



## Meeting Minutes - Final Committee of the Whole

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Thursday, October 3, 2019

6:00 PM

City Hall

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### 1. Roll Call

*Council: Tim Gould, Ron Fennel, Charles "Corkey" Welch, Andrea Blustein, Derek Norton*

*Absent: Mayor Max Bacon, Susan Wilkinson, Maryline Blackburn*

*Staff: Tammi Saddler Jones (City Administrator), Scott Andrews (Assistant City Administrator), Christy Ullman (Ex. Asst. to the M&C), Scott Cochran (City Attorney), Mary K. Arvin (Admin. Svc. Coord.), Roy Acree (Fire Chief), Frank Martin (Public Works Director), Kristin Robinson (Finance Director), Kay Bolick (Director HR), Janet Liberman (Environmental Services/Keep Smyrna Beautiful – Director), Jennifer Bennett (Director, Community Relations), Landon O'Neal (ICMA Management Fellow), Tom Boland (Director, Economic Development) Deputy Chief Robert Harvey (SPD), Fatima Tarawally (Intern Environmental Services/KSB), Rusty Martin (Director, Community Development)*

*Guests: Jordyn Jones (Arcadis), Angela Alexander (Arcadis), Tim Matthews (GDOT), Shamir Poudel (Arcadis), Xavier James (GDOT), Pat Burns (United Task Force), Tom Owens (Gordon Mortin), Gordon Mortin (Gordon Mortin), Greg Teague (Croy Engineering)*

### 2. Call to Order

*Mayor Pro Tem Derek Norton called the October 3, 2019 Committee of The Whole Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.*

### 3. I-285 Westside Express Lane Project - Arcadis

*Mr. Tim Matthews (GDOT) and Shamir Poudel (Arcadis) presented to the Mayor and Council, and Department Staff members about the I-285 Westside Express Lane project backed by Governor Kemp.*

*This program of express lane projects will benefit drivers with the most travel time, and free up room for large trucks. This is a \$11 million program consisting of four major categories of express lane projects that all link together, and the Westside Express Lane project. Improvements will be made to the West interchange project at 285 & I-20 East & West, interstate widening jobs, and commercial vehicle project down on 75 South.*

*This is a long term project where the legislature made the funding decisions with GDOT and GRITA; State, Federal, and otherwise type money. This agreement was crafted to the GDOT agreement with Arcadis. The goal is to expand our express way system in our most congested corridors.*

#### 4. Gordon Mortin - Belmont

*Mr. Gordon Mortin and Mr. Tom Owens of Raymond James & Associates presented to the Mayor and Council, and Department Staff members on the Belmont Hills redevelopment refinance. We can redo the current agreement by refinancing through a bond on a short-term interest rate and pay off 8 years sooner. This will allow the City to reduce a 7 percent interest rate to 3.65 percent interest. The local bank the City has been working with for about 7 months now, requires a term sheet signed to confirm the City's partnership.*

#### 6. Hefty Energy Bag - Janet Liberman

*Presented by Janet Liberman (Director, Environmental Services-KSB) is a way to recycle hard to recycle plastics. This program is extended and funded by a Keep Cobb Beautiful grant. Smyrna residents have voiced that they want to participate in this program; there will be no cost to the City of Smyrna. Only curbside recycling pickup residents can sign up. Residents will receive a kit with four orange bags labeled "Hefty Energy Bag". Refill bags can be purchased at Kroger supermarkets at approximately \$8.00. Items that can be placed in the recycle bags are candy wrappers, chips bags, plastic cups, plastic utensils etc.; you cannot add items that go into regular recycling bags such as toys, glass, hoses, rope, rubber etc. The City Council is asked to approve the "MOU" to get the program started and education out to residents. The grant requires a minimum of 50,000 homes to qualify Smyrna.*

#### 7. Review of the October 7, 2019 Mayor and Council Meeting Agenda

*2019-348 Smyrna Youth Council Recognition. Fourteen students signed up.*

*2019-331 Proclamation in Recognition of Public Safety Appreciation Week, October 6-12, 2019.*

*Land Issues/Zonings/Annexations:*

*2019-318 Public Hearing - Zoning Request Z19-014 - Modification of site plan for 130 unit townhome development at Riverview Landing - 22.57 Acres - Land Lots 171, 172 - Riverview Road - The Ardent Companies, LLC. 65 single family units will be replaced with 129 Town Home two-story units that will front Riverview Road.*

*Privilege Licenses:*

*Formal Business:*

*2019-342 Approval to allocate a total of \$830,000, \$100,000 from the FY21 city budget and \$730,000 from the FY22 city budget, to fund half of the required 20% match for a Transportation Improvements Program Infrastructure and Capital Investment Grant from the Atlanta Regional Commission for the cost of construction and construction related activities associated with the construction of a pedestrian bridge over Cobb Parkway and to authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Application will be submitted on October 11, 2019. Cobb County will sponsor the application.*

2019-329 Approval to purchase 5 (five) equipped Ford Explorers for the Police Department funded by the FY20 Vehicle Replacement Fund at a total cost of \$266,138.40 from Wade Ford 3860 S. Cobb Dr. Smyrna Ga. 30080 and to authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. The Police will replace Crown Victoria vehicles with Ford Explorers including new equipment.

2019-326 Approval to award RFQ 20-002 water line installation Church Street to the lowest bidder Ardito Construction Company Inc. 1290 Austell Road Marietta, Georgia 30008 for \$250,351.00 from Water CIP, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents.

2019-343 Approval of replacement Extrication Equipment by utilizing the NPPGov Cooperative Contract #PS17007, to Georgia Fire & Rescue Supply, LLC, located at 602 Water Tank Rd. Canton, Ga. 30115, in the amount of \$97,277.56, funded from FY2020 CIP and to authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Jaws of Life.

2019-344 Approval to replace Fire Response Command Vehicle by utilizing City of Atlanta contract #10590-WS, to Wade Ford 3860 South Cobb Dr. Smyrna, Ga. 30082, in the amount of \$47,516.00, funded by the FY2020 Vehicle Replacement Fund and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. CIP fund replace Ford Explorer with F250 truck at station one.

2019-347 Approval of the purchase of a Ford F-550 and a Hydro Dump Bed (RFQ 20-011 FY 2020 Parks Dump Truck Replacement) funded by the FY 2020 Vehicle Replacement Fund using the State of Georgia Contract #99999-001-SPD-0000155 from Wade Ford located at 3860 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA 30080 in the amount of \$56,626.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents.

2019-345 Approval to enter into an agreement with CivicPlus, 302 South 4th Street Suite 500 Manhattan, KS. 66502, for their CivicReady mass notification product in the amount of \$15,720.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Emergency notification will be one of advantages of this agreement. Allow staff callbacks such as closed notices due to weather

2019-354 Approve the term sheet between the City and Vinings Bank regarding a placement agreement of bonds used to refinance the outstanding obligation incurred to finance public infrastructure at the former Belmont Hill shopping center and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents.

2019-355 Approve a Right of Entry with Newburger-Andes & Co., as Administrator of Windy Hill Joint venture and authorize the Mayor to execute all related documents.

Commercial Building Permits:

Consent Agenda:

2019-340 Approval of the September 16, 2019 Mayor and Council Meeting minutes.

2019-341 Approval of the September 16, 2019 Pre-Council Meeting minutes.

2019-328 Approval of the Thursday, September 12, 2019 Committee of The Whole

2019-334 Approval of the City's Wellness Program renewal in the amount of \$125,000.00 with Corporate Health Partners and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. This is the twelfth year with Corporate Health partners and ten

*years with the same insurance cost rate; there has been no change to the agreement.*

*2019-350 Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Smyrna and Keep Cobb Beautiful for the Hefty Energy Bag (HEB) Program and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents.*

*2019-349 Approval to allow Belmont Hills Elementary School to host a Character Parade on October 25, 2019 from 9:00 - 9:20 AM. Road closures include a 272 ft. section of Glendale Place and to allow the Mayor to execute any related documents.*

## **8. City Administrator Report**

*City Administrator Report:*

*The City's Community Development Department has received calls from three Cobb County subdivisions expressing interest in annexing into the City of Smyrna due to the possible incorporation of Mableton. The subdivisions are located along Pebblebrook Road and Civitania Road in Ward 7: Vinings Brooke, Vinings Summit, and Vinings Springs.*

*The Smyrna Task Force would like to feature and celebrate the a Hispanic/Latino Heritage Month. They would like to place 8-10 posters by October 12, 2019 in the city's green spaces to highlight and recognize the culture that exists in Smyrna.*

*On Monday, October 7, 2019, the Council will discuss the City's Health Insurance and Museum Updates.*

## **9. Adjournment**

*Mayor Pro Tem Derek Norton adjourned the Committee of The Whole Board Meeting on October 3, 2019 at 7:53 pm.*