

Buford City Commission

July 18, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was held on July 18, 2022 at Buford City Arena and all Commission members were present.

Chairman Beard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Mr. Branch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the agenda for the July 18, 2022 meeting as presented.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the June 6, 2022 meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard recognized Jerry Ethridge for his twenty (20) years of service.

Chairman Beard stated that this portion of the meeting would be set aside for public hearings.

Special Use Permits:

#SUP-22-08: Tony and Denise Garrison request a special use permit for the property located at 1037 Parkway Court, Suite G. The special use permit requested is to allow boat repair, mechanical and maintenance. The applicant was present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Outdoor storage of business-related parts, trash, or related equipment shall be prohibited.
2. All repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor repairs shall be prohibited.
3. The gravel parking lot shall be paved with asphalt or concrete and comply with the requirements of the City of Buford Development Regulations.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



#SUP-22-09: Freedom Boat Club, LLC requests a special use permit for the property located at 1075 Parkway Industrial Park Drive, Suite B. The special use permit requested is to allow minor boat repair and cleaning. The applicant was present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition:

1. All repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor repairs shall be prohibited.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

#SUP-22-10: Jim Ellis Porsche requests a special use permit for the property located on Highway 20 and Plunkett Road, being parcels 7-218-060 and 7-219-162. The special use permit requested is to allow automotive sales and service. Mitch Peevy spoke on behalf of the applicant. He stated the project would be in phases with the Porsche building being built first and the service buildings on the back property being built after the Porsche building. The second dealership on the front tract would be in the last phase. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Automotive inventory shall be stored in dedicated striped parking areas.
2. The development shall be in three (3) phases with the Porsche development being Phase I, the two service buildings being Phase II and the second dealership on the front tract being Phase III.
3. Architectural treatments of the Porsche building shall be substantially similar to the elevations and renderings presented with the special use permit application and shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Director prior to the issuance of a building permit.
4. The two (2) service buildings shall comply with the Mall of Georgia Overlay District, Section 1315.
5. The second dealership building shall comply with the Mall of Georgia Overlay District, Section 1315.
6. A retaining wall with fencing shall be allowed in the front yard subject to the approval of the Planning Director.
7. Ground and wall signs shall conform to the City of Buford Sign Ordinance for locations, square footage, and height unless a separate variance is applied for and approved.
8. The graded pad for the second dealership shall be finished with sod.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



#SUP-22-11: SASS Group IV, LLC requests a special use permit for the property located at 4300 Buford Drive, Suite 18-A. The special use permit requested is to allow retail sales of tobacco, tobacco accessories and vapes. The applicant was not present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to deny the request.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

#SUP-22-12: Milton Morena requests a special use permit for the property located at 1085 Parkway Industrial Park Drive. The special use permit requested is to allow auto repair. The applicant was present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Outdoor storage of business-related parts, trash, or related equipment shall be prohibited.
2. All repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor repairs shall be prohibited.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

#SUP-22-13: Yvette Norris requests a special use permit for the property located at 1037 Parkway Court, Suite D & E. The special use permit requested is to allow a paint booth for repair services. The applicant was present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. All parking shall be in designated striped parking area; no parking allowed on grassed or landscape areas.
2. This special use permit is approved for Yvette Norris, Soco Paint and Body and shall expire should the owner vacate the property.
3. Outdoor storage of automotive parts, junk vehicles, or automotive repair-related equipment shall be prohibited.
4. Spray booth operation hours shall be 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Annexations:

Plat #632: Connie Kitsell requests annexation and zoning for the property located at 4238 Thompson Mill Road from RA-200 to RA-200. The applicant was present. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition:

1. Any additional home(s) shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 2800 square feet exclusive of garage or basement. Shall have a minimum two (2) car garage.

