

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**MAY 10, 2010**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Washington, Georgia, held a Public Hearing to consider funding sources for a proposed Community Center. Mayor W.E. Burns presided.

Present were: Mayor Burns, Council members Barnett, Cullars, Eaton, Pope and Rainey. Also present were City Administrator Eskew, City Clerk Danner and City Attorney Fleming.

Visitors present were: Henry Harris, Jr., Hilda Wright, Linda Echols, Kenneth Echols and Kip Burke of the News Reporter.

Main Street Director David Jenkins advised that the City is currently looking into the submittal of a USDA pre-application for funding through a grant and/or loan for the proposed building of a community center. USDA loans are generally at 4% interest for a 40 year term. There may also be some stimulus funds available.

At this time, the probable location of the proposed center would be at Booker Park.

Citizen comments centered on if there was indeed a need for a community center and felt that the Pope Conference Center has not been utilized to its greatest potential.

Council asked for copies of the grant narrative once it has been completed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Public Hearing adjourned at 5:48 PM.

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MAYOR

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CLERK