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Mayor and Council Sworn-In

Our Mayor and City Council posed for their group photo and conducted a swearing -in ceremony for newly elected and returning members. In the right group photo are Councilman Curtis Northrup, Marc Cohen, Steve Edwards, Mayor Gary Pirkle, Councilwomen Susie Gajewski and Councilman Mike Sullivan. In the photos below #1 Mayor Gary Pirkle is sworn in for a third term by City Attorney Lee Thompson. Photo #2 freshman Councilman Curtis Northrup is sworn in by Superior Court Judge Tom Davis with wife Jorgia Northrup holding the Bible. Photo #3 Councilman Mike Sullivan is sworn in by Mayor Pirkle to serve a second term. Councilman Sullivan was also sworn in as Mayor Pro-Tem, to serve as Mayor in the absence of Mayor Pirkle. Photo #4 Mayor Pirkle administered the oath to serve on the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors to former Councilman Nick Thompson and former Board member Allen Jorgensen, replacing his wife Bridget Jorgensen. DDA Chairwomen Dawn Gober held the Bible.



Major Downtown Developments for 2010

2010 is going to be an exciting and challenging year for the City and residents. A "Streetscape" will completely change the character of West Broad St. with a new road, on street parking, wide sidewalks, brick accents, period street lights and a roundabout! We will build a regional retention pond with walkways and an amphitheater. In the fall we will break ground on a 30,000 sq ft. City hall at the corner of Temple Dr. **Wow!**



Construction Watch: New and Ongoing







The Sugar Hill Golf clubhouse is starting to take shape with the entrance now defined and flagstone almost complete on the exterior. The access lane for the upper parking lot at Gary Pirkle Park is under construction and a flagstone entrance will start soon. A commemorative plaque has been installed at the main entrance to G.P.P.

News Bites:

- Rosemary Walsh was sworn by Mayor Gary Pirkle to serve another three year term on the five member City Planning and Zoning Board. The Planning and Zoning Board reviews all requests for all zoning issues, changes, annexations, special use permits and has inputs on the City Comprehensive Plan. They act as an advisory board to the City Council.
- Check our web site for the coming major events put on by the City. Our next
 major event will be the always popular Easter Egg Hunt in E.E. Robinson
 Park. The movie series will start soon and classes for all ages are ongoing at
 the Recreation Center.
- The City is pleased to announce that there were **147** new businesses to open in Sugar Hill for 2009. To see the complete list, visit our web site.





New Business Spotlight: Essend Solutions

Gwinnett County Chairman's Club Member, Don Burrell, has enjoyed a very successful career as a small business owner in Gwinnett County for nearly 20 years. Don and his team recently moved to Sugar Hill and have adopted a new company name. Essend Solutions, uses innovative new communication platforms to connect leaders and institutions



to the people they represent. In today's economy, communications and marketing budgets are limited, but Essend's communication platforms allow your business or organization to communicate in the most cost-effective way. "Our Mobile Media, Social Networking, and Voice Broadcast platforms offer the most effective method of communication at a fraction of traditional marketing costs, Don says". Contact Don Burrell at 678. 794.9988

Meeting Schedule 2010:

February / March 2010

February 1 / March 1 7:00 PM, City Council Work Session - City Hall Annex

February 3 / March 2 4:00 PM, City Court Session, City Hall Annex February 8 / March 8 7:30 PM, City Council Meeting, City Hall Annex

February 15 / March 15 7:00 PM, Planning and Zoning Meeting, City Hall Annex

February 23 / March 30 6:30 PM, Downtown Development Authority, City Hall Annex Everyone is invited to attend Sugar Hill's monthly Work Sessions and Council Meetings. All meetings for the City of Sugar Hill will be held in the City Hall Annex located at 4988 West Broad Street, next to City Hall. Your comments, suggestions and support will help make your city a community to be proud of

Videos of our monthly City Council meetings are shown on Charter Cable channel 19, @ 6:30 pm, every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of each month.

Agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the Sugar Hill website at: www.cityofsugarhill.com.