

**CITY OF GRIFFIN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
ONE GRIFFIN CENTER, W. ELMER GEORGE MUNICIPAL HALL  
TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2014**

Those present: Chairperson Ryan McLemore, Joanne Todd, Cora Flowers, Cynthia Reid Ward, Doug Hollberg, Dick Morrow, Rodney McCord, City Manager Kenny Smith, and City Attorney Drew Whalen.

Those absent: None.

Commissioner Doug Hollberg led the Invocation.

Commissioner Dick Morrow led the pledge to the flag.

#### **PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

Dr. Brant Keller, Director of Public Works and Utilities, recognized Danny Pryor, Superintendent with the Water Distribution Department for 25 years of dedicated service to the City of Griffin. Commissioner Dick Morrow expressed his personal appreciation for Danny's professionalism and hard work.

Director of Public Safety Frank Strickland and Chief Steve Heaton recognized the 33 graduates of the second Citizens Police Academy. Lt. Darrell Dix, set up the curriculum and organized this 10-week program. Participants expressed appreciation to the Police Department for hosting such an educational and enjoyable program.

On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, Chairman Ryan McLemore presented a Proclamation recognizing May 2014 as Lupus Awareness Month and May 10 as "World Lupus Day". Ms. Myrna Evans was present to receive the proclamation.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Receive comments regarding the proposed budgets for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015. *There were no citizen comments.*

Receive comments regarding an amendment to the Unified Development Code, of the City of Griffin, Article 7, Table 7.3, Zoning Districts, to allow for automobile and truck sales, service and repair in Planned Commercial Development. The Commission would like to consider dividing "Commercial" Zoning into varying degrees (light commercial/heavy commercial) in the future. *There were no citizen comments.*

Receive comments regarding an amendment to the City of Griffin Zoning Map to include designation of Special Housing Revitalization Overlay District (SHROD). *There were no citizen comments.*

Receive comments regarding an amendment to the Unified Development Code, of the City of Griffin, Section 720.D. Physical Requirement of the Special Housing Revitalization Overlay District (SHROD) to reduce the minimum floor area per dwelling unit. *There were no citizen comments.*

Receive comments regarding a request to rezone three contiguous parcels, located at 836, 834 & 0 N. Hill Street from High Density Residential "A" (HDR-A) to Neighborhood Business District (NBD), to operate a neighborhood convenience store. Michael Kendall (130 N. Hill Street) would like to build a convenience store at this location. His original store is being displaced due

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to the road-widening project, leaving the need for a convenience store in this area. The conceptual design does not need approval at this time. City Attorney Drew Whalen stated that approval of the rezoning is not dependent upon a site-specific plan. *There were no other citizen comments.*

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow (with one correction), seconded by Commissioner Hollberg, passed by vote of 6-1-0, (Commissioner Flowers abstained due to absence) approval of the Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2014.*

**REGULAR AGENDA**

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner McCord, passed by vote of 6-0-1, (Commissioner Flowers voted no) approval to amend the Unified Development Code, of the City of Griffin, Article 7, Table 7.3, Zoning Districts, to allow for automobile and truck sales, service and repair in Planned Commercial Development.*

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Morrow, unanimously passed, approval of a request to amend to the City of Griffin Zoning Map to include designation of Special Housing Revitalization Overlay District (SHROD).*

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Morrow, unanimously passed, approval to amend the Unified Development Code, of the City of Griffin, Section 720.D. Physical Requirement of the Special Housing Revitalization Overlay District (SHROD) to reduce the minimum floor area per dwelling unit.*

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Ward, unanimously passed (with the following three conditions: Access to the properties be limited to Kentucky Avenue; Sidewalks shall be five (5) feet in width along Kentucky Avenue and N. Hill Street frontage with a five (5) feet landscape strip between the edge of the right-of-way and new sidewalk; applicant shall adhere to, as applicable, the Commercial Character Standards from the North Hill Street Redevelopment Plan), approval of a request to rezone three contiguous parcels, addressed as 836, 834 & 0 N. Hill Street, located at the northeast corner of N. Hill Street and Kentucky Avenue, from High Density Residential-A (HDR-A) to Neighborhood Business District (NBD) to operate a neighborhood convenience store.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner Ward, unanimously passed, approval of a Letter of Support for the Griffin Spalding Re-entry Demonstration Project to the U.S. Department of Justice to recommend an award for a discretionary grant.*

