



Meeting Minutes - Final  
City Council

Monday, May 20, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

Roll Call

**Present:** 8 - Mayor Max Bacon, Councilmember Derek Norton, Councilmember Maryline Blackburn, Councilmember Andrea Blustein, Councilmember Charles Welch, Councilmember Susan Wilkinson, Councilmember Tim Gould and Councilmember Ron Fennel

**Also Present:** 9 - Tammi Saddler Jones, Scott Cochran, Scott Andrews, Ken Suddreth, Russell Martin, Kevin Moore, Ashley Youmans, Kristin Robinson and Tina Monaghan

Call to Order

Mayor A. Max Bacon called the May 20, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. Invocation and Pledge:

Pastor Brian Downing, Oakdale Church of God (1631 Cooper Lake Rd) delivered the Invocation and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Agenda Changes:

Item 5A will be tabled to the June 3, 2019 meeting. Item 6C will be tabled until a later meeting as well.

3. Mayoral Report:

*The order of the items under the Mayoral Report was changed to ensure that all of those receiving recognition were present.*

B. [2019-163](#)

Smyrna Citizens Academy Graduating Class Ceremony and Presentation of Certificates

*Management Fellow Ms. Ashley Youmans announced the names of the 21 graduates of the second graduating class of the Smyrna Citizen's Academy. City Administrator Tammi Saddler Jones presented the graduates with their certificates.*

*The following are the names of those that participated and graduated:  
William Bard, Clay Cannon, David Dean, Kahlillah Dotson Mosley, Brian Glover, Barbara Hahn, Jutta Hansen, Rachel Harris, Christy Hiatt, Cynthia Holeva, Michael Hourihan, Bryan Jackson, Brittany Jean, Sarah Manson, Penelope Mocerri, Kristy Orisma, Phyllis Owens, Melissa Powell, Julie Redmon, Deborah Ross, and Nalani York.*

*Citizen's Academy graduate Mr. Brian Glover spoke about the great opportunity that the experience provided to gain knowledge about the City and to give back to the community.*

**A. [2019-179](#)**

**Recognition of the Campbell High School Girls Track Team - State Championship Winners.**

**Sponsors:** Gould

*Councilmember Tim Gould provided information about the team and their recent accomplishments.*

*Raina Perry, a Senior and four year varsity team member from the team spoke and thanked everyone who helped them along the way.*

*Campbell High School Principal Dr. Walker spoke highly of the girls and all of their hard work and thanked the coaches for pouring into the students.*

*Some of the coaches came forward and spoke about the team members and their accomplishments.*

*The following is a list of the coaches and team members that were part of the Campbell High School State Championship Girls Track Team:*

*Coaches: Michelle Lanier, Brian Smith, Ray Lanier*

*Athletes: Mekenze Kelley, Ashton Lindley, Camille Trottmann, Jada Alston, Raina Perry, Lailah Malone, Makylah Jones, Zionn Rice, Akilah Parrish, Loryn Smith*

**4. Land Issues/Zonings/Annexations:**

**A. [2019-94](#)**

**Public Hearing** - Zoning Request Z19-005 - Rezoning from R-15 to R-10 Conditional for four single family homes at a density of 3.72 units per acre - 1.17 acres - Land Lot 561 - 1420 and 1430 Roswell Street - M. Junger Homes LLC

**Sponsors:** Blackburn

*A summary of the background information was presented to Mayor and Council by City Administrator Tammi Saddler Jones. M. Junger Homes, LLC is requesting a rezoning from R-15 to R-10-Conditional for the property at 1420 and 1430 Roswell Street for the construction of four new single-family residences at a density of 3.72 units per acre. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the request at the March 11, 2019 and approved the request by vote of 7-0. Community Development recommended approval of the request rezoning from R-15 to R-10-Conditional for the construction of four new single-family residences at a density of 3.72 units per acre with conditions.*

*Mayor Bacon opened the public hearing and asked all those wanting to speak to come forward and be sworn in. City Attorney Scott Cochran swore in all those that came forward.*

*Councilmember Maryline Blackburn asked the applicant, Mr. Matt Junger to come forward. He spoke about his request and what has occurred so far.*

*Questions to Mr. Junger from Council included what would need to be done to the wall if it were to stay and what would he like to see occur in terms of the zoning and the wall. They also spoke about how the removal of the current sidewalk and removal of trees*

would possibly impact the wall.

