

**CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 15, 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

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

**MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS:** Mayor Mason welcomed Boy Scout Troup 525 to the Council Meeting. Mayor Mason introduced and welcomed the City's new Code Enforcement Supervisor, Philomena Robertson.

**MINUTES:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 18, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING.**

**By: Council Member Christopher**

**Seconded by: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no public comments.

## **PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:**

### **Staff Activity Report – Community Development**

Mrs. Diana Wheeler, Community Development Director, provided her report on staff activities that occurred during the period of August 24, 2015 – September 11, 2015. These activities included, among other items, meeting with consultants to prepare presentations regarding a pedestrian bridge, a multi-use trail, and the town green, meeting with the DDA attorney to review the Town Center easement agreement, preparing for the Green Certification application, and responding to phone calls and e-mails from residents, business people, and others.

### **Staff Activity Report – Public Works**

Mr. Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director, provided his report on staff activities that occurred in the period ending with September 9, 2015. These activities included, among other items, meeting with GDOT concerning the pedestrian bridge, meetings concerning the Gunnin Road sewer project, various development project meetings, and meetings concerning the Winters Chapel sidewalk project.

### **Election Update**

Mrs. Kym Chereck, City Clerk/Elections Superintendent, informed the Mayor and Council that the upcoming elections will be cancelled pursuant to O.C.G.A § 21-2-325. The following candidates have qualified for office and are unopposed: Mike Mason, Mayor; Pill Sadd, Post 1; Alex Wright, Post 3; and Lorri Christopher, Post 5. The above mentioned unopposed candidates shall be deemed to have voted for himself/herself, and will therefore serve an additional four year term.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **O2015-08-52**

First Read and consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning Code Article XIII, Sec. 1308 to add Fireworks sales as a permitted use in C-2, Commercial Zoning Districts.

### **MOTION TO APPROVE O2015-08-52.**

**By: Council Member Aulbach**

**Seconded: Council Member Gratwick**

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

Council Member Wright arrives at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ACTION ITEM**

An Action Item Authorizing the City Attorney to Prepare a Contract with The Peachtree Corners Business Incubator, Inc., a non-profit corporation, to provide monies to hire an Executive Consultant for said corporation and to further waive any potential conflicts resulting from dual representation of the city and The Peachtree Corners Business Incubator, Inc.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE A CONTRACT WITH THE PEACHTREE CORNERS BUSINESS INCUBATOR, INC., A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, TO PROVIDE MONIES TO HIRE AN EXECUTIVE CONSULTANT FOR SAID CORPORATION AND TO FURTHER WAIVE ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS RESULTING FROM DUAL REPRESENTATION OF THE CITY AND THE PEACHTREE CORNERS BUSINESS INCUBATOR, INC.**

**By: Council Member Gratwick**

**Seconded: Council Member Christopher**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Approval of Town Center Financing Documents.

City Attorney, Bill Riley requested an amendment to the agenda.

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO READ FIRST READ AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION, DELIVERY AND PERFORMANCE OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT, BETWEEN THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS, GEORGIA (THE "AUTHORITY") AND THE CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS, GEORGIA (THE "CITY"); APPROVING THE FORM OF A BOND RESOLUTION TO BE ADOPTED BY THE AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,250,000 IN REVENUE BONDS TO FINANCE OR REFINANCE, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A TOWN CENTER AND THE COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

The Public Hearing for the above mentioned Ordinance (O2015-09-55) will be heard on October 20, 2015.

**02015-09-53**

First Read and Consideration of an Ordinance to adopt the Georgia Stormwater Manual (Blue Book) as part of the Development Regulation, repealing conflicting regulation, and setting an effective date. (Public Hearing Oct. 20, 2015)

**02015-09-54**

First Read and Consideration of an Ordinance to amend the City of Peachtree Corners Zoning Map pursuant to SUP2015-004 / RZ2015-003, 4805 Buford Hwy, request to rezone from M-1, Light Industry, to C-2, Commercial, and approve a Special Use Permit for automobile sales on a 4.01 acre site located at 4805 Buford Hwy. in District 6, Land Lot 257, Parcel 7. (Public Hearing Oct. 20, 2015)

**APH 2015-09-022**

Consideration of Approval of Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Aarsh Business Inc.: DBA Medlock Food Mart at 5175 S. Old Peachtree Rd, Peachtree Corners GA.

**MOTION TO APPROVE APH 2015-09-022.**

**By: Council Member Aulbach**

**Seconded: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of Awarding a Construction Contract to the lowest responsible bidder pursuant to the RFP for CIP Project 15.01, Construction of Sidewalks and Curb & Gutter along Winters Chapel Rd.

