

# **Canton, Georgia**

*151 Elizabeth Street  
Canton, Georgia 30114*



## **Minutes - Final - Draft**

**Thursday, July 21, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

*Present for the meeting were:*

*Mayor Gene Hobgood*

*Councilmember Bill Grant*

*Councilmember Jack Goodwin*

*Councilmember JoEllen Wilson*

*Councilmember Sandy McGrew*

*Councilmember Farris Yawn*

*City Manager Billy Peppers*

*Bobby Dyer – City Attorney*

*Dean Floyd - Fire Chief*

*Ken Patton – Community Development Director*

*Melissa Forrester - Accounting Services Manager*

*Scott Hooper – Public Works Director*

*Tom Gilliam – Parks and Recreation Director*

*Susan C. Stanton – City Clerk*

*Councilmember John Rust was not present*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hobgood and the invocation was given by Councilmember Goodwin.*

**3. Guests and Visitors****A. Proclamation of Civility Month**

*Mayor Hobgood welcomed Boy Scout Troop 119 and Scoutmaster Dave Rirer and Proclaimed August 2016 Civility Month.*

**4. Public Announcements**

*None.*

**5. Consideration to Approve Agenda**

*Councilmember Goodwin made a motion to approve the Agenda;  
Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

**6. Consideration to Approve Minutes****A. Minutes - Attachment 6A**

**Attachments:**     [July 07, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)  
[September 24, 2015 Special Called Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

*Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the Minutes; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

## **7. Ten Minute Public Input**

*None.*

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Consideration to Adopt Cherokee County School District's "School Safety Zone" for Cherokee Elementary and High Schools - Thomas Weaver - New Attachment

**Attachments:**     [Background Information and School Safety Zone Map.pdf](#)

*This matter will be placed on the next City Council meeting agenda for further discussion and a possible a vote.*

- B. Discussion and Possible Action on Case AX1605-001, Lifestyle at Laurel Canyon, Request to Annex 3.309 Acres for 2nd Entrance Road - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment

**Attachments:**     [laurel canyon annexation 2nd road](#)

*Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve the annexation; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to reopen this discussion; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to require that the performance bond for the 2nd entrance road have a limit of 12 months from the date of the permit issuance until completion - Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

- C. Discussion and Possible Action on Case Z1605-001, Lifestyle at Laurel Canyon, Request to Zone Property from Cherokee County AG (Agriculture) to City PD-MU (Planned Development - Mixed Use) - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment

**Attachments:**     [laurel canyon zoning 2nd road](#)

*Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve the rezoning; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

**Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved**

- D. Discussion and Possible Action on Request to Abandon a Portion of Laurel Canyon Parkway, Lifestyle at Laurel Canyon, Request to Abandon 4.467 acres (1,976 lineal feet) - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment

**Attachments:** [laurel canyon request to abandon portion of road](#)

***Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the abandonment on the condition that the gate will be moved no closer than 250 feet from the intersection of Laurel Vista Drive and Laurel Canyon Pkwy; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.***

**Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved**

- E. Discussion and Possible Action on Request by Lifestyle at Laurel Canyon to Move the Existing Gate to New Location on Laurel Canyon Parkway - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment

**Attachments:** [laurel canyon request to move gate](#)

***Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve the relocation of the existing gate; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.***

***Councilmember McGrew amended her motion to approve the relocation on the condition that the abandoned portion of the street be repaved prior to the relocation; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.***

**Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved**

- F. Discussion and Possible Action on Case MP1601-001, The Grand Reserve at Canton, LLC Located Along Reservoir Drive, Proposed Master Plan Amendment for Pod H, Riverstone - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - New Attachment

**Attachments:** [city council mp1601-001 the grand reserve at canton, llc 07-11-2016](#)

***Councilmember Goodwin made a motion to approve the Masterplan with all conditions as outlined and recommended by Ken Patton; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.***

**Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved**

- G. Discussion and Possible Action on Cases AX1604-001 and Z1604-001, Knox Bridge Hwy./Butterworth Road, Mountain Oil Express Co., Request to Annex and Zone 5.28 acres to City GC (General Commercial) - City Manager Billy Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - New Attachment

