

CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING & WORKSESSION
DECEMBER 10, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Eric Clarkson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Councilmembers present were: Mr. Tom Hogan, Mrs. Leslie Robson, Mr. Scott Taylor, Mr. Mark Wedge, and Mr. Dan Zanger.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1) Variance Requests – Mr. William D’Onofrio - 5030 Buford Highway

- (1) Request to allow a loading space to face a public street, which is not in compliance with Section 908 D 3 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- (2) Request to allow two (2) curb cuts on one street frontage, which is not in compliance with Chapter 94 Section 1202 F of the Zoning Ordinance.

Mayor Clarkson read the rules for conducting a public hearing. The City Planner, Ms. Michelle Alexander with Pond and Company, presented staff’s report and recommended denial of both variances. Mayor Clarkson opened the floor for public comments. Mr. Williams D’Onofrio, the applicant, spoke in favor of the variances. No one spoke in opposition to the variances. Mayor Clarkson closed the public hearing and allowed the City Council to ask questions of the applicant.

WORK SESSION:

Mayor Clarkson called the work session to order. The City Council reviewed the following agenda items for action to be taken at the held on December 15, 2009.

City Clerk

- 1) **Approval of Minutes** - November 12, 2009 - Public Hearing/Work Session
November 17, 2009 - Regular Council Meeting

Mr. Hogan asked for corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on November 17, 2009.

City Manager

- 1) **Resolution to Appoint Nancy Williams as the Municipal Elections Superintendent** - Action to be taken at the regular meeting to be held on December 15, 2009.
- 2) **Appointment of Nancy Williams as the Pension Committee Secretary** - Action to be taken at the regular meeting to be held on December 15, 2009.
- 3) **July 4, 2010** – Discussion about whether or not to celebrate Independence Day Holiday on Sunday, July 4th or Saturday July 3rd. Discussion about whether or not the city should solicit bids for the fireworks display from a professional pyrotechnic supplier or continue offering a

private contract to the city's Public Works Director and provide training for certification to city employees. Action to be taken at the regular meeting to be held on December 15, 2009.

Development Director

- 1) **Appeal – Goodwill of North Georgia - 5347-5373 Peachtree Blvd.** - Mayor Clarkston allowed Laurel David of Dillard and Gallaway. LLC to request an appeal of the City Manager's decision that the proposed development of the 5 remaining acres of the Planned Unit Development (PUD) located on Peachtree Blvd is more than a minor change to the original approved PUD. This item will move forward to the regular agenda for action on December 15, 2009.

Finance Director:

- 1) **Resolution to Adopt Budget for Fiscal Year 2010** - Work Sessions in preparation of the budget were held on November 16th and December 3rd. The Public Hearing was held on December 3, 2009. This item will move forward to the regular agenda for action on December 15, 2009.

Police Chief:

- 1) **Consider Fee Increase for Taxi Driver Permits to \$100.** - This item will move forward to the regular agenda for action on December 15, 2009.
- 2) **Consider Supplemental Compensation for Judges and Solicitor for Additional Court Sessions that were added in December and a Budget Transfer** - This item will move forward to the regular agenda.

MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL MEMBER DISCUSSION:

Council Member Wedge:

City Alcohol Ordinance – Councilman Wedge asked the City Council to discuss the Alcohol Ordinance. The ordinance requires a full service kitchen to grant a license for the consumption of alcohol. The Java Mojo Coffee Shop is changing its name to The Chamblee Doghouse. They intend to sell some food items, but they will not have a full service kitchen.

Council Member Hogan:

Parallel Parking – Peachtree Road, south of Pierce Drive and north of Malone

CITIZEN COMMENTS. (Each person allowed three minutes.)

Jim Hanson, 5300 Peachtree Road, said he was the owner of commercial units. He spoke in favor of parallel parking.

Gary Mathews, 5256 Peachtree Road, also spoke in favor of parallel parking.

Jason Hanson, 5300 Peachtree Road, spoke in favor of parallel parking for a visible change.

Mayor Clarkson called the meeting adjourned by consent at 8:50 p.m.

Nancy Williams, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Eric Clarkson, Mayor