



**City of Flowery Branch
City Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 19, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
City of Flowery Branch City Hall
5410 W. Pine Street, Flowery Branch, GA 30542**



CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Edward Asbridge called the council meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present: Mayor Asbridge and Council Members Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, and Chris Mundy.

Also present were City Manager Tonya Parrish, City Clerk Shelia Cooper, Finance Director Alisha Gamble, Planning Director Rich Atkinson, Police Chief Chris Hulsey, Public Works Director Bill Whidden and City Attorney Ron Bennett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Asbridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

Mayor Asbridge presented a proclamation to Daniel Vaccaro with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in honor of National Safe Boating Week to promote safe boating on Lake Lanier.

NEW BUSINESS -WORK SESSION:

Consider Approval of Revize Web Services Sales Agreement

Budget Manager Krystle Hightower presented the Revize Web Services Sales Agreement. The City of Flowery Branch's website has not had a redesign since 2017 and there have been many changes in our City since then as well as in the area of content management systems. There were eleven responses to our Request for Proposal (RFP) and several staff members participated in demonstrations from five of the organizations that submitted bids. Revize, LLC was rated the highest among those that participated in the demonstrations which considered design, functionality, usability, ease of ongoing updates for the City, and several other important areas. The price for Revize, LLC is \$14,800 for the initial design of our website and an annual cost of \$2,900. This is a CIP Project for FY2023 and \$90,000 was budgeted for this project.

Council Member McClellan asked what the next highest bid was, and Budget Manager Hightower stated that the next highest bid was \$22,000 and that bids went as high as \$35,000.

Council Member McClellan stated that this website design is impressive, and the functionality is impressive as a user.

Consideration of Resolution 22-011: A Resolution authorizing and directing the sale of certain property owned by the City of Flowery Branch.

Finance Director Gamble presented Resolution 22-011 authorizing and directing the sale of certain property owned by the City of Flowery Branch.

RESOLUTION 22011: Surplus Sale

- **PURPOSE:** To sell and convey any real or personal property owned by the city in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. §36-37-6.
- **HISTORY:** The City has six (6) vehicles that are unusable and obsolete to be used as a police or city vehicle:
 - 1) 2006 Ford F-350 SD XL Super Cab Long Bed –VIN # 1FDWX36P66EB58281
 - 2) 2008 Ford F-150 XL Triton LGT –VIN # 1FTRX14W48FA26276
 - 3) 2009 Chevrolet Impala Police Car –VIN # 2G1WS57M391289850
 - 4) 2012 Chevrolet Impala Police Car –VIN # 2G1WD5E3XC1162704
 - 5) 2012 Chevrolet Impala Police Car –VIN # 2G1WD5E30C1163506
 - 6) 2014 Dodge Charger Police Car– VIN # 2C3CDXAGXE194646
- The City desires to surplus a total of six (6) vehicles and sell on govdeals.com.
- Request approval of Resolution 22011 as presented.

Consideration of whether the City of Flowery Branch should be in the solid waste collection business.

City Manager Parrish presented a discussion as to whether the City of Flowery Branch should be in the solid waste collection business. There were three responses to our RFP, Request for Proposal, for solid waste services. Our contract with our current provider, Red Oak Sanitation, expired on May 1, 2022, but they have extended the contract to June 30, 2022. The City held a mandatory pre-bid meeting and three providers came to the meeting, Red Oak, Waste Management and Waste Pro. One of the providers sent back a message that we need to revamp our solid waste collection business. The City does not bill or collect the services, but we do negotiate the contract on behalf of the citizens. The City receives complaints regarding the trash service.

Mayor Asbridge asked if the City gets anything from the bids. City Manager Parrish stated that was correct and that the bid prices are going up substantially from what they have been previously. She recited some of the prices and some of the services as an example.

Council Member McClellan asked how many bids were sent out and City Manager Parrish replied that we post RFPs to our website and to the Georgia Procurement Registry.

Council Member McClellan asked why the City gets complaint calls instead of Red Oak Sanitation and City Manager Parrish stated that she believes we are both getting complaint calls.

Council Member McClellan asked why the Staff is not transferring or forwarding the calls to Red Oak and the Mayor responded that was the original set up of the contract.

Council Member Anglin stated when Mayor and Council first looked at this issue with seeing the price increase, his first thought was to get out of the sanitation business but after more consideration he is concerned about inconsistencies with the service and so many different providers and having more trucks in the City picking up trash more days every week. He suggested that the City only negotiate the contract and not take any complaint calls. He further stated that one provider will be given to residents and if the citizen decides to not take the service, the resident has the option to take their trash to the satellite county compactor.

Council Member Mezzanotte stated he is concerned about the cost of the service. He is also concerned about illegal dumping if no service is provided to the residents.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk Report:

City Clerk Cooper shared a Thank You card that was sent to the City by Boy Scout Troop 228.

Police Chief Report:

Chief Hulsey shared two weeks ago he awarded Corporal Brett Sweeney with the Flowery Branch Police Department Officer of the Year Award presented by the Optimist Club. Chief Hulsey stated that Corporal Sweeney is the most consistent person not just officer that the Chief has ever known. The Kiwanis Club presented Municipal Court Clerk Kelsey Cash with the John Jacob Senior Award which is an award of Excellence. Chief Hulsey stated that Ms. Cash is awesome and keeps the police department running smoothly.

Council Member Report:

Council Member Anglin is excited about the Block Parties starting back up soon and he appreciates all the work that is going into those. He is excited to see the progress going on in the City.

Mayor Report:

Mayor Asbridge stated he was at the award ceremony for the Municipal Court Clerk Cash and it was impressive to see so many men and women in blue get recognized.

ADJOURNMENT WORK SESSION:

Mayor Asbridge closed the work session at 6:31 p.m.

VOTING SESSION AGENDA

CALL VOTING SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Asbridge called the voting session to order at 6:31 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Charles Mull, 5918 Mitchell Street, Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Mr. Mull reported that the first block has been laid on the sidewalk on the Mitchell Street project. He offered to be a test volunteer for our new website.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Consider Resolution 22-009: 3rd Quarter Amendment to the Budget for FY2022 as Previously Adopted on June 17, 2021.
- Consider May 5, 2022, City Council Meeting Minutes

There was a motion made to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION: Chris Mundy

SECOND: William McDaniel

AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy

NAYS: None

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS - VOTING SESSION:

Consideration of Second Reading of Ordinance 504B to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to replace the City Clerk with the Police Chief

City Attorney Bennet read the caption to Ordinance 504B.

There was a motion made to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 504B to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to replace the City Clerk with the Police Chief.

MOTION: William McDaniel
SECOND: Oliver McClellan
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consideration of Second Reading of Ordinance 662 - A rezoning request submitted by Mr. Chris Herrington.

City Attorney Bennett read the caption to Ordinance 662.

There was a motion made to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 662.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Chris Mundy
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consideration of Resolution 22-011: A Resolution authorizing and directing the sale of certain property owned by the City of Flowery Branch.

City Attorney Bennett read the caption to Resolution 22-011.

There was a motion made to approve Resolution 22-011: A Resolution authorizing and directing the sale of certain property owned by the City of Flowery Branch.

MOTION: Oliver McClellan
SECOND: Joe Anglin
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consider Approval of Revise Web Services Sales Agreement

There was a motion made to approve Revise Web Services Sales Agreement.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Oliver McClellan
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Council Member Mundy suggested the Staff to accept Mr. Mull's offer to be a website test volunteer.

Consideration of Second Reading of Ordinance 660 - A request from Lights Ferry Partners, LLC and Diego Fracasso to Rezone 5908 Lights Ferry Road, a 1.92+/- acre of land also known as Tax Parcel Identification Number 08112 027019 from Residential, Detached Single-Family, Low-Density District (R-1) to Traditional Neighborhood Development District (TND)

City Attorney Bennett read the caption to Ordinance 660.

There was a motion made to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 660 - A request from Lights Ferry Partners, LLC and Diego Fracasso to Rezone 5908 Lights Ferry Road, a 1.92+/- acre of land also known as Tax Parcel Identification Number 08112 027019 from Residential, Detached Single-Family, Low-Density District (R-1) to Traditional Neighborhood Development District (TND).

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Chris Mundy

Council Member Mezzanotte stated he still has several questions about the project. There was a detailed discussion with Council, City Planner Atkinson, and the applicant.

There was a motion to withdraw the motion to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 660.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Chris Mundy

There was a motion to Table the Second Reading of Ordinance 660 until June 2, 2022.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Joseph Mezzanotte
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consideration of First Reading of Ordinance 239-L and 240-L to rezone tax parcel 15047 000885 from Planned Unit Development (PUD) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) with modified conditions.

City Attorney Bennett read the caption to Ordinances 239-L and 240-L.

There was a motion made to Table the First Reading of Ordinance 239-L and 240-L until June 16, 2022.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: William McDaniel
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consideration of whether the City of Flowery Branch should be in the solid waste collection business.

There was a motion made to remain in a contract with Red Oak Sanitation for one more year and to authorize City Manager Parrish to negotiate prices with Red Oak Sanitation and bring back the cost to Mayor and Council for review and vote.

MOTION: Joseph Mezzanotte
SECOND: Joe Anglin
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Consideration of executing a lease agreement for Suite 101 at 5519 Main Street with El Sabor Costeno, LLC.

There was a motion made to approve execution of a lease agreement with El Sabor Costeno Taqueria, LLC for Suite 101 at 5519 Main Street in Flowery Branch, within the Shopping Center on Main Street.

MOTION: Chris Mundy
SECOND: Joseph Mezzanotte
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was a motion made to approve enter executive session at 7:22 p.m. for matters related to the acquisition/disposition of real estate.

MOTION: Joe Anglin
SECOND: Oliver McClellan
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

There was a motion made to exit executive session at 8:02 p.m.

MOTION: William McDaniel
SECOND: Joe Anglin
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion made to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

MOTION: Joseph Mezzanotte
SECOND: Joe Anglin
AYES: Joe Anglin, Oliver McClellan, William McDaniel, Joseph Mezzanotte, Chris Mundy
NAYS: None
Motion carried

Ed Asbridge, Mayor

Date

Shelia Cooper, City Clerk