

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024

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 Chuck Ross with Powell and Edwards, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, Captain John Tainter, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington, IT Administrator Erika Fleeman and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

INVOCATION

Bobby Howard gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Brian Arrington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

PRO 2024-10 - Monastery of the Visitation

Mayor Bender advised this would be postponed to a future meeting.

MINUTES

Approve the Minutes of the September 9, 2024 Meetings

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2024 meetings, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

INVITED GUESTS

Abdul Kolawole, from South Gwinnett High School - Presenting on Behalf the Environmental Club

Council Member Lenski advised that this would be postponed to a future meeting.

COMMITTEE / DEPARTMENT REPORTS

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Council Member Lenski made a motion to approve the agenda as published, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

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PUBLIC HEARING

None

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1st Reading – ORD 2024-14 - An Ordinance to Adopt the Speed Zones Attached as Exhibit "A" Pursuant to Georgia Code, Title 40, Section 40-6-370 Through Section 40-6-376 and Section 40-6-181 Through 40-6-183 of that Title, The Uniform Rules of the Road; to Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; to Provide an Effective Date; and for Other Purposes [Bender]

Mayor Bender explained that this is a housekeeping matter that has to be done every three (3) years so the City can renew its speed detection permit to allow the Police to run radar on City streets.

Council Member Schulz made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the October 28, 2024 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Consideration and Action on Approval of Contract for Maintenance of the Tree Save Area in The Grove [Bender]

City Manager Pepper gave a brief overview of the contract and explained it would include maintenance and preservation of the trees.

Council Member Lenski made a motion to award the contract to Jarvis Tree Experts in the amount of \$18,965.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Mayor's Nomination and Council Confirmation of Stephen Brust to Planning Commission Post 5 with an Expiration Date of June 30, 2025

Mayor Bender nominated Stephen Brust to Post 5 of the Planning Commission, confirmed by Council 6 in favor and 0 opposed, nomination confirmed.

Mayor Bender administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Brust.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Members Carter, Hetherington, Lenski, Schulz and Mayor Pro Tem Warner each gave a report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bender gave a report.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people came forward to speak: Frieda Ellison, 2363 Ivy Mountain Drive, Snellville. Rose Purdy, 2270 Burlington Lane, Snellville. Cat Hardrick, 2280 Buckley Trail, Snellville. Rachelle Brown, 2225 Wisteria Drive, Snellville.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

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 8:16 p.m.

Barbara Bender, Mayor

Melisa Arnold, City Clerk