

The Riverdale Mayor and City Council met on June 21, 2012 at 6:04PM for the purpose of conducting a regular work session. The meeting was held in the conference room on the second floor at City Hall, located at 7200 Church Street, Riverdale, Georgia 30274.

**Call to Order and Welcome**

With a quorum present, Mayor Evelyn Wynn-Dixon called the meeting to order at 6:04PM.

**Roll Call**

All members of the governing body were present for the meeting excluding Council Member Stamps-Jones.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The following amendments were made to the agenda:

**Addition(s):** None.

**Deletion(s):** None.

**Postponement(s):** None.

**Tabled Item(s):** None.

The Agenda was approved by general consensus.

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager, Iris Jessie, turned the floor over to Director of Planning and Zoning, Ms. Camilla Moore. Ms. Moore gave a presentation on the revised sanitation ordinance, issuing handouts of the proposed Solid Waste Sanitation Ordinance. She advised that the proposal had also been sent to the legal arm of the City for further review. (SEE Exhibit A: "Proposed Sanitation Solid Waste Ordinance by Staff" and "Existing Ordinance") City Attorney, David Johnson, gave a tentative recommendation for restructuring of the current solid waste ordinance.

Ms. Jessie advised Mayor/Council to contact Ms. Moore with any questions. She stated that there will no action required by the Mayor and Council during the Special Called

Business Session. She further stated that the presentation was for informational purposes for now.

There were no comments by Mayor/Council.

#### **Discussion of Gulf War Joining Forces Initiative**

Council Member Kenneth Ruffin briefed Mayor/Council regarding a national initiative headed by First Lady Michelle Obama and Dr. Jill Biden, Vice President Joe Biden's wife, to address the transitional needs of Gulf War Veterans and their families. (See Exhibit B: "Joining Forces") He suggested forming a partnership with Clayton State University, ranked as the top school in the University of Georgia System for veterans.

All members of council gave support of the initiative. Mayor Dixon asked what the target group would be. Council Member Wallace advised, first, coalescing with Arthur Hughes and other potential partners would help to locate a target group.

Mayor/Council reached a consensus to officially support the Gulf War Joining Forces Initiative.

#### **Discussion of Naming of New Park in the City of Riverdale**

Council Member Ruffin suggested naming the new park, "Riverdale Park." He advised against assigning a name to the park due to potential legal ramifications. All members of council were in agreement; Council Member Stamps-Jones suggested the name, "Southern Crescent Park." Council Member An'cel Davis suggested gaining corporate sponsorship from locally based, transnational corporations (i.e. Delta, Coca Cola) in order to procure funding for other small projects. Mayor/Council reached a consensus to assign the name, "The Riverdale Regional Park."

Ms. Jessie advised that August 18, 2012, would be the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new park.

#### **Overview of Items that appear on the Business Session Agenda:**

Mayor Dixon asked if there were any questions and/or concerns about the Business Session Agenda. There were none posed.

#### **Agenda Items for the next meeting:**

There were no items presented for inclusion for the next agenda.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM. Council Member Kenny Ruffin motioned to adjourn the meeting in order to go into an Executive Session to discuss a legal matter. Council Member Wanda Wallace seconded.