

Buford City Commission

September 8, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Buford City Arena

The regular monthly meeting was held on September 8, 2020 at Buford City Arena and all Commission members were present.

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

Motion by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the agenda for the September 8, 2020 meeting as presented.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the August 3, 2020 meeting and the minutes from the special called meeting on August 10, 2020 as presented by staff.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

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

Rezoning:

#Z-20-11: Abdul Asaad requests rezoning for the property located on Buford Highway, being parcels 7-258-172/174 from RM to C-2. The applicant was not present. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to table the request until the October 5, 2020 Commission meeting.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Special Use Permits:

#SUP-20-08: Tim Hughes requested a special use permit for the property located at 5221 Palmero Court, Suites 100 and 204. The special use permit requested is to allow automotive wheel repair and powder coating wheels. Dale Brown spoke on behalf of the applicant and stated that there would be a paint booth inside the building. There were no objections from

the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Outdoor storage of automotive parts, junk vehicles or automotive repair related equipment shall be prohibited.
2. All automotive repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor repair operations shall be prohibited.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

#SUP-20-11: Chestnut Development, LLC requested a special use permit for the property located at 3270 and 3290 Gravel Springs Road. The special use permit requested is to allow minor automotive repair. Mitch Peevy spoke on behalf of the applicant and stated this would consist of an automotive strip center. He also stated that the existing house would be removed. There were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. To allow automotive repair related uses in the front building and small office business in the back building. Retail commercial business shall be prohibited.
2. Storage of vehicles awaiting service shall only be within designated parking spaces.
3. Outdoor storage of business related equipment, parts and junk vehicles shall be prohibited.
4. All work to the vehicles are to be done within the building.
5. The required 75' undisturbed buffer shall be reduced to 0'.
6. Stormwater management systems shall be clear of any required buffers and structure offsets.
7. The development shall comply with requirements of the City of Buford Zoning Ordinance Section 1315, Mall of Georgia Overlay District Requirements.
8. Architectural façade treatments shall be of brick, stone or stucco or combination thereof, except to allow concrete fiber brick for the wood entry accent areas only.
9. The construction documents shall include sidewalks and bike racks. At a minimum the plan shall include sidewalks spanning Gravel Springs Road to the standards of the City of Buford Zoning Ordinance Section 1315, Mall of Georgia Overlay District Requirements.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

#SUP-20-12: Colin J. Evans requested a special use permit for the property located at 4831 Bryant Road, Suite E. The special use permit requested is to allow auto maintenance. Dale Brown spoke on behalf of the applicant and stated that they were in agreement with the conditions. There were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Outdoor storage of automotive parts, junk vehicles or automotive repair related equipment shall be prohibited.
2. All automotive repairs shall take place within the building. Outdoor repair operations shall be prohibited.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Annexations:

Plat #585: 3N Holdings, LLC requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 3663 Carter Road from AR-III to RA-200. The applicant was present and stated that the existing home will remain. Hall County did not object to this annexation and zoning and there were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition that if the existing home is removed or a new home proposed, new home shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Ranch homes shall have a minimum of 2000 square feet and two-story homes shall have a minimum of 2400 square feet exclusive of garage or basement and shall have a two (2) car garage.
2. The residential dwelling front and side elevation shall be a minimum of 40% brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60%. Accents shall include brick, stone, rock, stucco, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding.
3. Driveways shall be a minimum of 18 feet in width.
4. All yards shall be sodded and shall have a minimum of two (2) 2-inch caliper ornamental trees planted in the front yard.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Plat #587: William R. and Charlene R. Shepard requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 5736 Shadburn Ferry Road from R-100 to R-100. The applicant was present and stated the existing home will remain. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning and there were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition that if the existing home is removed, the new home shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Ranch homes shall have a minimum of 2000 square feet and two-story homes shall have a minimum of 2400 square feet exclusive of garage or basement and shall have a two car garage.
2. The residential dwelling front and side elevations shall be a minimum of 40% brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60%. Accents shall include brick, stone, rock, stucco, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding.
3. Driveways shall be a minimum of 18 feet in width.

4. All yards shall be sodded and shall have a minimum of two (2) 2-inch caliper ornamental trees planted in the front yard.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Plat #588: Cameron Henderson requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 3264 Lee Drive from AR-III to RA-200. The applicant was present and stated there is one (1) existing home on the property that will remain and would like to subdivide the property to build another home. Hall County did not object to this annexation and zoning and there were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition that if the existing home is removed or a new home proposed, the new home shall comply with the following conditions:

1. The property shall be subdivided into two (2) lots as per the site plan.
2. Ranch homes shall have a minimum of 2400 square feet and two-story homes shall have a minimum of 2800 square feet exclusive of garage or basement and shall have a two car garage.
3. The residential dwelling front and side elevations shall be a minimum of 40% brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60%. Accents shall include brick, stone, rock, stucco, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding.
4. Driveways shall be a minimum of 18 feet in width.
5. All yards shall be sodded and shall have a minimum of two (2) 2-inch caliper ornamental trees planted in the front yard.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Plat #589: Jessica Spinks requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 3653 Shoreland Drive from VC to R-100. The applicant was present and stated the existing home will remain. Hall County did not object to this annexation and zoning and there were no objections from the audience. Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following condition that if the existing home is removed, the new home shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Ranch homes shall have a minimum of 2000 square feet and two-story homes shall have a minimum of 2400 square feet exclusive of garage or basement and shall have a two car garage.
2. The residential dwelling front and side elevations shall be a minimum of 40% brick or stone with accents not to exceed 60%. Accents shall include brick, stone, rock, stucco, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding.
3. Driveways shall be a minimum of 18 feet in width.
4. All yards shall be sodded and shall have a minimum of two (2) 2-inch caliper ornamental trees planted in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the final plat for Summerlyn Subdivision.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated at this time there would be a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget and 2020 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 FY 2021 Operating Budget, the 2020 proposed Gwinnett and Hall County millage rate or the proposed 2020 millage rate for Hall County with the LOST rollback.

The Commission will consider the 2020 property tax millage rate for Buford City Schools in Gwinnett and Hall Counties at the October 5, 2020 Commission meeting to be held at the Buford City Arena, 2795 Sawnee Avenue.

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

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the City of Buford CARES Act expenditures submitted to Gwinnett County for approval.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve exemption of requirement to install curb and gutter and sidewalk at 2089 Buford Dam Road for Rodney Hellemn. (Gwinnett request)

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt an ordinance/resolution to facilitate further study of convenience stores with or without fuel pumps and automotive service stations, with or without fuel pumps in anticipation of amending the City's zoning ordinance in respect to such establishments within the City of Buford; and other purposes until January 6, 2021 or until the date of the repeal of this Ordinance/Resolution, whichever event first occurs.



Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize City Manager and City Attorney to purchase property on Espy Street.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize City Manager to accept easement form Backstreet Buford, LLC to locate utilities.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

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

Ayes 2
Nays 0
Abstain 1

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve low bid for City of Buford 2020 LMIG paving project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #2 for Church Street stormwater improvements.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #11 for the legion fields improvements project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks and seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #23 for the Buford parking deck project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #3 and invoice #1520 for Southside Wastewater Plant Flow Diversion Structure.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's report.

Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's report.

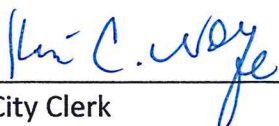
Motion by Mr. Burge and seconded by Mr. Weeks to adjourn.

Ayes 3
Nays 0


Phillip Beard, Chairman


Chris Burge, Vice-Chairman


Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner


City Clerk

9-8-2020
Date