



WORK SESSION  
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA  
MONDAY, JULY 11, 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 with Powell and Edwards Attorneys at Law, Police Chief Greg Perry, Planning and Development Director Jason Thompson, Parks and Recreation Director Lisa Platt, Senior Program Supervisor Kathi Gargiulo, Public Works Manager Craig Barton, and City Clerk Melisa Arnold. (Public Information Officer Brian Arrington was absent.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

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

The agendas were reviewed. During the discussion, Planning Director Thompson advised the applicant with CKK Development has asked for the item to be tabled so they can work out some issues with the Olde Hickory Village Homeowner's Association.

**REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

City Attorney Ross talked about the luncheon he attended at the Georgia Municipal Conference and advised he would be sending out some information about American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and contested elections.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Update of Ongoing Projects [Bender]

City Manager Sanders reviewed the ongoing projects. During the review he asked for a consensus to work with Gwinnett County on Reeves Young's potential revisions number 7 and 8 with the caveat that we would continue to investigate ways to reduce the second floor buildout and that the \$2,567,887.61 would be a maximum amount. Consensus by Mayor and Council was to move forward with the discussions.

Council discussed a special called work session to discussion sanitation, zoning, and the liquor referendum.

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Discussion About Better Communication Between Council [Destang]

Council Member Destang reviewed issues and discussion was held about cultural sensitivity.

Discussion About Juneteenth as a Paid City Holiday [Destang]

Council Member Destang asked about making Juneteenth an official City holiday. Mayor Bender advised this is something that would affect the budget and asked her to get financial information from the City Manager for further discussion.

Discussion About the Senior Center [Warner]

Council Member Warner asked about extended hours and programs at the Center. Mayor Bender said they are trying some new programs and wanted to see how they worked before a decision was made.

Discussion about Residential Zoning Moratorium [Bender]

City Attorney Ross explained that the six (6) month moratorium will give the City time to research if there may be any possible long term impacts of corporate-owned neighborhoods.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Emanuel made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Lenski; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Barbara Bender, Mayor



Melisa Arnold, City Clerk