

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025

Summary Publication Date: February 11, 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, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, City Attorney Tony Powell with Powell and Crowley, Capt. Zach Spahr, Planning and Development Director Jason Thompson, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington, and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

INVOCATION

Bobby Howard gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Tony Powell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

Recognition of Outgoing Snellville Tourism & Trade (STAT) Board Members

STAT Executive Director Kelly McAloon recognized outgoing Board Member Liz Jackson.

PRO 2025-04 – Go Red for Women: American Heart Month

Mayor Bender read the proclamation into the record and presented to Kimberly Goodloe.

MINUTES

Approve the Minutes of the January 27, 2025 Meetings and the January 30, 2025 Public Hearing
Council Member Schulz made a motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2025 Meetings and the January 30, 2025 Public Hearing, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

INVITED GUESTS

None

COMMITTEE / DEPARTMENT REPORTS

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

PUBLIC HEARING

2nd Reading RZ 24-05 RZ 24-06 (ORD 2025-01) SUP 24-03 (ORD 2025-02) – Consideration and Action on Applications by Parkland Communities, Inc. (Applicant) and Snellville Community Church, Inc. (Property Owner) Requesting: a) to Amend the Official Zoning Map

From CI (Civic Institutional) District And TC-R (Towne Center Residential) District To TC-R (Towne Center Residential) District; b) a Special Use Permit; and c) Request for Variances from the Snellville Unified Development Ordinance for a 140-Stacked-Townhouse-Style (Stacked Flat) Community on a 8.95± Acre Tract of the Snellville Community Church Campus, Located on Civic Drive Sw, Pate Street, and Henry Clower Boulevard, Snellville, Georgia (Tax Parcels 5026 051; 5026 177; and 5027 107). Additionally, the Applicant is also Requesting to Amend the Official Zoning Map from CI (Civic Institutional) District to BG (General Business) District on a 1.18 ± Acre Tract of the 7.77± Acre Total Site for a 14,000 Sq. Ft. Commercial Building for Adult Living/Day Care, Retail and Restaurant Uses

Council Member Lenski made a motion to approve RZ 24-05 RZ 24-06 with reference to ORD 2025-01 and rendering for concept option “A”-Alley with the addition of 1 variance and 2 conditions, 2nd by Council Member Schulz; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Council Member Lenski made a motion to approve SUP 24-03 with reference to ORD 2025-02 with the addition of one variance and 2 conditions, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved

1st Reading – HRO 2025-01 - Home Rule Charter Amendment to the Charter of Snellville, Georgia by Amending Section 6.31 – Contracting Procedures Established By the Existing Charter

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to waive the first reading, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approve.

1st Reading - SUP 25-01 (ORD 2025-05) – Consideration and Action on Application by Michael Briscoe, Briscoe’s Pharmacy P.C. (d/b/a Snell’s Pharmacy) requesting a Special Use Permit for a 140 sq. ft. mural painted on the southern building elevation and variance from Sec. 207-6.2 (Definitions) of Article 7 Chapter 200 of the Snellville Unified Development Ordinance for the property zoned BG (General Business) District, 2295 Oak Road, Snellville, Georgia (Tax Parcel 5026 225)

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the February 24, 2025 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Council Member Schulz; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approve.

1st Reading - RZ 25-01 (ORD 2025-03) – Consideration and Action on Application by Split Silk Properties, LLC, Representing Sinocoin Investment, LLC (property owner) Requesting: A) to Amend the Official Zoning Map From RS-30 (Single-Family Residential) District to R-TH (Townhouse Residential) District; And B) Request for Variances from the Snellville Unified Development Ordinance for a 67-Unit Single-Family (Attached) Townhome Development On A 17.44 +/- Acre Site with a Density of 3.84 Units Per Acre, Located Near the Intersection of U.S. Highway 78 (Athens Highway) and Rosebud Road, 3,000 Block Rosebud Road, Snellville, Georgia (Tax Parcel R5100 023)

Council Member Lenski made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the February 24, 2025 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approve.

1st Reading – UDO 25-01 – Consideration and Action on Amendment #8 to the Text of Chapter 200 (Zoning and Land Use) of the Snellville Unified Development Ordinance

Council Member Schulz made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the February 24, 2025 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approve.

1st Reading – ORD 2025-04 - Consideration and Action on an Ordinance to Amend the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance (Chapter 6); To Provide for and Amend Procedures for Obtaining Special Event Licenses and Special Event Spaces to Obtain Alcohol Licenses; To Provide Severability; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide an Effective Date; And for Other Purposes

Council Member Lenski made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the February 24, 2025 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approve.

CONSENT AGENDA (Please see *Note)

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration and Action on Surplus of City Police Vehicles [Bender]

Police Unit 171 – 2008 Ford Crown Victoria – 2FAFP71V98X154945

Police Unit 219 – 2016 Dodge Charger – 2C3CDXAGXGH319261

Council Member Schulz made a motion to approve the surplus of the two police vehicles, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Bender gave a brief report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kurt Schulz, 2027 Tanglewood Drive, Snellville.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Hetherington made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Council Member Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

***Note: Items on the Consent Agenda may be read by title only. Upon the request of any Council Member, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda prior to the adoption of the Regular Agenda. The Consent Agenda, or the remainder thereof omitting the challenged items, shall be adopted by unanimous consent.**