

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:05 p.m. on April 17, 2013, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, GA.

Roll Call – Present: Council Members Chris Bowen, Vince Evans, John Fountain, and Cleveland Stroud. Absent: Mayor Randy Mills and Council Member Gerald Hinesley.

Invocation – The invocation was given by Council Member John Fountain.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Pro Tem Vince Evans led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor's Communication – Mayor Pro Tem Vince Evans welcomed everyone.

Citizens' Communication – No one addressed the Council.

Agenda Revisions: There were no agenda revisions.

Minutes – Council Member Chris Bowen made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2013 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Evans called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Evans declared the motion carried.

Recognitions:

1. **Heeyoon Kim:** Mayor Pro Tem Vince Evans recognized Heeyoon Kim, a student at the Rockdale School for Science and Technology, as a recipient of the 2012-2013 Siemens Award for Advanced Placement by Siemens Foundation and Rockdale County Public Schools' STAR Student and presented her with a proclamation.
2. **Employee Recognition:** Chris Fisher, Director of IT, was recognized for having received his Doctorate Degree in Philosophy in Computer and Information Science.

New Business:

1. **PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 921 (Zoning Case No. 2013-04), an ordinance requesting to rezone 1.36 acres from the I-D, Industrial-Distribution zoning district to BG, General Business zoning district – (Liberty Marts, LLC – 607 Sigman Road, N.E.)**. Council Member John Fountain presented the request to the Council and asked Mayor Pro Tem Evans to open a public hearing.
Mayor Pro Tem Evans opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.
Mr. Terry W. Owens addressed the Council in favor of the rezoning.
Mayor Pro Tem Evans closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.
Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 921 and waive the second reading. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Evans called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Evans declared the motion carried.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 922, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Conyers, Chapter 7 of Title of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia, so as to amend Section 8-7-15 (definitions) to provide for housing developments for older persons (senior housing); to amend Section 8-7-90 (permitted and special uses) so as to delete homes for the elderly, and the insert in lieu thereof, housing developments for older persons into the use table; to amend Section 8-7-92 (supplemental use standards) so as to provide additional criteria for such development and uses; to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.** Council Member John Fountain presented the request to the Council asked Mayor Pro Tem Evans to open the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Evans opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

There was no one wishing to address the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Evans closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 922 and waive the second reading. Council Member Chris Bowen seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Evans called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Evans declared the motion carried.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 923, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Conyers, Chapter 7 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia, so as to amend Section 8-7-44, Gateway Village (GV) zoning district, to create an additional sub-area, neighborhood village to provide additional criteria for architectural aesthetic, landscaping, lighting, permitted uses and site design; for clarification purposes to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.** Council Member John Fountain presented the request to the Council and asked Mayor Pro Tem Evans to open the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Evans opened the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.

There was no one wishing to address the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Evans closed the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.

Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 923 and waive the second reading. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Evans called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Evans declared the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GIHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee*, had nothing to report.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, reported on the dedication of the O. T. Adams Public Safety Building.
- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, had nothing to report.
- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, stated that Hill Phoenix will have its groundbreaking tomorrow, April 18, 2013.
- Council Member Gerald Hinesley, Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Chairman of the *Transportation and Stormwater Committee*, was absent.

City Manager's Update – City Manager Tony Lucas reported that Cherokee Run set records last week, and that approximately 1300 rounds of golf were played at Cherokee Run during Masters' week. He also reminded everyone of the Taste of Conyers and Car Show on Saturday, April 20, 2013.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas stated there was a need for an executive session regarding personnel matters. Council Member Chris Bowen made a motion for executive session regarding personnel matters. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Evans called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Evans declared the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.


Vince Evans, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:


Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk