change the budget in order to take money from the contingency fund and transfer to salaries for the policemen. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

City Attorney Lee Thompson reported that he had completed the Springhill Drive right of way project.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Council Member Avery welcomed Thomas Rhodes to the council and she looked forward to working with him.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey also welcomed Mr. Rhodes to the council and to Mr. Johnson who would become a council member in January succeeding Michael Mosley, who had chosen not to seek re-election.

Council Member Mosley also welcomed Mr. Rhodes. He wanted everyone to be thinking of the troops and the action they were involved in due to the acts that had occurred in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.

Council Member Rhodes reported that he was looking forward to working with the council and he was exited about the future.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Crabb wanted to welcome Thomas Rhodes as a new council member and also Ron Johnson who would be taking office in January.

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT:** No Report

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Hail reported that grinding and resurfacing of city streets continues, over \$272,000 of road improvements have been done since July and they were expecting to do an additional \$200,000 of improvements before the resurfacing season ends. The Sugar Hill Fall Festival is planned for October 20<sup>th</sup> with over 35 vendors signed up for space. The price per therm for gas for August-September was \$.5319, replacement pieces for the playground equipment had been ordered. The parking lot at the park and city hall had been resurfaced and both would be stripped within two weeks, construction would begin

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on Tuesday October 9<sup>th</sup> on a new roof for the community center. The Avon 3-Day Cancer walk was a success. Avon gave excess fruit and packaged food from the Rest Stop at EE Robinson Park to the city manager and Council Member Rhodes. They took this food up to a local nursing home. The new pole barn had been completed at the maintenance facility.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: TO DISCUSS LEGAL ISSUES, REAL ESTATE AND PERSONNEL:**

Council Member Mosley made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Legal Issues, Real Estate and Personnel. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

Council Member Mosley made the motion to return to regular session. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

No action was taken out of Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Council Member Mosley made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Rhodes made the second. Motion passed unanimously by those present to vote 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK