Official City Council Meeting Minutes

July 26, 2021

Office of the City Clerk

CITY HALL 2 PARK PLAZA | 6:30 PM

Official Minutes

The public is advised that the following minutes are not a verbatim transcription of business presented at the Council Meeting of the date shown; but are a synopsis of pertinent information. The public is further advised that the tapes recorded at said meeting are a matter of public record and are available to be heard at the City of Alpharetta's Clerk's office during normal business hours.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Gilvin called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

- **Council Members**
  - Mayor Jim Gilvin
  - Mayor Pro Tem Donald F. Mitchell
  - Jason Binder
  - Ben Burnett (absent)
  - John Hipes
  - Dan Merkel (absent)
  - Karen Richard
- **Staff**
  - Bob Regus, City Administrator
  - Sam Thomas, City Attorney
  - James Drinkard, Asst. City Administrator
  - Erin Cobb, City Clerk
  - Morgan Rodgers, Director of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services
  - Kathi Cook, Director of Community Development
  - Pete Sewczwicz, Director of Public Works
  - Randy Bundy, Director of Information Technology
  - Tom Harris, Director of Finance
  - John Robison, Director of Public Safety
  - Michael Woodman, Senior Planner

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

A. 30-Year Service Award for Chief Scott McCullers

B. Public Safety Life Saving Awards

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Council Meeting Minutes (Meeting of 7/19/2021)

B. Approval of Mediated Settlement Agreement-Richey

- Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell offered a motion to approve the consent agenda
  - The motion received a second from Council Member Richard
  - The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

A. V-21-18 Edwards / 91 John Christopher Stream Buffer Variance

- Council Member Binder recused himself from this item.
- Council Member Richard offered a motion to table this item
  - The motion received a second from Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell
  - The motion was approved unanimously (4-0)

B. CU-21-07 Far East Beauty / 1115 Upper Hembree Road

- Senior Planner, Michael Woodman, came forward to present this item.
- This item was heard at the 7/1/2021 Planning Commission meeting. Staff recommended approval subject to six (6) conditions. There were no public comments. After discussion, Planning Commission recommended approval subject to staff's recommended conditions. Vote 5-0
- Staff is recommending that Council approve CU-21-07 Far East Beauty/1115 Upper Hembree Road, subject to the following conditions:
  1. 'Spa Services' shall be added as a conditional use at 1115 Upper Hembree Road, Suite A, and limited to no more than 2,576 square feet.
  2. Conditional use approval shall be limited to Far East Beauty; no additional spa services businesses or subleasing shall be permitted within the approved space.
  3. Spa services shall be limited to facials, semi-permanent makeup, microblading, waxing, lash extensions, make-up, and nails.
  4. Hours of operation shall be Monday – Saturday 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM.
  5. Window signage shall be limited to 10% or less of the window area. No lighting window trim.

6. In compliance with condition #21 related to file# MP-88-05 Oswald/Upper Hembree Master Plan, one of the 2 existing ground signs at the project entrance shall be removed prior to the issuance of a business license for Far East Beauty. Remaining development ground sign and wall shall be pressure-washed and/or painted and a decorative planting bed shall be installed at the base of the sign and wall.

- The applicant, David Weisser, is requesting a conditional use permit to allow 'Spa Services' for Far East Beauty, which provides cosmetology and spa services, such as facials and waxing. The property is zoned O-I (Office-Institutional), which allows 'Spa Services' with approval of a conditional use permit. The subject property is located at 1115 Upper Hembree Road, Suite A in the Alpha-Atlanta Professional Plaza.

- The submitted request, if approved, will permit the applicant to provide 'Spa Services' (facials and waxing) in a 2,576 square foot suite for Far East Beauty. The property is zoned O-I (Office Institutional), which allows 'Spa Services' with approval of a conditional use permit. The subject property is located at 1115 Upper Hembree Road, Suite A in the Alpha-Atlanta Professional Plaza.

- The property was approved in 1988 in conjunction with the Oswald/Upper Hembree Master Plan. Alpha Medical Plaza is developed as two (2) office buildings, which are 2-stories from Upper Hembree Road and 3-stories at the rear. Suites are accessed from the front and back of the buildings. The applicant's suite is accessed from the rear of the building. Other businesses operating in the office condominiums include, Alpharetta Psychiatric Services, Revitalize You MD, BMI Surgical Institute, and Extra Mile Dentist.

- Surrounding properties are zoned O-I and R-15 (Dwelling, 'For-Sale', Residential) to the north, OI to the east and south and City of Roswell (Taylor Oaks subdivision) to the west. Peach State Pool Service & Builders and a residential lot are located to the north, City of Roswell to the west, and undeveloped office parcels to the south and east.

- The Unified Development Code (UDC) defines 'Spa Services' as:

    - A business that provides services requiring a customer to disrobe, which may include non-medical massage, other personal services such as skin, nail, hair treatments, hair removal/waxing, and may have the sale of associated retail products. Such business shall be located within a zoning category allowing retail use, shall not occupy more than 4,000 sq. ft. and shall not be closer than 2,000 ft. to a comparable business. The term "spa establishment" shall not include hospitals or other professional health care establishments separately licensed as such by the state.

    - It shall be unlawful to establish a spa establishment in the city, unless said establishment is located:

        a. At least 300 feet from State Route 9;

        b. At least 300 feet from State Route 120; and

        c. At least 300 feet from any parcel occupied by a house of worship, public or private elementary or secondary school, public park, state-licensed day care facility, or any residence.

- The applicant's suite is 2,576 square feet, which is less than the maximum permitted, and the proposed location allows retail use. There are no 'Spa Services' businesses within 2,000' of the subject property and no conflicting uses within 300' of the subject property (as measured from door to door in a straight-line distance). The residence across Upper Hembree Road is approximately 320' away from the applicant's proposed location and the nearest home in Taylor Oaks subdivision to the west is approximately 340' away. The property is nearly ½-mile from Highway 9.

- Far East Beauty is a new business providing cosmetology and spa services such as, facials and waxing. The applicant's business also provides microblading, semi-permanent make-up, lash extensions, make-up, and nails. Services are by appointment only. Hours of operation are proposed to be Monday – Saturday 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM. The applicant anticipates between 4-6 employees at the proposed location.
- CONDITIONAL USE REVIEW CRITERIA: City staff has reviewed the applicant's request and compared it to the conditional use standards established in UDC Sec. 4.2.3 (B) which are as follows:
- A conditional use otherwise permitted within a zoning district shall be considered to be compatible with other uses permitted in the district, provided that due consideration is given to the following objective criteria at a public hearing and satisfactory provisions, or arrangements are made for:

    1. Access into and out of the property with regard to traffic and pedestrian safety, volume of traffic flow, and emergency vehicles, as well as the type of street providing access; Response: The subject property was developed in compliance with site access regulations.
    2. The extent to which refuse areas, loading and service areas, off street parking, and buffers and screening are provided on the property; Response: The above-referenced site requirements have been met on the subject property.
    3. Ensuring that the conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of the environment or of other property in the immediate vicinity or diminish and impair property values within the surrounding neighborhood; Response: Approval of the applicant's business should not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the area. Spa Services businesses have been approved in other office condominium developments in the City, including A Healing Touch Day Spa and Organic Sugaring & Waxing at 1130 Powers Place and Tropical Bliss Spa & Beauty Bar at 5755 North Point Parkway.
    4. Ensuring that the conditional use will not increase local or state expenditures in relation to the cost of servicing or maintaining neighboring properties; Response: Not applicable.
    5. Ensuring that the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development of surrounding property for uses predominant in the area; and Response: Approval of the applicant's business should not impede the normal and orderly development of surrounding properties. Spa Services businesses have been approved in other office condominium developments in the City, including A Healing Touch Day Spa and Organic Sugaring & Waxing at 1130 Powers Place and Tropical Bliss Spa & Beauty Bar at 5755 North Point Parkway.
    6. Ensuring that the location and character of the conditional use is considered to be consistent with a desirable pattern of development for the city, in general. Response: Spa Services businesses have been approved in other office condominium developments in the City, including A Healing Touch Day Spa and Organic Sugaring & Waxing at 1130 Powers Place and Tropical Bliss Spa & Beauty Bar at 5755 North Point Parkway.
    7. Ensuring that the conditional use is appropriately separated from similar uses and conflicting uses, such as residences, government buildings, parks, churches, or schools. Response: There are no other Spa Services businesses in the immediate area or within 2,000' of the subject property. In addition, there are no conflicting uses within 300' of the property.

