

## City of Fairburn Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes May 13, 2019 7:00 PM

- I. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Carr-Hurst at 7:00 pm.
- II. Roll call was taken by Interim City Clerk, Shana T. Moss with the following members present:

## Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

Mayor Pro-Tem Linda J. Davis

Councilman Alex Heath

Councilman Pat Pallend

Councilwoman Hattie Portis-Jones

Councilman Ulysses J. Smallwood

Councilman James Whitmore

The attendance of Mayor and Council constituted a quorum and the meeting proceeded.

- III. The invocation was given by Councilman James Whitmore.
- IV. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
- V. Presentations:

1. Dr. Steve Moyers, Dr. Shara Mayberry and Dr. Arthur Yancey, spoke about the partnership with Grady Healthcare Systems. The trio focused on the Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) Unit. This unit is an innovative program utilizing a Nurse Practitioner and an Advanced EMT in a fully equipped EMS First Responder SUV who deliver care to individuals seeking service through the 9-1-1- system for non-emergent complaints. The MIH is a National Center of Excellence that uses a Medical Priority Dispatch system for processing. They stated there is an 11.2 minutes response time to Fairburn and they are trying to achieve a 9 minutes response time. Dr. Yancy stated this system is so comprehensive that they can provide treatment to stroke patients. There are 11 ambulances in the South Fulton Area. They are excited about the partnership and look forward to the continued relationship with the City of Fairburn.

- VI Public Comments were none.
- VII. Adoption of the Council Agenda: NA.
- VIII. Adoption of the Consent Agenda Items. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Whitmore with the second provided by Councilman Heath. Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.
- IX. Adoption of City Council Minutes. The motion to approve with corrections (to Section XI-2A from \$450.00 to \$75.00) was made by Councilman Smallwood with the second provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis.

  Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.
- X. Adoption of Special Called Executive Session Minutes. The motion to approve minutes from the May 1, 2019 Special Called Executive Session Meeting was made by Councilman Whitmore with the second provided by Councilman Heath.

  Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.

- XI. Public Hearing: The motion to open the public hearing was made by Councilman Heath with the second provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis. Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.
  - The following individual spoke regarding the Public Hearing.
  - 1. Ms. Jane Storey, stated she was concerned about the number of cars and that this could be dangerous if approved. She further stated Virilyn B. Smith is already congested with the number of trucks. She stated the STEM school would bring more traffic and she is concerned Fairburn is getting too congested.
  - 2. Ms. Pamela Holloway stated she resides on 93 Chestnut Street and she is inquiring about why this street has not been paved? She further stated the trees are overgrown in the area and she has reported that there is a leak. City Engineer, Ms. Lester Thompson and Interim Utilities Director, Mr. Eddie Powell were notified.

City Planner, Ms. Tarika Peeks stated, the applicant is requesting to rezoning 75 acres from R-2 (Single-Family Residential) to R-3 (Single-Family Residential) to allow a development of 171 single family residential lots.

The proposed development is consistent with the 2035 Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map. The future land use map has designated 49.6 acres of the site as Low Density Residential, 15.3 acres as Town Center Mixed Use and 9.2 acres as Greenspace.

The Low-Density Residential character area allows 1 acre to 1/3 acre lots and the Town Center Mixed Use Character area allows much higher density such as R-4 single-family, RM-4, RM-8 multi-family, and R-CT (Townhouse/Condominiums).

The proposed development is also consistent with the surrounding residential uses and density of other single-family subdivisions in the area and in particular subdivisions along Virlyn B. Smith Road.

The development will provide sidewalks, sodded front and rear yards, pedestrian scale lightning throughout the development, a playground, pavilion on 11 acres of greenspace 5' sidewalks, curb and gutter will be installed on Virlyn B. Smith Road as well as a deceleration lane. A secondary entrance is proposed for Brooks Drive.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the petition on May 7<sup>th</sup> and unanimously recommended **Approval Conditional.** 

Based on the proposed development consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map, Staff's recommendation is **Approval Conditional**.

