

UNION CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018
7:00 P.M.

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

Linda Goodman – Human Resource Director
Ellis Still – Community Development Director
Lonnie Ferguson – Public Services Director
Lee Blich – Parks and Recreation Director
Cassandra Jones – Police Chief
Joe Maddox – Fire Chief
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 Trey Bennings

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

None

III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Announcement and Recognition of Employee of the Month
Janet Reaves, Accountant I (Payables) was selected as Employee of the Month
- Safe Kids Presentation by Angela Johnson
Ms. Johnson thanked everyone for supporting her program and the children throughout Fulton County Government. Safe Kid’s mission is to support families and children and prevent unintentional injuries. Ms. Johnson and City Manager Fillingame thanked the Fire Department and the Police Department for their hard work, dedication, and commitment.
- Aerotropolis Atlanta CID Presentation

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:

- 10/16/18 - Work Session Meeting
- 10/16/18 - Regular Council Meeting

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

B. Council to consider approval of a letter of support to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Buffington Road Project (PI #'s: 0013948 and 0013949).

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

C. Council to consider a request for approval to enter into an agreement for Union City Pedestrian System Phase II (PI # 0006644) (RFB-PS-19-01).

Ms. Robinson-Berry advised Mayor and Council that the project consists of pedestrian and other roadway improvements including new sidewalks, shared bike lane, pavement markings, curb and gutter, storm improvements, ADA-accessible curb ramps, and pavement milling and resurfacing.

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

- D. Council to consider a request to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between City of Fairburn and City of Union City; Vickers Road Resurfacing.

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

- E. Council to consider approval of Resolution 2018-13 regarding a Joint Water Withdrawal Permit Application on behalf of the South Fulton Municipal Regional Water and Sewer Authority.

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

- F. Council to consider approval of a State required update of the Soil Erosion, Sedimentation & Pollution Control Ordinance Revisions.

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

- G. Council to consider adopting a resolution for the Redevelopment Plan of the Tax Allocation District (TAD) Number Two – Roosevelt Highway Corridor and City Center”, including recommended boundaries for the proposed TAD, proposed uses of Tax allocation increments and related plan contents.

The item was added to the Consent Agenda.

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

V. REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Council to consider a request to enter into an Intergovernmental Visual Art Loan Agreement between Fulton County Department of Arts and Culture and the City of Union City, Georgia.

A discussion took place regarding the mounting of the art piece and the cost to insure it.

City Manager Fillingame advised Council that the County’s deadline for submission of the agreement is December 31, 2018. Cindy Givens advised Council that the agreement is for ten (10) years and is up for renewal every five (5) years.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council gave approval with inclusion of Attorney Stough’s recommendations and contingent upon Union City’s legal department working with the County. Vote was unanimous.

- B. Council to consider making a recommendation to create a name for the new Community Center.

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| ▪ The Union City Gathering Place | ▪ Union Station Multipurpose Center |
| ▪ UC Progressive Community Center | ▪ Dr. Robert & Jo Croom Center |
| ▪ Unity Community Center | ▪ Union City Hope Center |
| ▪ Union City Community Center | ▪ Union City Eagles Nest |

The following name was chosen and agreed upon by Mayor and Council: “Union City Gathering Place”.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council agreed to name the new Community Center “Union City Gathering Place”. Vote was unanimous.

VI. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Comments by Councilmember Nealy

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Janet Reaves, Employee of the Month
- Everyone who supported Hurricane Michael Relief Effort for Panama City, FL
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Attended NLC City Summit that was held November 7-10, 2018, in Los Angeles, CA
- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

Comments by Councilmember Jones

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Janet Reaves, Employee of the Month
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Prayers extended to the families of Councilmember Ivory Young (City of Atlanta) and Councilmember Mike Miller (City of Douglasville)
- Fall Festival was held on October 27, 2018
- Audi Dealership Grand Opening was held on November 1, 2018
- Attended NLC City Summit that was held November 7-10, 2018, in Los Angeles, CA
- Attended UC Town Hall Meeting that was held on November 15, 2018
- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

