New Business Item #15

COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Board of Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Steve Brown and Charles Oddo
Meeting Date:	Thursday, February 13, 2014	Type of Request:	New Business

Wording for the Agenda:

Consideration of the Selection Committee's nomination of Mr. Tom Waller to the Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals with a term beginning immediately and expiring December 31, 2016.

Background/History/Details:

The Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals is a volunteer body comprised of five members who are appointed to three-year terms. The purpose of the Zoning Board of Appeals is to hear and decide upon appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the Zoning Administrator in the enforcement of regulations. The Board may also direct the issuance of a permit, and may also authorize, upon appeal in specific cases, a variance from the terms of regulations as will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of regulations will, in an individual case, result in practical difficulty or unneccesary hardship, so that the spirit of regulations shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured, and substantial justice done.

There is one vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The vacancy was advertised on December 16, 2013. Mr. Tom Waller re-submitted his application from when Zoning Board of Appeals vacancies were advertised earlier in the year. Two other applications were also received for this vacancy on the Board. The Selection Committee, made up of Chairman Steve Brown and Vice-Chairman Charles Oddo, interviewed each applicant and have nominated Mr. Waller for the position.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Approval of the Selection Committee's nomination of Mr. Tom Waller to the Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals with a term beginning immediately and expiring December 31, 2016.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?*	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

**** All audio-visual material must be submitted to the County Clerk's Office no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. It is also your department's responsibility to ensure all third-party audio-visual material is submitted at least 48 hours in advance.***

Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval			

Staff Notes:

PRESS RELEASE

ONE OPEN POSITION ON THE FAYETTE COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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Each member of the Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals must be a resident of Fayette County. No member of the Zoning Board of Appeals may hold any other public office, except that one (1) member may also be a member of the Planning Commission.

The Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled to meet on a monthly basis, at 7:00 p.m., at the Fayette County Administrative Complex located at 140 Stonewall Avenue West, Fayetteville, Georgia 30214.

The Fayette County Board of Commissioners would like to notify interested Fayette County citizens that one position on the Zoning Board of Appeals is available for appointment with a term expiring December 31, 2016.

The Fayette County Board of Commissioners will be accepting applications with resumes for this position. Applications can be obtained by contacting Floyd Jones at (770) 305-5102 or at fjones@fayettecountyga.gov. All applications must be returned to Floyd Jones at 140 Stonewall Avenue West, Suite 100, Fayetteville, Georgia by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 10, 2014.

Issued: December 16, 2013
Contact: Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk
Office: (770) 305-5102

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals

Thank you for your interest in being considered for appointment to the Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals.

Applicants must be a legal resident of the State of Georgia and have been a resident of Fayette County for at least six months prior to the date an application is submitted.

The Zoning Board of Appeals is comprised of five members appointed to three-year terms. Meetings are scheduled to be held on a monthly basis. Said meetings take place at the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue West, Fayetteville, Georgia. Please do not apply if you will be unable to attend a minimum of eighty percent (80%) of all meetings. **Applicants are encouraged to attend as many Zoning Board of Appeals meetings as possible in an effort to become familiar with the responsibilities of the post.**

Please take a few minutes to complete the form and answer the questions on the reverse side of this form and return it with a resume, if available, to Floyd Jones, County Clerk, 140 Stonewall Avenue, West, Suite 100, Fayetteville, GA 30214 no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 18, 2013.

If you have any questions, please call (770) 305-5102.

NOTE: Information provided on this form is subject to disclosure as a public record under Georgia Open Records Law.

NAME Thomas Shelton Waller

ADDRESS [redacted]

TELEPHONE (day) [redacted]

(evening) _____

(email address) N/A

Thomas Waller
Signature

9 Oct 2013
Date

1. How long have you been a resident of Fayette County?

   14+ years

2. Why are you interested in serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals?

   Desire for Public Service

3. What qualifications and experience do you possess that should be considered for appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals?

   Masters Degree in Gov't Admin.

4. List your recent employment experiences to include name of company and position.

   Retired in 03 from US Army Criminal / Invest Cmd.

5. Do you have any past experience related to this position? If so, please describe.

   No

6. Are you currently serving on a commission/board/authority or in and elected capacity with any government?

   No

7. Have you attended any Zoning Board of Appeals meetings in the past two years and, if so, how many?

   No

8. Are you willing to attend seminars or continuing education classes at county expense?

   Yes

9. Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family and you serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals?

   No

10. Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County employee? If so, please describe.

