



City of Roswell

38 Hill Street
Roswell, Georgia 30075

Meeting Minutes - Final Mayor and City Council

Mayor Jere Wood
Council Member Nancy Diamond
Council Member Rich Dippolito
Council Member Kent Igleheart
Council Member Jerry Orleans
Council Member Betty Price
Council Member Becky Wynn

Monday, April 19, 2010

7:30 PM

City Hall

WELCOME

Present: 7 - Mayor Jere Wood, Council Member Nancy Diamond, Council Member Rich Dippolito, Council Member Kent Igleheart, Council Member Jerry Orleans, Council Member Betty Price, and Council Member Becky Wynn

Staff Present: City Administrator Kay Love; Deputy City Administrator Michael Fischer; City Attorney David Davidson; Police Chief Ed Williams; Environmental/Public Works Director Stuart Moring; Recreation, Parks, Historic and Cultural Affairs Director Joe Glover; Finance Director Julia Luke; Human Resources Director Diane Whitfield; Transportation Deputy Director David Low; Environmental/Public Works Deputy Director Yvonne Douglas; Economic Development Manager William Keir; Community Development Program Coordinator Stefanie Dye; Community Relations Manager Julie Brechbill; Interim Risk Manager Wendy Ademy; Building Operations Technician Doug Heieren; and City Clerk Sue Creel

Pledge of Allegiance - Sons of American Revolution

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of April 5, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes (detailed Minutes to replace Council Brief Minutes adopted on April 12, 2010) and approval of April 12, 2010 Council Brief Minutes.**
Administration and Finance
Approved
- Approval for the Mayor and/or City Administrator to sign a contract with Trident Insurance Services, LLC for property, casualty, and liability insurance for the period May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011 in the amount of \$539,831.**

Administration and Finance

Approved

- 3. **Approval of Budget Amendment 7110CP-04-19-10 to increase the Elkins Road culvert project budget from \$200,000 to \$300,000 and to increase the Spring Ridge pipe/headwall project budget from \$75,000 to \$125,000.**

Environmental / Public Works

Approved

- 4. **Approval to apply to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for funding for the Clean Water and Drinking Water and Green Project Reserve State Revolving Fund (SRF) programs.**

Environmental / Public Works

Approved

- 5. **Approval of Budget Amendment 9620-04-19-10 for the Riverside Park band stage and pavilion in the amount of \$75,000.**

Recreation, Parks, Historic and Cultural Affairs

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

In Favor: 6

REGULAR AGENDA

Mayor's Report

- 1. **Reading of a Proclamation for Patriots Day.**

Mayor Wood read a Proclamation reminding everyone about the momentous day in our nation's history, April 19, 1775, where three patriots - Paul Revere, William Dawes and Dr. Samuel Prescott - rode through the streets of Massachusetts to warn fellow colonists that British troops were advancing.

A representative from the Sons of the American Revolution spoke regarding how the organization helps to promote information and accuracy of history as it played out during the American Revolution.

3. **Recognition of the University of Phoenix for a donation to the Child Development Association.**

Roger Wise, a representative of the Child Development Association, recognized the University of Phoenix for a donation of \$10,000 to the Child Development Association.

2. **Reading of a Proclamation for Community Inclusion Awareness Month.**

Mayor Wood read a Proclamation stating all people are of value to society. The Inclusion Task Force was formed to increase awareness and to identify and coordinate access to opportunities, services and programs serving people with special needs through enhanced private and public partnerships.

Mayor Wood reminded everyone to respond to the census as it greatly helps the community.

Chris Bray, Transition Services teacher at Roswell and Centennial High Schools and a representative from the Community Inclusion Group, shared stories of how Community Inclusion has helped students succeed.

Administration and Finance Department - Councilmember Jerry Orlans

4. **Recognition of Jake Hersko, Finance Department Intern.**
Presented by Julia Luke, Finance Director

Director of Finance Julia Luke recognized Jake Hersko who is a MPA Student at Georgia State University currently interning in the Finance Department at City Hall. He is the recipient of the 2010 Rick Anderson Scholarship from the Georgia State University Department of Public Management and Policy, and the 2010 Harold F. Holtz, Jr. Master of Public Administration Scholarship Program awarded by the Georgia City-County Management Association.

5. **Approval of a Resolution to call for a Referendum regarding Redevelopment Powers.**

City Attorney David Davidson conducted the reading of the Resolution. The Resolution states that the Mayor and Council of the City of Roswell have determined that it is in the best interest to exercise redevelopment powers under the Georgia Redevelopment Powers Law. On March 24, 2010, the General Assembly of Georgia adopted House Bill 1349 authorizing the City to exercise powers under O.C.G.A. 36-44-1, Georgia Redevelopment Power Laws. Such act, pursuant to State Law, contains the provision making the Act subject to approval of a citywide referendum. The City of Roswell deems it in the public interest to enter into a contract with Fulton County, Georgia to conduct the November 2, 2010 election. O.C.G.A. 21-2-540(a) provides a special election held at the time of a general election and shall be conducted by poll officers by the use of the same equipment and facilities, as far as practicable, as are used for the general election. The Mayor and Council call for a special election as provided by law for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of Roswell for approval or rejection. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words: "Shall the Act be approved which authorizes the City of Roswell to exercise redevelopment powers under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,'

as it may be amended from time to time?" This can be voted 'Yes' or 'No'. The Mayor or the City Administrator are authorized to contract with the Fulton County Department of Registration and Elections to conduct this election and the referendum on the question of redevelopment powers.

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

In Favor: 6

Enactment No: RES 2010-04-16

6.

Approval to change the Committee meeting dates.

Councilmember Orlans stated this would change the meeting date of the Administration/Finance & Recreation and Parks Committee, and the Public Safety & Public Works Committee to the first Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. It also changes the date of the Community Development & Transportation Committee to the fourth Wednesday of the month at 8:00 a.m. following the fourth Monday of the month Council meeting.

Councilmember Igleheart stated one of the main reasons they changed Council meetings from the first and third Mondays to the second and fourth Mondays was to avoid having to move future meetings; with this change, there will be the need to change two meetings this year and three next year. He was concerned that scheduling a fourth Wednesday and then a first Monday meeting would cause staff to have a lot of work spread out throughout the month. He suggested that the committee meetings stay in the same week as the Council meetings, group all of them together, and focus on each type of meeting twice a month so staff can do regular work the rest of the time.

Councilmember Igleheart suggested amending the Committee meeting dates to proposal #4, which is the Tuesday after the first Council meeting and the Wednesday after the fourth Council meeting.

Councilmember Dippolito agreed with Councilmember Igleheart's observations and supported proposal #4.

Councilmember Price asked if there was any difference between the first Monday and third Monday or if the concerns were the same. Councilmember Igleheart replied it makes the meetings one after another taking up three weeks instead of two weeks.

Councilmember Orlans stated that it had been discussed that by having the meetings on the first Monday, even though one may move if on a holiday, it would be a committee meeting moving instead of a Council meeting. The committee meeting can be moved to a Tuesday night rather than a Wednesday night, the way the Council meetings had to be moved due to Council Chambers being used on a Tuesday night by board and commission meetings. One of the committee meetings would be at the end of the month and the other at the beginning, and would be for different departments that staff would be working on separately no matter when they took place.

Councilmember Diamond stated she has always supported proposal #4, which coincides with informal surveys of what would be most productive for staff.

Councilmember Price was concerned about an advocacy of Council having two

weeks off. She did not feel that was a valid or admirable goal on the part of Council.

City Administrator Love asked when this change would become effective. The Mayor replied June 1, 2010.

Councilmember Price asked the times of the meetings. Ms. Love replied 5:00 p.m. for the Administration/Finance & Recreation and Parks Committee and the Public Safety & Public Works Committee. The Community Development & Transportation Committee would meet at 8:00 a.m. She noted the times of the meetings did not change, only the dates.

A motion was made by Council Member Jerry Orlans, seconded by Council Member Betty Price, that this item be approved as read. The motion failed by following vote: Council Member Orlans and Council Member Price voted to approve the Motion. Council Member Igleheart, Council Member Wynn, Council Member Dippolito and Council Member Diamond voted against the motion. The motion failed 2 - 4.

A motion was made by Council Member Kent Igleheart, seconded by Council Member Becky Wynn, that this Item be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote: Council Member Igleheart, Council Member Wynn, Council Member Dippolito, and Council Member Diamond voted to approve the motion as amended. Council Member Orlans and Council Member Price voted against the amendment. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 4

Opposed: 2

Environmental / Public Works Department - Councilmember Becky Wynn

- 7. **Approval of a Resolution to accept a Department Of Energy Local Energy Assurance Plan (LEAP) Grant and Approval of Budget Amendment 7170S1-04-19-10 in the amount of \$130,000.**

Presented by Stuart Moring, Director

Environmental/Public Works Director Stuart Moring stated this was a fully funded grant from the Federal Government to help the City develop an energy plan, alternative energy, and energy assurance in cases of emergencies and disruptions. He recognized Deputy Director Yvonne Douglas for identifying this grant, being the liaison with the Federal and State Governments, and writing up the application that resulted in the only winning award in the State of Georgia.

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

In Favor: 6

Enactment No: RES 2010-04-17

Public Safety - Councilmember Nancy Diamond

8. **Approval of a Resolution to Apply for a 2010 Safe Neighbors Grant from State Farm Insurance in the amount of \$22,000.**

Presented by Ed Williams, Police Chief

Police Chief Ed Williams stated this grant would allow the department to purchase one automatic license plate reader for one patrol vehicle. The unit has the capability to scan and process 1,000 images per minute, alerting the officer if the vehicle is stolen or if there are any outstanding warrants on the owner.

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

In Favor: 6

Enactment No: RES 2010-04-18

9. **Approval of a resolution to submit an application for the Bureau of Justice Assistance State Criminal Alien Assistance Program FY2010 (SCAAP) grant.**

Presented by Ed Williams, Police Chief

Police Chief Williams stated the State Criminal Assistance Program allows the Police Department to apply for payments for expenses occurred in housing undocumented criminal aliens. He noted there is a grant deadline of May 7, 2010.

A motion was made by Council Member Nancy Diamond, seconded by Council Member Betty Price, that this Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 6

Enactment No: RES 2010-04-19

10. **Approval to apply for Jail Enforcement Officer training under 287 g of the Immigration and Nationality Act.**

Presented by Ed Williams, Police Chief

Police Chief Williams stated this would provide training for detention officers and allow them to process criminal illegal aliens found in custody. In conjunction with ICE, they could be processed quicker through the system.

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

In Favor: 6

City Administrator's Report

11. **Approval to move the May 31, 2010 Open Forum Meeting to Wednesday, June 2, 2010.**

City Administrator Kay Love stated due to the Memorial Day holiday on May 31st, this would move the Open Forum Meeting to Wednesday, June 2, 2010.

Councilmember Price asked why the meeting could not move to Tuesday, June 1, 2010. Ms. Love replied that normally when Council meetings are rescheduled to Wednesdays, it was due to conflicts with meetings already scheduled in Council Chambers on Tuesdays.

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

In Favor: 6

City Attorney's Report

12.

Recommendation for closure to discuss personnel and acquisition of real estate.

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

In Favor: 6

Adjournment

After no further business, the Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. for a reception and then a Work Session on the Transportation Master Plan.