

*****WORK SESSION @ 5:00 PM*****

AGENDA
CITY OF COVINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2010
6:30 PM

Mayor Kimberly C. Carter, Mayor Pro-Tem Keith Dalton, Council members: Janet A. Goodman, Hawnethia Williams, Ocie Franklin, Michael Whatley, and Chris Smith, City Manager Steve Horton, City Clerk Tonya R. Grier, and City Attorney Edward A. Crudup, Jr.

1. Call to order. Mayor Carter, Reverend Rosie Crawford of Laborers in Harvest Outreach Ministries

OLD BUSINESS

2. Discussion of the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on October 18, 2010. **APPROVED**
3. Discussion of the **first** reading of an ordinance for the City of Covington: **APPROVED**

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10.08 OF THE SAID CODE BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 10.08.010 THERETO RELATING TO **COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS**, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

NEW BUSINESS

4. Discussion of changes to the agenda. **APPROVED**
 - Discussion of mediation talks with the Airport FBO. **APPROVED**
 - Discussion of an agreement with Partnership for Community Action for use of office space located at the Conyers Street building. **APPROVED**
 - Discussion of amending of city ordinance to permit buying or selling gold in specified zoning districts. **APPROVED**
 - Discussion of authorizing payment to Habitat for Humanity for renovation work done on two Neighborhood Stabilization Programs. **APPROVED** \$36,058.70
 - Discussion of a Mutual Aide Agreement with Rockdale County. **APPROVED**

-Discussion of a request from Bonanza Productions for filming of *Vampire Diaries*.

APPROVED

-Discussion of the acceptance and execution of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs Grant for \$299,980.00. **APPROVED**

5. Public comments for any item not on the agenda.
 - Nelson Drive resident Robert Clay discussed the need for more City Police Officers.
 - Greg Shy thanked the Mayor and Council for their support.
6. Discussion to allow Mr. Glen Hayes to cut and spray herbicide when needed on the 72+ acre tract near Nisshinbo during 2011. **APPROVED**
7. Discussion of applications to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only for:
APPROVED
 - 21 Package Store (ownership change)**
6157 Highway 278 NW
 - 21 Package Store (renewal)**
6157 Highway 278 NW
8. Discussion of several grant applications. **APPROVED**
 - Grant to purchase two new SEGWAY patrol units - \$12,000.00
 - Grant for Bethlehem Church Bank Stabilization Project –\$100, 000-\$200,000 in matching funds
9. Discussion of default in contract w/ Skyline Electrical Inc. and surety's replacement of B & B Electrical Utility Contractors, Inc. **APPROVED**
10. Discussion of changes in elected officials' filings as required by the State Ethics Commission.
NO ACTION TAKEN
11. Discussion of Airport needs: staff, equipment, insurance, etc. **APPROVED**
12. Discussion of HR Policy changes: retirement, sick leave, etc. **TABLED**
13. Discussion of the **first** reading of an ordinance for the City of Covington: **APPROVED**

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15.24.080 OF THE SAID CODE RELATING TO **OUTDOOR BURNING**, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

14. Discussion of loan to begin a marketing campaign in conjunction with Walker's Bend and the CHIP down-payment assistance grant. **APPROVED**
15. Discussion of loan for architectural services in partnership with the Covington Housing Authority to prepare preliminary plans for budgeting and seeking funding. **APPROVED**
16. Discussion of engineering proposal for Police Department firing range. **APPROVED** – bid from Cook Engineering Services, PC \$24,450.00
17. Public comments.
18. Discussion of the following invoice: **APPROVED**

WATER & SEWER

D & J's Pipeline Co.

-Emory Street waterline project

\$29,595.50

19. Recommendations of the City Manager.
20. Recommendations of the Mayor and Council.
21. Adjourn. 8:20PM