

Buford City Commission

October 7, 2024

The regular monthly meeting was held on October 7, 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 October 7, 2024 meeting with the addition to approve purchase of 2.346 acres located on Washington Street being parcel R7301 020 in the amount of \$450,000.00.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to adopt the minutes from the September 3, 2024 Regular meeting and the special called meeting as presented by staff.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

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

Rezoning:

#Z-24-27: Meridith Simes requested rezoning for the property located at 403 Thunder Road from C-2 to R-100. Jeff Pruitt spoke on behalf of the applicant. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Pruitt to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. Prior to the issuance of building permits a final plat shall be submitted for review and approval per the City of Buford Development Regulations Article 10 Plan and Plat Regulations.
2. Lots shall meet the standards of R-100 zoning including lot width and lot area.
3. The applicant/builder shall provide a house location plan (HLP) with the building permits to be approved by the Planning Director.
4. Homes shall be constructed with four (4) sides brick or stone with accents not to exceed 20% on each elevation. Accents shall include brick, stucco, rock, shakes, hardiplank and concrete siding as approved by the Planning Director.
5. Homes shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 3400 square feet exclusive of garages or basements and shall have a minimum of two (2) car garages.
6. Driveways shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
7. Front, side and rear yards shall be sodded and shall have two (2) 3-inch ornamental trees planted in the front yard.
8. Road improvements including curb and gutter, and 5-foot sidewalks are required

along Thunder Road. Road improvements shall meet the standards of City of Buford codes and ordinances.

9. To install an 8' high privacy fence adjacent to the property line of Gentry Wade's property to the front elevation of the proposed house.
10. Homeowners Association protective covenants, conditions and restrictions Required, subject to the approval of the Planning Director. Development shall be recorded on the deed for the four (4) residential lots. Rentals shall be no more than 10% of the recorded development.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Special Use Permits:

#SUP-24-18: Sukkyu (Andrew) Lee requested a special use permit for the property located at 4365 South Lee Street, Suite E03. The special use permit requested is to allow a wrapping and window tinting service business. The applicant and property owner were present. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The special use permit applies to the proposed automotive glass tinting and body wrap business, and should the business vacate the building the special use permit expires.
2. Automotive work shall take place within the building. Outdoor operations shall be prohibited.
3. Outdoor storage of parts, discarded material, or business-related equipment shall be prohibited.
4. The approval of this special use permit does not provide relief of any requirements of the Zoning Ordinance or Development Regulations.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Annexations:

Plat #698: Charles and Jesslyn Laughlin requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 5598 Shadburn Ferry Road from RA-200 to RA-200. Meridith Simes and Jeff Pruitt spoke on behalf of the applicant and stated the property is proposing to build one (1) single-family residential home. Gwinnett County did not object to the annexation and zoning request. No one spoke against the request. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The property shall have one (1) single-family residential home.
2. Home shall have a minimum gross heated floor area of 3400 square feet.
3. Home shall be constructed with four (4) sides brick, stone and shakes and consisting of 74% shakes and 26% brick and/or stone as approved by the Planning Director.
4. The driveway shall be a minimum width of 18 feet.
5. Given the large lot size, the perimeter of the front, side and rear yards shall be sodded, subject to approval of the Planning Director.



6. Shall plant two (2) ornamental trees in the front yard.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Plat #699: Robert Odom and Linda Liles requested annexation and zoning for the property located at 1806 Jimmy Dodd Road from R-100 to R-100. The applicants were present and stated they would like to be in the City. Gwinnett County did not object to this annexation and zoning request. No one spoke against the request. After discussion, motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to deny the request.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Zoning Modifications:

#ZM-24-06: Ronnie Rodriguez, Georgia Premier Land Service, 2140 Buford Dam Road, requested to amend zoning conditions from Plat #127 from Commission meeting on September 9, 1996 to allow motorcycle parts and service in the front utility building. This site is currently zoned C-2 and has a special use permit for a boat storage facility. Applicant was present. A neighbor adjacent to the property complains of noise by the motorcycles being ridden and tested on the property. Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. No outside display or sales.
2. Motorcycle service shall take place within the building. Outdoor operations shall be prohibited.
3. Outdoor storage of parts, discarded material, or business-related equipment shall be prohibited.
4. Hours of operation shall be 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

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

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve update to Election Poll Worker's compensation.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve surplus of retired Christmas decorations (garland and misc. items) as presented and authorize City Manager to list items on Govdeals.com and other markets.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to approve closure of Moreno St. from Garentt St. to Scott St. on October 26, 2024 for First Pentecostal Church of Buford.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to approve closure of Main St. from Hill St. to Alexander St. on December 3, 2024 for Main Street Holiday Market.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to appoint Robert Perkins to Buford Downtown Development Authority.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks 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 #18137-31 in the amount of \$60,608.12 to Breaux & Associates for Buford City Stadium project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #22 in the amount of \$3,739,361.00 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 #19 in the amount of \$3,940.58 to H. Lloyd Hill Architect & Associates, Inc. for Buford Senior Academy renovations project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment #2 in the amount of \$170,462.75 to JDS, Inc. for New Bethany Road sewer improvements project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0



Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #20 in the amount of \$855,838.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford Senior Academy addition project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Burge, seconded by Mr. Weeks to authorize payment of Invoice #2403-002-1 in the amount of \$298,968.46 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for legion fields playground project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Burge to authorize payment #1 in the amount of \$97,007.00 to Charles Black Construction Company, Inc. for Buford City Gym parking project.

Ayes 3
Nays 0

Mr. Kerlin gave the City Manager's Report.

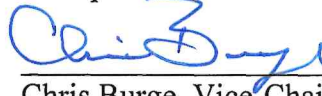
Mr. Jay gave the City Attorney's Report.

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

