

A G E N D A

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF JUNE 6, 2016

6:00 P.M. Work Session

- Jeff Metarko, Director of Clayton County Transportation and Development
- Kenyatta Mitchell – Waste Management
- City Manager Report

I. Call to Order – 7:00 p.m. – Mayor David Lockhart

II. Invocation

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

V. Comment Period

VI. Approval of Minutes

1. Work Session of Mayor and Council of May 16, 2016
2. Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 16, 2016

VII. Agenda Items

1. Recognition of Police Week
2. Consider an Ordinance by the City Council for the City of Forest Park, Georgia to authorize the acquisition and purchase of certain real estate in the City for a purchase price equal to the appraised value; to provide for temporary funding of said purchase from the General Fund of the City; to provide for reimbursement to the General Fund from funds received from the "SPLOST" tax in 2016; to provide for severability; to repeal all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes
3. Discussion of event to be held at Main Street Town Center Plaza/Fountain

4. Discussion of Memorial Day Celebration

VIII. Legal Matters

IX. Comments by Governing Body

X. Adjournment

MINUTES

WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF MAY 16, 2016

Call to Order: The Work Session of Mayor and Council of May 16, 2016 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor David Lockhart and Councilmembers Tommy Smith, Dabouze Antoine, Sandra Bagley, Latresa Wells and Allan Mears.

Also present were City Manager Al Wiggins, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Major Chris Matson and City Attorney Winston Denmark.

Agenda Items: There was no discussion concerning agenda items.

Dan Reuter of the Atlanta Regional Commission gave an overview of programs and services they offer to municipalities. Mr. Reuter stated ARC is the regional planning agency for many services. They fulfill all of the region's state requirements for planning, local and regional. He stated they have funded Livable Centers Initiatives for the City, which is one of the key services they provide. Mr. Reuter stated they have had many conversations about planning on the south side and have created the Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance.

Mr. Pedro Cherry, Chairman of the Aerotropolis Alliance spoke about this project. He said the airport area is responsible for \$32.5 billion of impact to the region, producing 75,000 jobs and is the world's most prolific airport, yet the south side geographically has not prospered. He said 73% of the residents in the airport area work outside the airport area and unemployment in the airport area is 60% higher than comparable airports around the country. He explained the Alliance was formed to address these challenges to help coordinate economic development and planning in the area. He said goals include enhancing the quality of life and increasing prosperity in the Aerotropolis area and beyond. He stated the Alliance is about economic development, trade, commerce and increasing the quality of life for residents in this area.

Mr. Mike Thomas of the Clayton County Water Authority was present to discuss programs they have to offer residents. He stated residents buying new toilets can apply for a \$100 rebate for up to 2 toilets per household. They also have a hardship assistance program that offers up to \$200 per year based upon income. A new program they will be offering is the Senior Citizen Rate Discount for low income senior citizens. If they make less than \$25,000, seniors will be eligible for \$2.50 off their water bill and \$2.50 off their sewer bill. He stated they are also considering a pipeline protection program and will partner with a 3rd party to offer this service.

Adjournment: Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF MAY 16, 2016

- Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 16, 2016 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 7:00 p.m.
- Invocation: The invocation as given by Bishop Fortson from Paradise Church of God in Christ, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Roll Call: Mayor David Lockhart and Councilmembers Tommy Smith, Dabouze Antoine, Sandra Bagley, Latresa Wells and Allan Mears.
- Also present were City Manager Al Wiggins, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Major Chris Matson and City Attorney Winston Denmark.
- Comment Period: Dr. Leon Beeler asked for participation in the north side clean up scheduled for this Saturday at Paradise Church of God in Christ.
- Approval of Minutes: Mr. Mears made a motion to consider the following minutes together, seconded by Mr. Smith:
- Work Session of Mayor and Council of May 2, 2016
 - Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 2, 2016
 - Special Called Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 3, 2015
 - Special Called Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 5, 2016
 - Special Called Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 10, 2016
- Voting for the motion was unanimous.
- Ms. Wells made a motion to approve the above minutes, seconded by Ms. Bagley. Voting for the motion was unanimous.
- Recognition of Public Works: Mr. Jeff Eady was present to recognize the Public Works Department during National Public Works Week. He recognized the following individuals for their outstanding customer service, going above and beyond their duties: Darryl

Carter, Mario Gray, Vincent Hicks, Vernard Kendrick and Curt Sims.