## Speaker in Favor of Rezoning

Mr. Richard Ferry, the applicant a subsidiary of Brent Holding stated their original plan was townhomes, which were not conducive to the area. Currently they are requesting 171 lots, consisting of 11.04 acres of open spaces and there will be two points of access including Brooks Drive. The square footage will range from 2000-2500 and will be ranch style homes. The North Georgia Water Association has stated there is adequate pumping supply for this subdivision.

Speakers in Opposition of Rezoning

Approval of a Resolution to abandon approximately 0.230 acres of City right-of-way. To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Fulton County Board of Education to convey the abandoned right-of-way to be used for educational purposes. Consent Agenda

2. Office of the City Engineer

Mr. Lester Thompson

Approval of Task Order #134 with Integrated Sciences and Engineering for Water and Sewer Plan Reviews and Construction Inspection.

Consent Agenda

3. Office of the City Engineer

Mr. Lester Thompson

Approval of the 2017 CDBG Contract with Fulton County. For Mayor and Council to approve the 2017 CDBG Contract with Fulton County for the Cora Robinson Park Improvements Phase II Project.

Consent Agenda

4. Office of the City Engineer

Mr. Lester Thompson

Approval of the 2017 CDBG Contract with Fulton County. For Mayor and Council to approve the 2018 Consent Agenda CDBG Contract with Fulton County for the demolition of 155 Dodd Street.

5. Office of the City Engineer

Mr. Lester Thompson

Approval of the 2018 CDBG Contract with Fulton County. For Mayor and Council to approve the 2018 CDBG Contract with Fulton County for the Dodd Street Underground Utility Relocation Project.

Consent Agenda

Council Comments XIII.

Councilmembers

Councilwoman Portis-Jones wished everyone a Happy Belated Mother's Day regardless if you were a mother by birth or nurturing, it takes a village.

Councilman Pallend had no comment.

Councilman Smallwood had no comment.

Mayor Pro-Tem Davis stated, Thanks to everyone who helped to make Georgia Cities Week very successful; Councilman Smallwood, Ms. Chapin Payne, Dr. Davante Parks, Fire, Police, Street Departments and staff. Congratulations to the Fairburn Youth Track and Field Team and the Landmark Christian School for bringing to the City of Fairburn the 2019 State Championship title.

Councilman Heath thanked everyone for attending. He gave accolades to the police department. The traffic is being controlled the city has only one reported burglary which is outstanding. The Fairburn Fire Department (we cannot do without them) were very helpful when he suffered a heatstroke and he thanked Lester Thompson for getting the city's CDBG money.

Councilman Whitmore stated the staff mean the world to me. He praised City Planner, Tarika Peeks, Community Development Director, Lester Thompson and Public Works Interim Director, Eddie Powell for their hard work. These employees protect and work in the city. The Police Department is top-notch, the fire department and recreation department make his job easier.

Mayor Carr-Hurst stated, staff you're fantastic. She expressed her thanks to staff and others for their kindness during the passing of her brother. She said it was a tough time for the family, he was the oldest of 9 siblings and the first one to transition. She appreciated the councilmembers (Linda J. Davis, Hattie Portis-Jones, and James (Patricia) Whitmore) and staff (Jessica Davis, her mother, sister and niece) who traveled to Montgomery, Alabama for the service.

XIV. Executive Session Councilmembers

At 8:49 pm a motion to enter executive session for personnel and real estate matters was made by Councilman Whitmore, with the second provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis

Vote:(6-0) Motion Carried.

At 9:20 pm a motion to exit executive session was made by Councilman Heath and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis.

Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.

At 9: 20 pm a motion to re-enter the regular meeting was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Smallwood.

Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.

XV. Adjournment: At 9:21 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Davis and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

Vote: (6-0) Motion Carried.

Shana T. Moss, Interim City Clerk

Elizabeth Carr-Hurst, Mayor

These are the Official Minutes of the City of Fairburn, approved and adopted on June 10, 2019.