Buford City Commission

January 2, 2024

The regular monthly meeting was held on January 2, 2024 at Buford City Hall and all Commission members were present.

Chairman Beard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Mr. Burge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve the agenda for the January 2, 2024 Commission meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the December 4, 2023 regular meeting and the December 27, 2023 special called meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated at this time Mr. Jay would administer oath of office to Phillip Beard for Buford City Commission and Cory Burge and Matt Peevy for Buford City Schools Board of Education.

Chairman Beard stated that he would step down as Chairman.

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to nominate Phillip Beard as Commission Chairman for the year 2024. Commissioner Beard abstained.

Ayes 2

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Motion by Mr. Beard, seconded by Mr. Weeks to nominate Chris Burge as Commission Vice-Chairman for the year 2024. Commissioner Burge abstained.

Ayes 3

Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to appoint Department Heads for the year 2024 as presented. Mr. Burge abstained from voting on the appointments of Recreation Director and Water Plant Superintendent.

Ayes 2

Nays 0

Abstained 1 (Burge as noted)

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Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to re-appoint Dwayne Cash and Stanley Reed to Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Chairman Beard stated that this portion of the meeting would be set aside for public hearings.

Special Use Permits:

#SUP-23-29: Doug Weston III/U-Haul requested a special use permit for the property located on Peachtree Industrial Boulevard and Cole Road, being parcel 7-302-183. The special use permit requested is to allow self-storage and truck and trailer rentals. The applicant has asked that the request be tabled. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to table the request until the February meeting.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Annexations:

Plat #684/#Z-23-30: Connie J. Yarbrough requests annexation and rezoning for the property located at 5551 Shadburn Ferry Road from RA-200 to R-100. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

- 1. The annexation and rezoning case apply to only the land shown on the provided plat and as described in the legal description. Any additional area that is indicated on the plat by a hand drawn line is not included in this annexation and rezoning case. In the future, if the additional area is absorbed into Tract B through a revised and recorded plat, the applicant will need to annex and rezone that portion through a separate case and application filing.
- 2. Each home shall be constructed with four (4) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 40% on each elevation. Accents shall include brick, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
- 3. If the property is developed with one (1) residential home, the front and side yards shall be sodded and if the property is developed with two (2) residential homes, the front, side and rear yards shall be sodded. Two (2) 3-inch ornamental trees shall be planted in the front yard of each home. Up to three (3) homes may be constructed in compliance with City Code.
- 4. Each home shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 3400 square feet exclusive of garages or basements. Each home shall have a three (3) car garage.
- 5. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 14 feet until the sidewalk of the house.
- 6. Per sections 1400 and 1401, City of Buford Zoning Ordinance, all the lots widths, setbacks and lot areas shall comply with R-100 standards.
- 7. Shadburn Ferry Road shall be improved to City of Buford Development Regulation standards. Roadway engineering plans shall be reviewed and

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approved by the City Engineer for compliance with roadway improvement standards prior to the issuance of any permits.

Ayes -3Nays -0

Chairman Beard stated that this concludes the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize Chairman Beard to sign resolution approving adoption of the city of Buford 2045 Comprehensive Plan update.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the City of Buford 2024-2025 theatrical season, concerts and performances at Buford Community Center.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize City Manager to apply and enter into an agreement with Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) for loan forgiveness funding in the amount of \$85,000.00 to inventory lead water service lines as required by the Environmental Protection Agency revised Lead and Copper Rule.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize release of pledged funds with Peoples Bank & Trust. Chairman Beard abstained.

Ayes 2 Nays 0 Abstained 1

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of Invoice #23107-08 in the amount of \$1,014.38 to Breaux & Associates for Buford High School concessions project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of Invoice #18137-22 in the amount of \$191,070.53 to Breaux & Associates for Buford City stadium project.

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Motin by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #3 in the amount of \$114,457.43 to Allied Paving Contractors, Inc. for 2023 LMIG paving project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #6 in the amount of \$162,401.00 to F. S. Scarbrough for Southside WPCP filter replacement project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of Invoice #2513-23 (final) in the amount of \$900.00 to Global Control Systems, Inc. for specialized controls and instrumentation at Buford Waterworks Expansion project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #2 (final) in the amount of \$7,731.50 to CEDS Construction Company, Inc. for Buford Dam Road at Little Mill Road gas relocation project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #11 in the amount of \$221,986.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford Senior Academy addition project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #13 in the amount of \$2,378,514.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford City Stadium project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #14 in the amount of \$148,666.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for New Street relocation project and utilize SPLOST funds and general funds.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment of Invoice #5 in the amount of \$54,641.74 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford High School bleachers and concessions – Phase II project.

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Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #14 in the amount of \$144,970.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford Middle School Addition and Renovation project.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's Report.

Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's Report.

After a brief discussion with the audience, motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adjourn.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Phillip Beard, Chairman

Chris Burge, Vice-Chairman

Bradley W. Weeks, Commissioner

City Clerk

Date