

JUNE 14, 1993

7:30 P.M.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 SOUTH WALL STREET

PRESENT: JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, MAYOR
THOMAS H. BOND, MAYOR PRO-TEM
JOHN D. SHELTON, COUNCILMAN
PAUL MCENTIRE, COUNCILMAN

ALSO: KELLY CORNWELL, DIRECTOR UTILITIES/PUBLIC WORKS
WILLIAM P. BAILEY, CITY ATTORNEY
CATHY HARRISON, CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Mayor Meadows called the meeting to order and gave the Invocation.
2. Mayor Meadows led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
3. Mayor Meadows swore in Jimmy Palmer as Councilman Post Three to fill the unexpired term of H.A. Oldfield, Jr.
4. Minutes of the May 24, 1993 Regular City Council Meeting were approved.
5. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Meadows reminded the Council of the GMA Annual Business Meeting in Savannah on June 27, 28 and 29.
 - b. Mayor Meadows reported that the building permit department issued permits for \$473,500.00 of construction, those being primarily storm related and industrial additions.
 - c. Mayor Meadows assigned Councilman Palmer the Departments of Electric, Recreation, Airport Authority and Building Inspection.
 - d. Councilman McEntire made a motion to move the June 28, 1993 Regular City Council Meeting to June 21, 1993 due to the GMA conference, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - e. Mayor Meadows, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond and Harrison reported on the various meetings attended by them with the Board of Commissioners and the Tax Evaluation Committee headed by Ken Smallwood regarding the proposed sales tax referendum. Following a review of the law regarding the Special Local Option Sales Tax, the Mayor and Council decided to forgo requests for water and sewer projects and to concentrate on streets, roads and bridges, however, they asked that this be held until a later date to give them more time to review the transportation plan.
6. Council's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond stated the Street Department has worked with the high school regarding the track which was removed and rebuilt. They have been working at the golf course and the airport, and have been patching various streets.
 - b. Councilman Shelton stated the Fire Department answered four residential alarms, three commercial, three vehicle and hazard for an estimated damage of \$27,500.00 and provided 26 inspections. The Police Department made 254 arrests (14 DUI), collected \$13,031.00 in fines, issued 82 warrants, 185 parking tickets, investigated 136 incidents, 99 accidents, answered 103 burglar alarms and provided 73 escorts during the month of May, 1993.

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- c. Councilman McEntire stated the Water Treatment Plant pumped 343,737,000 gallons of raw water. The Waste Treatment Plant treated an average daily flow of 8.88 million gallons with BOD effluent 23, Suspended effluent 29, and COD effluent 115. The Water and Sewer Construction Department made 47 water taps, three sewer taps, installed 580 feet of 2 inch PVC water line, 460 feet of 4 inch PVC water line, and 1,240 feet of 6 inch PVC Water Line during the month of May, 1993.

7. Public Hearing and Comments:

- a. A 2nd reading of the Annexation Ordinance Request of W.R. and Kathleen Scott for 111 Chatsworth Highway for C-2 zoning was given. A public hearing was opened. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond stated this was the only item on the agenda for the Zoning Advisory Board, and the Board did not meet, however, he reviewed the sight, and along with the Building Inspector and the Planner recommended approval of the request as stated. Cornwell stated the owners had agreed to pay sewer line extension costs (approximately \$10,000.00) in order to provide sewer to the day care center, and he stated that in order to be fair, he would recommend that an additional \$1,000.00 be added to the normal commercial sewer tap requests for those within 1,000 feet of the property in both directions. This would allow approximately \$7,500.00 of their funds to be repaid, and the balance would be their cost for the sewer to their facility. Following these recommendations, Councilman Shelton made motion to waive the 3rd and 4th reading and to approve the annexation request for C-2 zoning, and to adopt the sewer tap recommendation as stated, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman Shelton, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 2nd public hearing was opened on the 1993-94 City Budget. Harrison stated the total budget for General, Water-Power-Sewer, Golf Enterprise, Water Plant Renovations and Sewer Interceptor Project would total \$37,564,846.00. The Budget was balanced with operating cost totaling \$33,590,834.00, Capital Cost totaling \$2,314,212.00 and Special Projects totaling \$1,659,800.00 for total expenditures of \$37,564,846.00. There were special budgets reviewed regarding debt service for the Water-Power-Sewer Revenue Bonds for a total of \$776,133.00, Debt Service for School Bonds and Lease Purchase \$787,563.00. The lease expense for the golf course \$364,576.00, and Calhoun Recreation Authority Revenue Bond Debt Service \$409,000.00 which would include \$364,576.00 from the lease expense from the City. The amount of transfer from the Water-Power-Sewer Fund to the General Fund would be slightly over \$1,900,000.00 for the year. Mayor Meadows stated the adoption of the budget would be held on June 21, 1993 at 7:30 p.m.
- c. Mr. Dan Roebuck of Scripps Howard Cable introduced himself, and stated that his company was planning to improve the office in Calhoun, customer relations, as well as service. He stated they were in the market for a 5,000 to 7,000 foot facility with a drive thru window in an area which would provide adequate parking and would be well lighted. They would have a new studio and would be producing news which would be broadcast from Calhoun at lease once a week. He stated at the present time, part of the system would allow only for 30 channels to be served, however, his company is planning to rebuild the core base for their system which will enable approximately 60 channels or more to be served by the system. He stated his company had spent several hundred thousand in order to remove the interference for channels two and five over the last few years. Mr. Roebuck

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stated that he intended to become a part of the community, and looked forward to working with the citizens and the Mayor and Council.

8. Old Business:

- a. Harrison gave a report for the record on the municipal election on May 25, 1993 which had a total voter turn out of 561 as follows: Ray Denmon 112, Al Edwards 245, and Jimmy Palmer 204. Since a majority was not obtained by any candidate, a run off was held on June 8, 1993 which had a total voter turn out of 611 as follows: Al Edwards 254 and Jimmy Palmer 357.
- b. Harrison reviewed recommendations for budget amendments for the current 1992-93 budget year. She stated that based on storm related losses, as had been previously discussed with the Council, and based on a decision made by the Council earlier to postpone capital expenditures for the balance of the 1992-93 year in order to off set these losses that she recommended a reduction in revenue of \$400,500.00 for Water-Power-Sewer and the General Fund. She also recommended in order to keep the balanced budget a corresponding reduction of the same amount for expenses for Water-Power-Sewer and General Funds these being expressed in numerous line items. She also stated the Water Plant improvements would not be completed by year end, therefore, the income and expense would be reduced by \$450,000.00 and would be carried over with other expenditures for the 1993-94 budget. Following this review, Councilman Shelton made a motion to adopt a resolution regarding these budget amendment recommendations, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.

9. New Business:

- a. A 1st reading of the Annexation Ordinance Request of Georgia Flooring Distributors, Inc. for approximately 4 acres located at I-75, Damascus and Gee Road for Ind.-G zoning was given. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set public hearing for July 12, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., 2nd by Councilman Shelton with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 1st reading of the Parade Permit Request of Riley Jackson for the Echota Vann Shrine Motor Cross to be held on July 17, 1993 for the Park Avenue Parade Route was given. Following discussion, Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve the request, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman Shelton, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. Harrison reviewed the proposed city map which included all annexations and zoning changes for the calendar year 1992, and made a recommendation that the map be adopted as the official city map. Following review, Councilman McEntire made a motion to adopt the map as presented, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. A 1st reading of the utility deposit ordinance amendment was read with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond making a motion to set a public hearing for July 12, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- e. A 1st reading of the Technical Codes Ordinance Amendment was given. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the

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public hearing for July 12, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- f. A first reading of the Liquor-by-the-Drink License Request of Bill Walraven for El Pueblito Mexican Restaurant was given. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public hearing for July 12, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- g. Harrison distributed a proposed write off list of delinquent utility customers for the prior year period as per the city's normal audit practices. She asked the council to review and be prepared to act on the request on June 21, 1993.

10: Other written Items not on the Agenda:

- a. A 1st reading was given to the Marie Silvers Zoning Variance Request of 15 feet off Court Street in order to allow construction of a church on the property. Said property being the corner lot located off Court and Oothcalooga Street, on the north side of Oothcalooga Street. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set public hearing for July 12, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

11. Director Cornwell's Work Reports:

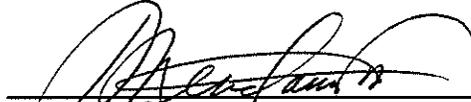
- a. Cornwell stated following a public opening of bids for equipment to be implemented at the Water Treatment Plant a part of the improvement project presently under way, he recommended the low bid of Willow Construction for \$258,700.00. The other bids being Esque for \$307,000.00 and M&H for \$317,000.00. Following review, Councilman Palmer made a motion to approve the recommendation and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice to Proceed, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. In reference to street names which are needed in several areas due to the 911 system, and also in order to relieve the duplication of names, the Council asked Fire Chief Grizzle to work on this matter and to handle as promptly as possible in order to accommodate the 911 request.
- c. Following review of a proposed resolution in regards to the compliance maintenance report which is a self evaluation of the Wastewater Plant, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to adopt the resolution, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. Cornwell reviewed the Mt. Olive Road Water Line Extension Project stating that the project covered approximately two miles, and that over the last two month period, only seven persons have paid their tap fee with the remainder of the list expressing no desire to proceed with the project. The Council authorized Cornwell to refund the seven taps which have been paid since they were not enough to extend the line, and to move to another project if the requestees are willing to pay the fees. He also reviewed a line extension request which had more than enough names signed, but which was predominantly in an adjoining county which was dead locked from extension either by Dalton or by Murray County. It was the Council's decision to hold that project at this time.

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- 12. Councilman Shelton made a motion to move to Executive Session for legal matters, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- 13. Councilman McEntire made a motion to move to General Session, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- 14. Councilman McEntire made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



 John D. Meadows, III
 Mayor



 Cathy Harrison
 City Administrator

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