

Buford City Commission

October 3, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was held on October 3, 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 October 3, 2022 meeting as presented.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

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

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard recognized Joey Whelchel for his twenty (20) years of service.

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

Rezoning:

#Z-22-21: Chad and Maria Gwin request rezoning for the property located at 4615 South Lee Street from C-2 to R-100. The applicants were present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

#Z-22-23: City of Buford requests rezoning for the property located on Oakland Avenue, being parcel 7-301-058, from R-100 to MH. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to deny the request.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Special Use Permit:

#SUP-22-19: CHA Consulting, Inc. requests a special use permit for the property located at 4996 Lanier Islands Parkway, out of parcel 08-157-000001, containing 1.61 acres. The special use permit requested is to allow a drive-thru for a quick serve restaurant. Hunter Hyde was present on behalf of the applicant and agreed with the conditions. No one

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spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Approval of this special use permit is for Palmetto Capital Group and will expire should the applicant vacate the site.
2. Landscape and architectural design shall follow section 1316.1 – Design Requirements, Buford Zoning Ordinance.
3. Parking design shall be as presented on the site plan submitted with the application.
4. Drive-through menu boards shall be in the side or rear yard.
5. The final site plan shall be approved by the Planning Director.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Annexations:

Plat #637/#Z-22-22: Greg Sweatt, Sweatt Properties, LLC requests annexation and rezoning for the property located at 3754 East Jones Drive from AR-III to M-1. The applicant was present. Hall County did not object. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The subject property is to be rezoned to M-1, Light Industrial.
2. The undisturbed buffer shall be reduced from 50 feet to 25 feet that abuts Joe Atkins property.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Zoning Modification:

#ZM-22-05: Lake Blue Ridge Land Company, LLC, 4083 Hamilton Mill Road, requests to modify condition #4 of the zoning conditions approved May 3, 2021 to reduce the 75' residential buffer to 0' along the entire rear property line of the commercial parcel and to reduce the 40' rear yard building setback to 15' along the entire rear property line of the commercial parcel. The request is due to the existing natural stream buffer between the commercial parcels and the townhome development. Two audience members discussed how the buffer reduction would impact their properties. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition:

1. If a permit is not issued within a year, the zoning modification expires.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

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



Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve donation from SMI Development Group, LLC of 5.53 acres located on Thompson Mill Road and authorize City Manager to issue donation letter as necessary.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve Memorandum of Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation for the installation of roadway lighting at 4250 Buford Drive for Atlanta Luxury Motors.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt resolution authorizing City of Buford, through its legal counsel, to exercise powers of eminent domain in the acquisition of certain interest in real property for South Waterworks Road water main project in Hall County, Georgia, being parcel #07329 003001.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve request to reduce setbacks for project located at 439 South Street being parcel no. R7294B-081.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize City Manager and City Attorney to purchase 0.037 acres located at 151 South Harris Street being parcel R7295A 044 and authorize Chairman to sign necessary documents to transfer to City of Buford Downtown Development Authority.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve various surplus items and to post items for sale on GovDeals.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness month in October 2022, Paint Gwinnett Pink Campaign by Northside Hospital – Gwinnett and Duluth.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoices #21154-04 in the amount of \$2,003.25 and #21154-05 in the amount of \$594.63 for Buford High School visitor field house project to Breaux & Associates.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of invoice #21154-01 for Buford High School baseball restroom addition project to Breaux & Associates in the amount of \$3961.41.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #1 for Buford High School stadium sewer relocation project to John D. Stephens, Inc. in the amount of \$52,345.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #16 for water plant expansion project to Ruby-Collins, Inc. in the amount of \$1,058,691.41.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #1 for Sturgeon Circle cul-de-sac paving to correct a stormwater problem to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$36,202.85.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #2 for Buford Elementary School renovations project to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$4,277.52.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #7 for Buford High School baseball and softball bleachers and scoreboards to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$302,724.01.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #5 for passive park at Harris Street project to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$174,619.31.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #2 for New Street relocation project to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$392,788.21.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #7 for Buford High School visitor field house project to Charles Black Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$199,766.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #6 for Buford High School Visitor Fieldhouse project in the amount of \$392,468.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of invoice #4 for Buford Middle School renovations project in the amount of \$62,350.92.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #4 for passive park at Harris Street project in the amount of \$57,997.13.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #1 for Buford New Street relocation project in the amount of \$133,422.60.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #3 for Buford Academy renovations project in the amount of \$14,256.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0


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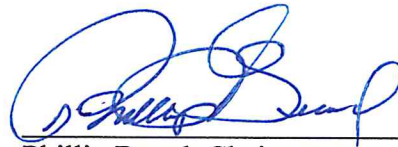
Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's Report.

Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's Report.

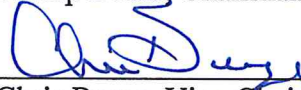
After a brief discussion with the audience, motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adjourn.

Ayes 3

Nays 0



Phillip Beard, Chairman



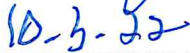
Chris Burge, Vice-Chairman



Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner



City Clerk



Date