



**WORK SESSION
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025**

Present: Mayor Barbara Bender, Mayor Pro Tem Tod Warner, Council Members Norman A. Carter Jr., Cristy Lenski and Gretchen Schulz. (Council Member Kerry Hetherington was absent.) Also present City Manager Matthew Pepper, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, City Attorney Tony Powell with Powell and Crowley, Police Chief Greg Perry, Captain John Tainter, Public Works Director David Mitchell, Code Enforcement Officer Johnny Greene, Planning and Development Director Jason Thompson, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**REVIEW REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
ITEMS**

The agenda was reviewed.

Council Member Lenski recused herself at 6:36 p.m. before discussion of the Old Business item RZ 25-03 LUP 25-01 on Lenora Church Road.

Mayor Pro Tem Warner asked Planning Director Thompson questions and discussion was held about additional conditions possibly being added.

Council Member Lenski returned at 6:47 p.m.

The New Business item regarding award of the paving bid was reviewed.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update of Ongoing Projects [Bender]

City Manager Pepper gave an update on the restaurants at The Grove and the recycling program. Discussion was held about the abandoned Scooter's Coffee on Highway 78 at Wisteria Drive. After discussion the consensus was to have Attorney Powell send them a letter about starting the nuisance abatement process.

City Manager Pepper continued his update with the Community Center progress report.

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Discussion About Modular Vehicle Barriers [Bender]

Chief Perry talked about barriers the Police have researched and found one that will work well and offer enough security for 10 lanes. Public Works would need to pull the trailer that holds the barriers to and from the locations where they are needed and set them up. After discussion the consensus was to put this on the next agenda to move forward with the purchase.

Discussion About the Highway 124 Widening Project [Warner]

Mayor Pro Tem Warner expressed concerns about how the widening project could affect the City and asked City Manager Pepper to set up a meeting with Gwinnett County and Georgia Department of Transportation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 5 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Barbara Bender, Mayor



Melisa Arnold, City Clerk