

City of Sugar Hill Council Meeting  
Monday September 10, 2001  
7:30 PM Community Center

The City of Sugar Hill held its regular Council Meeting on Monday September 10, 2001 at 7:30 PM in the Community Center. Notice of the meeting was placed on the board at Alton Tucker Blvd and Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Notice was placed on the doors of City Hall and the Community Center. Notice was sent to the local news media.

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

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

Mayor Crabb called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council Member Mosley gave the Invocation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made a motion to amend the Agenda to add Item F, a Resolution to support the Avon Breast Cancer Walk. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SPECIAL CALLED MEETING ON 08/02/2001 AND COUNCIL MEETING ON 08/13/2001:**

Council Member Hall made the motion to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on August 2, 2001 and the Council Meeting on August 13, 2001. Council Member Pirkle made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**THERE WAS NO OLD BUSINESS.**

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS:**

Mrs. Phelps of the Bent Creek Subdivision wanted to know what progress was being made on the detention pond in their neighborhood. Discussion was held between Mrs. Phelps, the Council and the City Manager. Mr. Hail explained it was a slow process but the City was doing all they could to resolve this problem.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A: PUBLIC HEARING: AX-01-004: TY ROBINSON: TAX ID 7-347-014, 7-347-024, 7-347-050, SUWANEE DAM ROAD/RIVERSIDE ROAD 19.16 ACRES. ANNEX AND REZONE FROM R-100 TO RM:**

Council Member Mosley made the motion to enter into Public Hearing for AX-01-004, Ty Robinson. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. Planning Director Jim Osborn explained where the subject property is located, the current zoning in unincorporated Gwinnett County, the applicant wants this property rezoned RM (Multi-Family Condominium Development). The Planning Commission had recommended approval with conditions. Jeff Mahaffey and Mike

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McDonald gave a presentation on behalf of the applicant. Some concerns from the public included increased traffic on Suwanee Dam Road and Highway 20. Council Member Hall made the motion to return to regular session. Council Member Pirkle made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. Council Member Hall made the motion to approve this annexation and rezoning with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and to add the rental statement in the Homeowners Association agreement and the berm buffering. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed on a vote of 3-2-1. Council Members Avery and Hall voted for the motion, Council Members Pirkle and Abbey voted against the motion. Council Member Mosley abstained. Mayor Crabb had to cast the tiebreaker, she voted in favor of the motion.

**B: PUBLIC HEARING: AX-01-005: D G JENKINS DEVELOP CORP.  
TAX ID 7-305-012, HILLCREST DRIVE/ROAD 21.87 ACRES ANNEX  
AND REZONE FROM R-100 TO RM:**

Council Member Mosley made the motion to enter into Public Hearing for AX-01-005 D G Jenkins Development Corp. Council Member Pirkle made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. Mitch Peevy, representative for the applicant, stated that the applicant wished to withdraw, without prejudice, this application for annexation and rezoning. Council Member Mosley made the motion to return to regular session, Council Member Pirkle made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. Council Member Pirkle made the motion to accept the withdrawal. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**C: ACCEPT ANNEXATION APPLICATION AX-01-006 TAX ID  
7-255-013 & 7-255-027: LOCATED AT 467 BUFORD HIGHWAY  
5.47 ACRES; CURRENTLY ZONED RA-200 REQUESTING  
ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF HSB:**

Planning Director Jim Osborn reported this was an annexation application for property located at 467 Buford Highway with a request of a rezoning classification from RA-200 to HSB. Council Member Hall made the motion to accept Annexation Application AX-01-006. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**D: RATIFICATION OF FINAL PLATS: RIVERSIDE WALK  
UNIT IV, 43 LOTS:**

Planning Director Jim Osborn stated all the tests had been done, the plats had been signed off by the city manager and they now had to be ratified. Council Member Pirkle made the motion to ratify the final plats for Riverside Walk Unit IV, 43 Lots. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**E: 97 SIDEWALK SPLOST CONTRACT:**

City Manager Hail reported the county could not find that they had ever received a signed contract for funding of sidewalks built in Sugar Hill with 1997 SPLOST money. He was requesting that the council give approval for the Mayor to sign the contract in order for the city to be reimbursed for money spent on sidewalks. Council Member Hall

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made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the 97 Sidewalk SPLOST Contract. Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**F: RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE AVON BREAST CANCER  
3-DAY WALK:**

City Manager Hail reported that in the past the city had allowed the walkers to use E.E. Robinson Park as a stop over on their 3-day walk and if the weather were inclement they would have use of the community center. This was a Resolution in support of this 3-day walk. Council Member Mosley made the motion to approve the Resolution. Council Member Pirkle made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: NO REPORT**

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Council Member Pirkle announced that he was resigning his Council Seat effective Wednesday September 12, 2001 in order to run for Mayor. He had enjoyed his time as a Council Member, working with the people; he was proud of the city and felt it was in good hands with the current council members. He reminded everyone that qualifying was Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Council Member Hall wanted to remind everyone that an election would be held in November and if they were not registered to vote, please do so before the deadline of October 9, 2001.

Council Member Mosley reported that it was good to be home.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey had no report.

Council Member Avery also wanted to remind people to register to vote either at city hall or the library. They had received notice that a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission had resigned and they would be voting on that next month. She also reported that the city would be having a festival on October 20<sup>th</sup> at E.E. Robinson Park. Dr. Debra Cirone and Dr. Joe Clarino, the directors of the festival were there and she asked them to give an update. They reported there would be a scarecrow contest, pumpkin carving contest, pony rides, moon walk and craft vendors. They still needed volunteers to help work.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Crabb was happy to report that it looked like Sugar Hill would remain a city.

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT: NO REPORT**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Hail also reported that the festival would be on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Playground equipment had been ordered to replace the ones that had been damaged by fire but it would be four to six weeks before it would arrive. The fire that destroyed the concession stand at the park also damaged the lighting system for the ball fields and this was in the

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process of being repaired. The walking trail had been completed; it is one-third of a mile long and is ADA compliant. He reported that six miles of road was to be patched or paved, progress will continue on getting the roads fixed. Construction of the pole barn would start on Wednesday. The gas rate per therm for July was 57.12; the gas department was replacing steel gas lines with plastic lines. They had started on Old Suwanee Road; the city now serves over 7,000 gas customers. Planning and Zoning now had a full time building inspector who has all his certifications and plans on seeing that the developers follow all the building codes. The project to roof the community center would start after the October council meeting and was scheduled to be finished by the November council meeting. He had been receiving a lot questions about trash and he was working on getting a better contract. He also reminded of the upcoming election on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Polls would be open from 7 AM to 7 PM, they still needed two more poll workers if any one was interested and the pay was \$90.00 for the day. Employee of the month for July was Nelson Lopez, and for August it was Lewis Wainwright.

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

Council Member Mosley made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal issues, personnel and real estate. Council Member Avery made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abbey made the motion to return to regular session, Council Member Hall made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Council Member Pirkle made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Council Member Mosley made the second. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

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

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK