

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council held Tuesday, January 17, 2006, 7:00 PM, Mayor Eva Galambos presiding.

Call to Order

Mayor Galambos called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

City Clerk Jeanette Marchiafava called roll.

Councilmembers Present: Councilmember Tibby DeJulio, Councilmember Dianne Fries, Councilmember Dave Greenspan, Councilmember Ashley Jenkins, Councilmember Karen Meinzen McEnery, and Councilmember Rusty Paul

Invocation

Rabbi Analia Bortz presided over the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

The audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Agenda

Mayor Galambos asked if there were any requests to add or remove items from the agenda.

Acting City Manager Aaron Bovos stated that staff is requesting for Item 3, New Business, An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 8, Parks and Recreation, Articles 1 and 2, be removed from the agenda and deferred to the next regular meeting.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember DeJulio moved to approve the meeting agenda removing New Business, Item 3, An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 8, Parks and Recreation, Articles 1 and 2. Councilmember Fries seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Galambos stated that there were no items for the Consent Agenda. She explained that City Clerk Marchiafava is working on the minutes of very long meetings and will distribute them electronically.

Reports and Presentations

Councilmember Fries reported that the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration Monday turned out spectacularly with over 200 people from the community in attendance. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated that Councilmember Fries and the other Councilmembers who worked on this celebration should be commended. Mayor Galambos also thanked the Councilmembers who worked on this and congratulated them on its success.

Mayor Galambos recognized Commissioner Rob Pitts and asked him to make some comments. Commissioner Pitts came forward and stated that he had written to every elected official in Fulton County regarding the delivery of Public Safety Services to the citizens of Fulton County, more specifically those residing in one of the eleven cities. Commissioner Pitts stated that he was referring to Fire, Police, and 911 services. He is questioning the need, from a public policy standpoint, for there to be thirteen or fourteen different fire and police stations with each having their own chiefs, staff, equipment, and facilities. He stated that with the resources available from the county, he is asking for the support of the Mayor and Council to keep this before the public. He made the Council aware that he was speaking as a citizen and not for the Board of Commissioners and that he would work with the City on this issue. Mayor Galambos urged the Councilmembers to respond to Commissioner Pitt's letter if they have not already.

Recognition of Governor's Commission Members

Mayor Galambos recognized and thanked those who served on the Governor's Commission and Task Force Committees. She asked the Councilmembers to personally thank those volunteers. She then recognized Acting City Manager Aaron Bovos who recognized the following volunteers: Jim Anderson, Public Safety and Police; Linda Bain, Parks; Wanda Buckley, Public Information; the Honorable Jim Burgess, Jr., Governor's Commission; Bill Cleveland, Public Works; Tibby DeJulio, Finance; Jim Hale, Community Development; Oz Hill, Public Works; Debbie Jackson, Accounting; Bernard Kears, Human Resources; Sidney Kirschner, Governor's Commission; Lyn Lewis, Human Resources; Gary Palmer, Information Technology; Al Pond, Request for Proposal; Oliver Porter, Governor's Commission; Paul Reale,

Property; Bill Riley, Public Safety; David Roskind, E-911; Ray S. Smith, III, Governor's Commission; Boyd Steed, Public Works; Gabriel Sterling, Public Safety; Wayne Thatcher, Request for Proposal; Carol Thorup, Request for Proposal; Kelli Veit, Administration; Yvonne D. Williams, Governor's Commission; Larry Young, Community Development.

Reading of Arbor Day Proclamation

Mayor Galambos read the Proclamation proclaiming February 17, 2006 as Arbor Day in the City of Sandy Springs and urged all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

Acting City Manager Aaron Bovos reminded everyone of the Arbor Day Celebration to be held February 17, 2006 at the Sandy Springs Historic Site, 6075 Sandy Springs Circle, at 12:00 noon.

Reading of Sprint Nextel Proclamation

Mayor Galambos read the Proclamation stating that Sandy Springs has been crowned "Courtesy Capital of the South" by Sprint Nextel for this type of progressive thinking and commitment to courtesy. The Mayor and Council hereby resolve to support and to promote wireless courtesy for callers and bystanders. She urged citizens to be courteous to one another when using phones while driving, dining, and while out in public.

General Announcements

City Clerk Marchiafava stated for those who would like to make comments on agenda items, there are public comment cards available at the front and back tables. She requested that the comment cards be filled out and returned to her.

Presentation on Perimeter Community Improvement District

Yvonne Williams, President, Perimeter Community Improvement District, gave the following presentation:

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Core Functions

Funding

- Self-imposed/self-regulated real estate tax on commercial properties in the Perimeter area
- Dollars leveraged by commercial investors for infrastructure improvements

Administration

- The PCIDs are jointly administered under one shared staff
- Project Management/RFQ system design/engineering

Shareholder Relations

- Shareholder Events/Communications
- Roundtable Luncheons
- Cooperative Public Information events in the Perimeter area and region

Public Legislative Affairs

- Fund Procurement
- Project Advocacy
- Relationship Building (constantly)

The Perimeter-Economic Capital of the Atlanta Region

- Largest Office core in the Atlanta Region
 - 23.3 million square feet of speculative space

- 26.0 million square feet of total space
- 17% of Atlanta market, 23% of Class A
- \$3 Billion Real Estate Investment in Metro Atlanta
- Major national/regional corporate headquarters location
- Largest Employer District and Concentration of Fortune 500 Companies in Metro Atlanta
- Currently 100,000 jobs in Corridor, 213,000 Jobs Expected by 2008-2013
- Largest concentration of medical facilities in the metro Atlanta region

Program Areas

- Major Roadway Improvements
 - GA 400
 - I-285
- Pedestrian Intersections/Sidewalks
- Transit Oriented Development
- Livable Centers Initiative
- Safety/Traffic Control
- Employer/Employee Inducement Programs (Transportation Management Association)

Perimeter CIDs Project Update

Fulton PCID

Under Design

- Peachtree Dunwoody North LCI – Ongoing
- Peachtree Dunwoody South LCI – Ongoing/ROW
- Perimeter Ctr West Streetscapes and Intersections GRTA Bond – Ongoing/ROW
- Hammond Drive Sidewalks CMAQ – Ongoing/ROW
- Fulton Perimeter Phase I Intersections GDOT Safety – Ongoing
- Fulton ATMS CMAQ – Ongoing

Under Construction

- Perimeter Ctr West Streetscapes and Intersections GRTA Bond – Summer 2006
- Flyover Bridge Intersections – April 2005
- Peachtree Dunwoody South LCI – April 2006
- Pedestrian Lighting – Winter 2006
- Hammond Drive Sidewalks CMAQ – May 2006
- Fulton ATMS CMAQ – 2006
- Peachtree Dunwoody North LCI – 2007
- Fulton Perimeter Phase I Intersections GDOT Safety – 2007

DeKalb PCID

Under Design

- Perimeter Ctr Central Intersections GRTA Bond – Ongoing/ROW
- Perimeter Ctr North Intersections GRTA Bond - Ongoing

- Perimeter Ctr South Intersections GRTA Bond - Ongoing
- Perimeter Ctr West Streetscapes and Intersections GRTA Bond – Ongoing/ROW
- Perimeter Ctr Parkway Streetscapes GRTA Bond– Ongoing/ROW
- Perimeter Ctr Parkway LCI – Ongoing/ROW
- DeKalb ATMS CMAQ – Ongoing

Under Construction

- Perimeter Ctr West Streetscapes and Intersections GRTA Bond – Summer 2006
- Perimeter Ctr Parkway LCI – Winter 2006
- Flyover Bridge Intersections – April 2005
- Perimeter Ctr Central Intersections GRTA Bond – Winter 2006
- Perimeter Intersections Phase II – Complete
- DeKalb ATMS CMAQ – 2006
- Perimeter Ctr North Intersections GRTA Bond - 2006
- Perimeter Ctr South Intersections GRTA Bond – Construction Funds Needed
- Perimeter Ctr Parkway Streetscapes GRTA Bond– 2007

Best Workplaces for Commuters Designation

- Recognition: The Perimeter business district is the largest Best Workplaces for Commuters (BWC) District in the country.
- Benefits: Every commuter in the Perimeter has access to a Guaranteed Ride Home benefit, and a \$30/month vanpool benefit.
- Business Leadership: The Perimeter business district also has more private companies with their own BWC designation than anywhere else in Georgia.

PTC/PCIDs Coordinated Marketing Activities

Increase the awareness of transportation issues and TMA/PCID activities and services through non-employer or property-based marketing efforts.

- Annual Meetings with Perimeter CIDs
- Online/Email Newsletter – coordinated/online effort between PTC and PCIDs
- PerimeterGO! Smart Commuting Awards to highlight Best Practices of PTC and PCIDs members
- Outreach through Lunch & Learns, lobby tables, etc., taking PCIDs message and project updates to thousands of area commuters
- Identify new opportunities (such as 2003's Walkable Communities workshop)

TDM Client Outreach and Development

Other New PCID-Focused Initiatives

- 1) Hospital Pilot Program: Develop the region's first comprehensive hospital-based TDM program. Could effect 9,000+ commuters.
- 2) SuperSize Carpool: Implement a program to encourage growth of 3 and 4 person carpools – conceived as a developmental program for evolutionary vanpool formation.
- 3) Transit/Vanpool Read and Write Club: a partnership with Barnes and Noble to provide discounts, benefits and incentives to use alternative transportation more often. Should reach about 200-300 commuters.

2006 OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES

OPPORTUNITIES	CHALLENGES
Compete for bond money and investigate public-private partnerships	Declining state revenues for transportation – Congressional District 6*(major project funding needs Cobb, Fulton and DeKalb)
Build CID Alliance	New CIDs competing for additional dollars
Move projects currently in design to construction	Project construction delays
Build Perimeter Alliance	Elevate clout for political and legislative initiatives
Continue to engage issues of Congestion Mitigation Task Force and Sandy Springs New Government	Maintain focus for two separate CIDs and new city of Sandy Springs and other new city issues

Staff Reports

Community Development Director Nancy Leathers stated that the City of Sandy Springs received a letter from the Department of Natural Resources in which the City had been given authority to permit and police any soil erosion control issue.

Acting City Manager Bovos stated that staff is working on the Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County for Parks Services. It should be presented to the mayor and Council at the next regular meeting.

He reminded everyone of the Planning and Zoning meetings to be held on February 10 and 11, 2006. This weekend is the Mayor’s Day conference.

New Business

An Ordinance to Adopt and Approve a Non-profit Funding Policy for the City of Sandy Springs; to provide for guidance in administering such policy; and for other purposes. (First Reading)

Mayor Galambos asked Acting City Manager Bovos to explain the resolution regarding a Non-profit Funding Policy. Aaron Bovos will present this item.

Acting City Manager Bovos explained that there is a need to determine how non-profit/not for profit agencies would be funded. This year’s budget gets adopted next Tuesday and we have not had any opportunity to hear any requests for non-profits for funding. Our goal would be to set a deadline of February 4th to submit their not for profit funding requests. He stated that the proposed policy was similar to a grant and would require agencies to provide information to disclose how the funding from the City was used in order for both the City and the agency to comply with State law.

Councilmember Greenspan stated that we need to add a word in the ordinance second paragraph, second line, it should say *non profit funding policy*.

Councilmember Meinzen McEnery requested clarification on how the amount of funds will be determined. Acting City Manager Bovos explained that the annual appropriation would be based on the percentage of services provided to the residents of Sandy Springs.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the ordinance for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted the First Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt and Approve a Non-profit Funding Policy for the City of Sandy Springs; to provide for guidance in administering such policy; and for other purposes. This is the First Reading.

Approval of an Ordinance adopting Chapter 5, Animal Control, Articles 1 through 24, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, GA. (First Reading)

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is adopting Chapter 5, Animal Control. Aaron Bovos will present this item.

Acting City Manager Bovos explained that this Ordinance would mirror Fulton County's Ordinance, but still allowed Fulton County to provide Animal Control Services. This ordinance sets forward violations and regulations relating to Animal Control. He stated that Fulton County would be the regulatory authority that ensures that this Ordinance is upheld.

