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March 13, 2012 **CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA** Regular Meeting 7:30 pm

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Burke  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All  
**INVOCATION:** Mayor Burke

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:**

To add or remove items from the Agenda:

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of the February 28, 2012 Regular and Work Session Minutes and March 3, 2012 Special Called Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of a support letter from the Mayor and Council to ARC requesting assistance from ARC in helping to identify and successfully implement the City of Morrow's new zoning initiatives throughout our city's commercial areas.

4. **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Financial Update (*Presented by Dan Defnall*)

5. **FIRST PRESENTATION:** None at this time

6. **OLD BUSINESS:**

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

(*Agenda Item 12-03-316*)

1. Approval by Mayor and Council on a Request for Confirmation of Hotel/Motel Tax Deficiency Determination for Sanjit, Inc., d.b.a. Comfort Suites at 1442 Southlake Plaza Drive, Morrow, GA 30260.  
(*Presented by Finance Officer, Dan Defnall*)

*(Agenda Item12-03-317)*

2. Approval for Interim Chief Tatroe or his designee to purchase two (2) new Chevrolet Tahoe's from a Federal Procurement process in the amount of \$64,964.78. The vehicles will be purchased out of City Capital, which has a current budgeted amount of \$66,654 for Capital Expenditures already in place.  
*(Presented by Interim Police Chief, Greg Tatroe)*

*(Agenda Item12-03-318)*

3. Approval of a Resolution to Establish Charges for the Collection of Residential and Commercial Refuse in the City of Morrow, Georgia; and for other purposes.

8. **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Citizens-  
City Manager-  
Mayor and Council –

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

# City of Morrow

Geared for Quality Growth

March 13, 2012

Mr. Stephen Causby  
Atlanta Regional Commission  
40 Courtland Street Northeast  
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Mr. Causby:

Like so many other cities in this region, the City of Morrow has experienced tremendous change in the past five years. Particularly in the commercial districts, change is not always positive. Morrow's Zoning Codes must advance to reflect the trends in development and redevelopment to allow Morrow to progress effectively.

We personally request assistance from the Atlanta Regional Commission to help Morrow identify and successfully implement new zoning initiatives throughout our commercial areas. This will help lead to a complete rewrite of our Zoning and Redevelopment Codes and Ordinances and will allow us to develop special areas to better facilitate what the community needs.

We look forward to working with the Atlanta Regional Commission on this project.

Sincerely,

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JB Burke  
Mayor

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Jeanell Bridges  
Mayor Pro Tem

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Virlyn Slaton  
Councilman

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Bob Huie  
Councilman

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Larry Ferguson  
Councilman

February 24, 2012

Dear Mayor and Council:

We asked for (2) new Chevrolet Tahoe's under the 1122 Federal Procurement Program. Basically this program authorizes state and local government agencies to purchase equipment through certain Federal procurement channels. This equipment can be used for counter-drug, homeland security, and emergency response activities. These Federal procurement channels include the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) Multiple Awards Schedule (MAS) Program. The vehicles will come fully equipped minus in-car video systems and reflective lettering. The vehicles will be purchased out of city capital. An amount of budgeted out of capital expenditures for this year was \$66,654. The attached document titled 'Q-005664' is the bid for the (2) Tahoe's - \$60,969.78. Again this amount is minus in-car cameras and reflective lettering. That leaves us with a balance of \$5,684.22. That figure will cover the purchase of a new in-car system for one of the vehicles and graphics for both.

The in-car system is a Digital Ally DVM-500 valued at \$3,995 which brings our total requested amount to \$64,964.78 again minus the graphics. I would like this to be placed on the next agenda for consideration. Thanks!



**Capt. G. Tatroe - Interim Chief of Police**  
**Uniform Patrol Division Commander**  
**Morrow Police Department**  
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**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH CHARGES FOR THE COLLECTION OF  
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL REFUSE IN THE  
CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA.**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Morrow contracts with a private company for the collection of residential and commercial refuse in the City; and

**WHEREAS:** The City of Morrow bills residential and commercial customers for the services provided by the private sanitation company; and

**WHEREAS:** The Mayor and Council are authorized by the City Charter to set fees for the collection of refuse, as well as other services provided by the City, and hereby establish the following fees for the collection of residential and commercial refuse:

**Residential - \$25 per month and billed quarterly in accordance with the BFI Contract.**

- (a) On July 28, 2011 the City entered into an Amended Residential and Commercial Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Agreement with BFI Waste Services, LLC for a term to continue through August 1, 2014.
- (b) BFI shall collect and dispose of Residential Refuse placed in Cans and Bags placed at the backdoor of each Residential Unit not more than 10 feet from the back of the residential house. BFI shall not be required to collect more than five (5) residential 30 gallon residential garbage cans, equivalent bags or containerized waste, with sufficient strength to handle the waste, per residential unit per service day. Additional charges for exceeding this limit may be requested through the City.
- (c) BFI will provide one (1) residential collection weekly for the disposal of solid waste and one (1) recyclable materials collection weekly; BFI will provide one (1) 65 gallon recycle cart for this purpose and shall collect these recyclable materials at the backdoor, side door or at a point not more than 10 feet from the back of the residential house.
- (d) BFI shall collect and dispose of Residential Yard Trimmings and Bulk collection items once a week which are placed at the curb and all tree trimmings and dead tree debris not exceeding six feet (6') in length and four inches (4") in diameter also placed at the curb. This definition does not include whole trees taken down by residents or trees cut by tree services on behalf of the residents. All dead plants, weeds, leaves are to be placed in biodegradable paper bags, not to exceed forty (40) pounds each, with a ten (10) bag limit. Bulk Waste: Stoves, refrigerators, water tanks, washing machines, furniture and other waste materials shall be limited to two (2) items per residential unit per week for collection.
- (e) An administrative late charge of 10 percent shall be added to each bill not paid before the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month beginning each quarter.
- (f) Garbage collection service shall be discontinued at each residence whose garbage service fee remains unpaid on the last day of the month beginning each quarter.

Any garbage service subscriber whose bill has been allowed to become delinquent and is discontinued for failure to pay shall have a penalty ascribed to the delinquent account of 10 percent of the delinquent bill plus a restart or reconnect charge of \$15.00 prior to re-establishment of garbage service to that customer.

- (g) Nonpayment of fees may be collected as taxes at the end of the calendar year.

**Commercial – shall be billed monthly in accordance with the BFI Contract.**

- (a) The bills for commercial refuse collection shall be mailed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month and shall be due on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- (b) In the event any charge remains unpaid after the 25<sup>th</sup> day of each month, a late charge of 10 percent shall be added to each bill.
- (c) In the event any charge remains unpaid after the last day of the month, garbage collection service shall be discontinued. Before garbage collection service is reinstated, the late charge of 10 percent and a restart or reconnect charge of \$15.00, along with the full amount of the bill must be paid.
- (d) In addition to the charges noted above, a charge consistent with current banking practices will be added to the sanitation bill when the same is paid with a check which fails for any reason to clear the payer's bank when presented for payment.
- (e) In the event the commercial customer fails to pay the required sanitation fees as same become due on more than three occasions within a period of one year, as measured from January 1 through December 31, the City may require the commercial customer to post a deposit in an amount sufficient to cover the next 12 months' charges. Upon notice to the City, in the event the commercial customer transfers his interest in the property, the City shall refund any unused part of the aforesaid deposit.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Morrow, Georgia do hereby establish the collection fees set forth herein and said collection fees shall become effective and shall be in full force from this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

**SO RESOLVED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

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JB Burke, Mayor

Attest:

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Evyonne Browning, City Clerk

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