

A G E N D A
City Council Meeting
Monday, February 20, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

A. OPENING

- Call to Order
- Devotional
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Presentation to Savannah Christian Preparatory School Raiders Football Team

B. RECEIVE BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Board of Zoning Appeals/Planning Commission Minutes dated 2/14/12

C. RECEIVE INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Informal Public Comment – Speaker Protocol

Any member of the public may address the City Council and offer public comment on items within the City Council's jurisdiction during the Informal Public Comment period of the meeting. However, no formal action will be taken on matters that are not part of the posted agenda. Informal Public Comments are scheduled for a total of fifteen (15) minutes and each person will be limited to three (3) minutes (unless extended by the Mayor).

If a member of the general public would like to address the City Council during the Informal Public Comment portion of the Agenda, please sign in and complete the Informal Public Comment **Speaker Form** by no later than the start of the meeting. The form is at the reception desk counter in the lobby of City Hall. Please complete the form with your name, address, phone number(s) and the subject matter and leave the form on the counter for retrieval by City staff immediately prior to the start of the meeting. The Speaker Form assists the Mayor in ensuring that all persons wishing to address the City Council during the Informal Public Comment period are recognized provided they have properly signed in and registered to speak. Your name will be called at the time informal public comment is taken by the City Council. Please be advised that completion of a Speaker Form does not necessarily entitle the Speaker to address City Council and failure to complete the Speaker Form in advance of the meeting start time may result in the Speaker's request being denied.

The Speaker should not attempt to engage the City Council and/or Staff in a discussion/dialogue and the Speaker should not ask specific questions with the expectation that an immediate answer will be provided as part of the three (3) minute time frame since that is not the intent of the Informal Public Comment period. If the Speaker poses a question or makes a request of the City, the Mayor may refer the issue or request to the City Manager for follow up.

The Mayor may rule out of order any Speaker who uses abusive or indecorous language, or if the subject matter does not pertain to the City of Garden City, or if the Speaker(s) attempts to engage the City Council Members in a discussion or dialogue on issues.

D. RECEIVE FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT – *We have no formal requests to address City Council.*

Formal Public Comment – City Council Agenda Protocol

The City of Garden City would like to hear issues of importance brought by the citizens of Garden City and believes it is important for citizens to submit a formal written request form outlining the subject matter to be placed on the public agenda. Formal Public Comment is scheduled for a total of thirty (30) minutes (unless condensed or extended by the Mayor).

Members of the public desiring to be placed on the agenda to present or address matters to the City Council must submit a formal **Request to be placed on the public agenda form** to the Office of the City Manager one (1) week prior to the requested council meeting date. This can be done in person, regular mail, fax or e-mail. The request form may be obtained from the Office of the City Manager and on the City's website www.gardencity-ga.gov. The request should state the name of the individual(s) desiring to be heard and the matter to be presented to City Council. Requests may be referred at the discretion of the City Manager, to appropriate staff for mediation prior to being placed on the public agenda. Please be advised the completion of a request form does not entitle the Speaker to be added to the agenda.

The Mayor may rule out of order personal, abusive or indecorous language, or matters that the City has no purview

E. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS

Speaking to a Public Hearing Item

In the interests of time and to ensure fairness of all persons who appear before the City Council to speak for or against a public hearing item, speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each to address City Council. Speakers may only speak when recognized by the Mayor during the public hearing. Speakers are requested to come to the microphone and state their name and residence address for the record. Comments shall specifically address the public hearing item before the City Council and the speaker shall maintain appropriate tone and decorum when addressing the City Council. The speaker shall not direct derogatory comments to any individual, organization, or business.

Speakers addressing City Council on a public hearing item should coordinate comments to respect City Council's time limits. Groups should select a spokesperson to present the major points that summarize their position and opinions. Speakers are urged to be brief and non-repetitive with their comments. City Council may ask questions of the applicant, speakers, or staff during these proceedings only for the purpose of clarifying information. Once the public hearing is closed on an item, there will be no further opportunity for formal public input.

- **PC1201, Rezoning Request, Telfair Place:** Receipt of public comment on a request by Chad Zittrouer of Kern-Coleman & Co., LLC representing Joseph Giles of Veinte Holdings, LLC, to rezone Telfair Place (PIN #6-0799-02-0028) from C-1 to C-2 to operate a pre-owned auto sales business.

- **PC1203, Zoning Text Amendment:** Receipt of public comment on a request by the City of Garden City to amend the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 90 Article VI pertaining to signs for the purpose of revising the provisions related to limitations, safeguards, and controls for outdoor advertising of separate use signs and non-conforming signs.
- **PC1204, Zoning Text Amendment:** Receipt of public comment on a request by the City of Garden City to amend the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 90 Article II to establish new regulations for the permitted use of container storage, container trailer storage, or container trailer storage yards; to permit such use in I-1 and I-2 zoning districts.

F. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES DATED 2/6/12

G. RECEIVE STAFF REPORTS

- Receive **Monthly Status Report** from Director of Finance
- Receive **Monthly Status Report** from Director of Water Operations
- Receive **Monthly Status Report** from Fire Chief
- Receive **Monthly Status Report** from Chief of Police
- *Receive City Manager Updates*

H. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION - *We have no items for consideration*

I. ADJOURN