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, approval to purchase two bicycles for Griffin Fire Rescue (Special Events Bike Patrol), to transfer \$1,120.00 to General Fund Operating Cash from Fire Donations Cash account, appropriate \$1,120.00 to Donations revenue and Operating Supplies expenditure, and amend budget accordingly.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, approval to declare seventeen self-contained breathing apparatus (Scott 2.2 - 2216 wire frame harnesses) as surplus and offer for sale on GovDeals.com. These items are non-compliant with national standards.*

*On motion by Commissioner Todd, seconded by Commissioner Morrow, unanimously passed, approval of a resolution authorizing the execution of Amendments to (i) a certain Plant Vogtle Additional Units Non-PPA Power Sales Contract (the "Non-PPA Contract"), (ii) a certain Plant*

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*Vogtle Additional Units PPA Power Sales Contract (the "PPA Contract") and (iii) a certain Plant Vogtle Additional Units PPA-2 Power Sales Contract (the "PPA-2 Contract", and together with the Non-PPA Contract and the PPA Contract, the "Contracts"), each dated as of June 15, 2008, with MEAG Power.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, approval of a Resolution authorizing a Loan Agreement and Promissory Note in the amount not to exceed \$11,100,000 from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority to replace the intake pumps at the Flint River Pumping Station, the installation of SCADA equipment, and move the Station above flood level; and to expand and upgrade the Potato Creek WWTP from 2.0 mgd to 3.0 mgd, and all related appurtenances.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner McCord, unanimously passed, approval of the bid and work contract for Harry Simmons Water Treatment Plant drain valves to Allsouth Constructor, Inc. for \$93,088.00 for the Water and Wastewater Department of the Public Works and Utilities Department.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, approval of Georgia Department of Transportation Local Maintenance & Improvements Grant (LMIG) application for fiscal year 2014 for the Public Works and Utilities Department. The Commission recommended all monies to go toward 15<sup>th</sup> Street/Meriwether Street resurfacing rather than dividing funds between districts.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner McCord, unanimously passed, approval of Task Order Form for design update, permitting and construction management of the Potato Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant to Paragon Consulting Group, Inc. for \$1,021,790.00 for the Water and Wastewater Department of Public Works and Utilities.*

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner McCord, unanimously passed, approval of the bid and construction contract for Lift Station #8 Upgrade to RDJE, Inc. for \$402,763.50 for the Water and Wastewater Department of the Public Works and Utilities Department.*

*On motion by Commissioner Morrow, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed, approval of bid and construction contract for the relocation of water lines on GDOT Project PROJECT NUMBER: NH000-0001-04(062), Spalding County, P.I. #332890 to Don Hall Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$329,685.50, and amend the budget accordingly.*

<b>CITY MANAGER COMMENTS</b>
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Main Street Board is having its annual workshop tomorrow morning from 9-11am at the Welcome Center.

The Airport Authority has requested a joint meeting with City Commission and County Commission on June 9 at 6pm at One Griffin Center.

Reminder that June Jam will be on the seventh.

<b>COMISSION COMMENTS</b>
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City Attorney Drew Whalen returned last week from IMLA conference. It was a very good, in depth conference.

Commissioner Rodney McCord announced that Charlie T. McDowell, founder of McDowell Funeral Home, passed away Saturday evening.

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Commissioner Dick Morrow said we owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Smith, the Directors, and Finance team for their hard work to save money and include a small tax decrease in the budget.

Commissioner Cynthia Ward asked with whom she needs to talk to regarding having a tree removed from a home located on Quilley Street. The tree is sinking deeper into the home with no action and it is a health hazard. City Manager Kenny Smith stated it could be cited as a nuisance and begin the court process, but also informed them it could be time consuming.

Chairman Ryan McLemore complimented City Manager Kenny Smith on the budget presentation this morning.

*On motion by Commissioner Hollberg, seconded by Commissioner Todd, unanimously passed by vote of 7-0, approval to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 P.M.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kenny L. Smith, City Manager/Secretary

ACCEPTED:

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Ryan McLemore, Chairperson