Councilmember Jenkins questioned the portion regarding felonies. City Attorney Willard stated that the City's Court could not prosecute to the point outlined in the Ordinance we would make a case in this City dealing with a major type crime, it would be one that we make out the case that goes punishable under the State law through a Court of general jurisdiction.

Mayor Galambos stated that this Ordinance incorporates the same practices that Fulton County has for the other municipalities.

Councilmember Greenspan referring to page 10, paragraph 4, questioned if a single premise was defined by the Ordinance. Acting City Manager Bovos stated that he would review that issue before the second reading.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the ordinance for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of an Ordinance adopting Chapter 5, Animal Control, Articles 1 through 24, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, GA. This is the First Reading.

An Ordinance adopting Chapter 8, Parks and Recreation, Articles 1 and 2, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, GA. This is the First Reading.

An Ordinance adopting Chapter 16, Streets and Sidewalks, Articles 1, 2, and 3, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, GA. (First Reading)

Mayor Galambos stated the next item is adopting Chapter 16, Streets and Subdivisions. Al Crace will present this item.

Assistant City Manager Al Crace stated that this Ordinance included the changes discussed at the Work Session. He further stated that this Ordinance does not include the Subdivision Standards.

Councilmember Greenspan stated that it was his understanding that the sidewalks would be two feet from the curb, not five. Assistant City Manager Crace stated that he thought that change had been made. Councilmember Greenspan also questioned the 24 hours as opposed to two hours. Assistant City Manager Crace again stated that he thought that change had been made as well and that both changes would be made.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the ordinance for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of An Ordinance adopting Chapter 16, Streets and Sidewalks, Articles 1, 2, and 3, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, GA. This is the First Reading.

An Ordinance Amending by Readopting, *In Toto*, Article 1, Section 42 of Chapter 7, Alcoholic Beverages. (First Reading)

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is an Amendment to Chapter 7, Alcoholic Beverages. Wendell Willard will present this item.

City Attorney Willard explained that the amendment would allow an establishment to possess either an Alcoholic Beverage License or an Adult Entertainment License, but not both, stating that this was a result of testimony heard by the Mayor and Council on December 20th and 27th, 2005.

Councilmember Fries questioned if this was just a re-adoption. City Attorney Willard stated that it was with this amendment.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the ordinance for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of An Ordinance Amending by Readopting, *In Toto*, Article 1, Section 42 of Chapter 7, Alcoholic Beverages. This is the First Reading.

An Ordinance to Adopt and Amend Rules of Procedures for City Council Meetings and Public Hearings. (First Reading)

Mayor Galambos stated the next item is to amend the Rules of Procedures. Aaron Bovos will present this item.

Acting City Manager Bovos explained that the changes that had been discussed during the Work Session had been made. Councilmember Jenkins questioned if the portion relating to the campaign contribution disclosure should state that anyone who "opposes" or "proposes" a zoning issue must disclose a contribution over \$250.00. He stated that he would review and make the necessary change.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the Ordinance for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of an Ordinance to Adopt and Amend Rules of Procedures for City Council Meetings and Public Hearings.

A Resolution in Support of House Bill 719 Regarding Maximum Fines and Fees Which May be Imposed by Municipal Courts.

Resolution No. 2006-01-10

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is a Resolution supporting maximum fines and fees imposed by Municipal Courts. She asked the City Clerk to read the resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava to conducted a reading of the Resolution in Support of House Bill 719 Regarding Maximum Fines and Fees Which May be Imposed by Municipal Courts.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember DeJulio moved to approve a Resolution in Support of House Bill 719 Regarding Maximum Fines and Fees Which May be Imposed by Municipal Courts. Councilmember Fries seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution Creating a Revenue Stream attached to Municipal Court fees to provide resources for public safety facilities.

Resolution No. 2006-01-11

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is a resolution creating a revenue stream attached to Municipal Court fees for public safety facilities. Councilmember Jenkins will present this item.