The Mayor asked anyone wanting to speak to come forward.

Ms. Casey Clavin, 1470 Roswell Street, spoke about the history of the wall and her desire to see the wall remain in place.

Mr. Leon McElvin, 1562 Whitfield Street, provided a handout to Mayor and Council with some photos of sidewalks around the City. He feels that there could be a five foot sidewalk and a six inch grass strip which would allow for the wall to remain.

Ms. Sonja Henderson Ingle, 2642 Highland Avenue, provided a handout of signatures from residents of Williams Park in relation to saving the wall. She feels that the wall is an important historical element and should be saved.

Mr. Keith Bentley, 2651 Gilbert Street, wants the City to waive the two requirements that would result in the demolition of the wall. He wants the Cochran wall to remain.

Mr. Monty Bye, 1565 Spring Street, a resident of Williams Park and a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission spoke in favor of saving the wall.  
Mr. Ron Davis, 1351 Roswell Street, spoke in favor of saving the wall.

Ms. Sandy Hamby, 1312 Roswell Street, acknowledged that her husband was friends with one of those that helped build the wall and spoke in favor of saving the wall.

Mr. Lemuel Ward, 1496 Spring Street, asked the City to make the exception to the Zoning Conditions in order to save the wall.

Mayor Bacon closed the public hearing after no one further came forward to speak.

Council stated that they appreciated the Williams Park Community and their desire to save the wall but there is a safety element that needs to be addressed in that area as well relating to traffic.

City Attorney Scott Cochran, at the request of Council, offered some options for how the wall and sidewalk issue could be addressed.

The question of whether or not the current plan required removal of the wall came up. With the current plan, the wall will have parts removed for the driveway as well as walkways from the houses to the sidewalk. If the current plan were to be approved, it would mean that the wall would be altered. The plans were pulled back up to offer clarity on the position of the wall and the areas where the wall would be penetrated.

Mayor Bacon reopened the public hearing so that some people could make further comments.

Mr. Keith Bentley, 2651 Gilbert Street, offered the suggestion of modifying the current site plan and moving the driveway to an area where it would not impact the wall.

Ms. Casey Clavin, 1470 Roswell Street, noted that approval of the current site plan would mean destruction of the wall.

Council asked about the process if another plan came to light as well as what the procedure would be if the request were to be denied. Mr. Suddreth of Community

*Development explained that if Council were to deny the request, there would be a twelve month waiting period before the applicant could refile.*

*Mr. Junger came back to the podium to speak at the request of the Mayor. He explained that his initial intent was to remove the wall and reuse the material elsewhere on the property, but he wanted to allow the community to have input. He feels that the current sidewalk is not safe and needs to be replaced. He is willing to work with the City in regards to the wall but wants to make sure that he is developing a safe property.*

*City Engineer Kevin Moore spoke about what is in his opinion the safest option. He felt that the dedication with the five foot sidewalk and the two foot grass buffer would be the safest option. He also explained that the current traffic calming solution for the area was to revise the curb line, add another crosswalk, and add some additional signage.*

Councilmember Maryline Blackburn made a motion to table Zoning Request Z19-005 - Rezoning from R-15 to R-10 Conditional for four single family homes at a density of 3.72 units per acre - 1.17 acres - Land Lot 561 - 1420 and 1430 Roswell Street - M. Junger Homes LLC to the June 3, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting. Councilmember Susan Wilkinson seconded the motion to table.

