

Work Session Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held on Tuesday, November 02, 2010, at 7:50 p.m., Mayor Eva Galambos presiding.

STAFF DISCUSSION ITEMS

Community Development

Text Amendments

1. **TA10-008** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 19, Administrative Permits and Use Permits, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
2. **TA10-010** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 5, Agricultural District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
3. **TA10-011** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 6, Single Family Dwelling District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
4. **TA10-012** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 7, Two Family and Multifamily District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
5. **TA10-013** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 8, Multiple Use District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
6. **TA10-014** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 9, Commercial District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
7. **TA10-015** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 10, Industrial District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
8. **TA10-016** - An Ordinance to Amend Article 11, Planned Unit District Regulations, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance
9. **TA10-018** - An Ordinance to Amend Section 4.11, Fences and Walls, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance

Assistant Director Planning and Zoning Patrice Ruffin stated the first nine items on the Community Development Work Session are text amendments related to the cleanup of the Zoning Ordinance, with the exception of two items. The first one is Article 19. Within that amendment there are some changes related to nets associated with golf courses and driving ranges. That language has been added pursuant to the request of the City Attorney related to litigation the City is involved in. The other exception is item number nine, which is the fences and walls section of the Ordinance. Council directed staff to work with some concerned citizens about fences and walls throughout the City and some changes to the design guidelines. Staff did meet with the citizens and an agreement was reached. Regarding the items that are highlighted in yellow, she has worked with Councilmember Fries to modify some of the information.

Councilmember Dianne Fries stated the last time this was discussed between Mayor and Council the topic was what constitutes front for a property fence. All of the pictures are placed in this Ordinance. On the second page where it states spacing required and solid fence wall, that is the picture showing the front of the house.

Mayor Eva Galambos thanked Assistant Director Planning and Zoning Ruffin for cleaning up the language in the amendments.

There was a consensus of Council to move forward with these items.

Resolution

10. A Resolution to Adopt the City of Sandy Springs 2011 Planning and Zoning Schedules

There was a consensus of Council to move forward with this item.

Public Works

1. Update on Lost Corner Master Plan.

Transportation Planning Manager Garrin Coleman stated staff was asked to look at the conceptual site analysis and land use plan for the Lost Corner Park. Staff came forward with a recommendation to move the proposed driveway location to approximately two hundred feet south of the intersection of Riverside Drive and Brandon Mill Road. That would bring it in compliance with the City's current development regulations.

Councilmember Karen Meinzen McEnerny stated the Lost Corner citizen committee presented to Mayor and Council a layout of the park. The committee never suggested that the existing driveway at the corner be the main entrance. Council appreciates staff looking at this. There is the potential, and probability, of getting those two additional lots directly east of the main house. Council and staff need to take this into consideration as to what is the best place for the driveway. Potentially, the best location may be where staff has outlined it. We need to be sure to look at alternatives before a final decision is made on that.

Mayor Eva Galambos asked if there is any rush to make a decision. Can we leave it in abeyance?

Councilmember Karen Meinzen McEnerny stated we can. The City could start working on removing the invasives. There is a \$250,000 budget to begin removing the invasives that have been identified.

Councilmember Dianne Fries stated we are not ready for people to start utilizing this property. There is no rush to complete the driveway. It sounds like Mayor and Council may know something possibly in four or five months. Even then the City will not be ready to have people utilize this property. She hopes all of Council agrees that after the Overlook Park project, the invasives need to be removed before making the plan for the property.

Mayor Galambos asked City Manager John McDonough if some of the invasives can be removed this winter.

City Manager John McDonough stated yes. The citizen committee recommended certain things on the master plan that should be accomplished first.

Mayor Galambos stated there is consensus of Council for staff to move forward on removing the invasives.

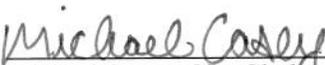
Councilmember Karen Meinzen McEnerny thanked members of the Lost Corner citizen committee for attending the meeting.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Date Approved: November 16, 2010



Eva Galambos, Mayor



Michael Casey, City Clerk

