

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

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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 and Jay Crowley with Powell and Edwards, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, Chief Greg Perry, 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 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Alicia Brown with Park Place Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Attorney Ross led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

None

MINUTES

Approve the Minutes of the October 14, 2024 Meetings

Mayor Pro Tem Warner made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 minutes, 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 of the Environmental Club

Abdul Kolawole talked about the importance of implementing a solution such as a Repair Café to deal with e-waste.

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

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Please see *Note)

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2nd 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

Mayor Bender explained that this is a process 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 approve ORD 2024-14, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Consideration and Action on Award of Bid for the North Road and Wisteria Drive Project [Bender]

Mayor Bender explained that this bid is for the construction of intersection improvements, such as extended turn lanes, at North Road and Wisteria Drive.

Council Member Lenski made a motion to award the bid to Azimuth Contractors in the amount of \$2,036,325.56 pending approval of the contract by the City Attorney, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Warner; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Consideration and Action on RES 2024-15 – Abandonment of a Portion of Pine Street Right of Way [Bender]

City Attorney Ross explained that during the rezoning request by First Baptist Church it was decided that there would be no connection to Pine Street for the proposed development so the property was deemed not to be useful to the City. The small stretch of property will be abandoned and deeded back to First Baptist Church.

Council Member Lenski made a motion to approve RES 2024-15, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; 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 report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people came forward to speak:

David Mascaro – 1579 Beaver Creek Lane, Snellville.

Catherine Hardrick, 2280 Buckley Trail, Snellville.

Chuck Ross, 10 Lumpkin Street, Lawrenceville.

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 8:19 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.**