

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:02 p.m. on March 19, 2014, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, GA.

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Randy Mills led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor’s Communication – Mayor Mills welcomed everyone.

Citizens’ Communication – No one addressed the Council.

Agenda Revisions: There were no agenda revisions.

Minutes – Council Member Cleveland Stroud made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2014 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member Gerald Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

Recognitions: Mayor Mills presented a proclamation to local American Red Cross Volunteer Tim Hayes in recognition of the American Red Cross’s centennial celebration.

Chief of Police Gene Wilson recognized Director of Public Works and Transportation’s Brad Sutton and his department with a plaque of appreciation for their efforts during the recent winter storms.

Old Business:

1. **PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 952, to amend Chapter 7 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia for the purposes of providing additional standards for landscape, foliage and escarpment illumination; for clarification purposes; to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.** Council Member John Fountain made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 952 from the table, as it was tabled at the February 19, 2014 City Council meeting. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried. Council Member Fountain asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 952.

Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

There was no one in attendance who wished to address the Council.

Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 952 and waive the second reading. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 953, to amend Chapter 7 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia for the purposes of regulating the location of adult entertainment establishments with respect to churches, schools, parks, recreation facilities or children’s day care facilities, even if those facilities are located outside of the City limits, as well as properties zoned as GV-RV, gateway village-residential village, GV-NV, gateway village-neighborhood village or GV-UV, gateway village-urban village district; for clarification purposes to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.** Council Member John Fountain made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 953 from the table, as it was tabled at the February 19, 2014 City Council meeting. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried. Council Member Fountain asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 953.

Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

There was no one in attendance wishing to address the Council.

Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

- Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 953 and waive the second reading. Council Member Gerald Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
3. Request to approve Ordinance No. 954, an ordinance to amend Chapter 10 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia for the purposes of regulating the location of adult entertainment establishments with respect to churches, schools, parks, recreation facilities or children's day care facilities, even if those facilities are located outside of the City limits, as well as properties zoned as GV-RV, gateway village-residential village, GV-NV, gateway village-neighborhood village or GV-LV, gateway village-urban village district; for clarification purposes to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes. Council Member John Fountain made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 954 from the table, as it was tabled at the February 19, 2014 City Council meeting. Council Member Gerald Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
- Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 954 and waive the second reading. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
4. PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Resolution No. 619 to adopt the 2014-2018 Short-Term Work Program Update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Council Member John Fountain made a motion to remove Resolution No. 619 from the table, as it was tabled at the February 19, 2014 City Council meeting. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
- Council Member John Fountain asked Mayor Mills to open a public hearing on Resolution No. 619 to adopt the 2014-1018 Short-Term Work Program Update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
- Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.
- There was no one in attendance who wished to address the Council.
- Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.
- Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Resolution No. 619 to adopt the 2014-2018 Short-Term Work Program Update on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
- New Business:
1. PUBLIC HEARING. Request to approve Ordinance No. 958, to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Conyers, Georgia, Chapter 7 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia, so as to amend Section 8-7-39, MXD, Mixed-use Development District for clarification purposes; to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes. Council Member John Fountain asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing.
- Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
- There was no one wishing to address the Council.
- Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
- Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 958 and waive the second reading. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
2. Request approval of a Non-Monetary Municipal Contract between Peach State Enforcement, Inc. and the City of Conyers regarding the collection of delinquent accounts. Chief of Police Gene Wilson presented the contract and asked for the Council's approval. Council Member Cleveland Stroud made a motion to approve the contract between Peach State Enforcement, Inc. and the City of Conyers. Council Member Gerald

Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

3. **New Police Pay and Classification Plan.** Chief of Police Gene Wilson presented the Police Pay and Classification Plan and asked for the Council's approval. Council Member Cleveland Stroud made a motion to approve the police pay and classification plan. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, had nothing new to report.
- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, reported that the film policy was being revised.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, had nothing new to report.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GIHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee* was absent.
- Council Member Gerald Hinesley, Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Chairman of the *Transportation and Stormwater Committee*, stated that bids for the Railroad Street widening project were going out on March 20 and would be opened on April 17. Work is expected to begin in late spring or early summer.

City Manager's Update – City Manager Tony Lucas thanked those who attended the St. Patrick's Day festivities in Olde Town on Monday, March 17, despite the rain and cold weather. He also reminded the Council of the Conyers Cherry Blossom Festival and Atlanta Spring Classic taking place over the weekend, March 22-23.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas said there was a need for executive session regarding potential litigation to include City Attorney Michael Waldrop. Council Member John Fountain made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation and to include City Attorney Michael Waldrop. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest:


Jennifer Edwards, Deputy City Clerk


Randal S. Mills, Mayor

