

**MINUTES
CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
MAY 17, 2006**

**PRESENT: Councilman Taylor, Councilman Gibert, Councilman Copeland,
Councilman Wedge, and Mayor Clarkson**

ABSENT: Councilman King

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Clarkson.

Other Items: Due to the receipt of additional information, Councilman Gibert made a motion to add the revised request for festival assistance from Chamblee Antique Row, Ltd. (ACRL) to this agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously. This item will be addressed at the end of the agenda.

Councilmember King had requested a certificate from the Mayor and Council to recognize the CHS Boys Soccer team for coming in as runner-up in their first trip to the State AAAA finals; all Councilmen were in agreement.

Capital Improvement Projects: The City Manager distributed documentation and estimates (copy attached to minutes) for projects which were discussed at the March 20th work session and Chief Johnson provided the Council with a cost estimate of \$380,000 for the required upgrades to the 911 system and radios which will be required prior to year-end 2008(copy attached to minutes); the City has applied for grant funds for a portion of the radio costs, however, the status of the grant is still undecided.

Mayor Clarkson then asked each Councilman, staff member and those members of the public who were present for ideas on additional projects. Many projects were discussed and it was agreed that another CIP work session should be scheduled as soon as possible.

Design and Engineering of Pedestrian Path: Motion to instruct staff to develop an RFP for the design and engineering of the path which will be on property the City purchased that was old rail spurs running from Keswick Park, under Peachtree Industrial Blvd., to the rear of the new Wal-Mart development made by Councilman Gibert, seconded by Councilman Copeland, and carried unanimously.

Annexation Study: Motion to appropriate funds, not to exceed \$20,000, and contract with the University of Georgia based on the proposal they submitted to the City made by Councilman Copeland, seconded by Councilman Wedge, and carried unanimously.

Repairs to retaining wall at Keswick Park: Staff was asked to have a revised design concept prepared for June Council meeting.

Old Fire Station and City Complex: Councilman Copeland made a motion to have a design competition for a master plan that includes the old Fire Station, City Hall and the Police Department properties with the objective of improving the public parking and creating a Town Green that could be dedicated as part of the City's Centennial celebration in 2008. Motion was seconded by Councilman Gibert, and carried unanimously.

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Chamblee Festival: The Mayor and Council heard from CARL representatives Shirley Maddox and Al Endel. After some discussion, motion for the City to participate in the festival at the same level as 2005 upon receipt by the City Manager from CARL of a current executed contract, liability insurance policy, logistics plan and a check payable to the City in the amount of \$2,125.00 to cover the cost of employees and equipment was made by Councilman Copeland, seconded by Councilman Wedge, and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn into executive session at 8:25 p.m. to discuss real estate transaction made by Councilman Wedge, seconded by Councilman Gibert, and carried unanimously. Motion to adjourn from executive session at 9:05 p.m. made by Councilman Copeland, seconded by Councilman Gibert, and carried unanimously. Motion to adjourn work session at 9:06 p.m. was made by Councilman Gibert, seconded by Councilman Copeland and carried unanimously.

Kathy Brannon - City Manager

R. Eric Clarkson - Mayor