- CONCURRENCES: Staff has reviewed the applicant's proposal finds that the requested conditional use does not conflict with the established review criteria. The proposed use exists in other office condominium developments in the City. If approved, conditions are recommended limiting the approval to Far East Beauty and limiting any expansion of services.
- CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN: The report submitted by the applicant states that property owners were contacted regarding the applicant's intent. The report states that one (1) call was received, but that there were no concerns.
- Staff received seven (7) letters of support for the applicant's request, including an approval letter from the Alpha-Atlanta Professional Plaza Condominium Association. One (1) objection was received with concerns that the business could be a front for illegal activity.
- COMMUNITY ZONING INFORMATION MEETING: The CZIM was held on June 9, 2021. There were no public comments.
- The applicants, David Weisser, 7925 Highland Bluff NE, Sandy Springs, GA, 30328, and his wife, Hong Bo Guo (owner), came forward to speak on behalf of the application.
- **Public Comment**: No Public Comment

❖ Council Member Richard offered a motion to approve CU-21-07 Far East Beauty/1115 Upper Hembree Road, subject to the following conditions:

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    - The motion received a second from Council Member Binder

    - The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

C. Public Hearing on The Fiscal Year 2022 Millage Rate Levy

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, came forward to present this item.

- The purpose of this hearing is to obtain public comment on the Recommended Fiscal Year 2022 Millage Rate Levy.

- The FY 2022 Budget was distributed electronically to the City Council on April 26, 2021 and made available on the City's website through the financial transparency portal (OpenGov) and as a downloadable pdf document.

- The Finance Department presented an overview of the operating/capital budget at the May 3rd, May 17th, and May 24th City Council Meetings.

- Public Hearings on the budget were held on June 7th and June 21st with final approval of the FY 2022 Budget occurring on June 21, 2021.

- The FY 2022 Budget forecasted an overall reduction in property tax revenue driven through a revaluation of the commercial tax base due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effect on operations. However, the 2021 tax digest (provided in early July) highlights tax base growth of 3% (reassessment of existing properties excluding new construction). Inherent in the overall 3% growth forecast is reassessment of the residential tax base approximating 6% (in-line with budget forecasts) with commercial assessments roughly flat with the prior year (pre COVID-19). It is a safe assumption that commercial appeals for the 2021 tax digest will outpace recent year trends.

- The City's millage rate levy proposal for 2021 (FY 2022) is the same as the prior year at 5.75 mills.

- The City's millage rate of 5.75 mills includes 4.935 mills for general government (i.e., operations and recurring capital investment) and 0.815 mills for debt service on voter approved bonds.

- The proposed millage rate levy, after factoring-in the certified tax digest values and adjusting for heightened appeal activity and recent digest erosion trends, is estimated to generate additional property tax revenue of $1 to $1.5 million after appeal forecasts.

