

CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 17, 2015, @ 7:00PM

The Mayor and Council of the City of Peachtree Corners held a Council Meeting at City Hall, 147 Technology Parkway, Suite 200, Peachtree Corners, GA, 30092. The following were in attendance:

Mayor	Mike Mason
Council Member	Phil Sadd – Post 1
Council Member	James Lowe – Post 2
Council Member	Alex Wright – Post 3
Council Member	Jeanne Aulbach – Post 4
Council Member	Lorri Christopher – Post 5
Council Member	Weare Gratwick – Post 6
City Manager	Julian Jackson
City Clerk	Kym Chereck
Com. Dev. Director	Diana Wheeler
City Attorney	Bill Riley
Public Works Director	Greg Ramsey
Comm. Director	Judy Putnam
Accounting Manager	Brandon Branham
CIP Manager	Melissa Schwartz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Mason led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR’S OPENING REMARKS: Mayor Mason informed the public that Comcast, the nation’s largest video, high-speed Internet and phone provider has selected Peachtree Corners as the site of their new regional headquarters.

MINUTES:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 20, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING.

By: Council Member Wright

Seconded by: Council Member Christopher

Vote: (6-0) (Wright, Christopher, Mason, Sadd, Aulbach, Gratwick)

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

Staff Activity Report – Community Development

Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, provided her report on staff activities that occurred during the period of February 2, 2015 – February 15, 2015. These activities included, among other items, meeting with the Downtown Development Authority attorney to prepare draft sales contracts, meeting with public hearing applicants, meeting with the ARC to assess best projects for funding, and developing intent to file form for Liquor Store applicants.

Staff Activity Report – Public Works

Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director, provided his report on staff activities that occurred in the period ending with February 10, 2015. These activities included, among other items, meeting with Peachtree Elementary concerning outdoor classroom space, meeting with the Spalding Terrace Development, meeting with Simpsonwood concerning Chapel relocation, and meeting with the ARC concerning the 141 corridor project.

Councilman Lowe arrived.

OLD BUSINESS:

O2015-01-37

Second Read and Consideration of Amending Chapter 6 Alcoholic Beverages, of the 2012 City of Peachtree Corners Code of Ordinances, by Adding Article XI, 'Retail Sales of Distilled Spirits – Liquor Stores', amending Section 6-5, Distance Requirements, and setting an effective date.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, informed the Mayor and Council that this Ordinance is a computation of Ordinances from surrounding Cities. Mrs. Wheeler read and clarified the Ordinance. Mrs. Wheeler stated that in Section 6-242 Hours of Sale, the hours for sale of distilled spirits would be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 12³⁰ p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Mayor Mason asked for public comment concerning this application. A gentleman who currently owns a liquor store in Chamblee stated that he was not in agreement with the Ordinance stating that liquor stores must operate as sole tenants in free standing buildings of at least 5,000 square feet.

A motion was made after discussion concerning permissible signage.

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2015-01-37 AS AMENDED BY DIANA WHEELER.

By: Council Member Lowe

Seconded: Council Member Gratwick

Vote: (7-0) (Lowe, Gratwick, Mason, Sadd, Wright, Aulbach, Christopher)

O2015-01-38

First Read and Consideration of amending Article XIII of the 2012 City of Peachtree Corners Zoning Resolution by adding 'Liquor Store' as a Special Use within C-2, C-3, and M-1 zoning districts and setting an effective date.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, informed the Mayor and Council that this item is a companion Ordinance to the previous Ordinance which will amend the zoning ordinance to add liquor stores. The M-1 zoning should be omitted.

Mayor Mason asked for public comment concerning this item. There were no comments.

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2015-01-38, OMITTING THE M-1 ZONING DISTRICT.

By: Council Member Gratwick

Seconded: Council Member Aulbach

Vote: (7-0) (Gratwick, Aulbach, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Christopher)

NEW BUSINESS

R2015-02-26

A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Peachtree Corners, Georgia approving the Town Center LCI Study and incorporating it into the 2033 Comprehensive Plan.

Matt Cherry of Lord, Aeck and Sargent gave a brief presentation concerning the Town Center LCI Study. Among other items, Mr. Cherry presented the action plan.

MOTION TO APPROVE R2015-02-26.

By: Council Member Christopher

Seconded: Council Member Aulbach

Vote: (7-0) (Christopher, Aulbach, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Gratwick)

ACTION ITEM – APH2014-09-016

Consideration of Approval of Alcoholic Beverage License Application Retail/ Package Beer & Wine for Earth Fare Inc dba: Earth Fare at 5270 Peachtree Pkwy, Ste 108 Peachtree Corners GA 30092.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, informed the Mayor and Council that the applicant has passed all of the background requirements, and therefore, Staff recommended approval of the application.

MOTION TO APPROVE APH2014-09-016.

By: Council Member Christopher

Seconded: Council Member Gratwick

Vote: (7-0) (Christopher, Gratwick, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Aulbach)

O2015-01-39

First Read and Consideration of an Ordinance Adopting the Stream Buffer Protection Ordinance for the City of Peachtree Corners, Georgia. (Second Read and Public Hearing will be on March 17, 2015.)

