



**AGENDA**  
**Cochran City Council**  
**Tuesday, March 13, 2018**  
**Regular Meeting @ 7:00PM**

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*Community House located at 192 South Third Street, Cochran, GA 31014*

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**City Council**

Billy Yeomans, Mayor  
Fleming Gilman, Mayor Pro Tem  
*(District 3, Post 2)*  
Robert Anderson, Council Member  
*(District 2, Post 1)*  
Regina Gooch, Council Member  
*(District 1, Post 2)*  
Jon Thrower, Council Member  
*(District 2, Post 2)*  
Andrew Lemmon, Council Member  
*(District 3, Post 1)*  
Keith Anderson, Council Member  
*(District 1, Post 1)*

**City Staff**

Richard Newbern, City  
Manager  
Tracy Jones, City Clerk  
  
Leo Phillips, City Attorney

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- I. Call to Order by the Mayor**
  - II. Invocation**
  - III. Pledge of Allegiance**
  - IV. Attendance**
  - V. Adopt Agenda**

## **VI Agenda Items**

### **ITEM # 1- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider adopting Resolution of support for the application of Affordable Equity Partners to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

### **ITEM # 2 - Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Public Hearing on Norfolk Southern Railroad's plan to close railroad crossings at Mendel Lane and Coal Chute Road, and add safety gates, lights and bells at the rail crossings at Lewis Street and Railroad Avenue

### **ITEM # 3- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider Resolution regarding Norfolk Southern Railroad's plan to close railroad crossings at Mendel Lane and Coal Chute Road, and add safety gates, lights and bells at the rail crossings at Lewis Street and Railroad Avenue, in exchange for considerations from Norfolk Southern Railroad.

### **ITEM # 4- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Public Hearing on zoning ordinance amendment for rezoning of 115 West Cherry Street (Parcel No. A14 and vacant lot facing First Street and Post Office Lane (A14 059) from R1 to C1 Central Business District- Owner is Senior Advantage Group, Inc. represented by Michael Bryant

### **ITEM # 5- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider zoning ordinance amendment for rezoning of 115 West Cherry Street (Parcel No. A14 058) and vacant lot facing First Street and Post Office Lane (A14 059) from R1 to C1 Central Business District- Owner is Senior Advantage Group, Inc. represented by Michael Bryant.

### **ITEM # 6- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Public Hearing on zoning ordinance amendment for rezoning a 5-acre tract located at the corner of Peter Street and Sixth Street from R-1 Single Family Residential to R-2 Multi-family, Glenn Sawyer, Owner.

### **ITEM # 7- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider zoning ordinance amendment for rezoning a 5-acre tract located at the corner of Peter Street and Sixth Street from R-1 Single Family Residential to R-2 Multi-family, Glenn Sawyer, Owner.

### **ITEM # 8- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Discuss and consider requirements regarding members of the public who wish to address the City Council during Council meetings.

**ITEM # 9- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approval of a bid from Precise Digital from Wesley Chapel, Florida in the amount of \$5,116.65 for Computer upgrade, software and accessories for Police Detective Interview Room. Funds are budgeted under Police Small Equipment.

**ITEM # 10- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Report from Cochran Housing Team on the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing (GICH) program and Cochran Cares logo.

**ITEM # 11- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approving a speed breaker/speed bump on Seventh Street near the Seventh Street and Ann Street intersection.

**ITEM # 12- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approval of adding a full-time position to the Public Works Department, and approve budget amendment for such position. The new position will be Mechanic I Laborer, who will operate a zero-turn mower and perform other duties in the Street Division.

**ITEM # 13 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approval of proposed financing Resolution for new gas line construction to serve additional customers by Jointly Owned Natural Gas.

**VII. Public Comments** (Please note that every individual who signs up to speak prior to the meeting will be given a total of five minutes to address the Mayor and Council.)

**VIII. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates**

**IX. Council Discussion Items**

**X. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events**

- Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting ó April 10, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

## **XI. Executive Session**

- A.** Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the settlement of a matter covered by the attorney-client privilege as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-2(1) and 50-14-3(b)(1)(A).
- B.** Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(B).
- C.** Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the ordering of an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(C).
- D.** Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(D).
- (X)E.** Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(E).
- (X)F.** Meeting to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2).
- G.** Meeting to interview one or more applicants for the position of the executive head of an agency as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2).
- H.** Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege and as provided by Georgia Code section 50-14-2(1), a meeting otherwise required to be open was closed to the public in order to consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the agency or any officer or employee or in which the agency or any officer or employee may be directly involved.
- I.** Staff meeting held for investigative purposes under duties or responsibilities imposed by law as provided by Georgia Code section 50-14-3(a)(1).

**Adjourn**