Regular Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held Tuesday, March 3, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Mayor Galambos presiding.

Invocation

Reverend Phil Price, Sandy Springs Christian Church offered the invocation.

Call to Order

Mayor Galambos called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call and General Announcements

City Clerk Michael Casey reminded everyone to silence their cell phones and pagers at this time. Additionally, those wishing to provide public comments, either during a public hearing or at the conclusion of the meeting under the public comment section, are required to complete a public comment card. They are located at the back counter and need to be turned in to the Clerk.

City Clerk Casey called the roll.

Mayor: Mayor Eva Galambos
Councilmember’s Present: Councilmember Doug MacGinnitie, Councilmember Dianne Fries,
Councilmember Rusty Paul, Councilmember Ashley Jenkins, Councilmember Tibby DeJulio, and
Councilmember Karen Meinzen McEnerney.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Page Lauren Ashley Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentations

Heart Ready City Award
Heart Ready Community Awards

Mike Willingham, American Heart Association presented the “Heart Ready City Award” to the Fire Department and the City. This award recognizes Cities, Counties and communities that are already leading the way with their Automated External Defibrillator Programs (AED). It also provides incentives and step by step guidance for organizations that need help setting up an AED Program. The Heart Ready Award establishes a Statewide Standard and a Nationwide Standard so that the effectiveness of AED Programs can be measured. On behalf of the American Heart Association, we want to congratulate the City of Sandy Springs and specifically Chief McElfish for his leadership in being able to recognize Sandy Springs as a Heart Ready City. This designation is due to the hard work and dedication of all City Leaders in their commitment to training governmental employees in CPR, hosting CPR Events in the community, the proliferation of Automated External Defibrillators for public access in the community and providing life savings public services at the highest level. On behalf of the American Heart Association we want to congratulate the City of Sandy Springs.

Over the last year to year and a half the City of Sandy Springs and the Sandy Springs Fire Department have hosted multiple CPR Events. They were extremely successful and trained over 2,000 people in this effort, and then placing AED’s strategically in City for public access to be able to save somebody’s life with that defibrillator shock. On behalf of the American Heart Association, tonight we are recognizing the City of Sandy Springs specifically as a Heart Ready City.
Also, all Sandy Springs Fire Stations are being designated as “Heart Ready” as well as Sandy Springs City Hall and the Police Headquarters.

Chief McElfish stated that all Council members have participated in this. Donny Willbanks is the Fire Departments coordinator and we have trained 2,274 people in the last two years. All City Police vehicles have AED’s. This is a great program to have.

Chief McElfish stated that Mike Willingham has gone and beyond. Mr. Willingham has provided over $50,000 of Heart Association money through a Grant. They taught the City’s CPR Instructors and trained North Springs High School.

Mr. Willingham stated that the Heart Association started a fundraising effort back in 2006 which began with the Robert Woodruff Foundation. Most of the grants received have been from foundations and corporate sponsorships. To date, the Heart Association has raised just over $1,500,000 for the Metro Atlanta area. We have seen the survival rate go from less than half a percent to just about 10%. It has been a terrifically successful effort and we have exceeded our goals in the number of people trained. It has been very successful.

City Manager McDonough recognized Mike Willingham, Heart Association for being a great partner in making us a “Heart Ready City” and a lot of that success is attributed to the partnership the City has with you and the American Heart Association. He recognized Mr. Willingham as an Honorary Fire Chief of the City of Sandy Springs.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Paul moved to approve the meeting agenda. Councilmember Jenkins seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

(Agenda Item No. 09-056)
1. Meeting Minutes:
   a. January 20, 2009 Regular Meeting
   (Michael Casey, Interim City Clerk)

(Agenda Item No. 09-057)
2. Establish 2008 CDBG Budget
   (Nancy Leathers, Director Community Development)

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Paul moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Fries seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Alcoholic Beverage

Consideration of approval of Alcoholic Beverage License Application for BP Gas Station at 5995 Roswell Rd Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Applicant is Riaz Shariif for Retail/Package Wine and Malt Beverage.

Director of Administrative Services Tarsha Patterson stated that this application is relative to a change of ownership. She stated that staff has reviewed the application and all the administrative requirements have been met. The public hearing has been advertised as required and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Galambos called for public comments. There were no comments from the public.
Consideration of approval of Alcoholic Beverage License Application for KC Pitt BBQ at 6317 Roswell Rd Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Applicant is Jiles Johnson for Consumption on Premises Wine, Malt Beverage and Distilled Spirits.

Director of Administrative Services Tarsha Patterson stated that this application is relative to a new business. She stated that staff has reviewed the application and all the administrative requirements have been met. The public hearing has been advertised as required and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Galambos called for public comments. There were no comments from the public.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve Agenda Item 09-059, an Alcoholic Beverage License Application for KC Pitt BBQ at 6317 Roswell Rd Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Applicant is Jiles Johnson for Consumption on Premises Wine, Malt Beverage and Distilled Spirits. Councilmember Paul seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approval of Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Yama Sushi at 8540 Roswell Rd # 800 Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Applicant is Sang H Kim for Consumption on Premises Wine and Malt Beverage.

Director of Administrative Services Tarsha Patterson stated that this application is relative to a change of ownership. She stated that staff has reviewed the application and all the administrative requirements have been met. The public hearing has been advertised as required and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Galambos called for public comments. There were no comments from the public.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Fries moved to approve Agenda Item 09-060, an Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Yama Sushi at 8540 Roswell Rd # 800 Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Applicant is Sang H Kim for Consumption on Premises Wine and Malt Beverage. Councilmember Paul seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Mayor Galambos called for any public comments. There were no comments from the public.

Adjournment

Motion and Vote: Councilmember DeJulio moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Fries seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Date Approved: April 7, 2009

Eva Galambos, Mayor

Michael D. Casey, Interim City Clerk