Councilmember Jenkins explained that this resolution is for a surcharge to be attached to tickets to create a revenue stream for future public safety facilities.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of the Resolution Creating a Revenue Stream attached to Municipal Court fees to provide resources for public safety facilities.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Meinzen McEnery moved to approve a Resolution Supporting and Requesting the Introduction of Legislation Into the 2006 General Assembly to Facilitate the Creation of a Revenue Stream attached to Municipal Court Fees dedicated to providing resources for public safety facilities and for other purposes. Councilmember Greenspan seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution to Facilitate the Ability of Private Sector Business to Carry Municipal Government Sovereign Immunity and Sales Tax Exempt Status when Private Sector Businesses are Engaged to Provide Public Sector Services on Behalf of Governments.

Resolution No. 2006-01-12

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is a Resolution to facilitate the ability for a private sector business to carry Municipal Government Sovereign Immunity and Sales Tax Exempt Status when private sector businesses are engaged to provide public sector services on behalf of governments.

Councilmember Paul questioned how much would be saved by the tax exempt and sovereign immunity status. Acting City Manager Bovos stated that the tax exemption would save approximately \$1.1 million and sovereign immunity would save between \$300,000 and \$600,000 annually. Councilmember Paul then reiterated that this would be a great savings for the taxpayers of the City of Sandy Springs. He stated that this would be groundbreaking legislation and somewhat controversial.

City Attorney Willard stated that the sovereign immunity would be controversial and would most likely take a Constitutional Amendment to put this in place. He further stated that this will be vital for other municipalities who plan to privatize some of its services. He hopes to get the Georgia Municipal Association to lobby for this change.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of a Resolution to Facilitate the Ability of Private Sector Business to Carry Municipal Government Sovereign Immunity and Sales Tax Exempt Status when Private Sector Businesses are Engaged to Provide Public Sector Services on Behalf of Governments.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Paul moved to approve a Resolution Supporting and Requesting the Introduction of Legislation into the 2006 General Assembly to Facilitate the Ability of Private Sector Business to Carry Municipal Government Sovereign Immunity and Sales Tax Exempt Status when Private Sector Businesses are engaged to Provide Public Sector Services on Behalf of Governments and for other purposes. Councilmember Jenkins seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution Creating a Committee to Study and Recommend a Solid Waste Management Program for the City of Sandy Springs.

Resolution No. 2006-01-13

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is to create a committee to study and recommend a Solid Waste Program. Aaron Bovos will present this item.

Acting City Manager Bovos explained this was due to a previous discussion regarding creating a committee for this study and this resolution puts that in motion.

Councilmember Greenspan questioned if this would be a volunteer committee. Acting City Manager Bovos confirmed that it would be a volunteer committee.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the Resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of a Resolution Creating a Committee to Study and Recommend a Solid Waste Management Program for the City of Sandy Springs.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Greenspan moved to approve a Resolution Creating a Committee to Study and Recommend a Solid Waste Management Program Incorporating the Needs of the Residential and Business Communities served within the City of Sandy Springs and for other Purposes. Councilmember Fries seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution Creating a Committee to Study the Status of Exemptions Applied to Property Tax Assessment by Fulton County for Real Property.

Resolution No. 2006-01-14

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is a Resolution Creating a Committee to study the status of Exemptions applied to property tax assessment by Fulton County. Councilmember McEnery will present this item.

Councilmember Meinzen McEnery explained that this would create a volunteer committee that would work with the Fulton County Development Authority who issues tax abatements for certain entities to relocate to the City of Sandy Springs and verify their tax exempt status.

Councilmember DeJulio questioned if Fulton County was currently do this. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated that they are, but this would be an independent investigation.

Mayor Galambos questioned if Fulton County School System was conducting their investigation parallel to the City of Sandy Springs. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated that the City's investigation would pertain only to those properties within the City of Sandy Springs.

Mayor Galambos asked if the School Board was proceeding with their investigation parallel to our investigation. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated to her knowledge they have requested the listing of the exempt properties in Fulton County. However, that is approximately 2,000 properties and the resources that we have available to view those properties only in Sandy Springs would give greater focus to the Sandy Springs residents.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the Resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of a Resolution Creating a Committee to Study the Status of Exemptions Applied to Property Tax Assessment by Fulton County for Real Property.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Meinzen McEnery moved to approve a Resolution Creating a Committee to Study the Status of Exemptions Applied to Property Tax Assessments by Fulton County for Real property located within the Corporate City Limits of the City of Sandy Springs and for other purposes. Councilmember Greenspan seconded the motion. There was no further Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution Supporting and Requesting the City to Explore Options with Public and Private Schools for Joint Use of Recreational Facilities and Greenspace.

