



City of Roswell

38 Hill Street
Roswell, Georgia 30075

Meeting Minutes Mayor and City Council

Mayor Jere Wood

Council Member Rich Dippolito

Council Member Lori Henry

Council Member Kent Igleheart

Council Member Jerry Orleans

Council Member Becky Wynn

Monday, November 2, 2009

7:30 PM

City Hall

WELCOME - Mayor Wood called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present.

Present: 6 - Mayor Jere Wood, Council Member Rich Dippolito, Council Member Lori Henry, Council Member Kent Igleheart, Council Member Jerry Orleans, and Council Member Becky Wynn

Staff Present: City Administrator Kay Love; Deputy City Administrator Michael Fischer; City Attorney David Davidson; Environmental/Public Works Director Stuart Moring; Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak; Director of Community Development Alice Wakefield; Environmental Programs Manager/Executive Director of Keep Roswell Beautiful Janet Liberman; Historic and Cultural Affairs Manager Morgan Timmis; Community Development Program Coordinator Stefanie Dye; Economic Development Manager William Keir; Community Relations Manager Julie Brechbill; Building Operations Technician Doug Heieren; and City Clerk Sue Creel.

Pledge of Allegiance - Lindsey Robinson, Melissa Berreiros, and James Berreiros

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of October 19, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes.**
Administration
Approved
2. **Approval of a Resolution to Accept the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Recovery 2009 Grant Agreements and approval of Budget Amendment 4440S1-11-02-09 to increase the Swaybranch Waterline project (09ENV022) in the amount of \$105,000 to \$135,420**

**and Budget Amendment 4250S1-11-02-09
Norcross/Crestview Drainage project (10GRA005) in the
amount of \$20,611.**

Community Development

Approved

Enactment No: RES 2009-11-56

- 3. **Approval to initiate the right-of-way acquisition process for Parcel 5 for the Oak Street Streetscape Project, Phase I, in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.**

Transportation

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Orlans, seconded by Council Member Dippolito, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 5

REGULAR AGENDA

Mayor's Report

- 1. **Reading of a Proclamation for America Recycles Day.**

The recycling market infrastructure in Georgia makes it one of the most prominent recycling states in the nation. Recycling creates jobs and has a positive economic impact on the communities throughout Georgia. Recycling saves energy, conserves water and other non-renewable natural resources, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions resulting in better air quality. The America Recycles 2009 theme, It All Comes Back to YOU, emphasizes personal responsibility and commitment to protecting the environment and supporting economic development in our nation, state and local communities.

- 2. **Reading of a Proclamation for Family Month.**

The City of Roswell recognizes the family as the fundamental unit of society and an essential part of the cultural, social and spiritual fabric that comprises our communities. Throughout Roswell's history, families have been the foundation of our society and a source of stability and love for every generation. Strong families teach children to live moral lives and help us pass down the values that define a caring society.

Rick Robinson from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints thanked the Mayor and Council for the value they place on families and invited everyone to join in various activities during the month of November.

Transportation Department - Councilmember Becky Wynn

- 3. **Approval of a Resolution in support of State Representative Wendell Willard's legislation regarding safe distances between motor vehicles and bicycles.**

Presented by Steve Acenbrak, Director

Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak stated currently 18 states have passed a similar law requiring a 3-foot safe distance to pass a cyclist, and 9 other states have bills pending. Due to the explosive growth in cycling, he urged Council to consider the proposal.

City Attorney David Davidson read the Resolution which states that the City of Roswell has been designated a "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Bicyclists. The Mayor and Council recognize the need for multimodal access within the City and in surrounding areas. The City of Roswell has been successful developing areas on or near roadways that encourage alternative means of transportation, including bicycles and walking. The safety of all users of the roadways is essential for the continued success of multimodal access throughout the City and surrounding areas. The Mayor and Council resolve that they support State Representative Wendell Willard's proposed legislation incorporated by reference.

Councilman Dippolito asked how much time people will have to learn about this new law, and is there an education process involved. Mr. Acenbrak responded he is not aware of any educational process.

A motion was made by Council Member Becky Wynn, seconded by Council Member Lori Henry, that this Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 5

Enactment No: RES 2009-11-57

City Attorney's Report

- 4. **Recommendation for closure to discuss litigation.**

A motion was made by Council Member Rich Dippolito, seconded by Council Member Becky Wynn, that this Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 5

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council, November 2, 2009, 7:30 p.m.,
Mayor Jere Wood presiding****Mayor's Report****1. Reading of a Proclamation for Homeless Awareness Month.**

Every year during the month of November, agencies throughout the country emphasize education and awareness of children and families in communities who are homeless. In an effort to rescue children, individuals and families from homelessness, local social service and housing agencies such as HomeStretch/Housing Initiative of North Fulton, The Drake House, Habitat for Humanity, North Fulton Community Charities and Find a Way Home partner together with local churches and educational agencies to help and to return those individuals to safe, stable and permanent housing.

Mayor Wood recognized the agencies and asked them to introduce themselves and state what their organization does.

Barbara Duffy from North Fulton Community Charities stated the organization is only a short-term solution for people, and thanked the Mayor for the Proclamation.

Executive Director of Drake House John Smith thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition. Mr. Smith explained the process of help to the citizens as first with North Fulton Community Charities with emergency assistance; Drake House for emergency housing; HomeStretch for transitional housing; and Find a Way Home or Habitat for Humanity for permanent housing.

A representative from HomeStretch thanked the Mayor and Council for acknowledging November as Homeless Awareness Month.

A representative from Find a Way Home stated this is a staggering problem and applauded the Mayor and Council for recognizing the situation.

2. Presentation of new Cultural Arts marketing video.

Historic and Cultural Affairs Manager Morgan Timmis stated the video was produced as a marketing tool for the 27 groups and to share with the community.

Cultural Arts Board Member Bruce Peoples stated this will be used as a fundraising tool. The plans are to formalize a United Arts Fund Drive next year and this video will be a tool to help get everyone excited about the fundraiser.

Cultural Arts Board Member Sharon Moskowitz stated the name VRoom was chosen to represent the excitement and energy all the groups and activities bring to the community. The phrase "Roswell's got VRoom" will be heard in the future.

Adjournment - After no further business, the Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.