

**CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA.
WORK SESSION
MINUTES
MAY 12, 2005**

PRESENT: Councilmember Clarkson, Copeland, King, and Gibert.
Councilmember Biles was absent.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Kennedy read the Rules of Order for a Public Hearing.

Land Use and Zoning Map Amendment – 2387, 2391, and 2403 Johnson Ferry Road – Summerall Development Co., LLC.

The applicant is requesting a Map Amendment from I-1 to R-1 to R-3 Moderate Density and a Land Use Plan Amendment from Commercial to 0-20 U/A Residential in order to construct 88 town homes. Mayor Kennedy requested that the parcel of property be identified by the City Planner and their opinion read. Dan Cohen, Pond & Company (City Planner), identified the parcel and presented their recommendation to approve Map Amendment and Land Use Plan Amendment (copy of the report is included in Minutes). Summerall Development Co., LLC presented the proposed plans. The hearing was open for public comments and several homeowners in Keswick Village and on Johnson Ferry Road expressed concerns about the additional traffic and the need for a traffic light at Johnson Ferry Road and Keswick Drive. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Review Board Recommendations: International Village @ Chamblee – Catalina Drive – Building A (IV-Overlay).

David Human, with AE Design, who is responsible for the architecture of Buildings A, D, and E presented the plans. A drawing of the building was provided at the meeting, with samples of materials to be used and colors to be incorporated. The Review Board recommends approval of the building design and materials as presented. The unifying site elements will need to be reviewed at another time prior to permitting. The landscaping, site signage/furniture, site lighting, and streetscape design will be done by others and that information has not been completed. It was noted in the conditions of approval for the project by the Council that final review and approval of these “unifying” site elements be completed prior to any site disturbance permits being issued. A copy of proposed plans is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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City Manager's Report and Staff Recommendations:

Requests for Chamblee Festival – Susan Bulit for Antiques Dealers.

Susan Bulit, representing the Festival Committee, presented a list of requests for the June 4 Festival: city personnel (police and public works), placement of temporary banners and signs, use of the power outlet at the corner of Broad and Peachtree Road for the bands, and tables and chairs in front of the Old Bristro (including setting up and taking down).

Request for amended contract for comp plan update – PBS&J.

This amends the contract dated October 27, 2004, which covered Ross and Associates fee of \$19,710 for Phase I and \$49,455 for Phase II (already in the 2005 budget) and serves the new contract for an additional \$15,600 for PBS&J's Phase II tasks.

Three Year Renewal of Cooperative Agreement with DeKalb County for CDBG funds from HUD.

The existing Cooperative Agreement will automatically renew for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008, unless the City notifies DeKalb County in writing by May 27, 2005 of its intent to terminate the agreement at the end of the current qualification period, December 31, 2005.

Request to file pre-application for DNR Grant funds for development of greenway which requires matching funds from City.

During federal fiscal year 2005, Georgia received approximately \$2.1 million for the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant program. This program assists state and local governments in the acquisition of recreation lands and the development of outdoor recreation and related support facilities. The program requires grant recipients to provide at least 50% in matching funds for each selected project. This year, 60% of Georgia's total allotment will be earmarked for local government outdoor recreation projects; the remaining 40% will be used to address outdoor recreation needs throughout the state park system. The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting approval to apply for a DNR Grant.

Chief Johnson: request for budget amendment and approval of mid-year salary increase for new employee.

Chief Johnson is requesting that Bobbie Farrell be granted a 5% pay increase. She started work as a Communication Officer on September 9, 2004. She has performed so well that last month she was assigned a new employee to train.

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Request from Chamblee Arts Alliance for use of Civic Center or Community Building.

The Chamblee Arts Alliance is requesting the use of one of the above listed facilities on October 22, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. for “Chamblee Celebrates Photography: “Chamblee in Motion”.

Set dates for public hearings required to set millage rate for 2005 ad valorem taxes.
These dates will be determined at the Regular Council Meeting.

Gary Gilmer request for approval of gravel lot for Heritage Lofts.

This request is regarding the parking lot across from the Heritage Lofts. Mr. Gilmer is requesting the Council’s approval to allow his secondary parking lot to remain a pervious aggregate and gravel/sand mix rather than porous concrete and “turfstone” as originally planned.

Citizen Comment.

There being no comments, the Work Session was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

EVELYN KENNEDY – MAYOR

BECKY CRAVEN – CITY CLERK