The motion to table was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Wilkinson and Councilmember Gould

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Welch and Councilmember Fennel

**B. [2019-133](#)**

**Public Hearing** - Zoning Request Z19-008 - Rezoning from GC to RHR-PD for the development of 80 senior housing units at a density of 25.72 units per acre - 3.11 Acres - Land Lot 606 - East/West Connector & Camp Highland Road - One Street Development, LLC

**Sponsors:** Fennel

*Ms. Tammi Saddler Jones reviewed the pertinent information for this agenda item. One Street Development, LLC is requesting a rezoning from General Commercial (GC) to Residential Highrise-Planned Development (RHR- PD) for the development of an 80-unit age-restricted senior housing community. This project will be age-restricted to Elderly persons 62 years or older. Due to the project being funded with equity from the sale of state and federal tax credits the developer/owner have agreed to abide by a 30-year extended affordability commitment. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the zoning request at the April 8, 2019 meeting and approve it by vote of 5-0. Community Development recommends approval of the rezoning from GC to RHR-PD on 3.11 acres for the development of an 80-unit age restricted senior community at a density of 25.72 units per acre with conditions.*

*Mayor Bacon announced the public hearing, and no one came forward.*

*Mr. Russell Martin of Community Development presented the information in relation to this rezoning request. One Street Development, LLC is requesting rezoning from GC (General Commercial) to RHRPD (Residential Highrise-Planned Development) for the development of an 80-unit age-restricted senior housing community. The proposed senior housing units would be limited to persons 62 years of age or older and would be rental units. The submitted site plan reflects a four-story building with 50 residential*

units fronting East/West Connector and a three-story building with 30 residential units along the western property boundary. The site will be accessed from East/West Connector via a right-in/right-out entrance between the buildings. In addition, a deceleration lane and small acceleration lane will be provided on East/West Connector. The site plan provides 80 parking spaces for the development at a ratio of one parking space per unit. The development will provide a small amenity area with community gardens, as well as, a planned direct connection to the Silver Comet Trail. The site plan reflects underground stormwater detention facilities at the rear of the site. Finally, the site plan shows two encumbrances on the subject property, a gas easement along the rear of the property and a stream buffer on the eastern end of the property. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the zoning request at the April 8, 2019 meeting and made a recommendation for approval by vote of 5-0. Community Development recommended approval of the rezoning from GC to RHR-PD on 3.11 acres for the development of an 80-unit age restricted senior community at a density of 25.72 units per acre, including those variances supported by staff as shown above, with the following conditions:

#### Standard Conditions

Requirements # 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 16 and 17 from Section 1201 of the Zoning Code are not applicable. The following requirements remain applicable.

1. The composition of the homes in a residential subdivision shall include a mixture of elements including; but not limited to: brick, stone, shake, hardy plank and stucco. No elevation shall be comprised of 100 percent hardy plank siding. The residences along external roadways shall not be permitted to utilize hardy plank for any elevation facing these roads.
2. The retention pond shall be placed and screened appropriately to be unobtrusive to homes inside and outside the development. The storm water detention plan shall be designed to create at least a ten percent reduction in a 100-year storm event. The city engineer shall approve all plans.
3. All utilities within the development shall be underground.
4. The developer shall be responsible for any traffic improvements (including additional right-of-way dedications) deemed necessary by either the City or the County during construction plan review. Sidewalks shall be provided by the developer inside the subdivision and outside the subdivision adjacent to any public right-of-way consistent with City's requirements for the extent of the development. A grass buffer with a minimum width of 2' shall be provided between the back of curb and sidewalk.
5. The developer shall install a deceleration lane at the entrance for the subdivision. The deceleration lane shall have a minimum length of 150 feet with a 50-foot taper.
6. A strip of brick pavers or stamped concrete shall be installed on the street at the subdivision entrance for a minimum distance of 20 feet.
7. No debris may be buried on any lot or common area.
8. The developer will comply with the City's current tree ordinance. All required tree protection measures shall be adhered to by the developer during construction.
9. All landscape plans must be prepared, stamped, and signed by a Georgia

*Registered Landscape Architect for any common areas or entrances.*

*10. All yards and common areas are to be sodded, and landscaped. Irrigate as appropriate.*

*Special Conditions*

*11. The development shall maintain the following setbacks:*

*Front - 25'*

*Side - 25'*

*Rear - 40'*

*Building Separation - 80'*

*12. The developer shall meet all fire access requirements deemed necessary by the Fire Marshal during construction plan review.*

*13. The developer shall be responsible for any water and sewer improvements deemed necessary by the Public Works Director during construction plan review.*

*14. The developer shall be responsible for any stormwater improvements deemed necessary by the City Engineer.*

*15. The developer shall provide a 10' landscape buffer in accordance with Section 503 of the Zoning Ordinance along the western property line.*

*16. The developer shall seek approval from Cobb County for the sidewalk connection to the Silver Comet Trail.*

*17. The trash dumpsters shall utilize rubber tops and be appropriately screened with a three-sided brick enclosure.*

*18. Utilization of low intensity, environmental type lighting shall be allowed within the development. The illumination of which shall be confined within the perimeter of the subject property through the use of "full cut-off lighting".*

*19. Approval of the subject property for the RHR-PD zoning district shall be conditioned upon the development of the property in substantial compliance with the site plan submitted 3/8/2019 and created by Foley Design and all zoning stipulations above.*

*20. The applicant shall be bound to the elevations submitted on 3/8/2019. Approval of any change to the elevations must be obtained from the Director of Community Development.*

*Attorney Kevin Moore, representative for the applicant came forward to speak at the request of the Mayor. He provided some additional details to Mayor and Council about the project. There was a letter provided to Mayor and Council from the developer with details regarding the age restriction, rent and unit mix and the thirty year extended affordability period.*

*Questions from Council included types of transportation provided to potential residents as well as who the community would serve because there are older residents on a fixed income looking for places in Smyrna to live.*

*Councilmember Ron Fennel made a motion to approve Zoning Request Z19-008 -*

Rezoning from GC to RHR-PD for the development of 80 senior housing units at a density of 25.72 units per acre - 3.11 Acres - Land Lot 606 - East/West Connector & Camp Highland Road - One Street Development, LLC. Councilmember Maryline Blackburn seconded the motion to approve.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

C. [2019-166](#)

**Public Hearing** - Approval of subdivision plat for five lots with variances - 2.4 Acres - Land Lot 384 - 3813 North Cooper Lake Road - Charles A. Welch

**Sponsors:** Fennel

*Councilmember Charles "Corkey" Welch recused himself due to financial interests and left the Council Chambers at 9:01 PM.*

*Ms. Saddler Jones provided the background information for this agenda item. Charles A. Welch is requesting approval to subdivide the existing lot with a single-family home and an accessory structure into five residential lots at 3813 North Cooper Lake Road. The subject property is currently comprised of one lot of record fronting on North Cooper Lake Road. The applicant is requesting to demolish the existing single-family home and save the accessory building and convert it to a dwelling unit on the proposed lot #1. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the plat approval and variance request at the May 13, 2019 meeting and approved it by vote of 7-0. Community Development recommends approval of the proposed subdivision plat of 3813 North Cooper Lake Road with the requested variances.*

*Mayor Bacon announced the public hearing and no one came forward to speak.*

*Mr. Martin provided a power point presentation of the proposed plat. Charles A. Welch is requesting approval to subdivide the existing lot with a single-family home and an accessory structure into five residential lots at 3813 North Cooper Lake Road. The subject property is currently comprised of one lot of record fronting on North Cooper Lake Road (See Zoning Vicinity Map). The applicant is requesting to demolish the existing single-family home and save the accessory building and convert it to a dwelling unit on the proposed lot #1 (See Preliminary Plat). The existing accessory structure is within nine feet of the adjoining property to the north and will need a variance for the encroachment into the required 10' side setback. The proposed plat reflects a*

*stormwater detention facility at the northeast corner of the property, which will be located on its own lot of record and will be maintained by the subdivision HOA. The wall of the proposed detention facility is located within the 50' undisturbed stream buffer and will require a variance to reduce the city's stream buffer requirement from 50' to 25'. Finally, the applicant is proposing to take a small portion of the subject property along the eastern property line and combine it with his property at 870 Austin Drive. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the plat approval and variance request at the May 13, 2019 meeting and made a recommendation for approval by vote of 7-0. Community Development recommended approval of the proposed subdivision plat of 3813 North Cooper Lake Road with the requested variances.*

*Councilmember Welch reentered the Council Chambers at 9:10 PM after the vote was complete.*

Councilmember Ron Fennel made a motion to approve subdivision plat for five lots with variances - 2.4 Acres - Land Lot 384 - 3813 North Cooper Lake Road - Charles A. Welch with a second by Councilmember Derek Norton.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

**Recuse:** 1 - Councilmember Welch

## 5. Privilege Licenses:

- A. [LIC2019-12](#) Public Hearing - Privilege License Request LIC2019-12 - Beer Pouring - 3240 South Cobb Drive STE 1100 - Pita Hospitality 3 LLC dba Pita Mediterranean Street Food with Raineesh Suruni as agent. **This privilege license request will be tabled to the June 3, 2019 Mayor and Council Meeting at the request of the applicant.**

**Sponsors:** Blackburn

*Mayor Bacon announced that this would be tabled at the request of the applicant to the June 3, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting.*

*Councilmember Tim Gould stepped away from the dias and was not present for the vote.*

Councilmember Maryline Blackburn made a motion to table Privilege License Request LIC2019-12 - Beer Pouring - 3240 South Cobb Drive STE 1100 - Pita Hospitality 3 LLC dba Pita Mediterranean Street Food with Raineesh Suruni as agent to the June 3, 2019 Mayor and Council Meeting at the request of the applicant. Councilmember Susan Wilkinson seconded the motion to table.

The motion to table was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson and Councilmember Fennel

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Gould

## 6. Formal Business:

- A. [2019-180](#) **Public Hearing:** Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Budget

**Sponsors:** Fennel

*City Administrator Tammi Saddler Jones advised Mayor and Council as to the background on the Fiscal Year 2020 proposed budget. This is the Public Hearing for the FY 2020 proposed budget. A public input session was held February 11th at the Community Center to get feedback prior to the start of the budget process. The total*



*budget, as proposed, is \$92,421,338. The General Fund budget is \$52,651,725, Special Revenue Funds are \$4,772,516, Capital Project Funds are \$11,647,612, Internal Service Fund is \$1,105,775 and the Enterprise Funds are \$22,243,710. The proposed budget is scheduled for adoption on Monday, June 3, 2019.*

*Finance Director Kristin Robinson went through a power point presentation of information regarding the Fiscal Year 2020 budget. The total budget, as proposed, is \$92,396,338. The General Fund budget is \$52,651,725, Special Revenue Funds are \$4,772,516, Capital Project Funds are \$11,632,612, Internal Service Fund is \$1,105,775 and the Enterprise Funds are \$22,233,710. For comparative purposes, the total revised FY 2019 budget, to date, is \$100,962,882. The General Fund budget is \$52,032,346, Special Revenue Funds are \$4,283,941, Capital Project Funds are \$20,417,155, Internal Service Fund is \$1,820,000 and the Enterprise Funds are \$22,409,439. On Monday, February 11, 2019 there was a public input session held. The Budget Book is available for review on the City's Website and a hard copy is available at the Library. The budget is scheduled for adoption on June 3, 2019.*

*The Mayor opened the public hearing, and no one came forward.*

*This was a public hearing only so no motion was made or vote taken.*

**B. [2019-181](#)**

**Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Amendment**

**Sponsors:** Fennel

*Ms. Tammi Saddler Jones reviewed the pertinent information for this agenda item. Several unbudgeted items have impacted the City's current FY 2019 year to date balance, so a budget amendment is necessary. The Information Systems department had to do an emergency repair on the controller for video storage array for our city-wide camera system. This was a \$5,000 unbudgeted line item. Contingency will fund this. Keep Smyrna Beautiful had part-time approved hours that were not included in the budgeted line item. The department has asked for \$4,000 to cover that expense. Contingency will fund this. At a recent Committee of the Whole meeting, the Library was given approval to purchase \$40,000 in books. Formal budget approval is needed on this line item. \$32,494.79 will come from library's under-budget CIP projects line item, \$7,505.21 will be funded from contingency. The City Administrator Office has recommended a study be done on the downtown area to assist with future land use plans. The estimate for this is study is \$30,000 and contingency will fund this. Staff recommended approval of the FY 2019 budget amendments.*

Councilmember Ron Fennel made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Amendment with a second by Councilmember Charles "Corkey" Welch.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

**C. [ORD2019-11](#)**

**Approval to amend the City of Smyrna Code of Ordinances, Chapter 98 by adding section 98-41 regulating storage and use of Shareable Mobility Devices on Public right-of-way.**

**Sponsors:** Norton

*The Mayor reiterated that this item will be tabled to the June 17, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting so that further research and review can occur.*

Councilmember Derek Norton made a motion to table the approval to amend the City of Smyrna Code of Ordinances, Chapter 98 by adding section 98-41 regulating storage and use of Shareable Mobility Devices on Public right-of-way to the June 17, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting. Councilmember Tim Gould seconded the motion to table.

The motion to table was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

D. [RES2019-03](#)

Approval to Adopt Resolution 2019-03 designating Concord Linear Park as a Restaurant District, expanding the borders of the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District to include the Gazebo area adjacent to the Arboretum, and to connect the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District with the Belmont Hills Restaurant District by way of the multi-use trail on Atlanta Road.

**Sponsors:** Blackburn

*City Administrator Tammi Saddler Jones advised Mayor and Council as to the background on the resolution. As defined in the amendment to Sec 6-46 "Carry-in prohibited" of the City of Smyrna Code of Ordinances, the carry-out of alcoholic beverages is only authorized in areas that are designated as a Restaurant District by a resolution from Mayor and Council. Expansion of the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District as currently defined to include multi-use trail extending from Powder Springs St. to Fleming St. connecting the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District to the Belmont Hills Restaurant District along Atlanta Road. The resolution also expands the aforementioned district to include the Gazebo Area within the Arboretum area which had previously been excluded. This area is contiguous with the Arboretum at the corner of Powder Springs St. and Village Green Cir. The resolution also creates one new Restaurant District at the location of Concord Linear Park at 1035 Concord Rd SE which includes the entirety of the park. Staff recommended approval of the amendment.*

Councilmember Maryline Blackburn made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2019-03 designating Concord Linear Park as a Restaurant District, expanding the borders of the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District to include the Gazebo area adjacent to the Arboretum, and to connect the Smyrna Market Village Restaurant District with the Belmont Hills Restaurant District by way of the multi-use trail on Atlanta Road. Councilmember Derek Norton seconded the motion to approve.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

**Nay:** 2 - Councilmember Blustein and Councilmember Wilkinson

E. [2019-184](#)

Approval of the Ward 5 appointment to the Smyrna Housing Authority, Ryan Campbell to complete the existing five-year term to expire May 2023.

**Sponsors:** Wilkinson

*Mayor Bacon inquired if Mr. Ryan Campbell was present, but he has already left the meeting.*

Councilmember Susan Wilkinson made a motion to approve of the Ward 5 appointment to the Smyrna Housing Authority, Ryan Campbell to complete the existing five-year term to expire May 2023. Councilmember Maryline Blackburn seconded the motion to approve.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

## 7. Commercial Building Permits:

There were no commercial building permits.

