



**City of Flowery Branch
Special Called City Council Meeting
Monday, August 29, 2022, 6:00 PM
City of Flowery Branch City Hall
5410 W. Pine Street, Flowery Branch, GA 30542**



CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Edward Asbridge called the special called 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 Manager Tonya Parrish, City Clerk Shelia Cooper, Finance Director Matthew Hamby, Planning Director Rich Atkinson, Public Works Director Bill Whidden, Wastewater Director Jimmy Dean and City Attorney Ron Bennett.

Absent: Council Member William McDaniel

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

There was a motion made to approve the adoption of the agenda.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Asbridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS - WORK SESSION:

Presentation of Wastewater Treatment Plant

Trey Gavin, PE, Managing Principal at ESG Engineering, has twenty-five years of experience in water and wastewater specifically concerning capacity studies, modeling, and treatment facility design and construction. Mr. Gavin was retained by the City as an expert reviewer a few months ago to study the state of the wastewater treatment system and to advise on how best to plan for the wastewater treatment plant.

He stated the growth in Flowery Branch and Oakwood has continued throughout COVID; even as inflation and rates have continued to increase. Projections had expected stagnation of growth due to all these factors. The City of Flowery Branch has recently met the comprehensive plan maximum for “high-density” housing. Nearly 100% of proposed plans Flowery Branch has received and is currently receiving is for more high-density development. The City has received pricing to construct a major treatment facility upgrade budgeted at \$22M, but recently the low bid came in at a total price of \$52M. Mr. Gavin’s recommendation to manage growth currently approved and under construction is to install interim treatment capacity while a new treatment facility is constructed. Mr. Gavin’s recommendation to manage future requests to add new development is to consider a pause on issuing new sewer permits as we continue to study in more detail.

Mayor Asbridge advised staff, until further notice, not to issue any more sewer permits.

ADJOURNMENT WORK SESSION:

Mayor Asbridge closed the work session at 6:15 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session held.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion made to adjourn at 6:15 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