- The FY 2022 millage rate, coupled with the city's substantial Homestead Exemptions, goes great lengths in keeping Alpharetta an affordable place to live and strategically positions us relative to neighboring areas. The city's multiple homestead exemptions are estimated to save our homeowners $5 million annually and include:

    - Floating Homestead exemption that caps the taxable value growth of homesteaded properties to the lesser of 3% or CPI;

    - Basic Homestead exemption of $45,000 off the assessed value of homesteaded properties which is among the highest in the State;

    - Senior Basic Homestead exemption of $25,000 off the assessed value of homesteaded properties for residents aged 65 and older;

    - Senior full-value exemption available to residents aged 70 and older who meet certain income requirements.

- Today's meeting is the 1st of 3 public hearings on the FY 2022 Millage Rate Levy with the schedule as follows:
    - July 26, 2021 (6:30 pm)
    - August 2, 2021 (11:30 am)
    - August 2, 2021 (6:30 pm)
- Adoption of the FY 2022 Millage Rate is done through ordinance with the schedule as follows:
    - July 26, 2021 (6:30 pm) – 1st Reading
    - August 2, 2021 (6:30 pm) – 2nd Reading
- **Public Comment**: No Public Comment
- No formal vote is required for this item.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. PH-21-13 UDC Text Amendments - Supplementary Regulations Accessory Backyard Chickens Located in Residential Zoning Districts (Second Reading)

- Director Community Development, Kathi Cook, came forward to present this item.
- This item was heard at the 7/1/2021 Planning Commission meeting. There were no public comments. After discussion, Planning Commission recommended approval. Vote 5-0. City Council also approved the first reading of this ordinance at the July 19, 2021, City Council Meeting. Vote 6-1. There have been no changes made to this ordinance since the first reading.
- Consideration of text amendments to Unified Development Code (UDC) Subsection 2.3.3 Supplementary Regulations, Uses Customarily Accessory to Dwellings Located in Residential Zoning Districts, to allow backyard chickens in any residential zoning district on minimum one (1) acre properties with a single-family detached dwelling. Regulations limiting the number of chickens to six (6), prohibiting roosters and requiring a minimum 25' setback for related structures would remain the same. In an effort to address water quality pollution, it is recommended that backyard chickens not be permitted within any undisturbed water buffers, wetlands, or floodplain.
- Staff has received several requests over the years to allow backyard chickens on residential property other than in the AG (Agriculture) zoning district. In response, the City Council approved text amendments in June 2020 allowing backyard chickens as an accessory use on minimum one (1) acre lots in the AG, RE, R, R-22, and R-15 zoning districts.
- There are other residential zoning districts in the City that were not included in the recent UDC text amendments, including the R-12, R-10, R-4A/D, R-8A/D, R-10M, and CUP zoning districts. This change would still require minimum one (1) acre lots, but not designated within a specific zoning district. Staff researched jurisdictions in the area and found the following regulations for backyard chickens:

Backyard Chicken Regulations in Other Jurisdictions

City	Min. Lot Size	Structure Setbacks	Max. # Allowed	Other Information
Roswell	0.33 acres	25'	12/acre, max. 36	Allowed in single-family districts
Milton	1.01 acres	25'	75	Allowed in single-family districts, min. 4 SF/chicken
Johns Creek	any	100' (from occupied bldgs., not incl. home)	75	Allowed in single-family districts, min. 4 SF/chicken
Marietta	15,000 SF	20' from property lines, 10' from principal structure	4	Allowed in single-family districts, required to have fenced area for chickens, min. 25 SF per chicken

- Staff contacted Code Enforcement offices in other jurisdictions and found they had no significant complaints regarding backyard chickens.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the ordinance aloud.

❖ Council Member Richard offered a motion to approve PH-21-13 UDC Text Amendments - Supplementary Regulations Accessory Backyard Chickens Located in Residential Zoning Districts and the ordinance as presented

- The motion received a second from Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell
- The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

B. Council Meeting Minutes (Meeting of 6/28/2021) This item was tabled at the July 19, 2021, City Council Meeting and will need to be removed from the table.

