



CITY OF RICHMOND HILL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 4, 2019
7:00 P.M.

Richmond Hill City Hall Council Chambers
40 Richard Davis Drive
Richmond Hill, Georgia 31324

Present from City Council: Russ Carpenter, *Mayor*; *Councilmembers:* Tara Baraniak, Bill Donahue and Leslie Fussell

Staff Present: Chris Lovell, *City Manager*; Scott Allison, *Assistant City Manager*; Dawnne Greene, *City Clerk*; Mitch Shores, *Police Chief*; and Michelle Meacham, *Fire Operations Chief*.

Pre-agenda session was called to order at 5:30 p.m. and closed at 6:20 p.m. Discussion covered agenda topics; no decisions were made.

Mayor Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Chief Shores gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of meeting **May 21, 2019**

Councilmember Baraniak made a motion to approve the May 21, 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Donahue. Motion carried in the affirmative by Councilmembers Baraniak, Fussell and Donahue.

DEDICATION OF THE JOHNNY MURPHY BUILDING

Mayor Carpenter presented Johnny Murphy's family with the sign that will be installed on the Planning and Zoning building along with his council chair, name plate and photo. Mayor Carpenter also read Congressman Buddy Carter's speech about Johnny Murphy that was read on the House floor shortly after Johnny Murphy's passing.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JUNE AS NATIONAL PTSD AWARENESS MONTH, PRESENTED TO SD GUNNER FUND

Mayor Carpenter presented The Kinards from SD Gunner Fund with the proclamation recognizing June as PTSD Awareness Month.

DEPARTMENTS

Planning, Zoning, and Code Enforcement: Scott Allison

Board of Zoning Appeals Items

Council entered into the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.

Public Hearing

1. A petition has been filed with the City of Richmond Hill by **Erin Cowan with Perfect Pools** requesting a variance to allow the reconstruction of a legal non-conforming accessory building in accordance with Article 30, Section 30.4.A.2 of the City of Richmond Hill Unified Development Ordinance. The property is located at 8989 Ford Avenue, within a C-1, General Commercial zoning district. Map 0461 Parcel 052.

Council closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m. with no remarks for or against the petition.

Variance

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Councilmember Fussell made a motion to approve the petition has been filed with the City of Richmond Hill by Erin Cowan with Perfect Pools requesting a variance to allow the reconstruction of a legal non-conforming accessory building in accordance with Article 30, Section 30.4.A.2 of the City of Richmond Hill Unified Development Ordinance. The property is located at 8989 Ford Avenue, within a C-1, General Commercial zoning district. Map 0461 Parcel 052. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Donahue. Motion carried in the affirmative by Councilmembers Baraniak, Fussell and Donahue.

City Council Items

1. Planning Commission / Architectural Review Board Verbal Report

ARB was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

2. First Reading of a text amendment to the Code of Ordinances of The City of Richmond Hill, Georgia, **Chapter 22 – Businesses, Article VI – Hotel and Motel Registration Regulations, Sec. 22-182 – Responsibilities, Access, and Registration Requirements**; for the purpose of removing conflicting record keeping requirements; to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

Mr. Allison stated this text amendment is to remove a discrepancy.

3. Approval/Disapproval of a petition filed with the City of Richmond Hill by **Hal Hayes** requesting a master plan revision of the property located at 940 Timber Trail, with a map & parcel number of 054E-133.

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CITY MANAGER TOPICS

1. Approval/Disapproval for allocating 2019 LMIG of \$121,301.63, 30% general fund match of \$36,390.49, and 2019 SPLOST of \$200,000 to fund improvements to the following streets: 1. Piercefield Drive (Osprey to End); 2. Whipperwill Lane West (All); 3. Whipperwill Lane East (All); 4. Live Oak Drive (All); 5. Oleander (All); 6. Edgewood (Laurel to Spruce); and 7. Wild Honey (All).

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3. Approve / Disapprove use of SPLOST funds in the amount of \$75,108.80 to purchase Patrol PC Systems for the remainder of the patrol fleet. Original projection was \$45,850 for only seven vehicles. \$29,258.80 over projection however covered by vehicle cost savings and this will eliminate the necessity of Patrol PC Systems for the 2020 SPLOST Cycle.

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4. Approve / Disapprove use of SPLOST funds in the amount of \$11,241.16 to purchase seven police radars for new patrol vehicles. Original projection was \$17,500 for seven radar units. \$6,258.84 savings.

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5. Approve / Disapprove use of SPLOST funds in the amount of \$26,195.40 to purchase ten in car radio systems for police vehicles scheduled for replacement. This is only a \$7.36 savings per unit totaling \$73.60.

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Bids are still being received for Emergency Equipment up-fitting and camera systems however current projections show total cost not to exceed \$493,333.83 against the \$510,381.94 previously approved by Council. Note: This represents a \$225,155.64 total savings over MSRP and remains \$17,048.11 under the previously authorized expenditures.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor and Council sent out thoughts and prayers to the families affected by the Virginia tragedy, the Cox family and the Murphy family.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M. in a motion by Councilmember Fussell. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Donahue. Motion carried in the affirmative by Councilmembers Baraniak, Donahue and Fussell.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawnne Greene
City Clerk