

UNION CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vince Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Brian Jones
Councilmember Angelette Mealing
Councilmember Shayla Nealy
Councilmember Christina Hobbs
City Attorney - Dennis Davenport
City Manager - Sonja Fillingame
Assistant City Manager - Tarsha Calloway
City Clerk - Shandrella Jewett

Linda Goodman - Finance Director
Ellis Still - Community Development Director
Lonnie Ferguson -Public Services Director
Lee Blitch - Parks and Recreation Director
Cassandra Jones —Police Chief
Joe Maddox - Fire Chief
Rhonda Galloway - Human Resource Manager
Trey Bennings - Information Technology Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Invocation by Mayor Vince Williams

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

Tonya Isles, 5147 Rapahoe Trail – Spoke regarding vehicle safety on South Fulton Parkway

III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Announcement and Recognition of Employee of the Month
Giavani Smith was recognized as the Employee of the Month
- TAD Presentation by Gary Mongeon

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. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of the Minutes:

- 08/21/18 - Budget Presentation Meeting
- 08/21/18 - Work Session Meeting
- 08/21/18 - Regular Council Meeting
- 08/28/18 - Final Adoption of Millage Rate and Budget Meeting

B. Council to consider a request to enter a Contract Agreement between the City of Union City and Forever Young Amusements.

C. Council to consider a request to enter into a Strategic Alliance Memorandum Agreement with the United States Small Business Administration and the City of Union City, Georgia.

D. Council to consider the acceptance of a SAFER Grant from the federal government in the amount of \$841,750 for seven (7) firefighters.

E. Council to consider a request regarding the “Release of Ownership of Canine”.

F. Council to consider a resolution regarding Human Trafficking.

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

V. OLD BUSINESS:

None

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

- A. **Public Hearing** to consider a Text Amendment to (1.) amending Section 6-11 to remove “Telecommunications” as a Permitted Use in the GC General Commercial zoning district and to add “Towers” as a Conditional Use in said zoning district, as provided in Articles III and VIII of the Zoning Ordinance; (2.) amending Section 8-3 by adding a specific conditional use for towers in the GC General Commercial zoning district, where the applicant has demonstrated a gap in coverage that cannot be remedied by placing a tower on property zoned to the M-1, M-2 or TCMU districts; and (3.) amending Section 8-4 by removing Subsection B of said section pertaining to “Specific Administratively Approved Uses”. *(PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL)*

Director Still provided a narrative detailing the Text Amendment.

Public Hearing Open

No one came forth

Public Hearing Closed

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, Council approved the above mentioned Text Amendment. Vote was unanimous.

- B. **Public Hearing** to consider a Text Amendment to establish criteria for dealing with Donation Boxes to address the rising number of unattended donation boxes and the need to prevent unsightly conditions related to materials accumulating in and around donation boxes. *(PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL)*

Director Still provided a narrative detailing the Text Amendment.

Public Hearing Open

No one came forth

Public Hearing Closed

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, Council approved the above mentioned Text Amendment with conditional guidance. Vote was unanimous.

- C. **Public Hearing** to consider a Text Amendment to revise the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Union City by (1.) amending Section 6-13 M-1 Light Industrial and Section 6-14 M-2 Heavy Industrial zoning districts and (2.) amending Section 6-13 M-1 Light Industrial, Conditional Uses. *(PLANNING COMMISSION, LEGAL, AND STAFF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL)*

Director Still provided a narrative detailing the Text Amendment.

Public Hearing Open

No one came forth

Public Hearing Closed

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council approved the above mentioned Text Amendment. Vote was unanimous.

VII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

A. Municipal Court Judge Ronald J. Freeman

- Introduction of Court Administrator, Kristie Collier

B. City Manager Fillingame

- Naming Policy for Union City's Public Facilities. Mayor and Council was advised that a preliminary policy was drafted and shared with the City Attorney. Staff and legal will coordinate a date to review the policy and bring before Council at the October 2018 Council Meeting for consideration and adoption
- Community Center is moving in full speed
- Working on a Millennium Engagement Survey project through the National League of Cities
- Homecoming – September 27-29, 2018

Director Blich provided the following schedule of events:

September 27, 2018 - Homecoming Coronation at Banneker High School

September 28, 2018 - Pep Rally at Ronald Bridges Park

September 29, 2018 - Games and Crowning Ceremony at Ronald Bridges Park

October 13, 2018 - Cheer Dad Pancake Breakfast at 6:00 a.m.

Director Blich also spoke regarding restroom being opened at the ballfield

- October 13, 2018 - Music & Arts Festival in conjunction with UC 110th Anniversary Celebration
- October 13, 2018 - 5K Breast Cancer Walk/Run (5 Year Anniversary)
- October 26, 2018 - Fall Festival

C. Assistant City Manager, Tarsha Calloway

- Water bill delays
- David Williams, new meter technician started September 17, 2018

D. Attorney Dennis Davenport

- October 31, 2018 - Jail scheduled closing date

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Nealy and carried, Council approved the extension of the jail up to October 31, 2018. Vote was unanimous.