Resolution No. 2006-01-15

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is requesting that the City explore options with public and private schools for joint use of Recreational Facilities and Greenspace.

Councilmember Greenspan explained that this initiative was discussed at the retreat in Athens and this resolution would allow the City to move forward. He stated that there is a meeting scheduled for January 18 with School Board members

Gail Bean and Julia Burnett to discuss the collaboration of both the City and School Board to use the recreational facilities and Greenspace. He further stated that he had spoken with the School Board Superintendent who is in favor of this.

Mayor Galambos requested that the City Clerk read the resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of a Resolution Supporting and Requesting the City to Explore Options with Public and Private Schools for Joint Use of Recreational Facilities and Greenspace.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Fries moved to approve a Resolution Supporting and Requesting the City to Explore Options with Public and Private Schools Within the city of Sandy Springs for Joint Use of Recreational Facilities and Greenspace and for other purposes. Councilmember Greenspan seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A Resolution Establishing the Georgia Department of Transportation Standards and Details as the City of Sandy Springs Standards, to Use Best Design Practices and Standards.

Resolution No. 2006-01-16

Mayor Galambos stated that the next item is a Resolution establishing DOT standards and details and best design standards for Sandy Springs

Public Works Director Buddy Reneau explained that this resolution would establish standards for construction of stormwater and streets using the DOT's guidelines. He further stated that these are updated annually by engineers and are published on the web for easy access.

Mayor Galambos asked the City Clerk to read the resolution for consideration.

City Clerk Marchiafava conducted a reading of a Resolution Establishing the Georgia Department of Transportation Standards and Details as the City of Sandy Springs Standards, to Use Best Design Practices and Standards.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember DeJulio moved to approve a Resolution Establishing the Georgia Department of Transportation Standards and Details as the City of Sandy Springs Standards, to Use Best Design Practices and Standards and for other purposes. Councilmember Paul seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gaines Harrell, Sandy Springs Resident, congratulated the Mayor and Council on the creation of the City and on winning their elections. Mr. Harrell questioned what opportunities are available for small business owners to bring more businesses to Sandy Springs and aid in the revitalization of the City. Mayor Galambos stated that she would welcome Mr. Harrell's help and suggested he work with the Sandy Springs Business Association. Mr. Harrell stated that he was in the process of becoming a member. Mayor Galambos stated that there would be concurrent workshops on February 10 and 11 to discuss the revitalization of Roswell Road and everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Councilmember Paul reminded everyone of the North Fulton County Chamber event at the Georgia Aquarium.

Communications Director Judy Parker gave an update on the logo contest.

Keith Bradley, Sandy Springs Youth Sports, expressed his concerns regarding funding for the Morgan Falls Park. Mr. Bradley stated that the utility costs are about \$22,000 per year. He requested that the Mayor and Council continue funding for the utilities.

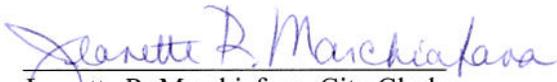
Alvin Johnson, Sandy Springs Resident, expressed concern regarding the level of crime in the apartment complexes in Sandy Springs as well as the code enforcement. Mayor Galambos stated that apartment inspections were the highest on the Mayor and Council's priorities at the retreat. Assistant City Manager Crace stated that the first apartment sweep has been done.

Deputy Director Tom Wilson reported that there was a commitment from the owner of that sweep to find a buyer who will either fix the property or tear it down and rebuild.

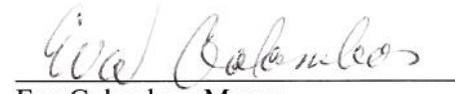
Adjournment

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Fries moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Date Approved: February 21, 2006



Jeanette R. Marchiafava, City Clerk



Eva Galambos, Mayor