



**City of Flowery Branch
City Council Meeting
Thursday, October 20, 2022, 6:00 PM
City of Flowery Branch City Hall
5410 W. Pine Street, Flowery Branch, GA 30542**



CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Asbridge called the council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Also present were City Clerk Shelia Cooper, Downtown Director Renee Carden, Finance Director Matthew Hamby, Planning Director Rich Atkinson, Public Works Director Bill Whidden and City Attorney Ron Bennett.

Absent: Council Member William McDaniel and City Manager Tonya Parrish

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Asbridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Asbridge presented a proclamation to Jenine Lubker from Long Term Care Ombudsman for National Long-Term Care Residents' Rights Month 2022 – Inspiring Unity Within Our Community.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

There was a motion made to adopt the agenda as presented.

MOTION: Joe Anglin

SECOND: Chris Mundy

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

NAYS: None

Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING:

A Public Hearing to consider a request to Rezone 5205 Railroad Avenue from Central Business District (CBD) to Highway Business (HB) submitted by Mr. Kevin Hobgood.

Mr. Hobgood has withdrawn the application for rezoning of 5205 Railroad Avenue.

A Public Hearing to consider a request submitted by BLT Martin Road, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to construct a self-storage facility at 4153 Falcon Parkway.

Planning Director Atkinson presented a request submitted by BLT Martin Road, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to construct a self-storage facility at 4153 Falcon Parkway. This is currently zoned Highway Business (HB). It was rezoned from Agricultural (A) in October 2020. The plan was to make a retail space, but no suitable retail use was found. Self-storage is allowed via a Conditional Use Permit. The current character area for this site is “Industrial Employment.” A self-storage facility is an inherently allowed use in the M-1 and M-2 zoning districts. The Comprehensive Plan specifically states the uses in these zoning districts are appropriate. Therefore, the proposed use is in conformity with the Comprehensive Plan.



Parking and landscaping are still in the design phase and will be updated soon. The above renderings will be updated and improved before the next meeting. Staff recommends approval. If requested, there will be a work session on November 3, 2022, and December 1, 2022. The first vote will be on November 17 and the second and final vote on December 15, 2022.

Public Comments on the Public Hearing:

In favor:

Steve Gilliam with Smith, Gilliam, Williams & Miles, P.A., 340 Jesse Jewel Parkway, Gainesville, Georgia 30501

Parker Blanchard, 1776 Peachtree Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Against: None

Mayor and Council had a discussion regarding the self-storage facility.

Mayor Asbridge closed the public hearing at 6:13 p.m.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Downtown Director:

Downtown Director Carden invited citizens to the Fall Clean Up on Saturday, October 22, 2022, from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. Trunk or Treat will be on Thursday, October 27, 2022, from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. with live music and grilled burgers. There will be a Stranger Things Block Party on Friday, October 28, 2022, from 6:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. The Flowery Branch Christmas Wishes Lantern Parade and Holiday Block Party will be on Saturday, November 19, 2022, from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. and the parade will begin at 6 p.m. and the Christmas Tree Lighting will be at 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT WORK SESSION:

Mayor Asbridge closed the work session at 6:17 p.m.

VOTING SESSION AGENDA

CALL VOTING SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Asbridge called the voting session to order at 6:17 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Consider October 6, 2022, City Council Meeting Minutes

There was a motion made to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION: Chris Mundy

SECOND: Oliver McClellan

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

NAYS: None

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS - VOTING SESSION:

Consider First Reading of Ordinance 671, An Amendment to the Insurer Licensing Fee

Attorney Bennett read the caption for Ordinance 671, an amendment to the Insurer Licensing Fee.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no executive session held.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion to adjourn at 6:18 p.m.

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

Ed Asbridge, Mayor

Date

Shelia Cooper, City Clerk