

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014, 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
5039 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

Work Session Issues for Council Meeting – Present were Mayor Steve Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Marc Cohen, Council Members Brandon Hembree, Susie Gajewski, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Bob Hail, In-coming City Manager Paul Radford, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Sara Chamberlain.

OLD BUSINESS

2014 Zoning Map Update – Planning Director Awana explained that this is the update for all new rezoning and annexations that have occurred since the last map was updated.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Alcohol Sales – Request to table July meeting

Alcohol Ordinance Amendment Growlers, Micro Breweries, etc. – Request to Table

NEW BUSINESS

No Place for Hate, Jennifer Diaz – Mayor Edwards explained that this proclamation will be presented at the Council Meeting.

Presentation students Lanier High School re: Sugar Hill Youth Council – Council Member Hembree introduced that students from Lanier High School that were interested in starting the youth council. This will be a youth civic engagement for students from the seventh through the twelve grade. Jack Samuals went through an overview of the proposed Charter. Further research is needed on the open records and meetings law. The youth council should consist of both clusters of schools Lanier and North Gwinnett. This is to be on the Agenda for the June Council Meeting.

Alcohol Ordinance Amendment City Properties – The City Manager explained that this Ordinance amendment would expand the list of City facilities to include E.E. Robinson and Gary Pirkle Parks as well as the Community Center. This is for City sponsored or City co-sponsored events.

CBD Design Review – Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Entrance Drive – Planning Director Awana explained that this is a right on right out curb cut on Peachtree Industrial Blvd. close to the intersection of Alton Tucker Blvd. Staff recommends denial.

VAR-14-007, Development Waiver – Sidewalks Roberts Crest – The Planning Director explained that the City received an application for waiver of the Development Regulations requiring sidewalks adjacent to both sides of the street within all single family subdivisions. The applicant is requesting a variance for a section of the sidewalk fronting one of the project's two detention ponds due to safety concerns over the grading for the pond.

Final Plat Ratification, Roberts Crest – The Planning Director explained that Roberts Crest is a proposed residential subdivision of 52 lots developed by Ryland Homes. They are requesting that the final plat be ratified by the Mayor and Council at tonight’s meeting to allow them to proceed with the development. The staff can take care of the final issues that are pending including all final site inspection requirements. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to approve the final plat ratification of Roberts Crest with the five staff recommendations noted in tonight’s packet. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Updates by City Manager

Sale of Property Maintenance Liens – City Manager explained that Mr. Amin is requesting to purchase the property maintenance liens the City has on 1111 Danube Trail. He is offering \$1,000 for the lien. The Council expressed concerns regarding length of time this property has gone unattended. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to approve a policy decision to sell the property maintenance lien on 1111 Danube Trail for \$1,000 and also a \$2,000 bond for the City to hold for six months pending proper action be taken and subject to the discretion of the City Manager for return of the subject bond. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Recreation Updates – Recreation Director Andy McQuagge updated the Mayor and Council on the Recreation Department.

Work Session Discussion Issues

75th Anniversary Committee – Mayor Pro Tem Cohen updated that the tickets for the 75th event went on sale today. He explained that the headliner band will be the Bacon Brothers featuring Kevin Bacon. The other two bands include Haley & Alexis Band and Andy Velo.

Taylor Anderson Update Sugar Hill DDA activities – Taylor Anderson gave an update on the DDA. There were five things that they looked to accomplish this year. They are working on these five current. There will be a Special Called DDA meeting tomorrow.

Executive Session – Legal, Real Estate, and Personnel – Council Member Sullivan motioned to enter executive Session. Council Member Northrup seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Adjournment

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk