

UNION CITY, GEORGIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Mayor Vince Williams	Human Resources Director - Linda Goodman-Warren
Mayor Pro Tem, Angelette Mealing	Community Development Director - Ellis Still
Councilmember Brian Jones	Public Services Director - Lonnie Ferguson
Councilmember Shayla Nealy	Police Chief - Cassandra Jones
Councilmember Christina Hobbs	Fire Chief - Joe Maddox
City Manager - Sonja Fillingame	Court Services Director - Kristie Collier
Assistant City Manager - Tarsha Calloway	Finance Comptroller - Crystal Lazarus
City Clerk - Shandrella Jewett	

ABSENT:

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 Williams

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

Wanda Mosely, 4689 Creekside Cove – Spoke regarding the following:

- Citizen Engagement

Keith Browne, 4959 Raphae Trail – Spoke regarding the following:

- Tractor trailer trucks near residential areas, Tax Bills, and Economic Development

Cheryl McKay, 807 Lake Chase – Spoke regarding the following:

- Code of Conduct regarding Election Day

Hezikiah Williams, 4579 Bull Court – Spoke regarding the following:

- Unity and Collaboration

Tonya Isle, 5147 Rapahoe Trail – Spoke regarding the following:

- 2019 Election, Town Hall Meetings, and Crime in the neighborhoods

Herdy Menina, 4701 Flat Shoals Road – Spoke regarding the following:

- Requested signage at the intersection of Flat Shoal Road and Buffington Road

III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Announcement and Recognition of Employee of the Month

Cindy Given, Operations Coordinator III, was selected as Employee of the Month.

- FY 2020 Waste Water Capital Improvement Study

Mr. Ken Quintana provided an update regarding the City's Inflow Infiltration project.

He spoke regarding the following:

- Project Status
- Flow Meters Map
- Fulton County Wastewater Agreement Article 6.4 Inflow/Infiltration (I/I) Program – Union City
- Fulton County Wastewater Agreement Article 6.5 Inflow/infiltration (I/I) Program – Fulton
- Location Map of Sewer Ingress/Egress

- Flow Data
- Recommendations regarding the next steps
- Types of Flow Meters
- Flow Meter Overview

City Manager Fillingame stated Director Ferguson has been working with Moreland Altobelli on the initiative. She requested guidance and directions from Mayor and Council to ensure approval of the approach regarding the I&I recommendations. City Manager said the Flow Meters are a critical part of the process and wanted to make sure Mayor and Council are okay with the process. Mayor and Council indicated their approval regarding the flow meter and recommendations.

▪ FY 19-20 Youth Leadership Council Induction and Pinning Ceremony

Program Coordinators Shandrella Jewett and Nydia Akins introduced the FY 19-20 Youth Leadership Council Members, spoke regarding the program, and pinned the following members:

- Adriana DeLaney – 12th grade scholar at Benjamin Banneker High School
- Jalen Ellis – 12th grade scholar at Benjamin Banneker High School
- Christian Wiggins – 10th grade scholar at Arlington High School
- Sequyoh Conney – 10th grade scholar at Benjamin Banneker High School

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Council to consider approval of a request to extend the current residential (Waste Industries) and commercial (Advanced Disposal) sanitation agreements until November 30, 2019.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, all bids are rejected and the RFP was canceled. Union City will renegotiate with current service providers by January 31, 2020. Vote was unanimous.

- B. **Public Hearing** for Council to consider an appeal of the Community Development Director's interpretation of the Subdivision Regulations concerning Section 4.4 Preliminary Plat, Subsection 4.3.4(A) Approval of Preliminary Plats. *(The item was tabled for 30 days.)*

Director Still advised Mayor and Council the request was withdrawn by the applicant.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing and carried, Council accepted the applicant's withdrawal request without prejudice. Vote was unanimous.

V. 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.

- A. Approval of the Minutes:
- 10/15/19 - Work Session
 - 10/15/19 - Regular Council Meeting
- B. Council to consider a request for approval to enter into contract with Tyler Incode to add a Court Management, E-Citations, and Police Records Management Module.
- C. Council to consider a request for approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between Union City Fire Department and Grady Health System concerning Emergency Medical Technician Training.

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

VI. REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:

A. Council to discuss Board Appointments.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

A. **Public Hearing** to consider the “Removal of Industrial Uses” from the Town Center Mixed Use Zoning District. (The issue was remanded back to the Planning Commission for consideration per 09/17/19 Council Meeting.) Staff and Planning Commission recommended removal of industrial uses from the TCMU Zoning District.

Director Still stated the request was remanded back to the Planning Commission for the consideration of the “Removal of Industrial Uses” from TCMU Zoning District at the September 17, 2019 Council Meeting. He advised it proceeded to the October Planning Commission Meeting. At the meeting, the Planning Commission recommended removal of industrial uses from TCMU Zoning District. Therefore, the issue was brought back to Council for consideration of Removal of Industrial Uses” from the TCMU Zoning District.

Public Hearing Opened

The following spoke in favor or against the matter:

- Chris Doughtie, 2310 Park Drive – Commented regarding matter
- Keith Browne, 4959 Rapahoe Trail – Commented regarding matter
- Wanda Mosley, 4689 Creekside Cove – Commented regarding matter
- Tanya Isles, 5147 Rapahoe Trail – Spoke in favor of matter
- Woody Galloway, 3500 Lenox Road – Spoke against the matter
- Kim Mitchell, 4483 Flat Shoal Road – Spoke in favor of matter

Public Hearing Closed

Mayor Williams stated he does not feel comfortable moving forward due to the “90 Day Moratorium”. Councilmember Nealy advised Council to consider hiring a consultant that specialize in TCMU Zoning District. Attorney Davenport agreed with Council.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council agreed to obtain the services of The Collaborative Firm to guide Union City with the next step of the TCMU process. Vote was unanimous.

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council agreed to table the item until December 17, 2019. Vote was unanimous.

VIII. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

A. Opportunity Zone Update

City Manager Fillingame stated the Opportunity Zone application process has begun and Director Still is coordinating with legal regarding the application. She requested the discussion be continued at the December 17, 2019 Council Meeting.

B. Other Remarks and Upcoming Events

- Kudos to Shandrella Jewett and Nydia Akins for their work and dedication regarding the Youth Leadership Council Program
- Highway 29 Ballfield – Estimated completion date will be in the early Spring
- November 19, 2019 – Miracle League Game (Parks and Recreation/Miracle League Program)
- December 2, 2019 – Annual Holiday Tree Lighting at Mayors’ Park
- December 5, 2019 – Miracle League Game

IX. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Comments by Councilmember Nealy

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgement extended to:

- Cindy Givens, Operations Coordinator III - Employee of the Month
- Residents for attending the Council Meeting
- Youth Leadership Council Members of FY 19-20
- Director Blitch and the team for a great Fall Festival which was held on October 25, 2019
- Councilmember Jones and Hobbs on their re-election held November 5, 2019
- Staff

Remarks:

- City of Atlanta, South Fulton Master Plan Meeting – The City provided an update on water services
- Engagement at the Women’s Retreat at Chateau Elan
- Interviewed by WaterNow Alliance regarding Merging Engineering Profession and the Local Decision Maker Gap. The interview highlighted Sustainable Practices, the Meter Replacement Program, and Green Infrastructure Work at Mayors’ Park
- UC Connection App and Social Media
- November 7, 2019 - Veterans Day Celebration at The Gathering Place
- Happy Thanksgiving

Comments by Councilmember Jones

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgement extended to:

- Cindy Givens, Operations Coordinator III - Employee of the Month
- Youth Leadership Council Members of FY 19-20
- Staff

Remarks:

- Thanked everyone for praying for his father. He is home and doing well
- Encouraged residents to vote. There were 16,000 people eligible to vote in Union City, but only 1331 residents voted.
- October 25, 2019 – Fall Festival
- November 9, 2019 – Event with Mayor at the Mayors’ Park was nice
- Happy Thanksgiving

Comments by Mayor Pro Tem Mealing

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgement extended to:

- Cindy Givens, Operations Coordinator III - Employee of the Month
- Councilmember Hobbs and Jones on their re-election
- Councilmember Nealy regarding the WaterNow article
- Youth Leadership Council Members of FY 19-20
- Police and Fire Department for everything they do to ensure residents feel safe
- UC Eagle Cheerleaders (ages 11-12) for winning first place in the cheer competition
- UC Eagle Cheerleaders (ages 9-10) for winning second place in the cheer competition
- Human Resources for providing monthly events

Remarks:

- October 2019 – Fall Festival
- November 2019 – Veterans Day at Christian City was successful. There were approximately 66-68 Veterans present
- Census 2020 – Stand up and be counted
- Election – Encouraged residents to vote. Everyone has the right to vote
- Prayers extended to Union City and the nation regarding mass shootings happening around the world

Comments by Councilmember Hobbs

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgements extended to:

- Cindy Givens, Operations Coordinator III - Employee of the Month
- Councilmember Nealy regarding the WaterNow article

- Youth Leadership Council Members of FY 19-20
- Fire Department for giving residents of Woodbridge information on fire safety
- Staff

Remarks:

- Election Campaign – Enjoyed meeting and speaking with residents
- Orientate citizens on government processes
- Happy Thanksgiving

Comments by Mayor Williams

Congratulatory remarks and acknowledgments extended to:

- Cindy Givens, Operations Coordinator III - Employee of the Month
- Councilmember Nealy regarding the WaterNow article
- Councilmember Jones and Hobbs on their re-election
- Sonja Fillingame for receiving her designation through ICMA (International City/County Management Association)
- Staff

Remarks:

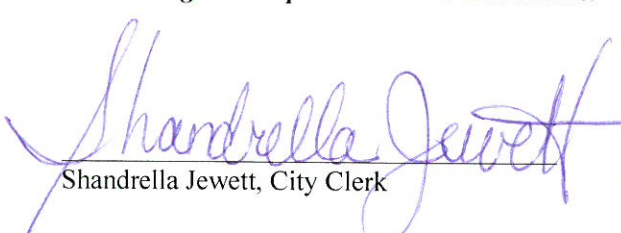
- Census 2020 – Stand up and be counted
- Requested residents to bring new blankets to City Hall for those who really need it in the community
- Union City will provide thanksgiving for several families in the area
- November 7, 2019 – Veterans Day Celebration at The Gathering Place
- December 2, 2019 – Annual Holiday Tree Lighting at Mayors' Park
- Happy Thanksgiving

On motion of Councilmember Nealy, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, the Executive Session Minutes from September 17, 2019 and October 15, 2019 was approved. Vote was unanimous.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, Council adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Vote was unanimous.


Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk


Vince R. Williams, Mayor