# UNION CITY MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Mayor Vince Williams, Councilmembers Brian Jones, Christina Hobbs, Angelette Mealing, Shayla Nealy, City Attorney Dennis Davenport, City Manager Sonja Fillingame, City Clerk Jacqueline R. Cossey and Assistant City

Clerk Shandrella Jewett

Dept. Heads:

Tarsha Calloway – Finance, Maurice Ungaro (The Collaborative Firm) – Community Development, Lee Brown – Assistant Police Chief, Joe Maddox - Fire Chief, Rhonda Jones – Human Resources, Lee Blitch – Parks & Recreation, Lonnie Ferguson – Public Services and Trey Bennings – Information Technology

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Williams.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Invocation by Councilmember Christina Hobbs

II. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO DISCUSS ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: (2 MIN.)

No public comments were made.

# III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

A Proclamation presented to Shamika Jones on behalf of Color The World Orange and bringing awareness to Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)

Mayor Williams presented Ms. Shamika Jones with the aforementioned proclamation followed by a photo with the Mayor and Council.

# IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

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.

1. Approval of the Minutes:

Worksession Meeting, 09/20/2016 Regular Council Meeting, 09/20/2016

- 2. Council to consider approval of a resolution as a part of the agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) for cable and telecommunications management services.
- 3. Council to consider approval of a request for a transmittal draft of the 2016 Union City Comprehensive Plan 2010-2020 Update.

- 4. Council to consider approval of a resolution to adopt the 2016 Fulton County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- 5. Council to consider approval of a request to apply for a federal grant through the Assistance to Firefighters Program in the amount of \$40,000 which includes \$38,000 in federal funding and \$2,000 in the City's matching funds.
- 6. Council to consider a request to review Union City Ordinance Number 2014-04 pertaining to the use of vehicle immobilization devices.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

# **REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Council to consider the reappointment of Annie Barlow to the Housing Authority Board. (Her term expires October 31, 2016)

A discussion ensued with Mayor Williams recommended that the Council moves forward with their decision from the Worksession to allow Ms. Barlow to continue to serve until a recommendation comes from the Housing Authority Board.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried the aforementioned recommendation was unanimously approved.

2. Council to consider approval of a request to change the Worksession Meeting time from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Nealy and carried the aforementioned item was tabled until December. Vote was unanimous.

3. Council to consider approval of a request to participate in Connect South Fulton.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Nealy and carried the aforementioned item was unanimously approved.

VII. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION</u>; None.

City Manager Reports:

City Manager Fillingame provided an update on the following events:

- Union City Pinktober Breast Cancer 5K- October 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Union City Music and Arts Festival October 22 nd

# VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

# IX. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Councilmember Mealing made comments regarding the following:

- Thanks were extended to the citizens for coming out and being engaged
- Recognition was given to the fathers for a great Father and Daughter Pancake Breakfast
- Acknowledgement was extended to the Union City Football Team for their winning streak
- Recognition was given to the planning team for organizing the Breast Cancer 5K
- Everyone was encouraged to vote
- Condolences were extended to the family of the late former Councilmember Helen Turner

# Councilmember Jones made comments regarding the following:

- Many thanks were extended to the residents for allowing him to serve on City Council. He recently attended a leadership training session in Madison, Wisconsin regarding blighted areas, medical marijuana and police involved shootings in your city
- Residents were cautioned to be mindful of thefts and purses stolen while left in cars
- Residents were urged to call 911 on beggars at the local Quick Trip and KFC
- Many thanks were extended to the Police Department for attending the memorial service of the deceased Banneker students
- Staff was encouraged to look into the amount of the City's movie permits
- Acknowledgement was extended to the general obligation bonds and the renovation of the old GMC building to give the community a useful facility
- Recognition was given to TSPLOST
- Everyone was encouraged to vote
- Many Thanks were extended to Nicole Dozier for her efforts while in Union City
- Many Thanks were extended to staff
- A special thanks was extended to Lee Blitch for a great Cheer Dad Breakfast

# Councilmember Hobbs made comments regarding the following:

- Thanks were extended to everyone for attending the meeting
- Thanks were extended to staff and the department heads
- A special thank you was extended to Tarsha Calloway and Anna-Marie Robinson-Berry for their support with the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual University System Georgia Procurement Expo
- Recognition was given to the Breast Cancer 5K
- Recognition was given to early voting
- Recognition was given to the South Fulton Corridor Plan Charrette
- A plea was made to keep the children safe during Halloween
- Everyone was encouraged to understand the issues and vote

# Councilmember Nealy made comments regarding the following:

- Thanks and Congratulations were extended to Ms. Jones for Color the World Orange
- Recognition was given to Union City's Homecoming last month

- Many thanks were extended to Director Ferguson for educating the crowd with regards to TSPLOST
- Recognition was given to the Millennial Committee
- Acknowledgement was extended to the development on Buffington Road
- An inquiry was raised as to a grand opening and ribbon cutting at Studio 404
- Staff was asked to check the loads and bulking at Proctor & Gamble (P&G)
- Staff was asked to check into how well the City faired at the Fall Clean Up
- A reminder was made as to early voting
- Recognition was given to Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October. Staff was asked to look into Twitter and YouTube to reach a vaster audience
- Acknowledgement was extended to the South Fulton Municipal Association Meeting, hosted by Union City, October 20, 2016
- Recognition was given to staff for doing a great job with getting information out
- Recognition was given to the events this weekend
- An invitation was extended to everyone to come out and support her as she
  moderates a forum regarding healthcare, public policy, leadership, education and
  family, sponsored by Alpha Kapa Alpha and the Coalition of the 100 Black
  Women. The event will take place on Sunday, October 23, at the South Fulton
  Municipal Library on Flat Shoals Road.

Mayor Williams made comments regarding the following:

- Recognition was given to Atlanta Metro Studios for their movie and television projects (the television project is 24 Legacy) and a ribbon cutting is forthcoming
- Proper permitting was addressed and staff was directed to reach out to California, New York and Louisiana
- Recognition was given to the late former Councilmember Helen Turner
- Many thanks were extended to staff for a job well done and engaging in a true commitment
- Thanks were extended to Mr. Lewis Helvey
- Everyone was encouraged to vote
- Recognition was brought to TSPLOST
- Recognition was brought to a possible naming contest for the Community Center following the election
- Recognition was brought to the South Fulton Municipal Association Meeting, hosted by Union City on October 20<sup>th</sup>
- Recognition was brought to the South Fulton Corridor Plan Charrettes Meeting
- Recognition was brought to fair parking for all staff

# X. ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, the meeting adjourned.

Jacqueline R. Cossey, City Clerk

Vince R. Williams, Mayor