Mayor and Council Work Session
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August 18, 2020 6:00 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order: Alderman Rast called the Council Work Session to order at 6:06pm.

2. Roll Call:
   Mayor Alan Hallman
   Alderman at Large Mike Rast
   Councilman at Large Travis Horsley
   Councilman Ward I Mark Adams
   Councilman Ward II Chloe Alexander

3. Welcome

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.I Southern Fulton Comprehensive Transportation Plan Draft Recommendations presented by Kelly Kemp
Ms. Kemp went over plan recommendations and the next steps which includes adoption by City Councils.

4.II Hapeville AeroATL Model Mile Alternatives Presentation by Matthew Wilder
Mr. Wilder presented four concept designs (North Outer Loop Alignment, South Inner Loop Alignment, Cycle-Track One Alignment, and Cycle-Track Two Alignment) to Mayor and Council. He noted his most optimal design was the Cycle-Track One Alignment because it takes advantage of points on Virginia Avenue. He invited all to the virtual meeting scheduled on August 26.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

5.I Consideration and Action on a Special Exception at 590 South Central Avenue

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion to approve the special exception, Councilman Alexander seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

5.II Consideration on a Text Amendment to the Official Major Street Plan – 1st Reading

There were no public comments made. The ordinance stood as a first reading.

5.III Consideration on a Text Amendment to U-V (Urban Village) for Townhome Density – 1st Reading

There were no public comments made. The ordinance stood as a first reading.

6. Questions on Agenda Items **–** none

7.CONSENT AGENDA

7.I Consideration and Action to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Hapeville Elementary School to Allow for Emergency Evacuation of School Facilities to the Hoyt Smith Recreation Center

7.II Consideration and Action on Financing Bank and Financing Terms for Financing Vehicles and Equipment for Fire Department and Police Department

7.III Consideration and Action on Axon Agreement and to Authorize the Mayor to Sign Document

7.IV Consideration and Action to Approve GS Construction Inc. in the Amount of $391,272 for the Annual Emergency Contract for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Lines, Sanitary Sewers and Storm Sewers and Authorize Mayor Hallman to Sign all Necessary Contracts.

Councilman Horsley requested the removal of items 7.II and 7.III from the consent agenda since he works for the state.

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to pull the two aforementioned items from the consent agenda, Councilman Alexander seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Alderman Rast made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Councilman Alexander seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Alderman Rast made a motion to approve items 7.II and 7.III, Councilman Adams seconded. Discussion: Councilman Alexander asked would there be a delay in the delivery of the emergency vehicle due to COVID. Motion carried 3-0-1 with Councilman Horsley abstaining.

8. OLD BUSINESS - none

9. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to amend the agenda to add Waste Pro discussion item as 9.VII, Councilman Horsley seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

9.I Consideration and Action on Ordinance to Appoint Members to the Design Review Committee and Board of Appeals

MOTION: Councilman Horsley made a motion to waive 1st reading of the ordinance, Councilman Adams seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Councilman Adams made a motion to approve the appointments, Alderman Rast seconded. Discussion: Mayor Hallman thanked the two candidates for committing their time. Motion carried 4-0.

9.II Consideration on a Draft Resolution Naming the Future Soccer and Football Fields at the Tom E. Morris Sports Complex the "Gary P. Cooley Memorial Fields"

Councilman Horsley said that Mr. Cooley had worked 39 years for the city, and he deserved to be honored for maintaining the fields. With our recently awarded CDBG funding to change the current location of the softball field to be a soccer and football practice field. It is an appropriate time to think about renaming the fields. It was brought to his attention that the field was named after George Hutson. He said it's been about 60 years and that he thinks it is appropriate to consider renaming for a more current. Alderman Rast said there are still Hutson family members living in the metro City areas. He said he is in favor of memorializing Gary Cooley but not in favor of taking names away. The Hutson's contribution to the complex is equal to the other individual at parks. He included that he is certainly in favor of the recommendation the City Manager, Tim Young had sent out via email of renaming Claire Drive. Mayor Hallman suggested naming the field "Gary Cooley Memorial Fields at George Hutson Field" or "Gary Cooley Complex at George Hutson Field".

