City Council Meeting
City Hall – Council Chambers
October 3, 2024
6:00 P.M. – Work Session / 7:00 P.M. – Council Meeting

WORK SESSION

Mayor Matthew Santini opened the Work Session at 6:00 P.M. Council Members discussed each item from the agenda with corresponding Staff Members.

Mayor Santini closed Work Session at 6:28 P.M.

OPENING MEETING

Mayor Santini called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Invocation by Council Member Cooley.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Fox.

The City Council met in Regular Session with Matthew J. Santini, Mayor, presiding, and the following present: Kari Hodge, Council Member Ward One; Jayce Stepp, Council Member Ward Two; Cary Roth, Council Member Ward Three; Calvin Cooley, Council Member Ward Four; Gary Fox, Council Member Ward Five; Alyssa Cordell, Council Member Ward Six; Dan Porta, City Manager; Julia Drake, City Clerk; and Keith Lovell, City Attorney.

REGULAR AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. September 19, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2024, Council Meeting. Council Member Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

PUBLIC HEARING – 2ND READING OF ZONING/ANNEXATION REQUESTS

2. Z24-07: 496 Mission Road

Randy Mannino, Planning and Development Director, stated the applicant requests a change in zoning conditions of the Jackson Farm Planned Development, P-D (Planned Development), to reduce the commercial area to construct (67) Lots containing:

Applicant: Smith Douglas Homes

- (32) Duplex units (within (16) buildings).
- (27) Ranch Homes
- (8) Cottage Homes

The area affected is approximately 12.58 acres located at 496 Mission Rd. in Land Lots 377, 416, 448 and 449 of the 4th District, 3rd Section. Tax ID No. C024-0001-001.

Planning Commission recommended approval, 4-3, with the following conditions:

- 1. Fences and trees are not permitted within the sewer easement.
- 2. Developer to provide a deceleration lane into the development from Mission Rd.
- 3. Developer to provide a flood study.
- 4. Use single story house plans submitted with application or similar. Two (2) story housing products are not permitted.
- 5. Include 10% rental/leasing cap in HOA CCRs.
- 6. All driveways to be a minimum of 16ft. in width.
- 7. Developer to provide a landscape screen behind Lots 1-4, Phase 1 Jackson Farm.
- 8. All streets to be private. Developer to provide a maintenance bond for two additional years following the required maintenance period defined in the development regulations.

In closing, Mr. Mannino stated that Smith Douglas Homes had provided a letter that stated that they would adhere to the Housing of Older Persons Act 1995, and this would be an age restricted community.

Mayor Santini opened the public hearing and laid out the procedures for the public hearing stating that Council Member Fox had also provided a list of 11 conditions to be discussed to come to an agreement. Additionally, each speaker would be given five (5) minutes to speak.

Karl Lutjens, 114 Old Mill Rd., came forward to represent the applicant and gave an overview of the application.

Council Member Fox reviewed the proposed conditions as follows:

- 1. Fences, buildings, structures of any type and trees are not permitted within easements. This should also be placed in the Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 2. Developer to provide deceleration lane into the development from Mission Road.
- 3. Developer to provide a flood study, in accordance with the City of Cartersville Code of Ordinances for properties in the Flood plain.
- 4. Use single story house plans submitted with application. Two (2) story housing products not permitted.
- 5. Include 10% rental/leasing cap in Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 6. All driveways to be a minimum of 16 ft. in width. The minimum length will be per concept plan and, subsequently, approved site plan. However, minimum length will at least 20 feet from back of curb to garage door.
- 7. Developer to provide an additional landscape screen planted which meets the requirements of city ordinance sec. 4.17, *Buffer and Screening Requirements*, behind lots 1-4, Phase 1 Jackson Farm.
- 8. All streets in the development will be public and meet City of Cartersville requirements.

