

CITY OF DORAVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2005

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

Mayor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lang made a motion to approve the June 6, 2005 minutes as written. Council Member Lowe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jenkins called the budget hearing to order and stated that this was the largest budget the City of Doraville had ever had. The revenue totaled \$11,234,026.00. Expenses totaled \$11,121,437.18. There is a 1% retainage in the budget. Three new positions were added in the Communication Department of the Police Department and an employee was added under the Storm Water Utility budget.

A citizen asked what the \$30,000.00 in the Swimming Pool budget was going to be used for. Priscilla Murphy stated that a wading pool and a 4' diving board are proposed for the Swimming Pool.

Council Member Pittman made the motion to adopt the proposed 2005-2006 budget. Council Member Weese seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lang made a motion to approve \$700.00 in expense money for those attending the annual GMA Convention. Council Member Pittman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mohammed Talukder asked the Council to allow him to place banners in the parking lot of the Farmers Market to advertise the emission testing station that he owned. Mr. Talukder stated that he could not put up a normal sign to advertise his business. This item was tabled until the City Inspector made a recommendation.

Lewis Leal asked the Council to allow him to use the Arena grounds for a proposed Columbian Independence Celebration on July 23, 2005. Mr. Leal stated that shuttle buses would be running and proposed parking would be in the Strip Malls of Doraville. Carol Stephens and Acting Chief McElroy will meet with Mr. Leal to determine if he has

authorized parking, how much maintenance and clean up would be needed and how many Officers would be needed for crowd control. Mr. Leal will apply for a Special Events Permit and pay all necessary fees incurred by the City.

Susan Crawford, a long time resident of the City of Doraville, presented the Council with a petition signed by over 500 hundred residents and business owners. The petition requested that an unofficial Planning Commission be formed to advise the Council on future zoning issues, and help with the LCI Study. The Planning Commission would be an advisory commission only. The Planning Commission would be made up of nine members that would be appointed by the three Neighborhood Associations. Each Association would appoint three members each. The Planning commission would have one alternate member. Mrs. Crawford stated that the Planning Commission would be made up of members who were willing to work with the Council, not against them, and that the Commission would not be political in nature.

Mrs. Crawford thanked the Council for the opportunity to come and speak before them.

Citizens in the audience were in support of the advisory Planning Commission as long as the members were willing to work with the Council.

A consensus of the Council was in support of the advisory Planning Commission with a six to nine month trial basis. Council Member Weese was not in favor of the advisory Planning commission.

Mayor Jenkins stated that the advisory Planning Commission did not need a vote of the Council and that the Council would recognize the official advisory Planning Commission.

The sealed bid for the purchase of a Chipper truck was opened in the work Session. Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to approve the low bid from Beleme Chevrolet for \$38,600.00. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Anavitarte stated that this was the first reading for an Ordinance regarding Vicious Animals. It would require owners of vicious animals to carry \$250,000.00 liability insurance coverage.

Council Member Anavitarte thanked everyone who participated in the kick off meeting for the LCI Study. The next meeting will be in July and hopefully it will be held at the Comfort Inn Conference Room.

Susan Fraysse stated that the agenda and minutes from the last LCI meeting was on the EDAW Website and that she would like to have about 200 copies to hand out in her neighborhood. She would like to see more participation from some of the minority groups.

Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 05-30 that adds a clause to the Ethics Ordinance that states that every person appearing before the City Council or meeting with an elected official or other city employees on city business shall be treated with courtesy and respect. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion.

Council Member Hadden made the motion to adopt Ordinance 05-30. Council Member Anavitarte seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Hadden stated that Mr. Lee was at the LCI Study meeting and was telling people that he was the Ambassador from the City of Doraville to the Korean Community. Council Member Hadden read a letter that Mayor Jenkins had written to Mr. Lee stating that the Mayor was the City of Doraville Ambassador.

Council Member Weese stated that this was the first reading of an Ordinance to require Holiday Decorations to be taken down within 30 days after the Holiday.

A lady stated that the Ordinance was needed, but asked how it was going to be enforced.

The City Attorney stated that this was the second reading of the Litter Ordinance # 05-17. Council Member Lowe made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 05-17. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney stated that this was the second reading of the Soil & Erosion Control Ordinance # 05-18. Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 05-18. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney asked the Council to waive the first reading on Ordinance #05-25 creating Hazardous or Offensive Conditions. Council Member Hadden made a motion to waive the first reading on Ordinance #05-25. Council Member Anavitarte seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to adopt Ordinance #05-25. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney asked the Council to waive the first reading on Ordinance # 05-24, Official Newspaper designation. Council Member Hadden made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance # 05-24. Council Member Anavitarte seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 05-24. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney asked the Council to waive the first reading for a Tree Removal Ordinance. Council Member Hadden made a motion to waive the first reading on the

Tree Removal Ordinance. Council Member Lowe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Hadden made a motion to adopt the Tree Removal Ordinance. Mayor Pro-Tem Lang seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney asked the Council to waive the first reading on an Elections and Qualifying Ordinance #05-26. Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to waive the first reading on Ordinance # 05-26. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to approve Ordinance # 05-26. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney stated that this was the first reading of an amendment to the Business License Ordinance. # 05-27.

Council Member Anavitarte made a motion to add extending the moratorium on Zonings, Variance and some building permits. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Hadden made a motion to extend the moratorium until October 31, 2005. The moratorium would exclude single family homes on one acre or less, commercial interior finishes, cosmetic facades for commercial, and small additions for commercial buildings. Council Member Anavitarte seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Comments: A lady stated that the Police Appreciation Day would be held on October 29, 2005. Council Member Anavitarte stated that this day had already been approved by the City Council.

A lady asked the Council to be cautious in spending money until they found out what the general Motors Plant was going to do.

Mayor Jenkins adjourned the meeting.

Ray Jenkins, Mayor

Attest; _____
City Clerk