

# SUMMARY

## City of Carrollton Mayor and Council Meeting

### June 6, 2011

### 6:00 p.m.

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Public Safety Complex, Court/Council Chambers, 115 West Center Street,  
Carrollton, Georgia

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Safety Annex Building, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia. Mayor Garner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor Wayne Garner, Councilmember Peter Balega, Councilmember Mandy Maierhofer and Councilmember Mike Patterson. Councilmember Byrd absent.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Garner.

#### III. INVOCATION

Ms. Annie Boykin offered the invocation.

#### IV. MINUTES (April 11, 2011)

**Motion by Councilmember Patterson, seconded by Councilmember Balega, to approve the Minutes of the April 11, 2011 meeting of the Mayor and Council. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

*(At this time, Mayor Garner introduced Miss Maddie Grace Maierhofer who was in attendance at the meeting.)*

#### V. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

##### 1. Resolution 04-2011: Alcoholic Beverage Code Amendment (Addressing removal of partially consumed bottles of wine from restaurants)

City Manager Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council for their Consideration Resolution 04-2011: Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Amendment. CM Coleman advised the Mayor and Council that the State of Georgia recently changed Georgia Law regarding "Open Containers of Alcohol" to allow patrons of alcohol licensed establishments to leave the business with resealed bottles of wine that were purchased at the establishment. CM Coleman noted that the law requires that the owner of the establishment reseal the bottle of wine and place it in a brown bag with the receipt prior to the patron leaving the establishment. In addition, CM Coleman stated that he has had several restaurant owners request that the City of Carrollton change its alcoholic beverage ordinance to reflect the change in State Law. **Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Patterson to approve Resolution 04-2011 which amends the City of Carrollton's Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to reflect the change in State Law and allow the removal of partially consumed bottles of wine (which have been resealed with receipt of purchase attached) from restaurants under certain circumstances. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

##### 2. Resolution 05-2011: City of Carrollton Employee Wellness Program

City Manager Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration Resolution 05-2011: City of Carrollton Wellness Program. CM Coleman advised that for the last four (4) years the City of Carrollton has received a \$10,000 grant annually from the Georgia Municipal

Association's Local Government Risk Management Grant. CM Coleman noted that a new requirement of the grant is for the local government authority to adopt a resolution supporting the wellness effort. **Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Balega to approve Resolution 05-2011: City of Carrollton Employee Wellness Program, as presented. Motion passed (4-0).(Councilmember Byrd absent).**

### **3. FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget**

A public hearing was held regarding the proposed FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget. CM Coleman advised that the proposed FY 2011-2012 General Fund Operating Budget of \$17,633,349 represents an overall increase of \$281,211 or 2% of the FY 2010-2011 Budget of \$17,352,138. CM Coleman noted that the proposed FY 2011-2012 Water Fund Operating Budget of \$10,375,000 represents an overall increase of \$406,933 or 4% over the FY 2010-2011 Budget of \$9,968,007. In addition, CM Coleman advised that the FY 2011-2012 Sanitation Fund Operating Budget represents an overall decrease of \$87,046 or 2% from the FY 2010-2011 Budget of \$3,993,046. CM Coleman also stated that the proposed FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget includes a \$40,000 library increase.

Mr. Fred O'Neal inquired as to whether the City had given any thought into possibly looking into alternative fuel methods. CM Coleman advised that the City is looking into that possibility and applicable grants that would assist in conversion of current vehicles.

Councilmember Patterson inquired as to if the City could be proactive in procuring grants for future water improvement projects. ACM Grizzard advised that it is his opinion that we should fund those projects out of the budget and try not to create additional debt.

Mayor Garner stated that we had operated the City for the past eight (8) years with a number of improvement projects and with no increase in the mileage rate and, in fact, we have had a decrease. Mayor Garner thanked CM Coleman, FD Jim Triplett, Department Directors and staff for their hard work on the FY 2011-2012 Budget.

### **4. Voter Redistricting**

CM Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council information regarding voter redistricting. CM Coleman advised the Mayor and Council that Federal Law requires that reapportionment is necessary after every Census (10 years). CM Coleman noted that this is an effort to ensure that all voter districts on the Federal, State and Local levels have equal representation by redistributing the population and equaling the number of people (not necessarily voters) in each voter district. CM Coleman advised that the State of Georgia has an office known as the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office (LCRO) at the State Capital that does this redistricting statewide. CM Coleman explained that the City of Carrollton has grown by 18.6% (4,545 people) to a population of 24,388. CM Coleman noted that the growth was large enough to trigger redistricting of voter wards in the City of Carrollton. CM Coleman also advised that displaying to the public and discussing this information is the first step in a lengthy process of getting this endeavor completed. Mayor Garner advised that it normally takes a couple of years to get the redistricting process started.

## **VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

## **VII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Garner suggested that the Fire Department, Police Department and Housing Authority keep a close watch on our citizens during the hot weather, making sure that those citizens that need them have fans.

## **VIII. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CM Coleman advised that the issue regarding backyard chickens would need to go through the planning and zoning process and should be presented at the August 1, 2011 meeting of the Mayor and Council.

CM Coleman reminded the Mayor and Council of the upcoming West Georgia Technical College's Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting ceremony which will be held on Thursday, June 9, 2011 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

In addition, CM Coleman updated the Mayor and Council on several projects, including: the Publix bridge, the Greenbelt, and the Amphitheatre, and advised that work on the Depot project should resume very soon.

## **IX. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to address, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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