- 9. The development will abide by the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995, initially administered by the developer and ultimately administered by the Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 10. The concept plan submitted with the application is made a part of these zoning conditions, except for decreases in the number of lots or residential units or alterations to the streets and public right of way as approved by the City's Public Works Department. Any other modifications will need to go through the City's normal zoning process and require approval by the Mayor and City Council.
- 11. These conditions of zoning are not eligible for a variance, if there are any proposed changes to them, they will need to go through a full rezoning process and be approved by the Mayor and City Council.

Wade Wilson, Public Works Director, came forward to speak regarding flood plain management and to address the deceleration lane. In closing, Mr. Wilson suggested to have Public Works review the traffic study to determine if a deceleration lane would be required.

Joy Peterson, 42 Jackson Farm Rd., came forward to inquire who would be required to maintain the drainage easement between Jackson Farm and Silo Point.

Keith Lovell, City Attorney, responded to Ms. Petersons inquiry and stated that typically it would be written up in the covenants that it would be the responsibility of the homeowners of Silo Point to maintain the drainage easements. However, at this time, that has not been drafted.

Rebecca Owen, 44 Jackson Farm Rd., came forward to inquire about the buffer and asked if the requirements could be revised to include adequate foliage.

Mr. Mannino stated that the landscape buffer requirements include trees should be six feet at time of planting, to which Ms. Owen agreed was sufficient.

Sheila Hernandez, 38 Twelve Oaks Dr., came forward to thank Smith Douglas Homes and the City of Cartersville for diligently listening to the citizens and working to come to an agreement.

Mr. Lutjens returned to the podium and brought up interest in gating this community which would automatically cause the streets to be private. However, if the streets are public, parallel parking would not be allowed, yet it was proposed.

Mr. Lovell stated that public streets are not allowed to be gated.

Mr. Wilson returned to the podium to discuss the requirements for public versus private streets. Additionally, he stated parallel parking would be fine if the streets meet the standards of the City of Cartersville.

With no one else to come forward to speak for or against the application, the public hearing was closed.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve Z24-07 with the amended 11 conditions.

- 1. Fences, buildings, structures of any type and trees are not permitted within easements. This should also be placed in the Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 2. Developer to provide deceleration lane into the development from Mission Road if required by Public Works after review of the traffic study.
- 3. Developer to provide a flood study, in accordance with the City of Cartersville Code of Ordinances for properties in the Flood plain.
- 4. Use single story house plans submitted with application. Two (2) story housing products not permitted.
- 5. Include 10% rental/leasing cap in Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 6. All driveways to be a minimum of 16 ft. in width. The minimum length will be per concept plan and, subsequently, approved site plan. However, minimum length will at least 20 feet from back of curb to garage door.
- 7. Developer to provide an additional landscape screen planted which meets the requirements of city ordinance sec. 4.17, *Buffer and Screening Requirements*, behind lots 1-4, Phase 1 Jackson Farm.
- 8. If streets are to be private, developer to provide a maintenance bond for two additional years following the required maintenance period defined in the development regulations.
- 9. The development will abide by the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995, initially administered by the developer and ultimately administered by the Homeowner's Association Covenants, Conditions and Restriction's.
- 10. The concept plan submitted with the application is made a part of these zoning conditions, except for decreases in the number of lots or residential units or alterations to the streets and public right of way as approved by the City's Public Works Department, and changes to recreational areas. Any other modifications will need to go through the City's normal zoning process and require approval by the Mayor and City Council.
- 11. These conditions of zoning are not eligible for a variance, if there are any proposed changes to them, they will need to go through a full rezoning process and be approved by the Mayor and City Council.

Council Member Cordell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

Reference Ordinance # 42-24

Mayor Santini called for a five-minute recess at 7:55PM.

