

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012, 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL ANNEX
4988 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

Work Session Issues for Council Meeting – Present were Mayor Gary Pirkle, Mayor Pro Tem Curtis Northrup, and Council Members Marc Cohen, Susie Gajewski, and Mike Sullivan. Council Member Steve Edwards was not present. Also present was City Manager Bob Hail, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Frank Hartley.

PROCLAMATION – “Teacher of the Year” – Council Member Cohen requested that this be tabled until the January meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

SUP-12-002, James Bailey, 6000 Eagle Close Ln., Tax Parcel 7-348-038, Storage Building in side yard with ten foot (10’) setback – Director Awana explained the application. This is in the Links subdivision and backs up to the Benton House. Staff recommends approval of the Special Use Permit but denial of the setback. Planning Commission recommends approval of both. No objections were received from adjacent neighbors. Applicant was not present at meeting.

AX-12-003 Richard Jenkins, 1205 Buford Hwy., Tax Parcel 7-258-027, 0.43 Acres, currently zoned (C-1) Neighborhood Business District in County requesting (BG) General Business District – Director Awana explained the application. This property is a corridor on future land use plan. Some of the houses in this area have been converted to offices and some are still residential. Applicant Richard Jenkins to lease the property for office use.

RZ-12-003, City of Sugar Hill, requesting to rezone Tax Parcels 7-306-024, 7-306-080, 7-306-273, 7-306-123, 7-306-082, 7-291-062 to (BG) Downtown Business District – Director Awana explained that these are properties owned by the City and located on West Broad St. The City is requesting to rezone them for commercial in the Downtown Business District.

PUBLIC HEARING FY2013 Budget – The City Manager summarized the FY2013 Budget. The Council requested page numbers be added and a better identification for the Car Wash.

Re-appoint Municipal Court Judges – Associate Judge Kathryn Schrader won the election for State Court Judge so she cannot serve. Judge Washburn and Charles Barrett are still interested.

Updates by City Manager – Hail

AX-12-004, Accept Annexation Application, Suwanee Dam Rd.

- a. Project List
- b. City Hall Updates
- c. Recreation

Work Session Discussion Issues

Daphne Anderson Community Garden Club – Council Member Gajewski introduced Ms. Anderson who is the President of the Sugar Hill Community Garden Club. She gave the Mayor and Council an update on the 2011 and 2012 garden. They are interested and donating to the local food bank. The City Attorney is to look into the liability of donating food to the food bank. The garden club is also interested in becoming a teaching garden, educating the community about growing food.

Planning Commission Appointments – Commission member Jeanne Ferguson has decided not to seek re-appointment. Commission member Joe Millsaps is moving and will not be able to serve on the commission anymore. This is to be tabled until January to consider applicants that have shown interest.

I Pads for Mayor and Council & Key Staff – Council Members Edwards is not present at tonight's meeting so Council Member Cohen stated the reasons to consider I-pads. One is to reduce paper. The Mayor reminded that the I-pads would be subject to the Open Records Laws. Council Member Northrup stated he did not have a problem with reducing paper but was not sure the City should provide the machinery. The City Attorney Frank Hartley stated that Lawrenceville had I-pads but he was not sure the City provided them.

Round-up on Gas Bills for Co-op – Council Member Northrup requested that the City set up an escrow fund to be administered by the North Gwinnett Co-op. The City would put a round up for the Co-op on their gas bills and put it in the escrow fund. More details to be worked out.

Global Sports Discussion – John Tamburo updated the Mayor and Council on the status of Global Sports.

Executive Session – Legal, Real Estate, and Personnel – Council Member Sullivan motioned to enter Executive Session. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

Adjournment – Council Member Cohen motioned to adjourn. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 4-0

Gary Pirkle, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk