

**A G E N D A**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Monday, March 16, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**

➤ **OPENING**

- **Call to Order**
- **Devotional**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**
- **Presentation by the City Manager on the Coastal Incentive Grant Stormwater Management Plan.**

➤ **RECEIVE INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Informal Public Comment – Speaker Protocol**

The City of Garden City believes that any member of the general public should be afforded the opportunity to address the City Council provided that designated rules are followed by the speaker. Any member of the public who wishes to address the City Council and offer public comment on items within the City Council's jurisdiction, may do so 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. In order to ensure the opportunity for all those desiring to speak before the Council, there is no yielding of time to another speaker. Speakers not heard during the limited fifteen (15) minute period will be first to present their comments at the next Council meeting. The opportunity to address City Council on a topic of his/her choice shall be used by an individual only one (1) time per month. It may not be used to continue discussion on an agenda item that has already been held as a public hearing. Matters under negotiation, litigation, or related to personnel will not be discussed. If a member of the general public would like to address the City Council during the Informal Public Comment portion of the meeting, please respectfully indicate your desire to address the City Council when the Mayor solicits members of the general public to come forward and speak. You will be recognized by the Mayor and asked to come forward to the podium so that you can address the City Council in accordance with the rules outlined herein. Once the speaker has been recognized to speak, he/she will be given three (3) minutes to address the City Council. 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. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. The Mayor may rule out of order any Speaker who uses abusive or indecorous language, 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. City Council shall not discuss non-agendized matters because it does not give the public adequate notice. Accordingly, City Council shall be limited to asking factual and clarifying questions of staff, and when appropriate, the Council may consider placing a matter on a future agenda. In addition, it is not reasonable to expect staff to respond to any of a variety of issues on which they may or may not be prepared to respond to on a moment's notice, so the City Manager may respond, or direct staff to respond at a later time.

## ➤ **RECEIVE FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT – *No formal requests***

### **Formal Public Comment – City Council Agenda Protocol**

The City of Garden City has identified this portion of the meeting to allow individuals an opportunity to formally address the City Council on issues hear issues of importance. Garden City requires that individuals who desire to formally address the City Council submit a written request form outlining the subject matter that they intend to discuss so that they can be placed on the meeting agenda. 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 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA”** form to the Office of the City Manager at least 10 days prior to the requested City Council meeting date that you wish to speak. City Council meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month so the request must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on the Friday which constitutes 10 days prior. The request can be done in person, regular mail, fax or e-mail and the speaker should obtain acknowledgement of the request from the City to demonstrate that the 10 day requirement has been met. The request form may be obtained from the Office of the City Manager and on the City’s website [www.gardencity-ga.gov](http://www.gardencity-ga.gov). The request should state the name of the individual(s) desiring to be heard and the subject 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.

## ➤ **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 except as described herein. One speaker for the Petitioner may address the City Council for no more than 10 minutes, unless extended by the Mayor. In an effort help the City Council and the general public to better understand the issues, the Mayor may request that a City staff member address the City Council from the podium. Speakers from the general public may only speak when recognized by the Mayor during the public hearing. Speakers will be asked to come to the podium to address the City Council for three (3) minutes and they shall state their name and resident address for the record.

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. 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. City Council may ask questions of the applicant, speakers, or staff during these proceedings only for the purpose of clarifying information. The speaker shall not direct derogatory comments to any individual, organization, or business. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. Once the public hearing is closed on an item, there will be no further opportunity for formal or informal public input at a City Council meeting.

## **Public Hearings:**

- **PC1504, Rezoning Request:** Receipt of public comment on a request by Kenneth Harrelson, applicant and representing property owner Central Baptist Church to rezone 2610 and 2612 US Highway 80 from R-1 to C-2. PIN 6-0926-03-021 and PIN 6-0926-03-020.
- **PC1505, Lot Variance Request:** Receipt of public comment on a request by Jeff Kole, property owner to vary a lot area requirement from 2700 sq. ft. per dwelling unit to 2110 sq. ft. per dwelling unit at 1326 US Highway 80 West. PIN 6-0826-01-002; 6-0826-01-003; 6-0826-01-004; 6-08-01-004A; 6-0826-01-004B; 6-0826-01-005; 6-0826-01-006A; 6-0826-01-006B, and 6-0826-01-007.

## ➤ **Approval of City Council Minutes**

- **Consideration of the City Council Meeting Minutes dated 3/2/15 and Workshop Synopsis dated 3/9/15.**

## ➤ **RECEIVE STAFF REPORTS**

- Receive Monthly Status Report from Director of Planning, Zoning & Building
- Receive Monthly Status Report from Director of Water Operations
- Receive Monthly Status Report from Chief of Police
- Receive Monthly Status Report from Fire Chief
- City Manager Updates

## ➤ **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- **Resolution, Bid Award (Belt Filter Press & Facility Improvements):** A resolution by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, to award the Wastewater Plant Belt Filter Press Installation and Facility Improvements contract to the low bidder PF Moon Construction in the amount of \$1,391,000.00, and that the acting City Manager is authorized to sign the contract for the Contract Work in the name of the City, with the City Clerk's attestation to said Manager's signature.
- **Resolution, CDBG (Rossignol Hill Area Sewer Improvements):** A resolution by the Mayor and Council to authorize the City of Garden City to apply for a FY2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the purpose of improving the sewer system serving the City's sewer customers in the Rossignol Hill CDBG target area and hereby delegates to the Mayor authority to execute all documents necessary to apply for and obtain the CDBG.
- **Resolution, GDOT Standard Utility Agreement:** A resolution by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City and GDOT authorizing the GDOT to include the adjustment of water and sewer distribution facilities belonging to the City in the GDOT's contract for the roadway work on State Route 21 by which the City will reimburse GDOT for this work in the amount of \$22,700.
- **Resolution, City of Ethics Recertification:** A resolution by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, to readopt the ethics principles approved by the Georgia Municipal Association Board.
- **Resolution, FY15 SPLOST Fund Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY15 SPLOST Fund budget; to adjust for the difference between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenses for certain of the various line items in the FY15 SPLOST Fund budget.

## ➤ **ADJOURN**