

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 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, and Mike Sullivan. Council Member Curtis Northrup was not present. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Frank Hartley.

OLD BUSINESS

CBD Design Review, Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Entrance Dr. – Director Awana explained that Gwinnett DOT has approved the engineering of this right-in / right-out access drive. Staff is recommending right in only. Council agreed if Gwinnett DOT approved it then the proper review study was performed.

VAR-14-008, Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Entrance Dr., (Public Hearing 9/8/14 Council Meeting) – Director Awana explained that this variance goes with the CBD Design Review and allows elimination of the decal lane.

NEW BUSINESS

AX-14-002, 11 Acres on Level Creek Rd., Home South Communities, LLC, requesting RS-100, (Public Hearing 9/8/14 Council Meeting) – Director Awana explained that the applicant is requesting two variances regarding the minimum frontage on the lot the detention pond is on and a stream buffer for impervious surface. This development will allow the decommissioning of the sewer pump station located on this property

AX-14-003, 19 Acres on Westbrook Rd., Home South Communities, LLC, requesting RS-100 (Public Hearing 9/8/14 Council Meeting) - Director Awana explained that the applicant is requesting RS-100 zoning with no variances. The staff is recommending RS-100 zoning but the Planning Commission recommended RS-150. Staff to remove the condition portion regarding dwelling size for two stories. Make it all one dwelling size.

Golden Productions – 75th Final Adjusting Change Order (#2) – the Assistant City Manager explained that this would be the final change order for the 75th Anniversary Celebration.

Golden Productions Agreement – This agreement is for three events coming up the Players Guild, Rhythm and Brews and the ice rink. This agreement will be the framework for specific tasks that Golden Production will be assigned to.

Security Concerns – Gary Pirkle Park – Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche explained that staff reviewed various solutions to the security concerns including cameras in the parks and on City properties. The budget for next year would be \$100,000 to \$125,000 to cover the cost of these cameras. The budget for this project would come from SPLOT funds. Some of the concerns include breaking into cars in the parks parking lot.

Proclamation National Assisted Living Week Benton House – The Mayor will present this proclamation on September 11th at the Benton House.

DDA Budget Amendment – The City Manager explained that this budget amendment is for \$65,000 to remodel the Suite Spot. The DDA contracted with an interior designer Diana Schiver to redesign the co-working space. The space will be demolished and rebuilt to look more like a Starbucks atmosphere.

CITY MANAGER DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES

City Logo – staff has redesigned the 75th logo for everyday use. They are also working on standards and guidelines for use of the logo.

Council Retreat – the retreat will be offsite at on October 24th and 25th

Yard Waste – will be extended to private roads within the city. This will include the gated communities. Starting October 1st these streets will be included and the frequency of pick up throughout the city will be reduced to every other week.

Hwy 20 Construction Project Update – the Assistant City Manager met with transportation officials for guidance and feedback. Some of the enhanced features would include traffic signal poles, lighted street signs and decorative crosswalks.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION, LEGAL, REAL ESTATE, PERSONNEL – Council Member Sullivan motioned to enter Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk