

MINUTES

CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA.

CALLED PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WHICH GOVERN THE CALLING AND CONDUCTING OF ZONING HEARINGS

CALLED PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF ZONING PROPOSAL REVIEW STANDARDS AND STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER

CALLED PUBLIC HEARING NEW ZONING ORDINANCE AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND WORK SESSION

MARCH 8, 2006

6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Wedge, Copeland, King, Gibert, and Taylor

Mayor Clarkson requested a motion to adjourn the February 21, 2006, Regular Council Meeting.

Councilmember Copeland made a motion to adjourn the February 21, 2006, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

Mayor Clarkson read the Rules of Order for a Public Hearings

A written text of the New Zoning Ordinance and Official Zoning Map were both physically present at the Public Hearings. Photocopies of the Policies and Procedures and Review Standards were available for the public.

Mayor Clarkson called the Public Hearing to order on the adoption of the Policies and Procedures which govern the calling and conducting of zoning hearings. Mayor Clarkson advised the public that printed copies of these policies and procedures being read were available on the table at the rear of the meeting room.

Mayor Clarkson read the Policies and Procedures of the Zoning Ordinance. This portion of the Public Hearing was open for comments.

There being no comments, the Public Hearing on Policies and Procedures which govern the Calling and Conducting of Zoning Hearing was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Clarkson next called the Public Hearing to order on the adoption of the Zoning Proposal Review Standards and Standards Governing the Exercise of the Zoning Power. Mayor Clarkson advised the public that copies of the Zoning Proposal Review Standards and Standards Governing the Exercise of the Zoning Power being read were available on the table at the rear of the meeting room.

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Mayor Clarkson read the Zoning Proposal Review Standards and Standards Governing the Exercise of the Zoning Power. This portion of the Public Hearing was open for comments. There being no comments, the Public Hearing on Adoption of Standards governing the Zoning Power and the Zoning Proposal Review Standards was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor Clarkson next called the Public Hearing to order on the adoption of the proposed New Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map. Dan Cohen, Pond and Company, and Aaron Fortner were present to review the ordinance and map and address any questions. The Public Hearing was open for public comments. Several property owners, business owners, and developers addressed issues and concerns with the new ordinance, as did, the Mayor and Council.

Councilmember Copeland made a motion to extend the allotted time for five additional minutes, seconded by Councilmember Gibert and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Copeland made a motion to make the following changes to the proposed new Zoning Ordinance: Section 512 - newly built threshold shall be built at the equivalent location and elevation as the existing or previously existing threshold; and Section 1004 - maximum building height will be changed from thirty-eight feet to a not to exceed thirty-four feet. Theses changes will be reflected in Section 301 –Definitions, seconded by Councilmember Gibert and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Copeland made a motion to make the following change under permitted uses table (page 63) to include offices in the I (light industrial) zoning district, seconded by Councilmember Gibert and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wedge made a motion to allow for another additional five minutes for public comments, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously.

There being no further comments, the Public Hearing on the Proposed Zoning Ordinance and Official Zoning Map was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Property Maintenance/Parking/Nuisance Section of the City Code – regarding possible changes.

Councilmember Wedge showed the power point presentation that was previously shown at the February 16, 2006, Work Session, showing code enforcement concerns. A second power point presentation was shown with the purpose and objective for Code Enforcement.

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Councilmember Copeland made a motion to return to the discretion of Police Department writing citations and warnings. The staff report back their suggestions at the March 16, 2006 Work Session and schedule a Public Input Meeting on Code Enforcement in the near future. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gibert and carried unanimously.

Set a date for a Public Hearing/Town Hall Meeting for City of Chamblee Residents – regarding Senate Bill 566 – Annexation of Certain Neighborhoods into the City. Councilmember Copeland made a motion to instruct the City Manager to present a schedule and plan for a generic study dealing with annexation as to the cost involved and the effect on staff. The plan should be completed no later than the April 18, 2006 Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember King and carried with Councilmembers Wedge, Copeland, King, and Gibert voting in favor and Councilmember Taylor opposed.

Councilmember King made a motion to withdraw the \$5,000 appropriated for a survey on annexation at the February 7, 2006, Called Council Meeting, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.

Citizen Comment.

The following citizens addressed the Mayor and Council with reference to agenda items; Robert Chastain and Gail Grimes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

R. ERIC CLARKSON – MAYOR

BECKY CRAVEN – CITY CLERK