Important dates:

- November 2018 – “No Shave November”
- November 28, 2018 – Planet Fitness Grand Opening
- December 10, 2018 – UC Holiday Tree Lighting

Comments by Councilmember Mealing

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Janet Reaves, Employee of the Month
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Prayers extended to the families of those affected by the fires in California and the hurricane in Florida
- Attended UC Town Hall Meeting that was held on November 15, 2018
- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

Comments by Councilmember Hobbs

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Janet Reaves, Employee of the Month
- Chief Maddox and the Fire Department for partnering with Safe Kids
- Chief Jones and the Police Department for partnering with Safe Kids
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Audi Dealership Grand Opening was held on November 1, 2018
- Attended NLC City Summit that was held November 7-10, 2018, in Los Angeles, CA
- Attended UC Town Hall Meeting that was held on November 15, 2018
- The naming of the Community Center
- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

- Keep the nation in prayer

Important Dates:

- November is Alzheimer's Awareness and Caregivers
- November 24, 2018 – Small Businesses Saturday
- November 28, 2018 – Planet Fitness Grand Opening

Comments by Mayor Williams

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Janet Reaves, Employee of the Month
- Staff

Spoke regarding:

- Prayers extended to the families of those affected by the fires in California and the hurricane in Florida
- Spin the District Cycling event was held in Union City on October 21, 2018
- Audi Dealership Grand Opening was held on November 1, 2018
- Urgent Care Facility Grand Opening was held on November 1, 2018. Located across from Ihop
- CDBG Funding – Would like to assist some of the challenged communities who need to do small repairs to beautify their areas
- Customer Services at the Post Office in Union City has been a challenge and should be directed to congressional oversight
- Met with Creekside High School "Ag Team" regarding the Community Garden and Farmer's Market initiative
- GMA Mayor's Christmas Motorcade
- Attended NLC City Summit that was held November 7-10, 2018, in Los Angeles, CA
- Attended UC Town Hall Meeting that was held on November 15, 2018
- National Day of Racial Healing – Will support via Proclamation in 2019
- Disaster Preparedness and Active Shooter Training
- Beautifying Island on Studio Way
- Small Business Incubator Funding Opportunities
- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving

At this time, Attorney Stough stated that he needed to enter into Executive Session for the following items: land acquisition and review of the Executive Session Minutes from October 16, 2018.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, Council entered into Executive Session to consider the following: land acquisition and review of the Executive Session Minutes from October 16, 2018. Vote was unanimous.

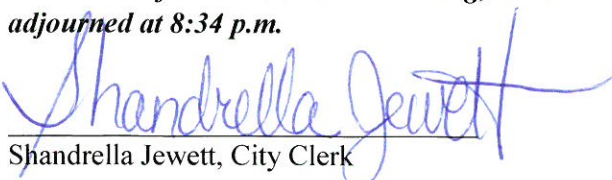
On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, Council reconvened to Regular Session. Vote was unanimous.

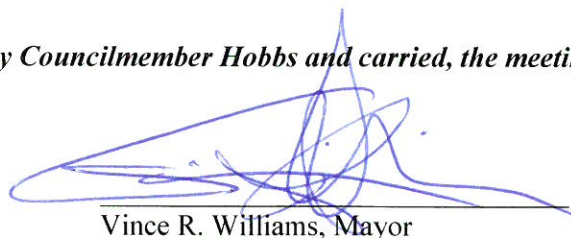
On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, the Executive Session Minutes from October 16, 2018 was unanimously approved.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 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 for the City of Union City, Georgia, who after being duly sworn says:

1.

I was the presiding officer of a meeting for the Union City Mayor and City Council held on the **20th** day of **November, 2018**.

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 **20th** day of **November, 2018**, which was closed for the purpose(s) of **land acquisition and review of the Executive Session Minutes from October 16, 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.


Vince Williams, Mayor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
20th day of November, 2018.


Notary Public