Resolution:
Surplus
Property:

Request was made to consider a Resolution by the City Council 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. Wells made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Adjournment:

Ms. Wells made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

STATE OF GEORGIA

CITY OF FOREST PARK

ORDINANCE 2016-____

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION AND PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE IN THE CITY FOR A PURCHASE PRICE EQUAL TO THE APPRAISED VALUE; TO PROVIDE FOR TEMPORARY FUNDING OF SAID PURCHASE FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE CITY; TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO THE GENERAL FUND FROM FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE "SPLOST" TAX IN 2016; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the duly elected governing body of the City of Forest Park (the "City") is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City has the power to adopt ordinances relating to its property, affairs and local government pursuant to the authority granted by the 1983 Constitution of the State of Georgia, including but not limited to Article IX, Section II, Paragraph III; the authority granted by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, including but not limited to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3; and the authority granted under the Charter of the City of Forest Park, including but not limited to, Sections 1.13(5) and (11); and

WHEREAS, the governing body initiated a multi-phase Main Street Redevelopment Project that focuses on creating a mixed-use community that brings new jobs and new residents to a revitalized Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the first phase of the Main Street Redevelopment Project was the construction of the Downtown Main Street Livable Centers Initiative Streetscape project; and

WHEREAS, the City has begun work on the second phase of the Main Street Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to purchase the parcel of property located within the city limits, at 1141 Main Street; and

WHEREAS, such property purchase will positively impact the Main Street Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City will be positively impacted by the adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, and by the authority thereof:

Section 1. The Mayor and/or City Manager or their designees are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all contracts and other documents necessary to purchase and acquire on behalf of the City, for the redevelopment of the Main Street Corridor, Parcel No. 13049D D001, Forest Park, Georgia, Clayton County, bearing the street address of 1141 Main Street, Forest Park, Georgia, Clayton County, for a total purchase price not to exceed \$157,000.

Section 2. The funds for costs associated with said purchase and acquisition shall be paid from funds presently available for such purpose in the general fund of the City, and the general fund shall be reimbursed in full for all such expenditures from funds received pursuant to the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax ("SPLOST") when said funds are received by the City and become available for such purpose in 2016.

Section 3. The changes set forth above shall not be included in the City of Forest Park Code of Ordinances.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which such portions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Repealer. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its final passage.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA:

David Lockhart,
Mayor

Tommy Smith
Councilmember, Ward One

Dabouze Antoine
Councilmember, Ward Two

Sandra Bagley
Councilmember, Ward Three

Latresa Wells
Councilmember, Ward Four

Allan Mears
Councilmember, Ward Five

ATTEST:

Mike Bladenburg, City Clerk

APPROVED BY:

City Attorney



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Jonathan Jones, Director
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Memo

To: City Manager, Mayor and City Council

From: Jonathan Jones, Director PB&Z

Date: June 2, 2016

Re: Agenda Item for Discussion: Town Center Plaza/Fountain Event

Background and Summary

Last year, we submitted a proposal to the National Endowment for the Arts for a project entitled: "Meet Me (At the Fountain) on Main Street". The project was to be a series of outdoor performances and exhibitions with an international flair, bringing together visual and performing artists to utilize the plaza (a non-traditional venue) as a location for outdoor art displays, music, dance and theatre performances. The concept was to cultivate a sense of place, while creating a new civic amenity, pedestrian friendly environment and a flourishing corridor of activity in the center of the city where people choose to gather for socializing and entertainment and hopefully in the future, shopping and dining nearby.

Though not funded, it was decided that we would still seek to utilize the location as a venue for various activities. We are in the process of developing a tentative schedule of events to be held July through the end of the year.

In partnership with several local businesses, including Heavenly Creations, Batu Collections, Desired Travels Dream Vacations, and Paper Doll Bridal, the first proposed hosted event would be a **Bridal Showcase to be held Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm**. The event would feature various vendors in the wedding field including caterers, cake designers, dress designers, event planners, florists, DJ's, travel agents, realtors, hairstylists, make-up artists and more. Local radio station KISS 104 will be on-site.



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The event would be a free admission event, open to the public. As co-sponsors, the city would be responsible for set-up, sound, stage. Approximately four (4) administrative staff would be involved as well as four (4) public works staff for set up/break down as for other city-sponsored events. There may be a need for one-two (1-2) police officers for traffic control. The event co-sponsors would be responsible for all other costs/expenses.

This event would also announce any other confirmed events for the venue for the remainder of the year and help to make the Plaza/Fountain a place where residents can gather informally throughout the year as well as be the site for the various hosted events and serve as a community focal point and catalyst for the overall redevelopment of Main Street, such as in other northern and southern metro cities like Smyrna and Suwanee, Riverdale and Jonesboro (two neighboring Clayton County municipalities).