

## SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022

Present: Mayor Barbara Bender, Mayor Pro Tem Dave Emanuel, Council Members Solange Destang, Cristy Lenski, Gretchen Schulz and Tod Warner. Also present City Manager Butch Sanders, Assistant City Manager Matthew Pepper, City Attorney Chuck Ross and Jay Crowley with Powell and Edwards Attorneys at Law, Chief Greg Perry, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## Finalize Market Building Exterior [Bender]

Kirk Demetrops with MidCity Partners and Tim Vaccaro with Place Maker Design presented several draft designs of the Mercantile Building at The Grove at Towne Center. Discussion was held about the drafts and which was acceptable. After discussion consensus was the design with brick and stone accent was acceptable with one modification to the façade.

# Discussion of Work Retreat Topics [Bender]

Mayor Bender introduced Rick Jarvis with Latham Sanitation who spoke about the current state of the recycling industry.

Planning Director Thompson spoke about possible locations for a package store and discussion followed on distance requirements, population, and type of location suitable. He then spoke about the Unified Development Ordinance and reported that several amendments are in process and asked the Mayor and Council to send him any concerns that need to be addressed.

City Manager Sanders reported the ARPA funds and discussion was had about possible acceptable uses for the funding.

City Manager Sanders reported on the current status of the second floor of the library. He advised they are working with Thrive on a financial agreement. Several parts of the construction of the second floor may need to be put on hold until a final design is agreed upon. After discussion consensus was to ask Gwinnett County and the Construction Company to put certain aspects of the construction on hold until a final decision on the design has been made.

Mayor Bender reported on Reinhardt College's request to have space on the second floor of the library also.

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### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Emanuel made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Schulz; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Barbara Bender, Mayor

Melisa Arnold, City Clerk