

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2011  
7:30 PM CITY HALL ANNEX  
4988 WEST BROAD STREET  
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Pirkle at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Gary Pirkle, Mayor Pro Tem Marc Cohen, Council Members Susie Gajewski, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Bob Hail, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Lee Thompson. Council Member Edwards was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG  
INVOCATION was given by Mayor Pirkle.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 14, 2011, Council Member Gajewski motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT  
COUNCIL REPORTS  
MAYOR'S REPORT  
CITY CLERK'S REPORT  
CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS**

Tommy Brightwell spoke regarding improvements in the City. He requested that the City go ahead with the weather warning sirens. The City Manager explained that the City is on hold until they get the results of an application for a grant from FEMA. Mr. Brightwell also spoke regarding commercialization of Briscoe airport.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Ordinance Special Event VETO** – the Mayor explained that this ordinance was passed last month in haste because North Gwinnett High School was planning a fundraiser and needed a permit. They eventually went to another location. The Mayor vetoed it to allow more time to review the contents. There was no motion to override the veto so it is sustained.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Fence/ Drainage Easement, 6731 Pierless Ave.** – The P&D Director explained the request and staff recommends approval. Council Member Cohen motioned to approve the Easement. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**Fence/Drainage Easement, 6784 Barker Station Walk** – The P&D Director explained the request and staff recommends approval. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the easement. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**VAR-11-001 Ashton Gardens, Sec. 608 Zoning Ord., Exceed Maximum Limits for Stucco/EIFS** – The P&D Director explained the application. The stucco finish requested would resemble large blocks of cast stone. The staff recommends conditional approval. The Public Hearing was opened and Brad Schreiber spoke regarding the materials used in the construction of their other facilities in Dallas and Houston. The arrival of the person using the facility is important to them. They will put back whatever they remove. The building will not be visible from Peachtree Industrial because of the grade of the land. The landscaping will be very natural. Council Member Cohen motioned to approve VAR-11-001 with staff conditions and with Exhibit 1 shoring the look of the building and Exhibit 2 the site plan. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**Alcohol Ordinance Amendment Event Facility** – The City Clerk explained that this ordinance amendment was necessary for a facility such as Ashton Gardens. The current language of the ordinance does not allow consumption on the premises unless you are a restaurant, lounge or hotel. The event facility is added in the ordinance in beer and wine consumption on the premises and in spirituous liquor on the premises. The definition of an event facility goes into detail and restricts the gross receipts of alcohol to 25%. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the Alcohol Ordinance Amendment Event Facility. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**Resolution, NIMS National Incident Management System** – The City Manager explained the resolution requirement is from The Federal Homeland Security. Council Member Cohen motioned to approve the Resolution as written. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: TO DISCUSS LEGAL, REAL ESTATE AND/OR PERSONNEL –  
There was no Executive Session held.

PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Cohen motioned to adjourn. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

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Gary Pirkle, Mayor

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Jane Whittington, City Clerk