❖ Council Member Binder offered a motion to remove this item from the table

- The motion received a second from Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell
- The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

- City Clerk, Erin Cobb, came forward to present this item.
- At the July 19, 2021, City Council Meeting, the City Council Meeting Minutes for June 28th were removed from the consent agenda and Council requested that staff review the meeting video in order to verify a public comment that was made.
- Staff has since reviewed the video and amended the City Council Meeting Minutes for June 28, 2021; the amened minutes were included in the agenda packet.
- **Public Comment:** No Public Comment

❖ Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell offered a motion to approve the Amended Council Meeting Minutes from June 28, 2021

- The motion received a second from Council Member Binder
- The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. RFP 21-111 City Council A/V System Replacement

- Director of Information Technology, Randy Bundy, came forward to present this item.

- Staff is recommending that Council award RFP 21-111 City Council A/V System Replacement project to One Diversified LLC in an amount totaling $267,554.34 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.

- The City Council A/V (Audio/Visual and Streaming) System was installed in 2014 (as a mix of new components and some repurposed from the old Council Chambers) with some modifications and replacements installed since the original installation. Most of the components of the system have reached end of life as well as being technologically dated. In particular, with the advent of social media and streaming technologies, the current system was never designed to directly support these current and standard technologies.

- The Department of Information Technology under the direction of the Department of the City Administrator put forward a Capital Project in the FY 2022 budget to fund replacement of the City Council A/V system.

- On May 20, 2021, the City issued Request for Proposal (RFP) #21-111 for the project with a due date of June 24, 2021. Two vendors responded and were ranked by an Evaluation Committee comprised of members of City Administration and the IT Departments.

    - BIS Digital, Inc.
    - One Diversified LLC

- The Evaluation Committee ranked the proposals in accordance with multiple criterium including: Project Team, Resumes, Statements of Qualifications, Project Staffing, References (35 points); Technical Proposal, Project Approach, Previous Projects, Quality of Design and Components (30 points); Available Resources, Schedule, Work-in-Process for Prime, Ability to Deliver Quickly (10 points); Cost (22 points); and Local vendor Preferences (3 points).

- The Evaluation Committee unanimously scored One Diversified LLC as the most qualified vendor for this project. The evaluation team rankings are as follows on a scale of 1 to 100 (with 100 points being highest):

    - One Diversified LLC (80.32 points)
    - BIS Digital (64.33 points)

- A meeting was held with One Diversified LLC to address equipment and project timeline questions. Staff requested multiple value-engineering options including retaining the existing video displays and funding 5-years of maintenance/warranty costs upfront (for a cost savings). The originally proposed video displays/installation totaled $130,540 and, with the understanding that the existing video displays will work seamlessly with the proposed system, the proposed video displays have been removed from the proposal. Video displays can be replaced later with little or no impact to the proposed system.

- Proposed project costs total $267,554.34 and include $191,976.34 for equipment, software, installation, and project management services, and $75,578.00 for 5-years of support/maintenance services (pulse + assurance program). Funding totaling $300,000 was approved in the FY 2022 Capital Budget for this initiative. Residual funding after project completion will be transferred to the non-allocated capital account for future appropriation by the City Council.

- Once approved by City Council and the Mayor, this project is likely to be installed between November 2021 - January 2022 due to the time delays in procuring equipment due to chip and other shortages according to One Diversified LLC. Installation of the system can be managed to lessen any impact with City Council and other meetings. Public Works Director Pete Sewczwicz will be the City project manager for this replacement/installation.

- Account Executive, Thomas Harriman, and Vide President of Technology & Design Services, Todd Allinger, came forward to speak on behalf of Diversified.

- **Public Comment:** No Public Comment

❖ Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell offered a motion to award RFP 21-111 City Council A/V System Replacement project to One Diversified LLC in an amount not to exceed $267,554.34 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents

  - The motion received a second from Council Member Hipes

  - The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

B. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2022 Millage Rate Levy (1st Reading)

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, came forward to present this item.

