

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF APRIL 20, 2015

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of April 20, 2015 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Ms. Linda Lord followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll Call: Mayor David Lockhart and Councilmembers Tommy Smith, Dabouze Antoine, Linda Lord, Maudie McCord and Latresa Akins.

Also present were City Manager Frank Brandon, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Director of Planning and Zoning Al Wiggins, Director of Public Works Jeff Eady, Management Analyst Angela Redding, Major Chris Matson, Executive Director of the URA Fred Bryant and City Attorney Winston Denmark.

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of April 6, 2015, seconded by Mr. Antoine. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Comment Period: Ms. Lawanda Folomi – thanked Mr. Wiggins for his assistance in getting a tree removed and thanked Public Works for their work on the road construction on Old Jonesboro Road. She stated the Neighborhood Watch program was excellent and the turnout was great.

Pearlie Hance – she stated the house next to her at 564 Linda Way is abandon and there are rats in the house.

Dianne Lunsford - announced that Clayton County Meals on Wheels is promoting “Roses for Mom” as a fundraiser. She also stated at the Southside Clean Up, Mr. Eady and his team did a fantastic job.

Proclamation - The proclamation to be presented to Forest Park High School Mock Team will be moved to the next regular meeting.

Mayor Lockhart presented a proclamation recognizing “Safe Digging Month” to the Clayton County Coordinating Council, Ms. Deborah Collins and Mr. Joey Martin.

Beautification Award: Ms. Edie Yongue, Keep Forest Park Beautiful, presented the commercial beautification award to George Wesley’s Southern Kitchen on Forest Parkway.

Presentation: Mr. Stephen Causby, of the Atlanta Regional Commission, presented the Community Choice Grant to Planning and Zoning. He stated they will look at the Main Street Overlay District standards and see how rigorous they are, what components they include and how it could more fully implement your code.

Election Superintendent: Mr. Antoine made a motion to appoint Lois Wright as Election Superintendent, seconded by Ms. Akins.

Ms. Lord felt we would do better with someone with more experience like Ms. Mabone. Mr. Smith agreed with Ms. Lord. Ms. Akins stated Ms. Woods had no experience and she did well. Ms. McCord felt Ms. Lois Wright would make a good superintendent and would be fair to everyone.

Voting for the motion were Ms. Akins, Ms. McCord and Mr. Antoine. Voting against the motion were Ms. Lord and Mr. Smith. The motion carried.

Resolution: Request was made to consider a Resolution by the Mayor and Council of the City of Forest Park, Georgia to adopt a Joint Urban Redevelopment Plan in cooperation with the City of Morrow, Georgia, and the City of Lake City, Georgia, which Joint Urban Redevelopment Plan establishes a common goal of fighting economic decline, combating blight, and promoting regional development that is shared by these three cities; to adopt an intergovernmental agreement expressing intent to uphold this Joint Urban Redevelopment Plan; and for all other purposes necessary to accomplish this transaction and effectuate this intent.

Ms. Lord made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Resolution: Request was made to consider a Resolution by City Council Surplus: of The City of Forest Park declaring certain city property, listed on Exhibit A, to be surplus property and to provide for

its proper disposal either by auction or other methods pursuant to the City's Ordinances; and for other purposes.

Ms. McCord made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Resolution: Request was made to consider a Resolution by City Council  
Right-of-way of the City of Forest Park for Proposed Right of Way  
Abandonment: Abandonment of alleyway adjacent to 615 Georgia Avenue.

Ms. Lord made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Resolution: Request was made to consider a Resolution of The City of  
Georgia Cities Forest Park recognizing Georgia Cities week, April 19-25,  
Week: 2015 and encouraging all citizens to support the celebration  
and corresponding activities.

Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Antoine. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Adjournment: Ms. McCord made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms.  
Lord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.