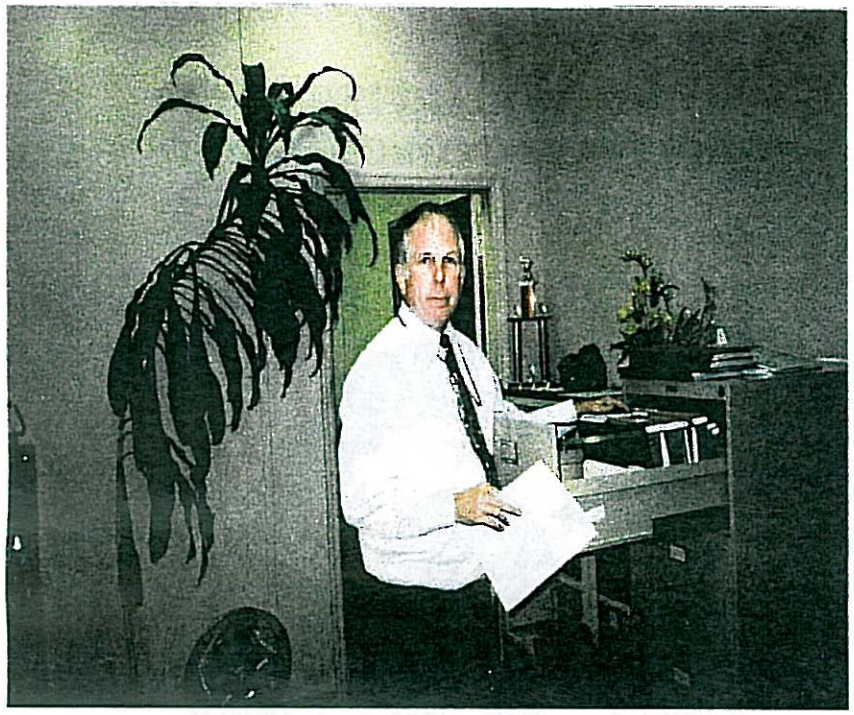
    No

11. Describe your current community involvement.

    Vol Hospital, Master Gardener, Historical Society – Sunday School teacher

12. You have been given a copy of the county's Ethics Ordinance. Is there any reason you would not be able to comply with the ordinance?

    Yes / No.



Mr. Thomas S. Waller
Chief, Resource Management Division
HQ, 3d Military Police Group (CID), USACIDC

Mr. Waller's performance during his 25 years as a civil servant, 23 of those years with 3d Military Police Group has been outstanding. His unwavering commitment to this organization and the Army is a true testament to his dedication and selfless service.

Born in Atlanta, Mr. Waller graduated from North Georgia College with a B.S. Degree in Business Administration in 1962 and entered the US Army as an Infantry Officer where he served until his retirement as a Lieutenant Colonel in the US Army Reserves in 1990.

He started his civil service career in 1978 as a Budget Analyst for HQ FORSCOM. Mr. Waller joined 3d MP Group (CID) in 1980 as the Chief, Resource Management Division. During his early years in the Group, Tom supervised the accounting, management analysis, budget, internal audit and review and analysis for 13 subordinate units located in nine Southeastern States, Puerto Rico and the Republic of Panama. Mr. Waller's ability to initiate, organize, coordinate and develop immediate and long-range financial plans to support known and projected operating programs consistently resulted in a 100 percent execution of the Command's Operating Budget.

Mr. Waller continued throughout the years to receive accolades for his outstanding performance. In 1987 he was commended for his work proficiency, which was noted as the very best in the MACOM. In 1990 Mr. Waller was selected to be a member of the Secretary of the Army's Force Management Study: Resources Management in the Year 2000. The study team members were to identify year 2000 resources management workforce requirements and barriers to their achievement, and to identify issues for further study. Their efforts led to the identification of resource management imperatives to serve as benchmarks for evaluating progress in transitioning the RM 2000 workforce.

Mr. Waller has provided expert guidance on all matters related to resource management. He is a champion of the nation's resources and has monitored the execution of these resources with very meticulous scrutiny and detail. His reputation is impeccable and he is well respected throughout the entire MACOM. Especially noteworthy, was his understanding of senior management level data; this along with his ability to provide detailed analytical data for review by key decision makers made him a valuable member of the Commander's team. He has earned awards and decorations in both the military and civilian aspects of his career.

Tom plans to enjoy retirement by hunting, gardening, reading and woodworking. He and his wife, Sara Anne, are living in Fayetteville, GA. Their two sons, Thomas, Jr., and David and their families live nearby.

All of the CID family wish Tom and his family the very best and Godspeed in his well-deserved retirement.

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Buckhead Brewery & Grill
Stockbridge, GA
10 January 2003
7:00 PM
Retirement Dinner
for
Mr. Thomas S. Waller

Floyd Jones

From: Floyd Jones
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 11:06 AM
To: 'thomas waller'
Subject: RE: Position, Board of Appeals

Mr. Waller,

Thank you for your continued interest in the Zoning Board of Appeals position. Per our request, I will use the previous application that you submitted for the position earlier this year.

Have a Merry Christmas!

Floyd

From: thomas waller [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 9:48 AM
To: Floyd Jones
Subject: Position, Board of Appeals

Mr. Jones,

IAW telephone conversation of yesterday, this is to confirm that I am interested in a primary position on the board.

Have a good Christmas,

Respectfully,

Tom Waller