

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2013, 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL
5039 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

Work Session Issues for Council Meeting

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

OLD BUSINESS

ZOA Green Infrastructure Additional Public Hearing – Director Awana explained that this is being re-advertised and the public hearing will be held at the June 10, 2013 Council Meeting due to advertising requirements.

RZ 13-003, JW Trucks, Rezone to HM-1 and remove the 3 parcels from Town Center Overlay

Mr. Abernathy, the project engineer, explained that the Highway 20 widening will result in JW Trucks losing around 40 truck parking spaces. The wall of the road will be around 10 feet higher than the property. As a result of previous meetings they have taken the West Broad St property out. Dirt will have to be brought in to level the property out. The plans include a wall all the way around the property which varies in height. They are planning a one story building with 32 customer parking spaces. They are also considering a second story for offices. The Mayor requested that the walls be constructed to where they would keep dirt out of the pond and that they have a buffer to help restrict the view of trucks sitting up above the pond. He also asked that they plan some sort of landscape strip to screen the West Broad St. properties. The Mayor requested GIS to see where this lays next to the city property and pond. Mr. Abernathy stated that he would have to get more input from the owner on whether they wanted the building to be a one story or a two story. The parking spaces are key. The City Attorney stated that they would have to have a variance on the parking spaces if they did not meet the requirement.

NEW BUSINESS

MGAG Resolution for Hedging – the City Manager explained that this would allow him to purchase gas through MGAG for three years out. Take the Exhibit A section out and put on the Consent Agenda.

VAR13-001 | Sugar Hill Animal Hospital Sign Variance – Director Awana explained the variance request. Dr. Hamryka is requesting 116 sq. ft. and is allowed 80 ft. The request is to remove the reader board and replace it with an electronic LED sign. This is prohibited in the overlay district. Staff is recommending denial.

VAR13-002 | 4335 Creek Park Dr. Retaining Wall and Easement Encroachment – P&D Director Awana explained the application. The property was foreclosed on and the bank representative, Russ Morgan is present tonight. They have a tenant in the building who has a landscape business. Previous owners built an earthen wall around the rear of the building. There is a concrete pad there that they

used for storage and access to the rear of the building. The bank owners are requesting to leave the existing walls. There are also two existing tanks holding gasoline and/or diesel on the side of the building. Director Awana to check on them. Mayor and Council suggested ballards to keep trucks and equipment from being stored on the concrete pad.

Correction to the 2011 Budget – The City Manager explained that the Department of Audits sent a corrective action after the 2011 audit was submitted. There were some line items that were over and the corrective action would modify these. He would also like to add the 2012 year so those line items can be modified as well. Mayor Pirkle asked that this be put on the website with the letter from the Department of Audits.

Sale of City Public Land, 1305 Hidden Circle – the City Manager explained that the City received one bid for \$31,000 on the purchase of this property. The property will be sold under it's current zoning. Any changes will have to come to the Mayor and Council. Add to Consent Agenda.

Updates by City Manager – Hail

Recreation Updates

City Hall Updates

Project List Updates

Work Session Discussion Issues

75th Anniversary Committee – Council Member Cohen went over the plans that the committee discussed. The City also received 60 submissions for the 75th Anniversary Logo Contest. Some of the ideas were really creative. The winner will be announced at the Fall Festival and receive a \$750 check.

2013 Coin – Council Member Cohen suggested that the Sugar wagon be placed on the 2013 coin. For the 75th Anniversary they would like the logo that is chosen on it. Make the coin heavier and more metallic.

Executive Session – Legal, Real Estate, and Personnel – no Executive Session was held.

Adjournment

Gary Pirkle, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk