

WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA MONDAY, MAY 9, 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, Assistant City Attorney Jay Crowley with Powell and Edwards Attorneys at Law, (City Attorney Chuck Ross was absent.) Chief Greg Perry, Planning & Development Director Jason Thompson, Parks & Recreation Director Lisa Platt, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington, and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

REVIEW REGULAR BUSINESS MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS

The agendas were reviewed and discussed.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Crowley advised that an executive session is needed and also talked about some documents emailed out for an alcohol referendum in November. He asked Council to review the documents for discussion at a later date.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

<u>Update of Ongoing Projects [Bender]</u>

City Manager Sanders reviewed the status of several ongoing Towne Center and City projects.

Discussion of Flashing Sign Needed at Newton's Crest on 124 Northbound [Destang]

Council Member Destang showed pictures of the area and asked about the City putting signs saying Vehicles Entering Roadway. After discussion consensus was to draft a letter to Georgia Department of Transportation asking them to address this issue because Highway 124 is a State Highway.

Faith-Based Classes at the Active Adult Center [Schulz]

Council Member Schulz asked about some programs being held at the Senior Center. After discussion about the various classes and their titles Attorney Crowley said there should be no issue with member led classes or groups at the Center.

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Discussion of Meritage Development [Warner]

Council Member Warner expressed concerns over the location of a bio-retention pond at the development. Planning Director Thompson explained the circumstances around how the type and location of the retention pond came about. After discussion consensus was Planning Director Thompson would get a Planting Plan for the pond from the developer and send it to the Mayor and Council.

Unified Development Ordinance Update Items [Warner]

Council Member Warner talked about documents he emailed to the Council regarding regulations addressing rental subdivisions. He asked Council to review these so they can discuss updating the Unified Development Ordinance to address this type of housing district.

Discussion of Invocation Scheduling [Bender]

Due to time constraints Mayor Bender asked that this be moved to the May 23rd Work Session.

Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Update [Bender]

Mayor Bender said they are still waiting on the more information from Gwinnett County but a tentative date of June 7th at 3 p.m. has been set for all City's approval of the Splost agreement.

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 6 in favor and 0 opposed.

The meeting recessed at 7:24 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Emanuel made a motion to adjourn, 2^{nd} by Council Member Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Barbara Bender, Mayor

Melisa Arnold, City Clerk