

CITY OF HARDEEVILLE
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2007
6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Rodney Cannon, Mayor Pro Tem Willis, Council Members Bea Jones, Bill Horton, & Earl Cooler. City Manager Shane Haynes, Assistant City Manager Kevin Griffin, City Attorney David Tedder, Recreation Director Joe Gailey, Media Director Paul Floeckher, Lt. Dan Martin, Planning Director Brana Snowden, Finance Director Michelle Werner, Fire Chief John Ekaitis, Judge John Carroll and City Engineer Karen Jarrett

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cannon called the meeting to order

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Willis gave the invocation.

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS & COMMENTS (2 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

Mr. Eugene Williams came before council about a month ago in reference to the Jenkins Plumbing supply building being built on Jenkins Avenue. He has still not received a telephone call or anything in writing to say that the building has the required permits to be there and is still concerned about the semi trucks on Jenkins Avenue. He is wondering how it will affect the residents' tax structure.

IV. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION POLICY AS REQUIRED BY THE ADA-AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PUBLIC LAW 101-336

Council Member Horton made a motion to accept the resolution as written; his motion received a proper second from Council Member Cooler and passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ANNEXATION OF THE PARCELS LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 17 KNOWN AS THE SHERWOOD TRACT 030-00-01-007 AND 030-00-01-013 (+/- 1,528 ACRES) (2007-1-4G)

City Manager Haynes stated that it is staff's recommendation to give favorable consideration to this parcel.

PUBLIC COMMENT-None

Mayor Pro Tem Willis made a motion to accept the second reading of the ordinance; motion received a proper second from Council Member Jones and passed unanimously.

- B. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE HARDEEVILLE MUNICIPAL ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) ZONING AND APPROVING A CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN FOR THE SHERWOOD TRACT TMP 030-00-01-007 AND 030-00-01-013 (+/- 1,528 ACRES) (2007-1-4H)

Planning Director Snowden stated this is the conceptual master plan and PDD zoning. There will be 3,688 residential units, a regional mall site, a big box site, and approximately 1,000 acres of commercial. This has been to the Planning Commission. Staff and Planning Commission recommend approval. There is a statement in the document that traffic mitigation was handled in the Development Agreement and recommends that be struck from the document.

PUBLIC COMMENT-None

Council Member Horton made a motion to accept the second reading of the ordinance; motion received a proper second from Council Member Jones and passed unanimously.

- C. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DEVELOPMENT FOR THE SHERWOOD TRACT TMP 030-00-01-007 AND 030-00-01-013 (1,528 ACRES) (2007-1-4I)

Planning Director Snowden went over the Executive Summary. (Attached) Council Member Jones inquired about the road structure in the area and the impacts and how the roads will be constructed. Planning Director Snowden stated they have a process where they will have to present a conceptual master plan on the traffic when the first project comes in. Assistant City Manager Griffin stated they have a conceptual traffic impact analysis that will lay out the core roads, and then as each master plan comes through, they will have to go through a traffic analysis study again. Attorney Tedder stated that in addition to that, as it comes forward, there are at least several options for the public to be involved to examine the documents and have input. Assistant City Manager Griffin stated there are right of ways set aside for regional roads as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT-None

Council Member Horton made a motion to accept the second reading of the ordinance; motion received a proper second from Council Member Jones and passed unanimously.

VI. PRESENTATION & APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 18, 2007 PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Council Member Cooler made a motion to accept the minutes as written; motion received a proper second from Council Member Jones and passed unanimously.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works-Mayor Pro Tem Willis stated they have checked on having sidewalks put in on Jenkins Avenue and will be looking for grant money. The McTeer Street is almost complete after having power hooked up. Boyd Street will need easements signed in order to fix the drainage. The ditches around McTeer Street area will be cleaned out. Bush Street still needs some work with the culverts. Council Member Cooler stated that on Jenkins Avenue, they will need some more land to put the sidewalks in but no one is willing to give their land. Mayor Cannon requested to check in to having some easements signed. Mayor Pro Tem Willis stated that in Industrial Park, there is a pond with stagnant water that does not have an outlet. They will be checking with the railroad and may try to develop a small park. The committee also discussed more drainage projects. Council Member Cooler also stated that the railroad crossings are in bad shape and will be contacting the railroad.

Planning & Zoning-Council Member Cooler stated they are on track and will have the next meeting on Friday. They will be requesting a workshop shortly.

Recreation-Council Member Jones stated that flag football is still going and the tournaments will begin on the 25th. On the 24th there will be the 2nd Annual Cpl. Mark Jones Biker Run and Benefit. Star Touring and Riding Club will be helping this year. Council Member Horton stated they are getting very busy. Council Member Jones stated that Recreation Director Gailey and Special Events Coordinator Alexis Roeber met with the youth council. They may be coordinating with Jasper County recreation programs.

VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT

Fire-Chief Ekaitis stated they had 32 runs this month. If anyone needs batteries for their smoke alarms, please let me know. There have been 19 children and 9 adults have been killed in the last six days due to fire.

Police-Lt Dan Martin stated they had 131 calls for service, 17 state criminal cases, 26 traffic accident reports, 2 witness subpoenas, 10 for trespass, 2 parking summons, 31 arrests and 10 warrants. Closed 2 cases and had 2 narcotics arrests. They had 10 road checks. They also met with the school board in reference to the SRO program for next year and will have more meetings with them.

Engineering-City Engineer Karen Jarrett stated that she is getting familiar with the drainage and transportation. She has attended a regional transportation meeting and has two more lined up.

Planning-Director Snowden stated a couple of master plans for the Peninsula tract will be coming forward in March. Jasper Commons have already gone through staff review committee on the first phase of their development review plan. The Town of Bluffton is working on getting national scenic highway designation for the 46 corridor and has asked for the city's support.

Finance-Director Werner stated that the audit is almost finished and may be at the next council meeting.

Recreation/Public Works-Director Gailey stated they have a request in to SCDOT for the potholes at Garr, Charles, and Epps. They also have a request

in to change the speed limit changed on Jenkins Avenue from 35 to 30. Paul Martin should be back in two weeks. Next Monday they will be out weed eating and picking up trash. Recreation-Youth baseball/softball registration is extended through the 23rd. Adult flag football continues through March 4. The Mark Jones event is on the 24th and will also have a football game. The Easter Egg hunt will be on March 31st. We will be hosting the West Hardeeville's Middle School baseball games here.

Media-Manager Haynes stated that they will be revamping the website. He also stated there will be a blood drive on Wednesday, February 21st from 10 am until 1 pm.

Economic Development-Manager Haynes stated that Mr. Felder is in Columbia at the state house. He also met with Palmetto Economic Development to get the city out in front for proper economic growth.

Judge-Carroll stated they had 764 cases, 31 bond hearings, 30 arrest warrants, and reminded everyone of Hispanic court on Thursdays.

Manager-Haynes stated the city has received a request from Embarq for a telecommunications franchise and will be bringing forward. They have requested the Department of Commerce to help with Phase II of the Streetscape project. The departments have been working on budget preparations. Manager Haynes and EDD Felder spent a day at the State House.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jones made a motion to adjourn; motion received a proper second from Council Member Cooler and passed unanimously.