

HAHIRA CITY COUNCIL

WORK SESSION

FEBRUARY 1, 2016

6:30 P.M.

COURTHOUSE

The Mayor and Council met for a Work Session February 1, 2016 with Mayor Bruce Cain presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Bruce Cain, Councils: Mason Barfield, Kenneth Davis, Patrick Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Benjamin. City Manager Jonathan Sumner, Fire Chief Dwight Bennett, Police Chief Terry Davis, PWD Donnie Warren and City Clerk Lisa Mashburn.

REVIEW/CORRECTION OF MINUTES:

- A. JANUARY 4, 2016 WORK SESSION**
- B. JANUARY 6, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING**

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions, concerns or corrections to meeting minutes. None noted.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. HA-2016-01 REZONING REQUEST BY CHANCY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR)**

Tracy Tolivar with Planning and Zoning stated that a request was received to rezone 6.7 acres from R-10 to R6M. The property is located at 440 West Stanfill Street and Chancy Development would like to build duplexes on the property. P & Z recommends to support the rezoning and the Planning Commission voted for approval with a 6-2 vote. She then asked if anyone had any questions. Councilmember Barfield stated that he would like to see a presentation on Thursday night and said that he had request to reduce the size and provide more green space. We would like to see fewer duplexes and try not to increase the traffic. Hugh Chancy stated that it would be done in phases and that they would start with 4 duplexes. PWD Warren stated that the road is not very wide and some portion of the road on the west end will be done with the new overpass. City Manager Sumner stated that the most recent bidding for the interstate has been pushed to next year and would be at least a three year plan. He stated that he is not sure of the side roads and the detours during construction. PWD Warren said that would be the time to widen the road. Hugh Chancy said that they plan to make it nice. Councilmember Barfield said that they always make the properties nice. Chancy stated that we will start with 4 units and we presented 60 units at the zoning commission meeting. Councilmember Davis said that the worst case scenario we need to address traffic impact on the road. We see worst case scenario that there could be 120 parking spaces and that would be reduced if you reduce the number of units. If you look at it as 240-360 cars that is a lot of traffic and that would be 23 cars per hour. This is not a very big impact and it does not sound bad. Councilmember Barfield said that if it turns into a problem then we would need to put it on the anticipated list of road improvement needs,

and we would need to keep an eye on it. The Mayor said there has been a lot of traffic with trucks and construction in that area and the clearing of timber in 2014, we need to wait until the future to go in and make changes for repair to the road.

B. FY15 BUDGET AMENDMENTS(CITY MANAGER)

Sumner stated that after the completion of the FY15 budget that there will need to be amendments to avoid findings at audit. The amendments will be in the General fund, the items are on departmental level. We had an overage in the fines and forfeitures from projected \$600,000 to \$770,000 as corrected amount. The election line item has total expenditure of \$2,500 which exceeded the line item amount by \$1,000. The total expenditure in the Police department ad-on was projected at \$330,000 and the proposed new amount was \$345,000. The inmate fees in the police department was projected at \$17,500 which was at \$22,500. The streets will need to be amended from \$178,000 to \$185,000. These expenditures will all come from the collection of the fines and forfeitures which was unanticipated revenue. The Proprietary fund as a whole the expenditures equaled the revenues. We did forecast that we would be in the red and projected a deficit, this will be discussed at the retreat. We will need to move about \$7,000 for electricity and \$11,000 for landfill/inert debris charges but at the retreat we do need to talk about sanitation and solid waste and that part of the fund. We did not spend over what was authorized to spend. We will have a Public Hearing on Thursday night. Does anyone have any questions? None noted.

REVIEW OF BILLS/BUGET OVERAGES:

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding the bills. None noted.

DISCUSSIONS:

A. GMA ANNUAL CONVENTION (CITY MANAGER)

City Manager Sumner said that it is time to register for the GMA Annual Convention in Savannah the first week of March. I will need to know who would like to attend the conference and training. The dates are June 25, 2016 to June 28, 2016. He would like to know on Thursday night who would like to attend.

B. TE SIDEWALK PROJECT SCHEDULE(CITY MANAGER)

City Manager Sumner stated that this has been an ongoing project that started in 2010. The project will cover sidewalk from Hwy 122 at the middle school to E. Grace Street. The Attorney is working with the grant administrator on the right of way acquisitions at this time. The goals is to complete the right of way on about 10 parcels within the next several months. We hope to have all completed by spring of 2017 and begin construction fall 2018.

C. WELL #2-SPLOST VII (PWD WARREN)

PWD Warren stated that the Well #2 went down, they pulled it and it will be 2 to 3 weeks before it is repaired. Water/Sewer is not interrupted by this.

D. COASTAL PLAINS EOA APPOINTMENT (MAYOR CAIN)

Coastal Plains called the City Manager and stated that the current appointee is not able to carry out the term through 2018. They have bi-monthly meetings and the next meeting is the third week of February. This is a multi-district group and we need to appointee someone from the

City of Hahira to serve. There are about 25-30 members on the board that works on projects like weatherization improvement and head start.

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS:

A. SPRING CONFERENCE (CHIEF BENNETT)

Chief Bennett stated that he would like to attend the annual executive management training that he attends every year. The training will be in Savannah April 10-13th. The cost of the conference is \$250.00 and he will have a 3 night hotel stay.

SET FEBRUARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA:

-GMA ANNUAL CONVENTION

-COASTAL PLAINS EOA APPOINTMENT

FEBRUARY CONSENT AGENDA:

-SPRING CONFERENCE

-TE SIDEWALK PROJECT SCHEDULE

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:25 P.M.

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MAYOR BRUCE CAIN

CITY CLERK LISA MASHBURN