O2015-01-40

First Read and Consideration of an Ordinance to Adopt Regulations for Post-Development Stormwater Maintenance for new Development and Redevelopment. (Second Read and Public Hearing will be on March 17, 2015.)

ACTION ITEM

Consideration of Approval of a Contract Amendment for Pond & Company for a Winters Chapel Traffic Analysis.

Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director, informed the Mayor and Council that the City has an existing contract with Pond and Company to do an LCI study, and he is recommending that we add to that contract a traffic analysis on Winters Chapel Road. The fee for the traffic analysis would be \$46,900.

MOTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR POND AND COMPANY TO DO A TRAFFIC ANALYSIS ON WINTERS CHAPEL ROAD.

By: Council Member Sadd

Seconded: Council Member Christopher

Vote: (7-0) (Sadd, Christopher, Mason, Lowe, Wright, Aulbach, Gratwick)

ACTION ITEM

Consideration of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Gwinnett County for Solid Waste, Street Lights, and Ad Valorem collection.

Brandon Branham, Accounting Manager, informed the Mayor and Council that the City of Peachtree Corners and Gwinnett County have come to an agreement to collect Solid Waste, Street Lights and Ad Valorem to the property bills. The agreement is included in the Council packet.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE IGA WITH GWINNETT COUNTY FOR SOLID WASTE, STREET LIGHTS AND AD VALOREM COLLECTION.

By: Council Member Gratwick

Seconded: Council Member Christopher

Vote: (7-0) (Gratwick, Christopher, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Aulbach)

ACTION ITEM

Consideration of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Gwinnett County for Jail Services.

Brandon Branham, Accounting Manager, informed the Mayor and Council that the City of Peachtree Corners and Gwinnett County have come to an agreement for jail services. The agreement is included in the Council packet.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE IGA WITH GWINNETT COUNTY FOR JAIL SERVICES.

By: Council Member Christopher

Seconded: Council Member Gratwick

Vote: (7-0) (Christopher, Gratwick, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Aulbach)

ACTION ITEM

Consideration of awarding a bid for landscape work at entryway sign (PIB and Peachtree Parkway) pursuant to Pond & Company landscape plan.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, informed the Mayor and Council that she recommends that the Gateway Landscaping bid be awarded to Russell Landscaping for \$90,107.35. Mrs. Wheeler stated that references for Russell Landscaping had been checked.

MOTION TO APPROVE AWARDING THE GATEWAY LANDSCAPE BID TO RUSSELL LANDSCAPING.

By: Council Member Christopher

Seconded: Council Member Gratwick

Vote: (7-0) (Christopher, Gratwick, Mason, Sadd, Lowe, Wright, Aulbach)

WORK SESSION:

Presentation regarding GA Tech incubator program.

Ms. Lynne Henkeil of Georgia Tech gave a brief presentation on the Georgia Tech incubator program. Ms. Henkeil recommended a Community Readiness, eight week program.

Discussion on Traffic Control

Mr. Greg Ramsey discussed with the Mayor and Council a process on how the City would move forward with traffic requests.

Discussion on IGA with Johns Creek for ARC State Route 141 Corridor Study.

Mr. Greg Ramsey discussed with the Mayor and Council a possible Intergovernmental Agreement with Johns Creek for ARC State Route 141 Corridor Study. It was decided that this item would come before the Mayor and Council at the next meeting.

Discussion on pole banners designs.

Mrs. Judy Putnam, Communications Director, presented the Mayor and Council with various designs for the City's pole banners. After discussion the selection was narrowed down to two designs.

Discussion concerning Green Ordinances.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler informed the Mayor and Council that the City is on schedule with presenting a Green Committee Ordinance for adoption; first read, at the March 17th Council meeting and second read, at the April 21st Council Meeting.

The completed application is due to the Atlanta Regional Commission by May 1, 2015.

Discussion concerning application to ARC for LCI implementation funds.

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, informed the Mayor and Council of the upcoming resolution to be heard at the March 17th Council Meeting. Staff would like to submit to the ARC a funding request for the most immediate Transportation Improvement Projects (TIP). The resolution will state, as required, that the City will commit to match funds at 20%. The projects will include the State Route 141 Corridor Study, the Towne Center North Bridge design development, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, and the Multi-use Trail and Sidewalk Plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:19 PM

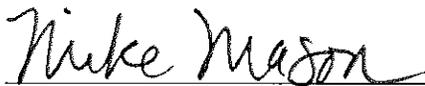
By: Council Member Sadd

Seconded by: Council Member Aulbach

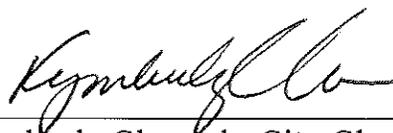
Vote: (7-0) (Sadd, Aulbach, Mason, Lowe, Wright, Christopher, Gratwick)

Approved,

Attest:



Mike Mason, Mayor



Kymberly Chereck, City Clerk
(Seal)

