

**AGENDA
CITY OF SUGAR HILL
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015
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 Brandon Hembree Council Members Marc Cohen, Susie Gajewski, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorneys Frank Hartley.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing, 2016 Proposed Budget – the City Manager went over the 2015 year in review and the proposed budget and capital budget. The public hearing was opened and there were no comments from the public so the hearing was closed.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Article 7, Fences and Walls. Increase maximum height from 6’ to 8’ (Public Hearing to be held at the 12/14 Council Meeting) – Director Awana explained that this will increase the maximum fence height allowed from six feet to eight feet.

2015 Zoning Map Adoption (Public Hearing to be held at 12/14 Council Meeting) – Director Awana explained that this will include all properties annexed or rezoned in 2015.

Variance, VAR-15-004. Regency at Westbrook, Allow disturbance of construction buffer and reduced side setback for three-car, side entry garages (Public Hearing to be held at 12/14 Council Meeting) – Director Awana explained the application. Staff is recommending approval of both items in the variance. Mitch Peavy was present representing the applicant. He will request an amendment to the side set back to allow three car side entry garages.

Final Plat Ratification - Primrose Creek Phase Two, Single-family residential subdivision, 40 lots – Director Awana stated that they are not ready and this will be tabled until the January meeting.

Proclamations Lanier Cluster Teachers of the Year – Council Member Cohen stated that the Lanier cluster teachers of the year and their principals will attend the Council Meeting to receive their proclamations.

Proclamation Thrombosis Awareness – Mayor Edwards stated Dr. Atul Laddu will attend the Council meeting to receive the proclamation.

CITY MANAGER DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES

Construction Update – Assistant City Manager

Sugar Loop Greenway – City Manager

City Attorney Update – the City Manager explained that the rates for legal counsel with Thompson, Sweeny, Kinsinger & Pereira will be increasing for 2016. The rates are billed per experience of lawyers. Lawyers with ten or more years' experience will increase to \$175.00 per hour, three to ten years will be \$160.00 per hour, less than three years' experience will be \$145.00 per hour.

CDBG Audit Update – the City Manager explained that the City has recently completed an extensive CDBG audit. The results of the audit are attached for review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, LEGAL, REAL ESTATE, PERSONNEL – there was no Executive Session held.

PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk