

Pre-Council Meeting - FINAL
February 17, 2020
6:30 PM

<i>Present:</i>	<i>Derek Norton</i>	<i>Tim Gould</i>	<i>Charles “Corkey” Welch</i>
	<i>Austin Wagner</i>	<i>Susan Wilkinson</i>	<i>Lewis Wheaton</i>
	<i>Travis Lindley</i>	<i>Glenn Pickens</i>	

Staff: Tammi Saddler Jones (City Administrator), Scott Cochran (City Attorney), Heather Peacon-Corn (City Clerk), Russell Martin (Community Development Director), Joey Staubes (Planner II, Community Development), Frank Martin (Public Works Director), Kristin Robinson (Finance Director), Kay Bolick (HR Director), Landon O’Neal (Management Fellow), Tina M. Monaghan (Deputy City Clerk)

Mayor Derek Norton called the February 17, 2020 Pre-Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Review of the Agenda for the February 17, 2020 Mayor and Council Meeting

Mayor Norton opened the meeting noting that there would be a motion to suspend the rules during agenda changes in order to add an item to the agenda. The item was to appoint Jim Davis as the Ward 5 representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Judge Phyllis Gingrey Collins would be present to swear in Joe Bennett as police chief for the City of Smyrna. This item would occur during the Mayor’s Report.

There were three land issues on the agenda. Community Development Director Rusty Martin reviewed the information and answered any questions from Mayor and Council regarding the land issues.

Discussion was had around the request for extended hours to complete the King Springs Elementary project. Staff recommended 8am to 6pm on Saturday rather than the 7am time that Balfour Betty requested. Other than the one change, the times remained the same as those requested.

There were no questions regarding any of the items on the consent agenda.

Mayor Norton said that the Black History Month event went very well and thanked everyone that helped put it together. He said that an event to replace the Spice of Life will take place in October which will celebrate diversity. A Hispanic Heritage event will take place in November. More details will come as they become available.

Councilmember Tim Gould shared some Education Committee updates which included that he Councilmember Wilkinson and Councilmember Lindley are preparing a letter to keep everyone informed about the construction at Campbell High School. Some other items discussed by the committee were asking to the school board to better communicate with Mayor and Council and to coordinate with the City so that we can plan and budget for projects that may come forward as a result of things being done to the local schools.

Councilmember Austin Wagner asked for an update on the speed zone cameras in the school zones. Mayor Norton stated that he had still not heard back as to why Cobb County School District will not sign off on the cameras. There are 33 cities who have approved speed zone cameras. 32 have been signed off on and one has not...that one being Smyrna. A suggestion was to just do the one by Campbell Middle School which is where the biggest problem currently is.

Councilmember Corkey Welch organized a Finance Committee Meeting for March 11th at 5pm to take place before the COW meeting that will take place at 6pm that day.

Mayor Norton adjourned the February 17, 2020 Pre-Council Meeting at 6:52 PM.