

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL  
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2014  
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM, 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 Marc Cohen, Council Members Susie Gajewski, Brandon Hembree, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Frank Hartley

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Local Maintenance & Improvement Grants (LMIG)** – Assistant City Manager Besseche explained that this grant is for road and resurfacing. The City is recommending Brogdon Rd. which is mostly industrial and commercial. It was agreed to place this item on the Consent Agenda for the Council meeting.

**RZ-14-009, 165 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Allow Display of Heavy Equipment in the Front Yard (Public Hearing to be held at the December 8<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting)** – Planning Director Awana explained the application. The applicant is requesting to place heavy equipment that they repair in front as an advertisement of what they do. The staff recommends denial and the Planning Commission recommended conditional approval. This case is really a change in conditions.

**Probation Services, Southeast Corrections, LLC** – the Planning Director explained that the current provider is terminating the contract. Council Member Northrup asked if there is a retainer fee and the Planning Director explained that there is not. They get their funding from the defendant who pays a fee. The City Attorney explained that the fee is comparable to what we currently have. The Council requested to place this item on the Consent Agenda for the Council Meeting.

**Public Hearing, 2015 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget** – the City Manager Paul Radford explained the 2014 overview. The Public hearing was opened and there were no comments from the public so the hearing was closed.

**Georgia Force (recognize at 12/8 Council Meeting)** – Mayor Edwards explained that he wanted to recognize the players and coaches at the December 8<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. He requested that Scott Andrews come up with something to present to them.

**Teacher of the Year Proclamations Lanier Cluster** – Mayor Pro Tem Cohen explained that the Lanier cluster teachers will be recognized at the December 8<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

## **CITY MANAGER DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES**

**Hwy 20 Construction Project Update** – the Assistant City Manager explained that the completion date for this project is now slated for June, 2016. They requested that Scott Andrews put something in the newsletter updating the citizens.

**Status of RFP/RFQ Process for “99 Acre” Tract** – one proposal was received. This will be reviewed and brought back to the Mayor and Council.

**EpiCenter Update** – The structure for the underground parking is being engineered. The theater will have approximately 350 seats.

**Temple Project Update** – the DDA has agreed to enter into an agreement for development of the property. Partners have been found and are exploring mixed use with a high end rental complex.

**Suite Spot Update** – partnership Gwinnett has nominated the Suite Spot for an award in creativity.

**E.E. Robinson Update**

**Ice Rink @ Sugar Hill Update**

**2012 Audit Report** – The 2012 audit is ongoing with an estimated completion at the January Work Session. The 2013 audit should be completed the first quarter of 2015.

**December 16<sup>th</sup> Holiday Luncheon**

## **WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION, LEGAL, REAL ESTATE, PERSONNEL** – Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to enter Executive Session at 8:07 p.m. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

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

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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Steve Edwards, Mayor

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Jane Whittington, City Clerk