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion to table action item, Councilman Horsley seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

9.III Discussion Initiated by Councilman Horsley Regarding Land and Water Conservation Fun for Funding a Splash Pad

Councilman Horsley stated the maximum request from this fund is $500,000. Councilman Adams verified were there any immediate commitment at this time. Alderman Rast had previously questioned about the matching portion, stating we're not in any kind of position to match. However, he is open to other funding avenues. Consensus is for staff to move forward. City Attorney, Mrs. Patel confirmed that a resolution is not needed right now.

9.IV Discussion Initiated by Councilman Horsley Regarding Seasonal Food and Snow Cone Establishments

Councilman Horsley said Scott Allen is a vendor and resident of the City of Hapeville that is interested in pursuing a seasonal food truck. This is a gray area.

MOTION: Councilman Horsley made a motion to waive procedure to allow for Scott Allen to present, Councilman Adams seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Mr. Allen said this is a little more urban and unique with shipping containers. Mayor and Council was above to view the renderings in their packets as he went over his concept. He wants to bring to Georgia of what he has memories of in his home state. His ask to the City is to amend some of the city codes here to allow. Dr. Patterson posed the questions to Mayor and Council, is it a primary use, would you allow a temporary building, and what would the standards be. Dr. Patterson recommends not a primary use, only an accessary use. She said she didn't have a lot of time to research but would be happy to research and bring back the best practices. Councilman Horsley said he likes the idea of it being an accessory use. Consensus of Council is to begin research for best practices.

9.V Discussion on a Request by Lorenne Fey of Academy Theatre Performance Series in Jess Lucas Y-Teen Park

MOTION: Councilman Horsley made a motion to waive protocol to allow for Lorrene Fey to address Council, Councilman Adams seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Fey is proposing to move the fall season productions to Jess Lucas Park and her ask for permission and resources to get it done. There are a series of concerts, dance and jazz in the park. This will get more media coverage and increase property values in the long run. The theatre currently has no revenue coming in. They are asking for $25,000 but could be lowered. It would be incredible to get a brochure out with the theatre events and the City's events.

Mrs. Patel said the City can sponsor an event like this but need to be budgeted and she said she would look over the governor's executive order for guidelines for events. Councilman Adams asked what would be the feasibility to partner with the Rec Center and could the money earmarked for the Rec Center events be used. Ms. Fey said she would get with the City Manager. Councilman Alexander asked about paying as you go. Ms. Fey said the problem with that is refunding money and security… not that they won't look at it though. Councilman Adams said to try to look at every avenue to get this done.

9.VI Discussion on the Governor's Executive Order Signed August 15, 2020

Mrs. Patel said businesses can consent to enforcement of this ordinance but may opt out. This may lead to a delegation issue. The newly drafted ordinance states that businesses must put up signs and it allows for the Police to enforce the ordinance. Mrs. Patel recommends having an enforcement on all businesses and not letting businesses decide for themselves. Mayor Hallman said law enforcement is already in a pickle and overly tasked and have more than they can deal with. However, he does support the overall desire. Councilman Adams said being on the opposite end of it, seeing the impact that COVID-19 has on families and the death rate. And, the fact that Georgia has not hit a consistent decline yet, he is ok with our Police going out.

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to approve the City Ordinance, Alderman Rast seconded. Discussion: Councilman Horsley asked which ordinance are they voting on. Mrs. Patel said the one with the definitions and for businesses to put signs up. Alderman Rast withdrew his second. Alderman Rast suggested reconvening later to vote after seeing the updated ordinance. Councilman Horsley seconded the original motion. Motion carried 3-0-1 with Alderman Rast abstaining.

9.VII Waste Pro Discussion
Community Services Director, Lee Sudduth said COVID has hit Waste Pro pretty bad; too much turnover. He would like to give Waste Pro until November to get a better evaluation. He said if the City had to do it, it could be done under $400,000.

10. City Manager Report –
Food Delivery continues through October and will start partnering with Wells Fargo. Courts starts the 15th of September and will be 80-90% virtual. At the next Council Meeting, the public hearing for the millage will be held. The Finance team is starting their audit and kudos to the team as it was pushed up to September. Lastly, Mr. Young mentioned moving the Council meetings back to Doug Davis. It's a better venue for the meetings.

11. Public Comments

Julie Morgan
Marth Revelo
Joseph McKnight

12. Mayor and Council Comments –

Mayor and Council thanked everyone for coming out.

13. Executives Session – none

14. Adjourn

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion at 8:18PM to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Adams seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Alan Hallman, Mayor

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Crystal Griggs-Epps, City Clerk