**MOTION TO APPROVE ENTERING INTO A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH EXCELLERE CONSTRUCTION FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$316,000.00.**

**By: Council Member Lowe**

**Seconded: Council Member Christopher**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of approval for the Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Gwinnett County to provide Stormwater Services within the City of Peachtree Corners.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH GWINNETT COUNTY TO PROVIDE STORMWATER SERVICES WITH THE CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS.**

**By: Council Member Gratwick**

**Seconded: Council Member Aulbach**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Johns Creek for Routine Road Maintenance.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF JOHNS CREEK FOR ROUTINE ROAD MAINTENANCE.**

**By: Council Member Christopher**

**Seconded: Council Member Sadd**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of a Payment Agreement for Public Works Services between the City of Peachtree Corners and OPTECH RWM, LLC.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A PAYMENT AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF PEACHTREE CORNERS AND OPTECH RWM, LLC. FOR A MONTHLY FEE OF \$53,166.66.**

**By: Council Member Aulbach**

**Seconded: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of Awarding a Design Contract to Lord, Aeck, Sargent for the Design of a Multi-Use Path.

**MOTION TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF THE MULTI-USE TRAIL PLAN TO LORD, AECK, SARGENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000.**

**By: Council Member Aulbach**

**Seconded: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of Awarding a Design Contract to TY Lin for the Design of a Pedestrian Bridge over Peachtree Parkway.

**MOTION TO AWARD A DESIGN CONTRACT TO TY LIN FOR THE DESIGN OF A PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER PEACHTREE PARKWAY, UP TO THE START OF THE DESIGN PHASE.**

**By: Council Member Aulbach**

**Seconded: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**ACTION ITEM**

Consideration of Awarding a Design Contract to TSW for the Design of the Town Green within the Town Center project.

**MOTION TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF THE TOWN GREEN TO TSW FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$26,000.00.**

**By: Council Member Christopher**

**Seconded: Council Member Aulbach**

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

**WORK SESSION:**

**Discussion concerning Multi-Use Path**

Mr. Matt Cherry of Lord, Aeck, Sargent gave a brief presentation on the proposed Multi-Use Path. The recommended trail design is proposed to run through the heart of Technology Parkway and be approximately 1.3 miles in length.

**Discussion concerning Town Green Design**

Mr. Adam Williamson of TSW gave a brief presentation on the proposed Town Green. Mr. Williamson stated that he would be obtaining public input for the proposed design.

### **Upcoming On Call Task Order projects**

Mr. Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director, informed the Mayor and Council of several upcoming projects to be considered. The projects include intersection improvements at State Route 140 Jimmy Carter and Holcomb Bridge Road, intersection improvements for a roundabout at Medlock Bride Road at Peachtree Corners Circle, and pedestrian safety measures at Peachtree Corners Circle and Eastman Trail.

### **IMS Pavement Condition Index Report & RFP**

Mr. Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director presented the IMS Pavement Condition Index Report & RFP. Mr. Ramsey stated that the City has a decent rating, but that monies could be added to improve the ratings.

### **Peachtree Parkway/Town Center sewer connection**

Mr. Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director presented the sewer improvements needed for the Peachtree Parkway Corridor, which are related to the Town Center Project. The County has proposed a few options for the City to share on the cost of the sewer. There are a few ways of sharing sewer costs, one of which is based on the area and one on water usage. A breakdown chart was provided in the Council Packets. The County is proposing that the City's cost portion would be 76%, which would be \$258,992.19. This item will be considered at the next Council meeting for approval.

### **Discussion on Comprehensive Traffic Plan**

Mr. Greg Ramsey, Public Works Director requested that a Comprehensive Traffic Plan be obtained. The Comprehensive Traffic Plan maps the future for transportation improvements throughout the City. The Plan also goes through a public process such as Town Hall meetings, and gives a road map for the future. The rough estimate would be \$300,000.00 for the Plan.

### **Discussion on Volunteer Administrator**

Mrs. Diana Wheeler stated that Peachtree Corners is fortunate to have a volunteer base to help with City Projects, but that coordinating the volunteers does take a large amount of time, which has become a full-time position. Mrs. Wheeler presented a job description for a Volunteer Administrator to be hired to help with the large number of volunteer programs we have; for example, the Green Committee, Veterans Committee, Community Resource Committee and proposed Arts Council. A motion was made after discussion concerning the importance of this hire.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF A VOLUNTEER ADMINISTRATOR.**

**By: Council Member Lowe**

**Seconded by: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION CONCERNING A REAL ESTATE MATTER.**

**By: Council Member Sadd**

**Seconded by: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**By: Council Member Sadd**

**Seconded by: Council Member Gratwick**

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 10:10 PM.**

**By: Council Member Christopher**

**Seconded by: Council Member Lowe**

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

Approved,

Attest:



Mike Mason, Mayor



Kymberly Chereck, City Clerk  
(Seal)