VIII. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Councilmember Nealy made the following comments

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Giavani Smith, Employee of the Month
- Kristie Collier, Court Administrator (new hire)
- Rhonda Calloway and Chandra Lewis – Employee Appreciation Day
- Fire Department for securing the SAFER Grant
- Andy Dillard, Brian Fisher, William Kee, and Christopher Stephens for receiving the Silent Heroes Award on September 8, 2018. They were honored for showing team work while responding to an incident on I-85 in Fairburn, GA

Spoke regarding:

- Georgia Board of American Cancer Society – Council member Nealy was appointed to the board.
- Serenbe Institute – Thanked everyone for reaching out regarding the UC Art Festival and programming at the new Community Center

Councilmember Jones made the following comments

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Giavani Smith, Employee of the Month
- Staff
- Andy Dillard, Brian Fisher, William Kee, and Christopher Stephens for receiving the Silent Heroes Award on September 8, 2018. They were honored for showing team work while responding to an incident on I-85 in Fairburn, GA

Spoke regarding:

- 2018 Profiles of Prominence Award from the National Women of Achievement, Inc. on October 6, 2018 – Council member Jones was selected to receive the award

Councilmember Mealing made the following comments

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Giavani Smith, Employee of the Month
- Staff
- Councilmember Mealing's promotion at work
- Isaiah Reed for being accepted to Ronald Clark Academy
- Andy Dillard, Brian Fisher, William Kee, and Christopher Stephens for receiving the Silent Heroes Award on September 8, 2018. They were honored for showing team work while responding to an incident on I-85 in Fairburn, GA

Councilmember Hobbs made the following comments

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Giavani Smith, Employee of the Month
- Rhonda Galloway and Chandra Lewis for a successful Employee Appreciation Day
- Andy Dillard, Brian Fisher, William Kee, and Christopher Stephens for receiving the Silent Heroes Award on September 8, 2018. They were honored for showing team work while responding to an incident on I-85 in Fairburn, GA
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Hurricane Florence - Thoughts and prayers to those affected by the hurricane

Important Dates:

- August 31 to September 1, 2018 – Attended the NLC Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting in Ft. Worth, Texas

Mayor Williams made the following comments

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Giavani Smith, Employee of the Month
- Fire Department receiving the SAFER Grant
- City Manager Fillingame's birthday (August 26)

- Andy Dillard, Brian Fisher, William Kee, and Christopher Stephens for receiving the Silent Heroes Award on September 8, 2018. They were honored for showing team work while responding to an incident on I-85 in Fairburn, GA
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Opportunities that will come to fruition from the FY19 Budget
- Vacant building (old movie theatre)

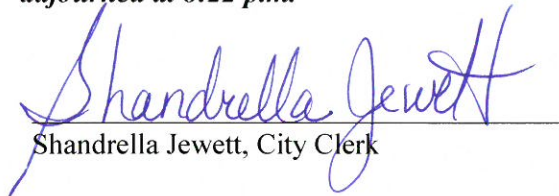
Important Dates:

- August 26 - City Manager Fillingame's birthday
- August 24, 2018 - Attended the Marta Meeting regarding Transit and Transportation
- September 5, 2018 - Attended the ACCG and GMA Meeting
- September 2, 2018 - Attended the MEAC/SWAC Football Classic
- September 11-14, 2018 - Attended the LPC Board Meeting and Executive Board Meeting
- September 18, 2018 - Bus Tour and Luncheon hosted by Aretropolis Atlanta and Connect South Fulton

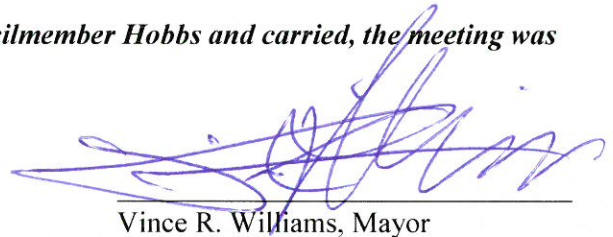
IX. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk



Vince R. Williams, Mayor

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

EXECUTIVE SESSION AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me, Vince Williams, Mayor of the City of Union City, Georgia, who after being duly sworn says:

1.

I was the presiding officer of a meeting of the Union City Mayor and City Council held on the 18th day of September 20 18.

2.

That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b) provides as follows:

When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection a of this Code section, the person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.

3.

The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 18th day of September, 20 18, which was closed for the purpose(s) of one threatened litigation, one pending litigation and review of the executive session minutes from August 21+22, 2018 as allowed by O.C.G.A., Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

4.

This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 (b) that such an affidavit is executed.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

[Handwritten signature of Vince Williams]
Vince Williams, Mayor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of September, 20 18.

[Handwritten signature of Shandrella L. Jewett]
Notary Public

