

WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025

Present: Mayor Barbara Bender, Mayor Pro Tem Tod Warner, Council Members Norman A. Carter Jr., Kerry Hetherington, Cristy Lenski, and Gretchen Schulz. Also present City Manager Matthew Pepper, City Attorney Jay Crowley with Powell and Crowley, Chief Greg Perry, Planning and Development Director Jason Thompson, Parks and Recreation Director Lisa Platt, Code Enforcement Officer Johnny Greene and City Clerk Melisa Arnold. (Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery and Public Information Officer Brian Arrington were absent.)

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

REVIEW REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion was held about the agenda item regarding the special use permit SUP 25-01 and sign versus a mural. Consensus was to move forward with a sixty (60) day moratorium while a process was explored for future variance applications.

Planning Director Thompson reviewed the application RZ 25-01 by Split Silk Properties. He advised the Planning Department received an updated site plan last week and they need more time for review. Jeff Timler with Split Silk Properties was present and spoke about the application. After discussion consensus was to table the item to give more time to review the amended site plan.

Discussion was held about UDO 25-01 and ORD 2025-04 regarding the alcoholic beverage ordinance. Consensus was to table to give more time to review additional updates regarding special event facilities.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Bender reviewed correspondence from the Military Order of Purple Hearts.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Crowley asked for an Executive Session.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update of Ongoing Projects [Bender]

Due to time constraints City Manager Pepper gave a brief update on projects.

Review of Loitering Ordinance [Bender]

This item is postponed to the March 10, 2025 work session agenda.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

• To authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property; authorize the ordering of an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease real estate subject to approval in subsequent public vote, which is excluded from the Open Meetings Act pursuant to Section 50-14-3(b)(1)(C).

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

The meeting was closed at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:34 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Barbara Bender, Mayor

Melisa Arnold, City Clerk