

*****JANUARY 28, 2001*****

The Town Council of the Town of Signal Mountain held a special called meeting on Sunday, January 28, 2001, at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Mayor James H. Althaus
 Vice-Mayor Robert E. Steel, Jr.
 Councilmember Rachel Bryant
 Councilmember Stephen Ruffin
 Councilmember William C. Steele, Jr.

Also present were:

Town Manager Hershel Dick
 Town Recorder Diana Campbell
 Attorney Phil Noblett, filling in for Town Attorney

The Mayor opened the meeting by presenting a compromise offer received by fax from Attorney Phillip Hoover representing the Town of Walden. His letter stated that the Mayor and Aldermen of Walden had unanimously approved the following compromise offer:

“Areas designated by the RPA as Nos. 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 15 and 18 will be in Walden’s Urban Growth Boundry. The following areas north of Highway 127 will be in the Town of Walden Urban Growth Boundry: 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33 (south of Corral Road) 35, 36, 37, 39 and 40. Areas designated Nos. 17 and 31 north of Corral Road shall be contained in Signal Mountain’s Urban Growth Boundry, and Area 32 north of Corral Road and northwest of the lots that border Gray Fryar Road shall also be in Signal Mountain’s Urban Growth Boundry. The portion of Area 32 south of Corral Road shall be in Walden’s Urban Growth Boundry and southeast of Gray Fryar Road shall be in the Planned Growth Area of Hamilton County. Area 33 north of Corral Road and 34 shall remain in the Planned Growth Area of Hamilton County.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen also approved your offer that the Town of Signal Mountain would propose not annexation for a period of 10 years in the portion of Areas Nos. 17, 31, and 32 that are in Signal Mountain’s Growth Boundry. It is our feeling that this offer of compromise protects the Town of Signal Mountain from being cut off from northern expansion, and provides adequate space for the logical expansion for the Town of Walden. We strongly feel that this is an offer that works well for both Towns. The only deviation in this offer from your proposal of January 26, is the omission of Area 34 and the small portion of 33 north of Corral Road from the Signal Mountain Urban Growth Boundry and the proposal of making the lots that border Grey Fryar Road the eastern boundry of Signal Mountain’s Urban Growth Boundry in Area 32.

Our Board voted unanimously to approve this compromise at the meeting; and therefore, if this offer is accepted by the Town of Signal Mountain, no further action is necessary by the Town of Walden to adopt the compromise. With regard to Nolan Park the Town of Walden is in agreement that there should be an expense sharing arrangement between the Town of Signal Mountain, the Town of Walden and Hamilton County. We would suggest that the expenses be split based upon equitable factors to be considered at the time the expenses are incurred.”

Councilmember Steele made a motion to accept the Town of Walden’s proposal. Councilmember Bryant seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Phil Noblett explained that the compromise regarding Nolan Park would be a subsection of the Hamilton County and the ten municipalities. He would work on the Interlocal

Agreement between the Town of Signal Mountain and the Town of Walden in conjunction with the Town of Walden's attorney.

The meeting was adjourned.


Mayor


Recorder