

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on August 15, 2012, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, GA.

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

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 Welcome – Mayor Mills welcomed a group of Boy Scouts.

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 July 18, 2012 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member John Fountain seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Gerald Hinesley was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

Recognitions:

1. **Years of Service:** Charles Beasley of Public Works & Transportation was recognized for five years of service to the City. Johnny Beaucher of the Police Department and Chris Fisher of the IT Department were absent, but also have five years of service to the City.

New Business:

1. **PUBLIC HEARING: Zoning Case #2012-06. A request to approve Ordinance No. 882 to rezone 3.92 acres of land from the Industrial-Distribution (I-D) District to Highway Service Business (HSB) District – (UMA Global Hotel, LLC – 1351 Dogwood Drive).** Council Member John Fountain presented the request to the Council and asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing.

Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Mr. Joel Haber of UMA Global Hotel, LLC addressed the Council and spoke in favor of the rezoning.

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

Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 882 and waive the second reading. Council Member Chris Bowen seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Gerald Hinesley was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

2. **Re-appointment of Julie Rogers to the Historic Preservation Commission for a three-year term from September 1, 2012 until September 1, 2015.** Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Julie Rogers to the Historic Preservation Commission for a three-year term from September 1, 2012 until September 1, 2015. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Gerald Hinesley was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

3. **Re-appointment of Doug Youngblood to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Adjustments for a four-year term from September 1, 2012 until September 1, 2016.** Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Doug Youngblood to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Adjustments for a four-year term from September 1, 2012 until September 1, 2016. Council Member Chris Bowen seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Gerald Hinesley was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GIHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee* reported that the renovation of the greens at Cherokee Run is progressing very well. He also reported that the Big Haynes Creek Nature Center Wildlife Festival will be held August 25 and 26, 2012.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, stated that CALEA assessors are on site conducting inspections of the Police Department regarding CALEA certification.

- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, stated that the front part of the Bumper-to-Bumper building has been rented and that there are prospective renters for the back part. Also, there is an interest in the Southern Comfort property.
- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, had nothing to report.
- 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 addressed the Council and stated that the Council's mid-year retreat has been postponed, and that a work session or respective committee meetings may be scheduled for this purpose. He also stated that CFO Isabel Rogers will present a budget report at the September Council meeting to include the opening of Cherokee Run and a briefing of the expenditures.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas stated there was no need for an executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Randal S. Mills, Mayor

Attest:



Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk