

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2017
CITY HALL HISTORY MUSEUM, 7:00 P.M.
5039 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GA 30518**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING - Present were Mayor Steve Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Curtis Northrup, Council Members Marc Cohen, Brandon Hembree, Susie Gajewski and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Steven Pereira. City Attorney Frank Hartley was not present.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

Proclamations –Teachers of the Year North Gwinnett Cluster – Council Member Cohen explained that every year the Mayor and Council honor the Teacher of the year from both school clusters at the November and December Council Meetings. Each teacher will receive a proclamation and their principals are invited.

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Article 4, 9 & 10 – Planning Director Awana explained that the changes have to do with lot coverage and density standard. Tattoo as a special use in HM1 has been changed to GB. With a special use the conditions goes away with the owner. Council Member Northrup would like more discussion on this special use provision in GB.

NEW BUSINESS

Project Update – Highway 20 Corridor Study & LCI Downtown Master Plan Update – Planning Director Awana explained that there will be meetings in November for the public and then adoption at the December Council Meeting.

Historic Preservation Society Ordinance Amendment – Council Member Hembree explained that the members would increase from 7 members to 11. The amendment adds a treasurer that can be someone other than a member of the board.

Historic Preservation Society Appointments – Council Member Hembree explained that he will be recommending 3 new appointments for the Council Meeting.

Arts Commission Appointment – Council Member Cohen will recommend a new member for appointment at the Council Meeting

2018 Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Budget (Public Hearings to be held 11/13/17 and 12/11/17) – the City Manager Paul Radford explained the proposed budget and 2017 year in review. Assistant City Manager Besseche explained the proposed Capital Improvement Budget. The 1st public hearing will be held at the November 13th Council Meeting.

Events Evaluation – Mayor Edwards asked the Council to look at the events and the caliber of each event and consider tweaking some of them. Some of the events could be combined or modified.

Council Member Sullivan requested that the videos of the Council Meetings be put on the website. There were questions regarding archival, what do cities around us do. The Council requested that more research be done before considering this.

CITY MANAGER DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES

E Center Update the steel is going up for the gymnasium. Considering controlled parking on the bottom.

Downtown Development Projects Macaulay working with Alliance. The mixed use is required before the townhomes will be financed. RaceTrac should open before the end of the month.

Bowl/Concert Series Considering allowing buying a table for the series, more food trucks, different days for concerts.

Sugar Hill Greenway

22 Acre Passive Park / Gold Mine Park

City-wide Construction Recreation Director Andy McQuagge explained that the bowl improvements are complete. The suite and area of the bowl has been leveled out. Facilities Director Tim Schick explained that the sidewalks on Peachtree Industrial Blvd. are being installed at the good rate.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, LEGAL, REAL ESTATE, PERSONNEL – Council Member Cohen motioned to adjourn into Executive Session. Council Member Hembree seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no action taken out of Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Jane Whittington