



City of Roswell

38 Hill Street
Roswell, Georgia 30075

Meeting Minutes - Final Mayor and City Council

Mayor Jere Wood
Council Member Rich Dippolito
Council Member Lori Henry
Council Member Kent Igleheart
Council Member Jerry Orlans
Council Member Becky Wynn

Monday, August 3, 2009

7:30 PM

City Hall

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

Pledge of Allegiance - Robert Hart

Present: 5 - Mayor Jere Wood, Council Member Rich Dippolito, Council Member Lori Henry, Council Member Jerry Orlans, and Council Member Becky Wynn

Absent: 1 - Council Member Kent Igleheart

Staff Present: City Administrator Kay Love; City Attorney Bob Hulsey; Environmental/Public Works Director Stuart Moring; Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak; Transportation Deputy Director David Low; Transportation Engineer Muhammad Rauf; Transportation Planner Chris Chovan; Deputy Director of Community Development Clyde Stricklin; Community Development Program Coordinator Stefanie Dye; Community Information Manager Julie Brechbill; Building Operations Technician Doug Heieren; and City Clerk Sue Creel

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of June 8, 2009 Special Called Meeting Minutes (detailed minutes to replace Council Brief Minutes adopted on June 15, 2009); approval of July 13, 2009 Zoning Meeting Minutes (detailed minutes to replace Council Brief Minutes adopted on July 20, 2009); and approval of July 20, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes.**
Administration
Approved
- 2. Approval for the Mayor and/or City Administrator to sign a contract with Signs, Etc. for wayfinding signage in the amount of \$88,023.**
Community Development

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Rich Dippolito, seconded by Council Member Jerry Orleans, that this Item be Approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried

In Favor: 4

Recognition:

Mayor Wood recognized Jim Pollak, a resident of Westbrook, and a candidate for Council.

REGULAR AGENDA

Mayor's Report

1. **Approval of appointment to the Cultural Arts Board.**

Mayor Wood nominated Dustin Dowdy to the Cultural Arts Board.

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

In Favor: 4

Transportation Department - Councilmember Becky Wynn

2. **Approval to revise the Traffic Calming Policy.**

Presented by Steve Acenbrak, Director

Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak requested that Council approve changes to the current Traffic Calming Policy which includes adding elevated crosswalks, per the Master Plan for the Historic District bracketing Canton Street on each side, and removal of the term "cut-through" from the lexicon.

Councilman Orleans asked Mr. Acenbrak why he was asking for a specific change instead of an overall ordinance that can be applied anywhere. Mr. Acenbrak replied that there is a provision that allows exception to the policy later. Current needs are to ensure elevated crosswalks, especially ones that are collector roads such as Canton Street, and to specifically identify the road being acceptable in the Traffic Calming Policy, which allows for changes to others given specific parameters in specific situations. He noted that he will bring each specific situation to Council for discussion and approval.

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

In Favor: 4

3. Approval of an Ordinance updating Article 22.6, Speed Limits Appendix of the Roswell Code of Ordinances.

First Reading

Presented by Steve Acenbrak, Director

Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak stated every three years all Roswell roads are reviewed and needed changes are identified and submitted to GDOT for approval. Once Council approves the updated request, it is resent to GDOT for final approval.

Assistant City Attorney Bob Hulsey conducted the first reading of the ordinance to amend Chapter 22, Traffic and Motor Vehicles, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Roswell. The Ordinance states that the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Title 40, Article 9, Section 40-6-183 of the Uniform Rules of the Road Act, authorizes the local authority to alter lawful speed limits. The Ordinance deletes Article 22.6, "Speed Limits Appendix," and substitutes a new Article 22.6 to read as set forth in the Appendix incorporated by reference.

Mr. Acenbrak confirmed for Councilman Dippolito that staff is still in the process of looking at school zones.

A motion was made by Council Member Becky Wynn, seconded by Council Member Rich Dippolito, that this Item be Approved on First Reading and placed on the Mayor and City Council agenda for 8/17/2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 4

4. Approval to authorize the Mayor and/or City Administrator to sign a contract with Vertical Earth, for the construction of the Steeplechase Multiuse Trail Project in the amount of \$93,800.

Presented by Steve Acenbrak, Director

Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak stated Ace Grading is currently in financial trouble, cannot be bonded, and is unable to fulfill their contractual obligations to the City. After consulting with the procurement division and the legal department, staff recommended going to the next low bidder, Vertical Earth. With Council's approval, the contract will be awarded to Vertical Earth to complete the Fouts - Steeplechase Multiuse Trail project.

Councilwoman Wynn thanked Mr. Acenbrak for getting the project done under budget by \$250,000 and asked when the project will begin. Mr. Acenbrak replied that it is ready to start as soon as it is approved, and that it will connect to the sidewalk project.

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

In Favor: 4

5. Approval for the Mayor and/or City Administrator to apply for the Local Assistance Road Program (LARP) from the

Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).*Presented by Steve Acenbrak, Director*

Transportation Director Steve Acenbrak stated that LARP is a program available to local governments to help with paving processes. Collector roads are rated, and the three lowest rated roads are Nesbitt Ferry (27), Mountain Park (38), and Warsaw (42). Staff recommended Nesbitt Ferry for repaving under the LARP program. This year the City will ask for funding in lieu of the work being performed by the State, which will have the City in control over scheduling and quality of the process.

Councilman Dippolito asked if the City has a match requirement. Mr. Acenbrak answered that it is 100%; there is no out of pocket for the City.

Mayor Wood, noting that Nesbit Ferry serves Roswell and the city of Johns Creek, asked about reciprocity as the road serves both cities. Mr. Acenbrak responded that the road lies entirely within the jurisdiction of the City of Roswell, but he could talk to Johns Creek about coordination on future projects.

Councilwoman Henry noted this was a State aid program, which she said was perfect for shared roads such as this one. She described it as cleaner for the City to maintain its roads within the city limits, as other cities did.

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: 4

City Attorney's Report

6. Approval of a Resolution for call and conduct of Special Election for Councilmember Post #3 in conjunction with 2009 General Election.

Assistant City Attorney Bob Hulsey stated this was a Resolution to call and conduct a Special Election for Councilmember Post #3 in conjunction with the 2009 General Election due to the resignation of Councilman Tolleson, who held Post #3. State law and the Roswell Charter require a special election to fill Mr. Tolleson's term, which expires December 31, 2011. He noted a special election may be held as provided by law in conjunction with the scheduled general election.

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

In Favor: 4

Enactment No: RES 2009-08-42

7. Recommendation for closure to discuss personnel.

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

In Favor: 4

After no further business, the Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. for a work session on "Quarterly Transportaton Update."

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