

**CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GEORGIA  
MINUTES  
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND WORK SESSION  
NOVEMBER 13, 2008  
6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Clarkson, Council Members Wedge, Robson, Hogan, Zanger, and Taylor

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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

**3302 – 3308 LaVenture Drive – Golden Plaza Shopping Center – requesting a sign variance to allow for master sign package**

The subject property is located on the southern side of LaVenture Drive and is currently zoned CC. The applicant is requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance in order to exceed signage restrictions on the Golden Plaza building. Each section of the Zoning Ordinance in conflict with the request is discussed below:

*Section 1309(A.)1.*

The aggregate total area of all building signs on a wall (including the principal building sign, miscellaneous building signs and incidental signs) shall not exceed one (1) square foot of sign face area per linear foot of the length of the wall or tenant frontage on which the sign is affixed.

Keri Stevens, with Pond and Company, read the City Planner's recommendation. Acting by request as City Planner, Pond and Company recommends (*denial*) of this requested variance. The hearing was open for public comments and Duc Cao, property owner, addressed the proposed variance request. No one spoke opposing the variance request. The hearing was open for questions and comments from the Council. The Council addressed several issues about the sign variance request. Any action will be voted on at the November 18, 2008, Regular Council Meeting.

**1 Corsair Drive – Dye Aviation Facilities, Inc. – requesting a variance to allow a metal building at the Signature Flight Support Facilities at Peachtree DeKalb Airport**

The subject site is located at One Corsair Drive inside the Peachtree DeKalb Airport property and is currently zoned "I", light industrial. Only a portion of the site is planned with improvements. The total limit of disturbance is 1.48 acres. The property consists of an existing metal siding hangar, a 37 space parking lot and a turf area. The applicant proposes to expand the existing hangar with a bay hangar to match the existing metal façade. The proposed hangar expansion has a striated concrete façade facing Corsair Drive.

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The applicant is requesting a variance from Article IX – Civic Design, Section 905 of the City of Chamblee Zoning Ordinance in order to allow a pre-fabricated metal siding hangar which would be visible to Corsair Drive. In addition, the applicant is requesting a variance to continue the use of metal siding on the Signature Campus in order to match other existing hangers and buildings within the campus. 80% of the buildings on the campus were constructed in 1988.

Keri Stevens, with Pond and Company, read the City Planner's recommendation. Acting by request as City Planner, Pond and Company recommends (*denial*) of this requested variance. The hearing was open for public comments and Mercer Dye, property owner, addressed the proposed variance request. No one spoke opposing the variance request. The hearing was open for questions and comments from the Council. The Council addressed several concerns about the requested metal building. Any action will be voted on at the November 18, 2008, Regular Council Meeting.

**City Planner/Development Director**

**Presentation of Sidewalk Survey and Connectivity Study – Pond & Company**  
Pond & Company presented a power point representation on the Sidewalk Survey and Connectivity Study. Copies of the survey and study are on file at City Hall.

**City Manager's Report and Staff Recommendations**

**Request for budget amendments:**

**Police Department – transfers (detail attached)**

A detail copy of the budget transfer from the Police Department is included in the minutes.

**Public Works – transfers (detail attached)**

A detail copy of the budget transfer from Public Works is included in the minutes.

**Discuss rules for use of trail**

Some of the rules for the use of trail were discussed and also concerns. No action will be taken at this time but will be placed on the December Agenda.

**Set date for 2009 Budget Work Session**

A date for the 2009 Budget Work Session will be set at the November 18, 2008, Regular Council Meeting.

**City Attorney:**

Chief Johnson requested adding an ordinance for first reading at the Council Meeting with reference to "Alarm Systems". The ordinance will be added to the agenda for first reading.

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**Citizen Comment**

**There being no citizen comments, Councilmember Taylor made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. seconded by Councilmember Zanger and carried unanimously.**

**There being no action taken, Councilmember Taylor made a motion to adjourn Executive Session at 8:19 p.m. seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.**

**There being no further business, the Work Session was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.**

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***R. ERIC CLARKSON – MAYOR***

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***BECKY CRAVEN, CMC – CITY CLERK***