

# CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Tuesday, September 06, 2022 at 6:00 PM Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

#### MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the City of Forest Park to enhance, strengthen, and grow our city by collaborating with our community to provide the highest level of service. Striving to be recognized as a diverse community that values and respects all members. We will strive to provide fair, professional, and courteous service through transparency and open communication. As we work to achieve this mission, we will have integrity beyond reproach while employing fiscal discipline and innovation. In this work there are no praises and raises for mediocrity.

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The Honorable Mayor Angelyne Butler, MPA

The Honorable Kimberly James
The Honorable Hector Gutierrez
The Honorable Allan Mears

The Honorable Dabouze Antoine The Honorable Latresa Akins-Wells

Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper, City Manager S. Diane White, City Clerk Mike Williams, City Attorney

## **AGENDA**

#### **VIRTUAL NOTICE**

**DISCLAIMER:** For in-person attendance, all CDC requirements of Masks and Social Distancing is recommended.

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The Council Meetings will be livestream and available on the City's

YouTube page - "City of Forest Park GA"

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

**ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:** 

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:** Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper, City Manager

**COVID-19/MONKEY POX UPDATE:** EMS Coordinator, Andrew Gelmini

PRESENTATION(S):

1. **Presentation – Landmark Consulting** – Chief Executive Offices

### **Background/History:**

Landmark Consulting is a portfolio management firm that specialized in reporting of Federal Programs.

### 2. Leadership Clayton Class of 2022: Food4Clayton- Planning & Community Development

### Background/History:

Food4Clayton is a 6-member group from the Leadership Clayton Class of 2022. Our group project consists of providing a resource that Clayton County residents in need of food can use to locate agencies and nonprofit organizations that provide such services.

With assistance from local partners, we have created a map tool, that residents can download a link or QR code that provides the name, addresses and transportation access to the agencies and nonprofits.

#### 3. FUSUS Real-time Crime Center Camera— Police

#### **Background/History:**

The Fusus Unified Intelligence Platform is an open ecosystem that integrates and enhances all public safety and investigation assets. It unifies live video, data and sensor feeds from virtually any source, creating a Real-Time Crime Center in The Cloud.

The Fusus platform makes it easy for community members such as businesses and schools to share their cameras with local law enforcement, and the option to only do so at the click of a panic button. This means they do not have to sacrifice their privacy to ensure greater safety in our city and neighborhoods.

This is a public safety ecosystem around Atlanta that includes over 20,000 cameras and is slated to double within a year. All cameras are combined with other public safety utilities like video management software, drones, departmentally issued cell phones, gunshot detections systems, License Plate Readers, and integrates all this information with the Department's 911 computer aided dispatch (CAD) software. The Fusus platform has enabled law enforcement agencies to rapidly and effectively respond to, and solve, a variety of crimes they may not have otherwise been able to, including shootings, homicides and car jackings. Using this Network around Metro-Atlanta will enable our department to partner with agencies like Atlanta Police, Fulton County Sheriff, Fulton County Police, Cobb County Police, Henry County Police and soon Clayton County Police and Dekalb County Police. Partnering with these agencies gives us access to all their video resources and ALPR's (license Plate Readers) across the Metro Atlanta area for investigative resources at no additional costs than our platform.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

4. **Council Discussion of Amending Ordinance on Text Amendments**–Planning & Community Development Department

#### Background/History:

The Planning & Community Development Department is proposing two text amendments to the Code of Ordinances. PC-2022-07 (TEXT) includes an update to Article P. Exterior Finishing Standards and Requirements – Residential Dwellings. Also included is an update to Article E. Tree Protection Plan. On August 18, 2022 both text amendments were approved by the Planning Commission Board.

An update to Article P. Exterior Finishing Standards and Requirements – Residential Dwellings Ordinance Sec. 8-2-160, Section 8-2-161, and 8-2-162 has been proposed. This update creates a standard for

residential design. The previous ordinance was not explicit in its requirements, leaving too much room for interpretation. This update will clarify the requirements.

An update to the Tree Protection Ordinance. The purpose of the update to this Ordinance is to Provide standards for the conservation or replacement of trees as part of the land development and building construction process within the City. The previous ordinance was not explicit in its standards, leaving too much room for interpretation. This update is more specific with its standards.

5. Council Consideration of an Amendment to the Elections Ordinance Barring Persons That Have Violated Election Laws from Serving as Election Officials-Legal

## **Background/History:**

It is proposed that the City's election ordinance be amended to include the following language:

No person may serve as an election official in the City of Forest Park if such person has been found to have violated the election laws of the State of Georgia or any other state of the United States of America. In addition to the final adjudication of any court of competent jurisdiction, a factual determination of the Georgia State Elections Board shall be conclusive as to whether a person has violated the election laws of the State of Georgia.

This provision is intended to enhance trust and confidence in the City's elections by prohibiting persons who have previously been found to have violated elections laws from serving as election officials.

6. Discussion and action regarding guidelines for Usage of Discretionary Ward Funds and Capital Outlay Funds – Chief Executive Office

#### Background/History:

We have been asked to review and prepare a set of guidelines regarding the usage of the discretionary funds and Capital Outlay Funds each Councilmember is entitled to spend in furtherance of their duties as a member of the City Council. The City Manager is seeking council's direction on the guidelines presented.

7. **Discussion regarding the City's Sanitation Contract** – Legislative Offices

#### **Background/History:**

For City Council's discussion and direction around the city's sanitation contract.

8. **Discussion regarding a Public Safety Increase** – Legislative Offices

#### Background/History:

For City Council's discussion and direction around a Public Safety Increase.

9. **Discussion and Appointment of Development Authority Board Members** – Chief Executive Office

#### Background/History:

The City of Forest Park's Development Authority was established to promote the development of trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities in the City. Development Authority members are

appointed by City Council, and currently has two of its members whose terms expired August 30, 2022. The expiring members can be replaced or reappointed to serve as a member of this board.

Under the criteria for the Development Authority members shall be taxpayers residing in the county or municipal corporation for which the authority is created. The City Manager is seeking the direction of the City Council as to how they would like to proceed in this matter.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (When an Executive Session is required, one will be called for the following issues: Personnel, Litigation or Real Estate)

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

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