

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019, 7:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5039 WEST BROAD STREET  
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Steve Edwards, Council Members Taylor Anderson, Marc Cohen, Brandon Hembree and Curtis Northrup. Mayor Pro Tem Susie Walker was not present. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorneys Frank Hartley and Lee Thompson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**INVOCATION** – given by Mayor Edwards.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Council Member Cohen motioned to approve the Agenda as submitted. Council Member Northrup seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Council Meeting and Executive Session March 11, 2019; Work Session and Executive Session March 4, 2019; Special Called Meeting March 4, 2019 – Council Member Hembree motioned to approve the minutes as written. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

**Proclamation - Lady Longhorns of Lanier High School Class AAAAAA Girls State Basketball**

**Champions** – Mayor Edwards presented a proclamation to Dr. Christopher Martin, principal of Lanier High School, and to the state champion Lady Longhorns girls basketball team for their AAAAAA GHSA Georgia State Basketball Championship win. Mike McRee, the “Voice of the Longhorns” announcer for the school’s games, read the proclamation from the city to the team and Head Coach Tim Slater for their many hours of hard work, dedication and teamwork this season. The proclamation was presented to the team of six seniors, four juniors, four sophomores, three freshmen, coaches, administration, student body, and parents.

**REPORTS**

**CITY ATTORNEY  
COUNCIL  
MAYOR  
CITY CLERK  
CITY MANAGER**

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS** – Members of the Sugar Hill Youth Council spoke regarding their opioid crisis Symposium to be held April 25<sup>th</sup> at the E Center.

**CONSENT AGENDA  
OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Public Hearing, Town Center Overlay, Design Review 19-00278, 986 Whitehead Road, Mendoza Residence** – Planning Director Awana explained that the city received an application from Gregory and Hortencia Mendoza requesting design review approval for the demolition and removal of an existing home

and the construction of a new single-family detached home in its place at 986 Whitehead Road. The house plans adequately address the overlay district standards. Staff recommends approval. The public hearing was opened and there were no comments so the hearing was closed. Council Member Hembree motioned to approve the site design concept and building in material and architectural detail as shown on the attached exhibits 1-4 with exhibits as well as the following condition: Gable ends shall return against the exterior wall. Length of return to the height of the cornice shall be a ratio between 1:1 and 1:1.5. Maximum slope of roof on eave return shall be 3:12. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**Gwinnett County Service Agreement for Inmate Service Crews** – Assistant City Manager Besseche explained that public property, buildings and facilities located within the city require occasional general maintenance and repair services such as landscaping, grass cutting, trash/litter pick-ups, graffiti removal and painting. Gwinnett County is willing to make available inmate crews to perform services on public property and to public facilities and buildings for a sum equal to its cost of providing the work crew, appropriate security and equipment. The city has budgeted in the 2019 general budget for the payment of the inmate crews from Contract Labor in Street, Golf and Recreation. Council Northrup motioned to approve the two service contracts for Gwinnett County Inmate Crews to assist with the maintenance of the city streets and golf course and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute them for a one-year term renewable up to five years. This is subject to legal review from the City Attorney. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: TO DISCUSS LEGAL, REAL ESTATE AND/OR PERSONNEL** – Council Member Cohen motioned to enter Executive Session. Council Member Hembree seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION** – the meeting was reconvened and the following public action was taken: Council Member Hembree motioned to approve the purchase of 5126 Nelson Brogdon Blvd., parcel R7306 073 for \$240,000 from SHD Investments, LLC. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Council Member Hembree motioned to adjourn. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

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Steve Edwards, Mayor

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Jane Whittington, City Clerk