## **Buford City Commission**

September 6, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was held on September 6, 2022 at Buford City Arena and all Commission members were present.

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

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the agenda for the September 6, 2022 meeting as presented.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the August 1, 2022 Regular meeting and the special called meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

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

## **Special Use Permit:**

#SUP-22-14: N3 Property Advisors, LLC requests a special use permit for the property located at 4445 Nelson Brogdon Boulevard. The special use permit requested is to allow an auto repair shop and oil change center. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

- 1. All automotive repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor automotive operations shall be prohibited.
- 2. Outdoor storage of automotive parts, junk vehicles, or automotive repair-related equipment shall be prohibited.
- 3. This special use permit is approved for the applicant only and shall expire should the applicant vacate the property.
- 4. The building shall have a flat roof and shall allow the corporate color blue for the building elements and signage. All architectural elements are subject to the approval of the Planning Director.
- 5. No painting of brick.
- 6. The south side elevation shall have two (2) wall signs and the cumulative total of the two (2) signs shall not exceed 5% of the elevation.
- 7. Applicant shall complete construction within one (1) year.

Ayes 3

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#SUP-22-15: Travis Wilson, AIA requests a special use permit for the property located at 3700 Buford Drive. The special use permit requested is to allow a drive-thru coffee shop. Applicant was not present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

- 1. The redevelopment of the subject property shall substantially follow the site plan provided with the special use permit application. The final site layout shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Director.
- 2. The building shall have a sloped blue metal flat roof and an accompanying blue metal canopy cover. The blue color is a corporate color.
- 3. The building shall be substantially similar to the rendering provided with the application subject to the approval of the Planning Director. The rails on the roof shall be replaced with a metal parapet wall in similar color to the building to screen the roof-top units and the canopy columns shall be brick at least to the height of a contrasting base water table.
- 4. The site plan, landscape plan and architectural plans shall be compliant to the design standards of Section 1315 Mall of Georgia Overlay District.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

#SUP-22-16: Robyn Wilson requests a special use permit for the property located at 1384 Buford Business Boulevard, Suite B500. The special use permit requested is to allow a behavior therapy business. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. This special use permit is approved for the applicant only and shall expire should the applicant vacate the property.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

## **Annexations:**

Plat # 636: Southern Heritage Home Builders, LLC requests annexation and zoning for the property located at 5647 Shadburn Ferry Road from RA-200 to RA-200. Bill Fricks was present on behalf of the applicant. Gwinnett County did not object to this request. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Beard to approve the request with the following conditions. Mr. Weeks abstained.

- 1. The 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 four (4) sides brick with no accents.
- 3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
- 4. The front, back and side yards shall be sodded.
- 5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 2 Nays 0 Abstained 1

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Plat #638: Ngo Phan Properties requests annexation and zoning for the property located at 3605 Carter Road from AR-III to RA-200. The applicant was not present. Hall County did not object to this request. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

- 1. The 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 four (4) sides brick with no accents.
- 3. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
- 4. The front, back and side yards shall be sodded.
- 5. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

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

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve subdivision plat for Longacre Industrial Development.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt an ordinance and/or resolution of the City of Buford to regulate and provide for the calling of a special municipal election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, to submit to the qualified voters of the City of Buford the issue of the authorization or non-authorization of package sales of distilled spirits; and other purposes. Chairman Beard asked for any comments from the audience. The City Attorney addresses a comment from the audience regarding "other purposes" in the ordinance.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize City Manager and City Attorney to purchase property located on New Street and Forest Street and authorize Chairman to sign necessary documents to transfer property to Downtown Development Authority upon closing.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve purchase of property located at 680 Forest Street, parcel #7-296-006, in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Ayes 3

Nays 0



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Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize Chairman to enter into final negotiations and sign agreement to extend contract with Republic Services for commercial/industrial sanitation service.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve staff recommendation of Keck & Wood for the design and engineering services for the Buford Multi-Use Trail, Garnett Street Extension, using guidelines as set forth by the Georgia Department of Transportation and authorize staff to enter into contract negotiations for such purposes.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve granting of easement on Southside Road to Gwinnett County for access to back flow prevention devices service domestic water meter at Southside sewer plant.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve contract with Ryals Brothers, LLC for small asphalt patching and paving services.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize release of pledged funds with Peoples Bank & Trust. Chairman Beard abstained.

Ayes 2 Nays 0 Abstained 1

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve update to plan review fee schedule services with Keck & Wood.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt update to the City of Buford Policy for Competitive Negotiation Qualifications-Based Selection for projects using Federal Aid Highway Program (FAHP) funding.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of invoice #18137-06 for new Buford High School stadium to Breaux & Associates.



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Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #15 for water plat expansion project in the amount of \$1,362,447.59.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #1 for Hamilton Mill Road gas main replacement project in the amount of \$227,475.00.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of invoice #6 for Buford High School baseball and softball scoreboards and installation project in the amount of \$57,877.83.

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.

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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 Nays 0

Phillip Beard, Chairman

Chris Burge, Vice Chairman

Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner

City Clerk

Date