- Staff is recommending that Council adopt the Fiscal Year 2022 Millage Rate Ordinance (1st reading).

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- Three public hearings are set for the FY 2022 Millage Rate Levy with the schedule as follows: July 26, 2021 (6:30 pm); August 2, 2021 (11:30 am); August 2, 2021 (6:30 pm)

- Today's meeting is the 1st of 2 readings to adopt the FY 2022 Millage Rate with the schedule as follows: July 26, 2021 (6:30 pm) – 1st Reading and August 2, 2021 (6:30 pm) – 2nd Reading.

- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the ordinance aloud.

- **Public Comment:** No Public Comment

❖ Council Member Binder offered a motion to adopt an ordinance to fix the ad valorem tax rate of the City of Alpharetta for the Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, and for other purposes

- The motion received a second from Council Member Richard

- The motion was approved unanimously (5-0)

C. Fire Rescue - Rapid Response Vehicle Acquisition

- Director of Public Safety, John Robison, came forward to present this item.

- Staff is recommending that Council approve the purchase of one 2022 Fire Rescue – Rapid Response Vehicle in an amount totaling $199,500 from Ten-8 Fire & Safety LLC under the terms of the competitively procured GPO contract PS21125 (League of Oregon Cities).

- This request is for the acquisition of one 2022 Fire Rescue – Rapid Response Vehicle as approved and funded in the FY 2022 capital budget. This vehicle will augment service capabilities and reduce the response of larger vehicles (e.g., ladder, quint, pumpers) to lower priority incidents, thereby extending the life of the larger vehicles. This vehicle will be versatile, smaller, and more mobile to reach automobile cars in parking decks and serve the greenway (unless too narrow in which case the Polaris UTV will be used – discussed below). The system can also be used to complete gross decontamination of firefighters as they exit structure fires to reduce the exposure to carcinogens.

- Included in this proposal is a Polaris UTV (utility task vehicle) which is necessary to reach areas of the new Greenway extension that are too narrow for current fire rescue vehicles (including the rapid-rescue vehicle discussed herein).

- This purchase will be made through Ten-8 Fire & Safety LLC (through its dealer for EJ Metals vehicles in Georgia). EJ Metals was awarded the League of Oregon Cities contract, contract number PS21125. Through the NPP (National Purchasing Partners) Program the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement allows the City to use the contract for the pricing discount. NPP is a trusted savings provider for businesses and their employees nationwide. By leveraging the purchasing power of more than 300,000 members, NPP can provide top discounts and special B2B pricing to businesses of all sizes. The original cost of the Rescue-Rapid Response Vehicle and Polaris was $221,525.11. Under the terms of the NPP Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement the cost is $205,660 with a further discount eligible to Alpharetta bringing the final cost to $199,500.

- **Public Comment:** No Public Comment

❖ Council Member Hipes offered a motion to approve the purchase of one 2022 Fire Rescue – Rapid Response Vehicle and a Polaris UTV in an amount not to exceed $199,500 from Ten-8 Fire & Safety LLC under the terms of the competitively procured GPO contract PS21125 (League of Oregon Cities)

  - The motion received a second from Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell

  - The motion was approved unanimously (7-0)

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

- No Public Comment

X. REPORTS

- Council Member Binder announced that our next City Council Meeting is Monday, August 2, 2021, at 11:30 A.M. followed by our normally scheduled 6:30 P.M. meeting.

- Council Member Hipes commented on the Surf N Turf Concert Series as well as the Home by Dark Concert Series. Also, thanking Director Morgan Rodgers (Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services) for the work his department puts into various music events in the city.

- Mayor Gilvin recognized our Asst. City Administrator, James Drinkard, and Director of Finance, Tom Harris, who both are celebrating a birthday today.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- With no further items to be heard or business to discuss, Mayor Gilvin adjourned the meeting at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Cobb, City Clerk