2. Home(s) shall be constructed with three (3) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60% of the front and side elevations. Accents shall include brick, stone, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
4. The front and side yards shall be sodded.
5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Plat #633: Kaysi & Patton Thompson request annexation and zoning for the property located at 4234 Thompson Mill Road from RA-200 to RA-200. The applicant was present. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Any additional home(s) shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 2800 square feet exclusive of garage or basement. Shall have a minimum two (2) car garage.
2. Home(s) shall be constructed with three (3) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60% of the front and side elevations. Accents shall include brick, stone, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
4. The front and side yards shall be sodded.
5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Plat #634: Robert McCarthy requests annexation and zoning for the property located at 5925 Shadburn Ferry Road from RL to RL. The applicant was present. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Any additional home(s) shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 2800 square feet exclusive of garage or basement. Shall have a minimum two (2) car garage.
2. Homes(s) shall be constructed with three (3) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60% of the front and side elevations. Accents shall include brick, stone, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
4. The front and side yards shall be sodded.
5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Plat #635: Andrew & Kristyna Smith request annexation and zoning for the property located at 5935 Shadburn Ferry Road from RL to RL. The applicant was present. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Any additional home(s) shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 2800 square feet exclusive of garage or basement. Shall have a minimum two (2) car garage.
2. Home(s) shall be constructed with three (3) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60% of the front and side elevations. Accents shall include brick, stone, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
4. The front and side yards shall be sodded.
5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated at this time there would be a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget and 2022 millage rate rollback for Gwinnett and Hall County property taxes. Chairman Beard gave an overview of the budget and the public was given an opportunity to provide comments on the budget and millage rate rollback. The audience did not have any comments or questions regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget, the 2022 proposed Gwinnett and Hall County millage rate or the proposed 2022 millage rate for Hall County with the LOST rollback.

Chairman Beard stated that this concludes the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize Chairman to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Gwinnett County for use and distribution of proceeds generated by the 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Referendum.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to amend the Fiscal Year 2022 operating budget to reflect actual expenditures through June 30, 2022.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve payment of dues for the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc. membership dues in the amount of \$13,446.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize Chairman to sign necessary documents with Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG) to sell or not to sell proportionate share of Vogle Units 3 and 4 to Georgia Power Company.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve dedication of sanitary sewer easement located on tax parcel 7-296-053C for Buford Housing Authority project (Arnold Street).

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to reappoint Randall Wansley to City of Buford Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve purchase of property located on Bell Street (7-303-037) in the amount of \$20,000.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve dedication of stormwater easement and contribution of the sum of \$25,0000 toward global settlement for failure of stormwater system adjacent to Sudderth Road upon approval by City Attorney and City Manager.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize final invoice #27 (\$17,328 credit) for legion fields improvements project and authorize use of general funds and Gwinnett SPLOST 2017 recreation funds to pay for the project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve low bid for 2022 annual contract for construction and renewal of City of Buford natural gas services to Southern Pipeline, Inc.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #13 to Ruby Collins, Inc. for water plant expansion project in the amount of \$1,734,464.84.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice for Southside WPCP Tertiary Filter replacement project in the amount of \$ 99,882.40.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #4 for Buford High School Visitor Fieldhouse project in the amount of \$253,531.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #2 for Buford Middle School renovations project in the amount of \$81,484.58.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of invoice #2 for Buford Academy renovations project in the amount of \$5,558.74.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #1 for Buford Elementary School renovations project in the amount of \$4,417.14.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #4 for Shadburn Ferry Road sewer relocation project in the amount of \$6,820.50.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #1 in the amount of \$69,583.50 and change order #1 (final adjusting) for Buford Dam Road at Little Mill Road gas relocation project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's Report.

Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's Report.

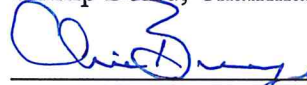
After a brief discussion with the audience, motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adjourn.

Ayes 3

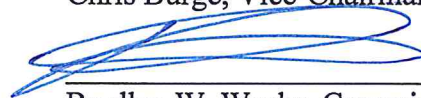
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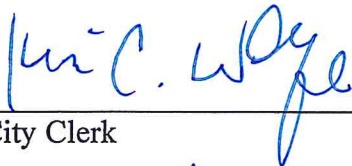
Phillip Beard, Chairman



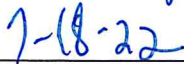
Chris Burge, Vice-Chairman



Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner



City Clerk



Date