Mayor Santini resumed the meeting at 8:00AM.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

3. FY2024 Budget Ordinance Amendment

Tom Rhinehart, Finance Director, stated after Completion of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 close, the General Fund, Special Revenue funds, and the SPLOST Fund's budgets need to be amended. The process of amending these budgets is done annually before the year-end close and will bring the city General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and SPLOST Funds into compliance with Generally Accepted

Accounting Principles (GAAP) standards. These adjustments reflect the necessary changes needed to bring the budgets back into balance where the revenues equal expenses and mirror the actual year-to-date revenues and expenses in each of the funds. Approval was recommended of the ordinance amendment.

This was a first reading and will be voted on at the October 17, 2024, meeting.

CERTIFICATION

4. CRS Recertification

Mr. Wilson stated the City of Cartersville continues to participate in the Community Rating System (CRS) to qualify for reduced flood insurance rates from the National Flood Insurance Program for properties within the city limits. Public Works is requesting the mayor's signature on the annual recertification application with CRS to continue participation in this ongoing program.

Council Member Stepp made a motion to approve the CRS Recertification. Council Member Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

ENGINEERING SERVICES

5. Transfer Station Preliminary Engineering Report

Mr. Wilson stated this past year at Visioning, the Solid Waste Division of Public Works discussed the possibility of building a Transfer Station on City property near the Water Treatment Plant on Allatoona Dam Road. A Development of Regional Impact (DRI) has been submitted for a mixed-use development across from this property.

In response, Public Works recommended proceeding with a Preliminary Engineering Report and submitting our DRI for the proposed transfer station. Although funding for the construction is not currently available, we suggest moving forward with the preliminary engineering work, which would be carried out by Harbin Engineering, a firm specializing in municipal solid waste facilities. They have offered to complete preliminary engineering for a fee not-to-exceed \$12,000.00.

Public Works recommended obtaining the mayor's signature for the proposal acceptance sheet from Harbin Engineering and allowing the submission of the DRI documents once completed. This is not a budgeted expense; however, Public Works proposed funding these professional services through the excess of our operations budget.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the Transfer Station Preliminary Engineering Report. Council Member Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

6. Engineering Services for Various Pipe

Mr. Wilson stated the Stormwater Division of Public Works has identified six segments of pipe throughout the city in need of repair using cast-in-place pipe (CIPP) or spin casting. This method of repair is typically done to avoid major surface disturbance and is typically performed in residential areas or under roads that would be difficult to open cut.

Public Works has reached out to the design firm that worked on the Terrell Heights Stormwater Improvement, as a portion of the pipes on this project would be part of this repair, to provide a proposal to perform engineering services for plans and bid documents to obtain a contractor for these specialized repairs.

The agreement from Barge Design Group includes the development of civil documents, bid services, and some miscellaneous construction assistance.

7. Fite Street/Herring Street Stormwater Improvements Engineering Services

Mr. Wilson stated within the last decade, there have been numerous times when localized flooding and drainage issues occurred in the general area of Fite Street and Herring Street. Our stormwater division has accessed this site during significant events and has had to perform emergency work to relieve this system. One issue is due to the alignment and locations of the existing system. To address some of the issues with this system, the solid waste division would like to use ARPA funds to have an engineering study to provide plans to improve this area. Discussions have been made with some of the property owners, and they appear to be supportive of this improvement.

Public Works has reached out to a local design firm, Consolidated Technologies, Inc (CTI) for a proposal to perform engineering services design for these storm drainage improvements.

The attached agreement from CTI includes the development of civil documents and field investigations, design services, bid services, and some miscellaneous construction assistance. The agreement for these services is \$48,900.00.

Public Works would also utilize America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for both projects as it also meets the requirements for eligibility for ARPA funds. This is a budgeted request, and Public Works recommended approval of these agreements.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve the Engineering Services for Various Pipe and the Fite Street/Herring Street Stormwater Improvements Engineering Services. Council Member Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

BID AWARD/PURCHASES

8. Watch Guard (Motorola) Software Annual Support Agreement and Cloud Storage

Terry Ellis, Deputy Police Chief, stated the Police Department was seeking approval to pay for our annual maintenance agreement for the Support of the Watch Guard Motorola (in-car/body camera system). The total amount due is \$9,900.00. Currently, the Police Department has twenty in-car/body camera units, and the cost per unit is \$495.00. This is a budgeted expense, and the E-Verify and E-Save documents are on file.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Watch Guard (Motorola) Software Annual Support Agreement and Cloud Storage. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

Council Member Hodge made a motion to add two (2) items to the agenda. Council Member Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

9. Fluid Floor Repairs and Refinishing at Fire Station 4

Hagen Champion, Fire Chief, stated approval was being requested for the repair and refinishing of the apparatus bay floors at Fire Station 4. The apparatus bay floor finish from Fluid Floors has proven to be durable and reliable. As we approach thirteen years at Station 4, the floors need minor repairs and a fresh finish to uphold their quality.

A quote was received from a local vendor, Fluid Floors Inc., for \$11,137.00. This falls within our budgeted expenses, and approval was recommended for this necessary maintenance.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Fluid Floor Repairs and Refinishing at Fire Station 4. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

10. Tennis-to-Pickleball Conversion Project to Atco Courts

David Archer Jr., Deputy Director of Athletics and Services, stated Parks and Recreation requests approval for Talbot Tennis to convert two of the three tennis courts at Atco into six permanent Pickleball Courts, and a stand-alone tennis court. The proposal also includes installing a 100-foot, 4-foot-tall divider fence between each set of triple pickleball courts and a similar divider between the pickleball courts and the remaining tennis court. Additionally, they will apply a fresh coat of acrylic resurface over the courts, along with two applications of fortified Acrylic Colorcoat. Windscreens will be installed on the north and south ends of the courts. The proposal also includes 325 linear feet of Riteway Crack Repair.

Bids were sought on September 12th from Talbot, Signature Tennis Courts, Southeastern Tennis, and Courtmakers. By September 23rd, we had received three proposals. Courtmakers indicated they would not be able to complete the project this year and did not submit a bid. Talbot will be able to start this month for \$37,992.00. This is a budgeted expense, and Staff recommended approval.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Tennis-to-Pickleball Conversion Project to Atco Courts. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

11. Dellinger Park Concession Lean-to Structure

Erik Pabst, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, stated Parks and Recreation is looking for approval to award GameTime with the construction and installation of a 13'x19' Lean-to Structure at the Dellinger Park Concession stand. The concession stand is not suitable for grilling and this outside steel roof will allow concessions to grill food outdoors. All metal will be primed and painted to match the existing building colors.

Three bids for this project were received from The Copponex Group LLC, Outdoor Construction Company, and GameTime. GameTime was the lowest bid at \$22,435.00. This is a budgeted expense, and staff recommended approval.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Dellinger Park Concession Lean-to Structure. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

12. Reeves Young for CMAR of Recreation Building

Steve Roberts, Parks and Recreation Director, stated Parks and Recreation is seeking approval to award Reeves Young as the Construction Manager at Risk. Parks and Rec opened the RFP for CMAR services on July 12, 2024, and received thirteen proposals on Sept 23, 2024. The CMAR Proposal Committee reviewed and graded the thirteen proposals and narrowed the field down to four. The four finalists were Reeves Young, Gay Construction, Hogan Construction, and Carroll Daniel Construction. The committee interviewed the four firms on Sept. 13, 2024, and decided on Reeves Young. Reeves Young has completed many successful projects with the City of Cartersville.

Reeves Young proposed a 2.25% CM Construction Fee of \$506,250.00, Labor Cost of \$419,250.00, General Conditions of \$422,565.00 for a construction phase total of \$841,815.00. Reeves Young also proposed \$19,500.00 for Pre-Construction Fees, totaling \$1,367,565.00. Staff and the CMAR Committee recommended approval.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve Reeves Young for the CMAR of the Recreation Building. Council Member Cordell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

Dan Porta, City Manager, stated that October 4, 2024, would be Mr. Roberts last day with the City of Cartersville and he took a moment to recognize and thank Mr. Roberts for the tremendous job he had done as the Parks and Recreation Director. Continuing, Mr. Porta wished Mr. Roberts well on his new ventures.

Mr. Roberts thanked Mr. Porta for the opportunity to serve as Director of Parks and Recreation.

13. WTP Generator Bid Award

Michael DeLeon, Water Department Engineer, stated the Water Treatment Plant expansion project will require the replacement of the current backup generator system, part of which is 35 years old, and the newer portion is 25 years old.

Our consultant for the project, Wiedeman & Singleton Engineers, and their electrical sub-consultant, ESAD, LLC issued RFPs for two 2,000 KW generators, switchgear, and 5-year warranties for this equipment due to the expected long lead times for these items.

Awarding this bid to Yancey Power Systems for a total price of \$3,933,536.30 was recommended. This expense will be budgeted in the appropriate budget year, as the delivery and payment dates are approximately 120 weeks from the order date.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the WTP Generator Bid Award. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

14. Water Meter Resetter Purchase

Mr. DeLeon stated many of the remaining water meters to be changed to AMI meters are ½" services, which require a resetter adapter to install the ¾" meter in the setting. We had estimated needing 150 of these resetters. Consolidated Pipe and Supply Company, Inc. submitted a quote for \$22,650.00 for these fittings.

This is a budgeted expense through the AMI project, and approval was recommended.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Water Meter Resetter Purchase. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

15. Chapter 7.5 - Development Regulations, Article IV - the Sewer Specifications & Article V - Water

Mr. Forsyth stated these ordinances have not been updated in some time and require updating. Other changes were necessary due to updated state and federal regulations. The Water and Sewer Department, along with legal counsel, requests approval of these ordinance changes.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Chapter 7.5 - Development Regulations, Article IV - the Sewer Specifications & Article V - Water. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

Reference Ordinance # 43-24 and 44-24

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

16. Biosolids Drying Services Agreement

Mr. DeLeon stated as part of the WPCP expansion project, option have been evaluated for more effectively managing the disposal of 16,000 wet tons of biosolids produced at the plant annually. The options are limited to landfilling and land application.

Drying the solids from 15% to 90% solids will reduce the number of truckloads handled by a factor of six and increase our storage capacity by the same factor during wet weather when land application is not possible. Additionally, if landfilling is necessary, dried material can be disposed of more easily in the Bartow County landfill, significantly reducing the cost of this disposal method. A solids dryer is currently the best available technology to reduce the volume and broaden disposal options. Space for a City-owned dryer will be reserved in the upcoming plant expansion project.

Stircor Services, Inc. has offered to provide biosolids drying as a service to the city. Stircor will supply all drying equipment and perform operation and maintenance. The city will supply gas and electric services to the dryer and dispose of biosolids. The cost for this service is \$105/wet ton during year one and \$85/wet ton during years two and three of the contract. This three-year contract will allow the City to evaluate equipment costs, operations, and maintenance if we decide to incur the capital expense of permanent dryer installation and operation.

A trial of Stircor's process was performed using the City's biosolids at Stircor's facility in Walker County, GA with good results. Approval was recommended of this contract with Stircor Services, Inc.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Biosolids Drying Services Agreement. Council Member Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

CHANGE ORDER

17. Altitude Valve Change Order #1

Mr. DeLeon stated due to the age and condition of the critical water lines at the Morningside Drive and Fairview Street water reservoirs, as well as additional work requested at the Tank Hill reservoir, a change order for the project was requested.

The work involves restraining 20-inch yard piping, adding two hundred feet of 6-inch line at the Fairview tank, and demolishing an existing altitude valve at Tank Hill.

The total amount requested for this change order is \$200,255.83, with an additional 90 days for substantial completion due to material delays. Approval was recommended for this change order.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Altitude Valve Change Order #1. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

18. Construction Inspection Services Agreement

Mr. DeLeon stated the successful execution and completion of the major expansion projects currently in design for both the Water Treatment Plant and Water Pollution Control Plant will require constant inspection and diligent expert resident site representatives to oversee the daily details of every aspect of construction.

Infrastructure Renewal Services, LLC (IRS) performed this service in the most recent WPCP construction project as a sub-consultant for the design engineer. The inspection work performed by IRS contributed significantly to the smooth and successful completion of that job.

Approval was recommended for the City to contract directly with IRS, LLC to perform these services for both plant expansion projects.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve the construction Inspection Services Agreement. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

19. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Agreements

Freddy Morgan, Assistant City Attorney, stated the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a grant program provided to assist low-income families with assistance on their utilities.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Agreements. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

ADDED ITEM

20. CMAR Depot Renovation

Mr. Morgan stated that bids had been received for the renovation of the Depot Building. It was requested to approve the best and lowest bid with Pennant Construction and allow the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement once approved by the city attorney and City Manager.

Council Member Stepp made a motion to approve CMAR Depot Renovation. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

21. Health and Vision Insurance Renewal for 2025

Mr. Porta stated City staff met with One Digital, our health insurance agent, to review the health insurance proposal for 2025. Currently, City Employees are covered through Anthem (BC/BS) Insurance with the option of Point of Service (POS) or a Health Savings Account (HSA) insurance plan. Anthem first proposed a 12% rate increase on our account for 2025, and after some negotiations we have reduced the premium increase to 8%, which was recommended for approval.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Health and Vision Insurance Renewal 2025. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

22. Retiree Medical Insurance Renewal

Mr. Porta stated that United Healthcare Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) plan for 2025 initially came in with a 44% rate increase and after negotiations, we were able to reduce the premium increase to 23%. Unfortunately, due to changes from the Federal Administration to Medicare Plans, we were unable to get this premium increase decreased any further, and approval was recommended of this insurance renewal for city retirees covered under this plan.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Retiree Medical Insurance Renewal. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

23. Leakes Walk at Walnut Grove – Agreement for Sewer Line

Mr. Lovell stated this agreement is between the City of Cartersville ("City"), Manor Restorations, LLC ("Owner") and Ashton Atlanta Residential, L.L.C. ("Developer") is for the project known as the Leakes Walk at Walnut Grove. The Developer's civil engineering firm, Goodwyn Mills Cawood, has prepared a plan that indicates the proposed site improvements around the sewer line, and the city has indicated the plan is acceptable.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Leakes Walk at Walnut Grove – Agreement for Sewer Line. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

ADDED ITEM

24. Sanitary Sewer Easement

Mr. Lovell stated this agreement is for the relocation of a sewer line between the School System, the city, and the Shirleys. Approval was recommended.

Council Member Cordell made a motion to approve the Sanitary Sewer Easement. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

OTHER

Mayor Santini wished the Jewish friends a happy Rosh Hashanah which runs from October 2-4, 2024. Continuing, he stated he was immensely grateful for the minimal devastation from Hurricane Helene.

Mr. Porta thanked our crews and workers for their dedication to helping those that were deeply affected by the storms. In closing, he thanked the citizens of Cartersville for their generous donations for those affected in North Carolina.

Jason Trainor, 18 Burnt Hickory Connector, came forward to discuss the Rockdale Biolab fire.

Chad Hullander, 16 Royal Lake Cove, owner of Jeffersons, came forward to speak regarding the townhome development being proposed to go behind Jeffersons which would consume several of the parking spots that accommodate several of the downtown businesses.

Mr. Lovell stated that he had received a call from a citizen thanking an employee of the police department for going above and beyond the call of duty to assist.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discus-	s. Council Member Hodge	e made a motion to adiour	n.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

	/s/	
	Matthew J. Santini	
	Mayor	
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City Clerk		