

**CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA.
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2007
7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Clarkson, Council Members Wedge, King, Zanger, and Taylor.
Councilmember Copeland absent.

Mayor Clarkson called the meeting to order and introduced a scout from Troop 74.

Approval of Minutes: September 13, 2007, Public Hearing and Work Session, and September 18, 2007, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion to approve Minutes as submitted made by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.

Approval of September 2007 Financial Statements and LGIP Report.

Motion to approve September 2007 Financial Statements and LGIP Report as submitted made by Councilmember Zanger, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

City Planner/Development Director:

Eco-Lofts – 3400 Malone Drive.

Based on the recommendations of the ARB, Councilmember Wedge made a motion (amended) that the developer is to remove the railing that was attached without approval to the east wall of the building and submit an alternative treatment for the wall, as well as a treatment which will shield the overhead utilities on the first floor from view from the sidewalk and install the canopy for the front walkway as shown on the original plans or provide an alternative that is acceptable to the Council. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried with Council Members Wedge, King, and Zanger voting in favor; Councilmember Taylor opposed.

1891 Sandlewood Lane – variance request to reduce the rear yard by 15 feet.

Motion to approve rear and side yard variance per City Planner's recommendation (copy of recommendation included in Minutes) made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

4900 Buford Highway – requesting approval of a Planned Unit Development.

Motion to approve per City Planner's recommendation and add blade signage for food court (copy of City Planner's recommendation and ARB minutes included in Minutes) made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

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3315 McGaw Drive – variance request to limit the building step back requirement on building over 50 feet.

Motion to approve variance request (copy of Planner’s recommendation to deny variance included in Minute)s made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried with Councilmember Wedge, King, and Taylor voting in favor and Councilmember Zanger opposed. Dan Schultz, Development Director, read a memo clarifying to the Council that this request does not have any affect on the Review and the development of this project beyond the request to not stepback the building at 50 feet height. All design requirements are still in place from the original approval of this project by the ARB and City Council. Any variations or alternations to the design other than the stepback request of this variance are not to be considered with this request. It should be noted there is an opportunity to place green roofs on three structures in this project.

Plat approval for Lowe’s out parcel.

Motion to approve plat at Lowe’s out parcel made by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously.

Pond & Company – Michelle Alexander:

Progress Report on Municipal Complex downtown re-development project.

Motion to allow Pond and Company to present progress report on the downtown re-development project made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously.

Michelle Alexander, with Pond & Company, made the presentation with reference to the downtown re-development project (a copy and CD is on file in the office of the City Clerk).

City Manager’s Report and Staff Recommendations:

Centennial update – Jan Selman or Kim Joselove.

Kim Joselove gave an update on the November 17th Centennial Event schedule to take place at Oglethorpe University (Lupton Hall). The event will be Wines of the World and Band of American starting at 7:00 p.m.

Request for budget amendment: Public Works – appropriate \$250 additional funds to account 70-30 for graffiti block products.

Motion to approve the budget request as submitted for \$250 to account 70-30 for graffiti block products made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.

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Request from Parks & Recreation Director to proceed with wall replacement project at Keswick Park.

Motion to proceed with wall replacement project at Keswick Park made by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.

City Manager: request for direction regarding expiration of Planning and Engineering contract and issuance of RFP.

Motion for City Manager to proceed with RFP for Planning and Engineering services Made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.

Request for approval of route for PATH through Keswick Park.

Motion to approve PATH route as submitted by DHR (copy of route included in Minutes) made by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.

Service Delivery Strategy Resolution.

Motion to add SDS Resolution to agenda made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

Resolution extending the “Local Government Service Delivery Strategy”.

Motion to adopt the Resolution as read (copy included in Minutes) made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.

Mayor Clarkson:

Resolution to change the name of the portion of Peachtree Industrial Blvd. within the City limits to “Peachtree Boulevard”.

Mayor Clarkson read the proposed resolution.

Motion to approve resolutions read made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously (copy of resolution included in Minutes).

Councilmember Wedge:

LEED Certification: all development greater than 50,000 square feet shall be LEED certified. All future City developed projects (including partial ownership) shall be LEED certified.

Motion to proceed with drafting of LEED Certification Ordinance for first reading at the November Council Meeting made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried with Councilmembers Wedge, Zanger, and Taylor voting in favor and Councilmember King opposed. The ordinance will be for just the certification not the different levels.

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Prohibit clear-cutting of sites. A minimum of 25% of the existing trees shall be preserved.

Councilmember Wedge made a motion requesting staff recommendation on clear cutting of sites for new development both commercial and residential and report back in November seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously. (The draft to amend the existing tree ordinance will be for new development not existing homes and included tree size, etc.)

All future commercial and multi-family development projects will have space and facilities provided on-site for the recycling of materials that the City current utilizes in its residential recycling program.

Motion that all future developments (commercial and multi-family) will contract with the City or a private contractor for recycling of materials made by Councilmember Wedge, seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Taylor:

Discussion about expanding the City's recreational options and leagues to possibly include basketball, tennis, swimming, arts/crafts, etc.

Motion to present to Recreational Advisory Committee for recommendation made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

Citizen Comment (each person allowed three minutes).

Several citizens addressed Mayor and Council with reference to items on the agenda.

There being no further comments or business, Councilmember Wedge made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Councilmember King and carried unanimously.

R. ERIC CLARKSON - MAYOR

BECKY CRAVEN, CMC - CITY CLERK