

UNION CITY MINUTES
WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014
6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Vince Williams, Councilmembers Shayla Nealy, Brian Jones, Angelette Mealing and Joyce Robinson, City Attorney Dennis Davenport, City Manager Sonja Fillingame and Assistant City Clerk Ricky L. Clark, Jr.

Absent: Jacqueline R. Cossey, City Clerk

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Williams.

- I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- II. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO DISCUSS ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (2 MIN.)
- III. PRESENTATIONS/ ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

Presentation to the winner of the Cutest Baby Contest

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Council and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Regular Agenda for separate consideration.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Council to consider approval of a Resolution to amend the Urban Redevelopment Plan of the City of Union City. (*Returned 30-Days from May 20, 2014 Council Meeting*)

Senior Planner, Shayla Harris advised that the petitioner has asked that this item be withdrawn from the agenda. Ms. Harris further noted that there will be an annexation request presented to Council in September. The petitioner has requested that the item come before council at that time, stated Ms. Harris.

Upon question of Mayor Williams, City Attorney Davenport stated that since this item must appear on the Regular Meeting Agenda, he would recommend taking official action at that time to withdraw.

Item was added to the regular agenda.

V. REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the Minutes:
Worksession Meeting, 05/20/2014
Regular Council Meeting, 05/20/2014
FY 2015 Annual Retreat, 05/23/2014

No corrections were made to the Minutes.

The Minutes were added to the consent agenda as written.

2. **Public Hearing** to consider a petition submitted by Randy Grebeck for malt and vinous liquor license for package sales for the Southwind Golf Community located at 5695 Rosewood Place.

Senior Planner Shayla Harris led this discussion and stated that the petitioner has requested that this item be withdrawn from the agenda.

3. Council to consider approval of the FY 2015-2017 cooperation agreement between the City of Union City and Fulton County to continue its participation in the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Public Services Director Cedric Clark led this discussion and stated that historically the City has had a great working relationship with Fulton County and the CDBG Program. At current, there is a three (3) year program in which funding is received, noted Mr. Clark. Furthermore, Mr. Clark advised that it is time to renew this grant. The City expects to receive an allocation of \$55,000 per annum for FY 2015, 2016 & 2017. This allocation will result in \$165,000 in funding and there is not a required match. The only stipulation, as stated by Mr. Clark, is that the funding be utilized in a low income or elderly population area.

Upon question of Councilmember Jones, Mr. Clark advised that staff is now working on the application and have proposed the Lester Road corridor & both North & South corridors of Oakley Industrial.

Councilmember Mealing requested that Mr. Clark initiate dialogue amongst Fulton County to check the possibility of the City receiving an increased allocation based upon the growth the City has experienced.

Mr. Clark answered stating that there has been ongoing dialogue with Fulton County to discuss Ms. Mealing's aforementioned concerns. Furthermore, Mr. Clark advised that the current allocation is based upon the 2010 Census report. In closing, Mr. Clark advised that we would get new numbers when the 2020 Census report is released.

Further, Mr. Clark advised that there has been relative discussion regarding the areas that are not utilizing their funding. Mr. Clark stated that there may be an opportunity for the City to tap into those funds as well. In closing, Mr. Clark stated that he has requested that Fulton County put the City in line for those funds.

Councilmember Jones questioned if the contractors monitor the process to ensure that the David-Bacons Act is followed. Mr. Clark advised that the City is ultimately responsible based upon our contract. Pursuant to the contract terms that are executed between the City & the Contractor, we hold them accountable. Mr. Jones reiterated that if this process is not followed, we could lose funding.

Councilmember Nealy questioned if staff had looked into the South Fulton Comprehensive Transportation Plan to ascertain if there were any conflicts. Mr. Clark stated that staff has not looked into the Transportation Plan as of yet but he will make a note to look back into it.

Item was added to Consent Agenda.

4. Council to consider approval of a resolution regarding the FY 2015-2017 cooperation agreement between the City of Union City and Fulton County to continue its participation in the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Mr. Clark advised that this item is only a Resolution confirming our commitment of Item # 3.

Item was added to Consent Agenda.

5. Council to consider obtaining a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) in the amount of \$3 Million.

Comptroller Tarsha Calloway stated that the Finance Department is requesting to obtain a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN). Mrs. Calloway stated that the City can request up to 75% of the prior year's taxes. Furthermore, Mrs. Calloway stated that she is hoping that we do not need the TAN. Last year, the City obtained a TAN that was treated as a line of credit for \$3 million dollars but the City only drew down on \$1 million.

Councilmember Robinson questioned what happens to the remaining \$2 Million dollars that wasn't needed. Mrs. Calloway stated that the City never received the \$2 million; we only drew down what was needed and it was treated as a line of credit. Hence, the City only paid interest on the \$1 million that was drew down, noted Mrs. Calloway.

Item was added to Consent Agenda

6. Council to consider approval of the 2014 Bond Issue for the Water and Sewer Authority.

City Attorney Davenport stated that the documents were submitted to City Clerk Jacqueline Cossey last week once they were made available. Further, Mr. Davenport noted that you are required to have certain disclosures on a regular basis with your outstanding bond issues. Over the years, sometimes those disclosures were not made. These policies are to be put in place to give comfort level to the appropriate individuals that are reviewing our financial picture, the City of Fairburn financial pictures & the City of Palmetto. All entities are adopting the same type of policies, noted Attorney Davenport. At the last meeting, the City entered into an agreement

with DAC and this proposed policy will be incorporated with DAC to ensure proper disclosures are made, stated Attorney Davenport.

Item was added to Consent Agenda

7. Council to consider approval of a resolution regarding 2014 Bond Issue for the Water and Sewer Authority.

Item was withdrawn from the Agenda.

8. Council to consider approval of an intergovernmental agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) the City of Fairburn and the City of Union City regarding the Union City Pedestrian System (Project Number CSTEE-0009-00(060).

Mr. Clark advised that through the hard work of staff, the phase two project is back on board. Further, Mr. Clark advised that staff has solidified an investment with the City of Fairburn in the amount of \$80,000 for intersection improvements at SR 138 & SR 29. Mr. Clark stated that these allocated funding allotments will be utilized to replace the entire sidewalk along SR 29. In closing, Mr. Clark stated that this project will serve as a model for regional planning and coordination as we continue to enhance transportation.

Councilmember Mealing began by stating that she is happy this item has finally surfaced as it is long overdue. Further, Ms. Mealing questioned the anticipated completion date of the project. Mr. Clark advised that currently the LET date is August 2015. Mr. Clark stated that he anticipates the project taking about 12-18 months to complete.

Councilmember Nealy questioned who is doing the design and construction for the project. Mr. Clark stated that we have a firm contracted for design. Further, Mr. Clark advised that the City is the sponsor and we have a contract with the consultant and we also have an IGA that goes in to depth as it pertains to costs.

Item was added to Consent Agenda

- VI. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None.

City Manager Reports:

- Internship Program
- Royal South Parkway
- Preliminary Budget Calendar

- VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- VIII. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR & COUNCIL:

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.