



MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor John J. Lampl II
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran
Councilwoman Dorothy Dean
Councilwoman Renee S. Knight
Councilman Khoa Vuong

November 24, 2020 Work Session Minutes

Mayor John J. Lampl II called the Work Session of the Morrow City Council to order at 6:37pm on November 24, 2020. The meeting took place at the Morrow Municipal Complex located at: 1500 Morrow Rd, Morrow, and GA 30260.

Discussion Items

1. Review of Meeting Agenda

Agenda Items:

- CNP Technologies phone system hardware/software maintenance agreement
- Interdev Back-Up Server Agreement
- City of Morrow logo update
- Ordinance 2020-15 Flood Damage Prevention & Post Construction Management
- Ordinance 2020-16 Domestic Fowl
- Resolution 2020-15 Two Stop Signs at Pleasant Valley Dr

A brief discussion occurred on the regular meeting agenda items. Council was asked to consider adding two contracts amusement rides for the Christmas in the Park event to the consent agenda, there were no objections. Ordinance 2020-15 and Ordinance 2020-16 were consolidated into one ordinance titled Ordinance 2020-15 Flood Damage Prevention and Post Construction Storm water Management. The consolidation of this ordinance will allow for the Domestic Fowl ordinance to be renumbered at Ordinance 2020-16.

2. Presentation by K. Osbey- Clayton County Water Authority & M. Whitley (Whitley Engineering)

Mr. Osbey and Mr. Whitley spoke about the State required Stormwater changes that affects not only the City of Morrow but several surrounding metro Atlanta counties. The changes are required to be adopted no later than December 10, 2020. Concerns were shared over the financial impact that these changes would have to both new development and redevelopment construction within the County and City. The floodplain changes to the ordinances were merely administrative to allow consistency in regulations throughout the County.



3. Clayton County Tax Sale Excess Funds- Release and Indemnification Agreement

- a. 6081 Navaho Trail
- b. Reynolds Rd R

The excess funds from the Clayton County tax sale on these properties allow for the delinquent City property taxes to be paid to be collected. The City can only claim amounts that were due at the time of the sale, so the 2020 property taxes for these properties are still outstanding.

4. Macy's Subdivision Request- 1500 Southlake Circle

The Zoning Administrator M. Tracy gave the Council an update on the last Planning & Zoning board meeting including the Macy's subdivision request. An LED company called It's Electric is looking to subdivide the parcel and open a retail business.

Mayor Lampl recessed the November 24, 2020, Work Session at 7:30 pm.

Mayor Lampl reconvened the November 24, 2020, Work Session at 7:51pm.

5. Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG)

The need to resurface, recoat and/or restripe several streets within the City limits were discussed. A recommendation was made to take entire subdivisions into consideration when grouping streets together. The Mayor questioned what potential factors have caused some streets to deteriorate at a more rapid pace than others, making reference two possibilities; quality of work or type of asphalt used.

6. Clayton County Elections Management Agreement

The City Manager advised the City Attorney has reviewed the contract, made a few recommended edits and the contract has been sent back to the County's attorney for review.

7. Fire Dept. Response Cost Recovery Option

This option will allow for the Fire Department to recover some of the cost associated with an emergency response such as brush fires, fluid spills, extrication, vehicle fires, false alarms, powerline incidents, etc. Currently, the Fire Department only bills for medical related incidents such as transport fees if the patient is insured. Consensus reached by Council to remove "Section 8 Liens".

8. Future Events- Update

- a. Christmas in the Park- Dec. 5, 2020 4pm-8pm
- b. Juneteenth 2021- Freedom Field- Pending



- c. Freedom Fest
- d. Lunar New Year- Feb. 6, 2021

Announcement made to remind Council and citizens about the upcoming Christmas in the Park. The City Manager also noted that the city is looking to potentially add a Cinco de Mayo event in 2021 with the city only providing the space to the company to utilize. The date of the event will be confirmed. Councilwoman Knight discussed holding a multi-day event for Juneteenth/ Black Film Festival.

9. City Marketing/Communication

- a. City Billboard @ Southlake – Update
- b. City APP- Update

A trial version of the City App will go into the effect on December 12. Economic Development Director Dang mentioned that the former Toys "R" Us building has been painted and cleaned up, as well as the owner of Sweet Hut bakery will be visiting Morrow for a tour of the city.

10. Public Works Discussion

- a. Street Lighting Update
- b. Morrow Road Bridge Rail and Island
- c. Street Paint and lines
- d. Continental Repaving – Speed Platform
- e. Patricia Drive Repaving – Speed Platform
- f. Street Repaving Schedule – next 3 years
- g. Clayton State House - Update
- h. City Parks Evaluation Results- Requests?
- i. Jester's Creek Phase III Construction- Update
- j. Lake Harbin Sidewalk project – Update
- k. City Signs at Exits off I-75– Update
- l. Pedestrian Path Connection-Under Power lines
 - i. Timeline
- m. Christmas Ornaments – City Streets
- n. Vegetation Management
 - i. Timeline

The Public works department will be placing orange ribbons around the malfunctioning green light poles throughout the City to help Georgia Power identify which ones are in need of repair. Consensus reached by Council for staff to move forward with the rail repair on Lake Harbin while additional questions come in for the island. The city-owned residential property on Jonesboro Rd near Clayton State blvd repairs are nearly complete. Council should look forward to seeing the cost estimates for the city parks repairs and lighting updates to the dog park in future Council meetings. The I-75 signage invoices received needed additional pricing to include a breakaway sign to salvage portions if the sign was struck by a vehicle.



11. Property Planning-

- a. Conference Center Dark Space
 1. Plan
 2. Budget Estimate
 3. Timeline

The Mayor asked for staff to acquire pricing for lighting the upper level of the dark space. Potential options for heating and cooling the Tea room at the Morrow Center was also discussed briefly.

12. Rule of 85 Benefits Study- Pending

No updates have been were provided, staff is still awaiting the ordinance and agreement from the Georgia Municipal Association's legal department.

13. County/City Property Tax Commissioner – Pending

- a. 2021 Tax Bill

Property tax bills were mailed out on Monday, November 23, 2020.

14. URA

- a. Debt Gross
- b. Revenue from each property (per year - last ten years)
- c. Land sales-specific properties
 - i. City Authorization?
 - ii. Date of sale
 - iii. Revenue from sales allocated where

Request was made to have a list of every property, description, details, purchase price and sales price with the understanding that this may not be completed until after a new Finance Director is in place.

15. OTM Property- Pending

- a. Easements and Property- Update
- b. Repair Estimates- Update
- c. Rebranding

Falcon design has begun the process and were out at the property.

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Councilwoman Knight requested the records reflect that the Juneteenth and the Black Film Festival events were still in the works, and requested a budget be discussed for the event.

Mayor Lampl adjourned the November 24, 2020 Work Session at 9:13 pm.

Approved this 8th day of December, 2020.

Attest

CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA

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Sylvia Redic, Interim City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "John J. Lampl II", written over a horizontal line.

John J. Lampl II, Mayor