## 8. Consent Agenda:

*Ms. Tammi Saddler Jones read aloud the consent agenda.*

Councilmember Tim Gould made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read aloud by Ms. Tammi Saddler Jones. Councilmember Ron Fennel seconded the motion to approve.

The motion to approve was carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Norton, Councilmember Blackburn, Councilmember Blustein, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Wilkinson, Councilmember Gould and Councilmember Fennel

### A. [2019-175](#) Approval of the May 6, 2019 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.

**Sponsors:** City Council

### B. [2019-182](#) Approval of the May 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

## 9. Committee Reports:

*Mr. Derek Norton thanked the residents of Argyle Estates for attending the neighborhood meeting. He will be having a Ward meeting at Fire Station 3 on Thursday, May 23, 2019 and would like to invite everyone to attend.*

*Ms. Andrea Blustein wished everyone a safe Memorial Day weekend and invited everyone to come to the Memorial Day ceremony which will take place Monday, May 27, 2019.*

*Ms. Maryline Blackburn congratulated the Campbell High School Girls Track Team on their victory. She also congratulated those that graduated from the Citizen's Academy. Ms. Blackburn spoke about the Keep Smyrna Beautiful Garden Tour and how wonderful that it was. To conclude her report, she reiterated the invitation for everyone to come out to the Memorial Day ceremony that the City is hosting on May 27th.*

*Mr. Charles "Corkey" Welch wished everyone a safe holiday weekend and that he hoped to see everyone on Monday at the Memorial Day ceremony.*

*Ms. Susan Wilkinson announced the beginning of the summer reading program at the Smyrna Library which begins on Friday, May 24, 2019. The library also now has five WiFi hot spots that can be checked out for a week at a time that connects up to ten devices to the internet. She also gave details about the Memorial Day ceremony which will take place Monday, May 27, 2019 beginning at 9:30am. The event is free, and everyone is invited to attend.*

*Mr. Tim Gould announced the Radon Awareness workshop which will take place at the Community Center on June 4, 2019 at 6:30pm. He acknowledged that it was Community Development Director Ken Suddreth's last City Council meeting because he will be retiring at the end of the month. It was also the last meeting for Management Fellow Ashley Youmans who will moving on the work with the City of Powder Springs.*

*Mr. Ron Fennel thanked both Mr. Suddreth and Ms. Youmans for their hard work and service with the City. He acknowledged the Finance Department and staff for their hard work on the Fiscal Year 2020 budget. He congratulated Budget Officer Jered Sigmon for the birth of a baby girl. On a personal note, he thanked everyone for their support of the Whitefield Academy soccer team who placed second in the state recently. To conclude his report, he mentioned that school is out at the end of the week and asked that everyone keep a look out for children out enjoying their summer break.*

*Ms. Tammi Saddler Jones announced that City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019 for Memorial Day. She thanked Mr. Ken Suddreth for his years with the City and wished him well in his retirement. She wished Ms. Ashley Youmans well in her new job with the City of Powder Springs and welcomed the new Management Fellow Mr. Landon O'Neil.*

*Mr. Scott Andrews thanked Mr. Suddreth and Ms. Youmans for all that they have done with the City.*

*Mr. Scott Cochran thanked Mr. Suddreth and Ms. Youmans and wished them well on their future endeavors.*

*Mayor Bacon thanked Mr. Ken Suddreth for his hard work during his twelve years with the City. He wished Ms. Youmans good luck at her new city.*

## **10. Show Cause Hearings:**

There were no show cause hearings.

## **11. Citizen Input:**

*Ms. Laura Anzures, 2344 Old Spring Road, spoke about affordable housing. She said she lives in Ward 5 and wanted to know if there are any plans to preserve an area of the City for housing that average working class people can afford.*

## **12. Adjournment:**

Mayor Bacon adjourned the May 20, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting at 10:17 PM.