

UNION CITY, GEORGIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Mayor Vince Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Angelette Mealing
Councilmember Christina Hobbs
Councilmember Brian Jones
Councilmember Shayla Nealy
City Attorney - Dennis Davenport
City Manager - Sonja Fillingame

City Clerk - Shandrella Jewett
Human Resource Director - Linda Goodman
Police Chief - Cassandra Jones
Fire Chief - Joe Maddox
Public Services Director - Lonnie Ferguson

ABSENT:

Assistant City Manager – Tarsha Calloway
Information Technology – Trey Bennings

Court Administrator – Kristie Collier
Parks and Recreation Director - Lee Blitch

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

Moment of Silence in remembrance of Commissioner Emma I. Darnell, Bonnie Henton, and Michelle Jackson.

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

Kathy Butler, 2216 Jenny Drive – Spoke regarding the following:

- Requesting a round table discussion concerning taxes

Reggie Williams, 6401 Guinness Court – Spoke regarding the following:

- Vehicle break-ins and safety in the community

III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Announcement and Recognition of Employee of the Month

Detective Monique Miles from the Police Department received the Employee of the Month Award

- Presentation by Kristen Mote (Aerotropolis Transit Feasibility Study)
- Presentation by Carla Morrison (Sisters of Today and Tomorrow)

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:

- 04/16/19 - Work Session Meeting
- 04/16/19 - Regular Council Meeting

B. Council to consider a request for approval of guidelines for “Use of Space Policy for Non-Court Entities – Union City Municipal Court”.

- C. Council to consider approval of a request to grant the Housing Authority a waiver of its Payment in Lieu of Taxes (P.I.L.O.T) for 2019.
- D. Council to consider approval to enter into agreement with Mullins Brothers for Flat Shoals Resurfacing and Sidewalk Improvement Project (RFB-PS-19-03).

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council approved the Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimous.

V. REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Council to consider a request for approval of Resolution #2019-07 – “The Aerotropolis Transit Feasibility Study.”

On motion of Councilmember Hobbs, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing and carried, Council approved Resolution 2019-07. Vote was unanimous.

- B. Council to consider a request to authorize a limited amount of fans to be purchased for distribution by Union City’s Fire Department due to anticipated weather.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council approved the request to authorize a limited amount of fans to be purchased for distribution by Union City’s Fire Department due to anticipated weather. Vote was unanimous.

- C. Council to consider a request to amend the existing contract with Denton US, LLP for an additional \$30,000.00.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing and carried, Council approved the request to amend the existing contract with Dentons US, LLP for an additional \$30,000.00. Vote was unanimous.

- D. Council to consider a request for approval to change the name of the Etris Community Center to the Etris-Darnell Center via resolution.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council approved the request to change the name of the Etris Community Center to the Etris-Darnell Center via Resolution. Vote was unanimous.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

- A. **Public Hearing** to consider a request for approval to rezone .69822 acres of land that is located on 5460 Stonewall Tell Road in Union City, GA.

Mayor Williams stated that he was not in support of any other uses besides residential.

Public Hearing Opened

No one came forth to speak

Public Hearing Closed

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council approved the request to rezone .69822 acres of land that is located on 5460 Stonewall Tell Road in Union City, GA. Vote was unanimous.

VII. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

- A. June 8, 2019 - Movies by Moonlight
- B. Cooling Centers - Plans and Preparation regarding the weather

Council to consider a request to authorize a limited amount of fans to be purchased for distribution by Union City's Fire Department due to anticipated weather.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council approved the purchase of fans for the seniors due to anticipated weather.

VIII. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Comments by Councilmember Nealy

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgments extended to:

- Detective Monique Miles (Police Department) - Employee of the Month
- Kristen Mote for providing an update regarding the Aerotropolis Transit Feasibility Study
- Graduates of 2019
- Ms. Morrison for "Sisters of Today and Tomorrow"
- Staff

Remarks:

- Prayers extended to the family of Bonnie Henton, Michelle Jackson, and Emma Darnell
- Looking forward to the Summer Programs at the Gathering Place
- Encouraged residents to stay engaged on Union City's Social Media Platform
- Celebrated at the Women of Excellence Award in April 2019
- Participated on a panel "Run Girl Run" that was sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha

Comments by Councilmember Jones

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgments extended to:

- Detective Monique Miles (Police Department) - Employee of the Month
- Ms. Morrison for "Sisters of Today and Tomorrow"
- Staff

Remarks:

- Would like to see more Community Clean-ups
- The passing of Commissioner Emma Darnell and other co-workers
- Prayers extended to the family of Bonnie Henton, Michelle Jackson, and Emma Darnell

Comments by Councilmember Hobbs

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgments extended to:

- Detective Monique Miles (Police Department) - Employee of the Month
- City of South Fulton for hosting the South Fulton Municipal Association Meeting in May 2019
- Graduates of 2019
- Honorable Joyce Robinson for attending Council Meeting
- Citizens of the Police Academy for attending Council Meeting

Remarks:

- Happy Mother's Day
- The passing of Commissioner Emma Darnell
- Prayers extended to the family of Bonnie Henton, Michelle Jackson, and Emma Darnell

Comments by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing

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- Councilmember Nealy for receiving the Women of Excellence Award
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- Public Safety regarding Kids in the Park
- Ms. Morrison for “Sisters of Today and Tomorrow”

Remarks:

- Prayers extended to the family of Bonnie Henton, Michelle Jackson, and Emma Darnell
- Prayers extended to all Public Safety workers regarding the shooting that happened in Virginia Beach

Comments by Mayor Williams

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgments extended to:

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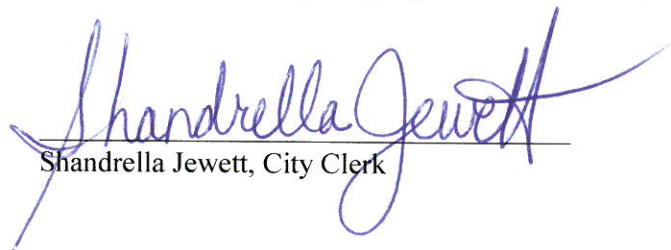
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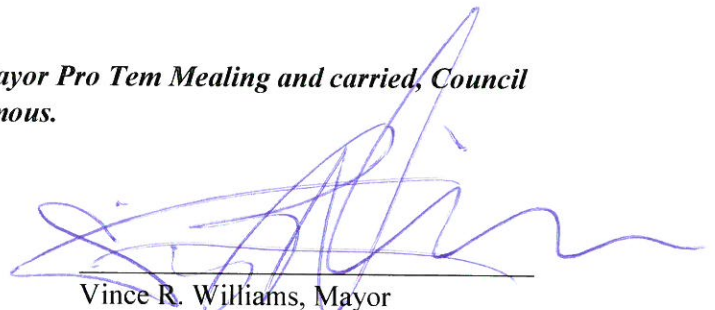
- Need to do more Community Clean-ups
- 2020 Census
- July 8-12, 2019 – Public Safety Camp (consist of Camp 911 and Junior Fire Deputy Camp)
- July 17, 2019 – Union City Job Fair
- July 20, 2019 – Annual Back to School Backpack Giveaway
- Prayers extended to the family of Bonnie Henton, Michelle Jackson, and Emma Darnell
- Prayers extended to all Public Safety workers regarding the shooting that happened in Virginia Beach

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing and carried, Council adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Vote was unanimous.


Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk


Vince R. Williams, Mayor