

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2012

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of September 17, 2012 was called to order by Mayor Pro-tem Sparkle Adams at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Rev. Leon Beeler followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll Call: Mayor Pro-tem Sparkle Adams, Councilwomen Maudie McCord, Linda Lord and Latresa Akins.

Also present were City Manager John Parker, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Deputy Director of Public Works Mike Gippert, Director of Planning and Zoning Al Wiggins, Deputy Director of Recreation and Leisure Services Sharon Smith, Major Jamie Reynolds, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Management Analyst Angela Redding and City Attorneys Joe Harris and Robert Mack.

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of September 4, 2012, seconded by Ms. Lord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Comment Period: Ms. Lois Collins – stated she is hearing good things about Forest Park and thanked the Governing Body for all that they do.

Luke Gaywell – asked about the feasibility of the City using a firing range at Fort Gillem, if there is one. He also asked if there is a way the public has access or insight to some of the projects and progress inside the City.

Dr. Beeler – stated the Forest Park Ministers Association is in the process of preparing 25,000 meals to be sent to children in Haiti and asked for volunteers to help on October 6th at Paradise Church of God in Christ on Hendrix Drive.

Mr. Darnell Moorer – commended the Forest Park Police and Fire Department for their actions during an emergency that occurred at his home while he was away.

Recess: Ms. Lord made a motion to recess the Regular Meeting for a Public Hearing, seconded by Ms. McCord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Public Hearing: Ms. Lord made a motion to open the Public Hearing to receive comments in regard to the proposed amendments to City Code Title 9, Chapter 2, Alcoholic Beverages, to provide for the comprehensive regulation and licensing of Alcoholic Beverages in the City.

Mayor Pro-tem Adams asked if there was anyone present to speak concerning this public Hearing. No one was present.

Ms. Lord made a motion to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the meeting, seconded by Ms. McCord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Keep Forest Park Beautiful: Ms. Edie Yongue, Director of Keep Forest Park Beautiful, presented the residential Beautification Award to Judy Turpin of 786 Alice Street.

Proclamation: Chief Eddie Buckholts presented a proclamation to Markell Magsby for his Eagle Scout Project which consisted of installing a flag pole at Fire Station 3 on Fort Gillem by using a 4" water pipe replaced from a ladder truck.

Resolution: Request was made to consider a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Forest Park authorizing the Mayor to execute a License Agreement with South West Atlanta Christian Academy for the use of Kiwanis Stadium, and Concession Stand for the dates of October 5th and October 26th, 2012, to conduct Football games in their Region 5-A Varsity Football Program; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

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

Ordinance: Title 9, Chapter 2, (Alcoholic Beverages): Request was made to consider an Ordinance by the City Council for the City of Forest Park, Georgia, to amend Title 9, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City pertaining to the regulation and licensing of Alcoholic Beverages by repealing the existing Title 9, Chapter 2 and substituting in lieu thereof a new Title 9, Chapter 2 so as to provide for the Comprehensive Regulation and Licensing of Alcoholic Beverages in the City; to provide for severability; to repeal all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Ms. Lord made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

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