

Called Council Meeting
December 19, 2005

Present: Mayor, Ray Jenkins
Council Members: Ed Lowe
Donna Pittman
David Weese
Jason Anavitarte
Mayor Pro-Tem: Lamar Lang
City Attorney: Rick Powell

Council Member Hadden was not present.

Mayor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Jenkins asked the Council to amend the agenda to include two separate request for temporary banners on Buford Highway.

Council Member Pittman made a motion to amend the agenda to hear two separate request for temporary banners on Buford Highway. Council Member Lowe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Lowe made a motion to approve temporary banners at 5150 Suite A100B Buford Highway and 5150 Suite A200 Buford Highway. Mayor Pro-Tem Lang seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Anavitarte voting no.

Council Member Lowe made a motion to amend the agenda to include an amendment to the Sign Ordinance Section 14-8k, relating to flags, banners etc. to provide for the Inspector or the City Council to approve a banner, flag, etc. Council Member Pittman seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Anavitarte voting no.

The City Attorney stated that this would be the first reading of an amendment to the Sign Ordinance Section 14-8k relating to flags, banners, etc. to provide for the Inspector or the City Council to approve a temporary flag, banner, etc.

Council Member Anavitarte stated that he and the Mayor had been working on getting qualified recruits for the Blue Ribbon Committee to study the GM property. Council Member Anavitarte stated that the committee will consist of 15 to 18 people. The list will be finalized by the January 3, 2005 Council Meeting.

Blue Ribbon Commission Short List

Nancy Green Leigh – City Planning Department/GA Tech

Atlanta Regional Commission – Rob LeBeau

Charles Schmandt, International Village

Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce – Kevin Greene, Economic Development

MACTEC – Completed environmental cleanup of Atlantic Station/principal in charge of this; also brokered deal between developer and Atlantic Steel
James Jacoby, President/Atlantic Station, L.L.C.
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Founder/Jacoby Development
General Motors
Vernon Jones, DeKalb County; Maria Mullins – DeKalb Economic Development;
Eugene Walker, DeKalb Development Authority
Urban Land Institute
DeKalb Chamber of Commerce, Leonardo McCarty
Mayor Eric Clarkston, City of Chamblee
Senator Curt Thompson, Gwinnett County
Senator David Adelman
Chuck Warbington, President of SW Gwinnett Community Improvement District (CID);
Jimmy Carter Boulevard/Buford Highway
Craig Lesser, Commissioner Georgia Department of Economic Development
Norfolk Southern
MARTA – Darrell Connelly
GRTA
Livable Centers Community – Jim Durett; 501c(3) that does research and help with implementation for communities that have completed LCI Studies
Jack Helper, Helper Enterprises
Daniel Lee – First Intercontinental Bank
Tommy Galloway, Galloway Hardware

Mayor Jenkins asked if any of the Council had question on the Advanced Disposal contract for solid waste.

Council Member Lowe asked about the fuel increase and cost of living raise in the contract. Council Member Lowe also asked about the portion of the contract that stated that the customer was responsible for paying for the cart if it was damaged or stolen.

A resident asked about limb and yard waste pickup. Limbs 5’ x 5” and yard waste will be picked up on Monday.

A lady asked if there was an alternative to the carts. The company will provide smaller carts or the customer can choose not to have a cart at all.

Council Member Anavitarte asked about the length of the contract. He would like to see a 2 year contract. Mary O’Bryan stated that Advanced Disposal would have to invest in 2 new trucks and the cost of purchasing the carts. The company can’t afford to make these purchases on a 2 year contract.

Council Member elect Spangler stated that he did not want a cart and that some of the residents in Oakcliff did not want the carts either. They wanted to stay with the twice a week pickup.

Council Member elect Hart asked if any of the garbage would be taken to the Doraville Transfer Station. Mary O'Bryan stated that the household garbage and bulk waste would be taken to a landfill in Forsyth county. The recyclables would be taken directly to a recycling center that was outside of Doraville.

Mary O'Bryan stated that the only products that were allowed at the Doraville Transfer Station were construction debris and yard waste. The transfer station would lose its license if any other products were accepted or processed there.

Council Member elect Hart stated that he would like a clause in the contract that none of the garbage be taken to the Transfer Station and that if it was the contract would be made void.

Council Member elect Hart asked if the garbage truck would be traveling on Woodwin Road. Mary O'Bryan stated that the garbage trucks would be running a route on Woodwin Road. Mary O'Bryan stated that they already had a road crew who cleaned up Woodin Road on a daily basis.

A resident stated that some of the seniors could not get the cart to the street. Mary O'Bryan stated that side door service would be provided to handicapped people.

Council Member Lowe made a motion to approve the contract with the following changes:

- The contract will state that no household garbage or bulk waste will be taken to the Doraville Transfer Station. All recyclables will be taken to a recycling center outside of Doraville.
- Smaller carts will be provide for the residents who choose them.
- The residents have the option of not using a cart.
- The Council will approve any increase in cost of service.
- The resident will not be responsible for the cart if it is stolen.
- The contractor will hold public hearings on curbside recycling in the first quarter of the contract year.

Council Member Pittman seconded the motion. Motion carried with Mayor Pro-Tem Lang voting no.

Mayor Jenkins adjourned the meeting.

Attest

Ray Jenkins, Mayor