**Attachments:**     [request to table mountain oil express 07-12-2016](#)

*Ken Patton relayed that Motor Oil Express has requested that this matter be removed from the agenda and placed on the August 18, 2016 agenda for consideration.*

*Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve postponing this Item until August 18; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

- H. Discussion and Possible Action on Whether to Allow Dogs In City Parks- Excluding Boling Park - City Manager Billy Peppers, Director of Parks and Recreation Tom Gilliam

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve allowing dogs in all City parks and trails except Boling Park with the requirement that dogs must be on a leash no more than 6 feet long; Councilmember McGrew seconded the motion.*

*Councilmember Grant amended his motion to include that dogs must be kept out of delineated play areas; Councilmember McGrew seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

- I. Discussion and Possible Action to Establish City Park Hours - City Manager Billy Peppers, Director of Parks & Recreation Tom Gilliam

*Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the parks hours of dawn to dusk except for special events or sporting events at which lights are provided by the organizer; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

*Councilmember Yawn amended his motion to approve park hours of sunrise to sunset except for special events or sporting events at which lights are provided by the organizer; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

- J. Discussion and Possible Action on Whether to Allow Drones In Parks - City Manager Billy Peppers, Director of Parks and Recreation Tom Gilliam

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to ban unmanned aerial aircraft from City parks; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

- K. Discussion and Possible Action to Provide 30 Day Notice of Intent to Terminate Concessions Contract with Wanna Play Ball, Inc. - City Manager Billy Peppers, Director of Parks and Recreation Tom Gilliam - New Attachment

**Attachments:**     [Wanna Play Contract 02.16.pdf](#)

***Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve giving 30 day notice for termination of the concessions contract; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.***

***Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved***

- L. Discussion and Possible Action on Types of Vehicles to be Permitted In City Parks - City Manager Billy Peppers, Director of Parks and Recreation Tom Gilliam

***Councilmember Grant made a motion to ban motorized vehicles as recommended; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.***

***Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved***

- M. Discussion on Types of Activities to be Permitted in City Parks - Mayor Gene Hobgood

***Council agreed that this matter should be considered by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board once established.***

- N. Review of Finance Policy - City Manager Billy Peppers, CFO Nathan Ingram - Attachment 10G

**Attachments:** [Finance Policy](#)

***Mayor Hobgood appointed Councilmembers JoEllen Wilson, Jack Goodwin, and John Rust to serve on a committee to review the financial policy and make recommendations to Council.***

- O. Discussion and Council Direction on Mixed Drink Audit Follow Up - CFO Nathan Ingram - New Attachment

**Attachments:** [Action Memo](#)

***Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the recommended procedure to collect the taxes and the waiver of interest until after the 30 day grace period; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.***

***Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved***

- P. Discussion and Council Direction on LCI Masterplan Implementation - City Manager, Billy Peppers - Attachment

**Attachments:** [LCI Memo 06142016](#)

***City Manager Peppers suggested a special work session to discuss the LCI Masterplan recommendations and how Council would like to implement the plan. Council agreed.***

- Q. Approval of Mowing and Maintenance Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation Regarding School Beacon at State Route 20 and Riverbend Way - City Manager Billy Peppers, Attachment

**Attachments:** [Mowing and Maintenance Agreement with GDOT](#)

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve the contract; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

## **9. City Manager's Report**

*City Manager Peppers updated Council on the paving progress; paving should be completed within one month. Also, the City Manager asked Council to approve a change order for \$10,658.90 to allow for the paving of a small street in Rivergreen that was left off the paving list and would be paved more economically now rather than later.*

*Councilmember Yawn amended his motion to approve the change order; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

## **10. Mayor's Report**

*Mayor Hobgood asked for Council's consideration of a request that he sign off on a letter of support for the refinancing of the loan by Provident Group-Canton Cove Properties, Inc.*

*Councilmember Goodwin made a motion to approve; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

## **11. Adjourn**

*Councilmember Goodwin made a motion to adjourn; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved*