

**Dear Board:**

I hope this packet finds you and your family in good health and spirits. As we head into fall and winter our schedule is starting to get busier and at least this month's meeting shows some of that work. It is possible that we will want to have an executive session on Tuesday, but given the length of the meeting and the fact that we will be hosting the County Commissioners I left the executive session off the list for the sake of brevity.

I do not know of any specific outpouring of public interest that might generate a crowd, but it is possible that we may have some members of "stopwoodfin" still lingering (Betty Jackson continues to request documents, write letters to local newspapers, attend meetings in other communities and in general cling to her 15 minutes of fame with both fists)...also, we have sent out a lot of notices about the voluntary annexation of the 140 acre Coleman property we will discuss below, so it is possible that we will have some folks show up.

As noted above, the Buncombe County Commissioners will be in attendance Tuesday night for the last appearance on their listening tour with all of the various towns in the county. We will provide the Commissioners with a brief overview of what is going on in our community, hear from them on what is happening at the County level, visit briefly and then they will depart so we can conduct our actual meeting. We will provide some light refreshments for the Commissioners and some small gift bags on behalf of the Board. Unlike some other communities who have squandered their opportunity at these meetings to beg for some goodies from the Commissioners that they were unlikely to ever get, I would like to propose that the Board make a single and simple request to the Commissioners in the form of a request that they do everything in their power to ensure that AVL keeps the approximately \$8 in grant funding that they have been awarded. This is something that the Commissioners can accommodate. It will have direct benefit for the people of Woodfin and it will not be too heavy handed. I hope to have a formal letter for your review and signature available that evening.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience regarding this packet or any other matter related to the Town of Woodfin. Thank you as always for your service to our community.

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**Town of Woodfin  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
October 20, 2009  
6:30 P.M.**

**Meeting**

Meeting Call to Order  
Invocation  
Approval of the Agenda  
Approval of the Consent Agenda  
Approval of the Minutes

**Consent Agenda**

1. Presentation of a Petition for Voluntary Annexation for a Parcel of Land Contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the Town of Woodfin and owned by the Woodfin Water District.
2. Presentation of Certificate of Sufficiency for Same.
3. Resolution Establishing a Date for a Public Hearing on a Matter Described Above.

**These three items are: a petition for annexation of the Woodfin Water Tank located at Versant, certificate of sufficiency stating that the Water District owns the land under the tank, and a resolution establishing a public hearing date for Tuesday night. The public hearing has been legally noticed and advertized in accordance with state statute.**

4. Presentation of a Petition for Voluntary Annexation for a Parcel of Land Contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the Town of Woodfin and owned by the Coleman Family.
5. Presentation of Certificate of Sufficiency for Same.
6. Resolution Establishing a Date for a Public Hearing on a Matter Described Above.

**These three items are: a petition for annexation of the Sherwood Heights, Inc. property located behind the Country Club of Asheville, certificate of sufficiency stating that the Coleman Family owns the land in question, and a resolution establishing a public hearing date for Tuesday night. The public hearing has been legally noticed and advertized in accordance with state statute.**

**New Business**

1. Public Hearing on a Proposed Rezoning or Property Located at 1425 Riverside Drive from R-21 to C-S Zoning.
2. Consideration of an Ordinance Rezoning a Parcel of Land Located at 1425 Riverside Drive from R-21 to C-S Zoning.

**The Planning and Zoning Board has given unanimous support to the proposed rezoning of this parcel of land from R-21 –which is half acre residential- to Community-Shopping. Presently the property is vacant. It was previously home to a single wide mobile home, but this use was discontinued and not allowed to be replaced a few years ago. It is staff opinion that based on surrounding uses, the present zoning (which requires a stick built single family dwelling) prohibits the reasonable use of this property. Staff strongly supports the rezoning, but in the interest of full disclosure I should note that I live fairly near the properties in question.**

3. Public Hearing on a Voluntary Annexation of Property Owned by the Woodfin Water District.
4. Consideration of an Ordinance Annexing the Property Described Above.

**As noted in the Consent Agenda section this is a voluntary annexation of the new Woodfin Water Tank located at Versant. This is approximately 1.5 acres of land owned by Woodfin Water District. The voluntary annexation of this property was identified by the Town as a precondition of the release of final funds for the completion of the water tank.**

5. Public Hearing on a Voluntary Annexation of Property Owned by the Coleman Family.
6. Consideration of an Ordinance Annexing the Property Described Above.

**As noted in the Consent Agenda section this is a voluntary annexation of the Sherwood Heights property located in unincorporated Buncombe County lying between Woodfin and Asheville and butting up against the Country Club of Asheville. It consists of approximately 140 acres and is owned by the Coleman family. As some of the Board may recall the Coleman family approached the Board about this annexation in 2005, but due to complicating factors we were unable to satisfy this request until now. This property falls within the sphere of influence negotiated with the City of Asheville in the proposed annexation agreement, because of those earlier discussions.**

7. Public Hearing on an Ordinance Modifying the Flood Plain Maps and Ordinance for the Town of Woodfin.
8. Consideration of an Ordinance Modifying the Flood Plain Maps and Ordinance Described Above.

**The Town must update its Flood Plain Maps and Ordinance in order to remain compliant with federal laws and regulations, which among other things allows our citizens to continue to purchase things like Flood Insurance. This ordinance is a model ordinance based on the County ordinance.**

9. Consideration of a Resolution Appointing the Buncombe County Floodplain Administrator as the Town's official designee in Floodplain Administration.

**This resolution empowers the Buncombe County Floodplain Administrator to act at the Town's official designee in Floodplain Administration, continuing a policy that has been in place for years and is strongly encouraged by the Federal government. It is possible that I will need to substitute different language in this resolution on Tuesday night but the meaning will remain unchanged.**

10. Public Hearing on Dark Skies Ordinance
11. Consideration of an Ordinance Establishing a New Dark Skies Ordinance for the Town of Woodfin

**These two matters will –hopefully- conclude our dark skies ordinance adventure, at least for a while. I have taken all the comments and input from the Board, the public and others and plugged it into the draft we worked on at the workshop in September. The result, I believe is one that will make many people happy. It does not apply to the Heavy-Industrial Zoning District which should alleviate concerns raised by some members of the Board about possible impact on industry.**

**Public Forum-***Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the Mayor.*

## **Reports**

Police  
Parks and Recreation  
Public Works

ABC  
Administration  
**Adjournment**