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CITY OF AUBURN
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 28, 2024
6:00 PM
Council Chambers
1 Auburn Way
Auburn, GA 30011

Mayor: Richard Roquemore

Council Member: Bob Vogel
Council Member: Taylor Sisk
Council Member: Jamie Bradley
Council Member: Josh Rowan

City Staff in Attendance: Michael Parks, Chief Hodge, Staci Waters, Officer Whalen, Jack Wilson.

Mayor Roquemore called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Roquemore said before we begin Chief Hodge would like to recognize one of his Officers.

Chief Hodge commended Officer Whalen for administering Narcan to two individuals in the line of duty last week, on separate occasions, and saving their lives.

Council Report and Announcements- Councilman Sisk announced that our first Food Truck Friday of the year will be held on Friday, April 12th. Also, the Ribbon Cutting for the Municipal Complex will be held on Friday, April 26th at 2:00pm and we invite everyone to join us for this special occasion.

Mayor Roquemore welcomed Tawanda Rush Williams who is running for Gwinnett County Superior Court Judge to the meeting. Ms. Williams introduced herself to the Council and the audience.

Item: Public Hearing-Amendment of Commercial Vehicle Ordinance, Section 17.100.050

Mayor Roquemore asked for Jack Wilson, City Attorney, to present on the Commercial Vehicle Ordinance Amendment.

Jack Wilson presented and reported that the Planning Commission reviewed, revised, and recommended approval of the draft ordinance amendment before the City Council tonight.

Jack Wilson stated that there would be ten minutes for presentations for each side if anyone would like to speak.

Mayor Roquemore asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing for Amendment of Commercial Vehicle Ordinance, Section 17.100.050.

Motion: Made by Council Member Sisk to open the Public Hearing

Second by: Council Member Bradley

Mayor Roquemore asked for any discussion. There was none.

Votes were taken with all members present voting yes. Public Hearing opened.

Mayor Roquemore asked those in favor of the ordinance and wished to speak to please come forward.

Jonathan Glomoack, 1519 Willow Gate Trace, Auburn, GA 30011, stated he is in favor of the amendment presented and would like to see a height requirement added to the Ordinance.

Robert Yoe, 1531 Wynfield Dr., Auburn, GA 30011, is in favor of the amendment presented.

Mayor Roquemore asked for those in opposition of the ordinance and wished to speak to please come forward.

No opposition.

Mayor Roquemore asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing for Amendment of Commercial Vehicle Ordinance, Section 17.100.050.

Motion: Made by Council Member Vogel to close the Public Hearing

Second by: Council Member Bradley

Mayor Roquemore asked for any discussion. There was none.

Votes were taken with all members present voting yes. Public Hearing closed.

WORK SESSION

Item: Police Department Firing Range

Chief Hodge presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Parks Mill Park Dirt Donation

Michael Parks presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Water Treatment Plant Operation

Michael Parks and Jim Aton presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Removal of Minerals in RWSP Pilot Study

Michael Parks and Jim Aton presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Georgia Cities Week Resolution

Michael Parks presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Event Road Closure

Michael Parks presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: IGA for Sewer with Barrow County

Michael Parks presented.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Commercial Vehicle Ordinance, Section 17.100.050

Jack Wilson presented.

Council reviewed and discussed the draft ordinance.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

Item: Discharge of Weapons City Code #9.20.020

Chief Hodge presented.

The council discussed potential revisions to the current City ordinance.

-placed on April 11, 2024, Council Business Agenda

VOTING ITEMS

Item: Ordinance #24-003 to amend the City Charter-Section 3.17 and 3.21

Jack Wilson presented the ordinance to amend the City's Charter regarding the duties of the City Clerk and Parks and Leisure Coordinator. This is the first of two votes in consecutive meetings required by State law to amend the City Charter.

Mayor Roquemore asked for a motion to approve Ordinance #24-003 to amend the City Charter as presented.

Motion: Made by **Council Member Sisk** to approve Ordinance #24-003 to amend the

City Charter as presented.

Second: By Council Member Vogel.

Mayor Roquemore asked for any discussion. There was none.

Votes were taken with all members present voting yes.

Mayor Roquemore asked for any Citizen Comments on tonight's agenda items.

Silvia Barber of 1220 St. Andrews Dr. Auburn, GA, 30011, spoke on the discharge of firearms within a subdivision and thought we should contact the landowners surrounding the future gun range that was proposed.

Robert Yoe of 1531 Wynfield Dr., Auburn, GA 30011, spoke on the safety issues with the current discharge of firearms ordinance the City has in place.

No other citizen comments were made.

Mayor Roquemore asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for Potential Litigation and Personnel Matters.

Motion: Made by Council Member Bradley to go into Executive Session for Potential

Litigation and Personnel Matters. **Second:** By **Council Member Sisk**.

Mayor Roquemore asked for any discussion. There was none.

Votes were taken with all members present voting yes.

After Executive Session, the City Attorney reported that during Executive Session the Council met to discuss potential litigation and personnel matters as allowed by the Open Meetings Act. There were no votes taken and no evidence received in the Executive Session. The original affidavit and resolution have been signed and delivered to the staff to be included with the minutes of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Roquemore asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Made by Council Member Vogel to adjourn.

Second: By Council Member Bradley.

Mayor Roquemore asked for any discussion. There was none.

Votes were taken with all members present voting yes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,	
Read and approved this	Day of April 2024
Attest:	
Mayor Richard E. Roquemore	