

Canton, Georgia

*151 Elizabeth Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

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

Gene Hobgood, Mayor

Susan C. Stanton, City Clerk

August 04, 2016
Date Minutes Approved by Council