



WORK SESSION
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA
MONDAY, JULY 26, 2021

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, City Attorney Chuck Ross and Jay Crowley with Powell and Edwards Attorneys at Law, Chief Greg Perry, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington, Economic Development Manager Eric Van Otteren, Planning and Development Director Jason Thompson and City Clerk Melisa Arnold. Downtown Development Authority Members: Don Britt, Rafiq Ukani, Emmett Clower, and Deborah Jones.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 4:04 P.M.

REVIEW REGULAR BUSINESS MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS

The agendas were discussed.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Bender reviewed a request from Art Works and discussion was held about a special called meeting to discuss the request. Consensus was to hold the meeting on August 17th.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Ross advised an Executive Session is needed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Towne Center Update and Discussions with the Downtown Development Authority [Bender]
City Manager Sanders reviewed several budgetary issues regarding the Towne Center. He went over revenue, expenditures, and possible sources for future funding.
Traffic flow ideas along with the input from Gwinnett County Department of Transportation as well as the State Department of Transportation were discussed.

The Downtown Development Authority members talked with Mayor and Council about the issues of landscaping at Cobblestone, future responsibilities of the DDA and who will lead them, and setting up a meeting with Thrive regarding the second floor of the library.

Update of Ongoing Projects [Bender]

City Manager Sanders reviewed the project list.

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Discussion of Noise Ordinance Update [Schulz]

A draft ordinance by the City Attorney was reviewed and discussed.

Mayor Bender called for a break at 6:10 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 6:35 p.m.

Discussion continued about ideas for the noise ordinance.

Discussion of Sidewalk Master Plan [Lenski]

Council Member Lenski asked about input on the proposed plan. The plan was discussed along with ideas for gathering public input, such as social media and meeting with Homeowner's Associations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Bender read the closed meeting notice into the record as follows:

- To discuss pending and/or potential litigation, settlement claims, administrative proceedings or other judicial actions, which is exempt from the Open Meetings Act pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2(1).

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Emanuel, 2nd by Council Member Schulz, the meeting was closed, with all Council Members and the Mayor present and voting in favor.

The meeting was closed at 7:14 p.m.

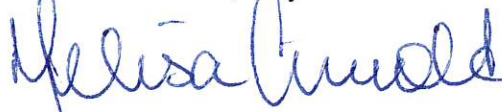
The meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Emanuel made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Council Member Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Barbara Bender, Mayor



Melisa Arnold, City Clerk