

CITY OF FOREST PARK MAYOR & COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, August 02, 2021 at 6:00 PM Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

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745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297

AGENDA

The Honorable Mayor Angelyne Butler, MPA

The Honorable Kimberly James The Honorable Dabouze Antoine
The Honorable Hector Gutierrez The Honorable Latresa Akins-Wells
The Honorable Allan Mears

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

VIRTUAL NOTICE

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CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:

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

COVID-19 UPDATE: Deputy Fire Chief Clemons

PRESENTATION(S):

1. Façade Grant Program – Economic Development Department

Background/History:

The Development Authority of the City of Forest Park recently approved a Facade Grant program to assist local businesses in improving the exteriors of their buildings. The Development Authority is utilizing its own funds for the program. No action by the City Council is necessary.

OLD BUSINESS:

2. **Discussion to approve a Sister Cities Program Budget** – Department

Background/History:

On September 8th, 2020, the City Council Approved resolution no. 20-21 giving the city authorization to participate in Sister Cities International with 3 cities in Haiti, Ghana and Senegal. In the Initial request the budgeted dollar amount approved was \$15,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Discussion to Approve Rezoning at 4914 West Street from Commercial to Residential PBZ

Background/History:

The Planning Commission held a public meeting on July 15, 2021 to discuss rezoning the property at 4914 West Street from Commercial to Residential to build 18 multi-family units. The Planning Commission Board approved the rezoning at 4914 West Street. The property is currently zoned C-1, due to a rezoning several years ago. Prior to this rezoning, it was zoned RM-85. The property currently houses a daycare and several offices. The owners would like to develop the land behind the existing building. They would like to build multi-family units on the property and eventually rehabilitate the building.

4. **Discussion on the Changing of the Organizational Chart for PB&Z -** Planning Building and Zoning

Background/History:

The Department of Planning Building and Zoning is currently advertising for a Planner I. Since the advertisement, we have gotten only three applications. In the field of Planning, Planner I is considered an entry level position, and the duties aligned with the current position are more aligned with a Planner II position. The department is requesting to change the title of the position from Planner I to City Planner to reflect the current duties and needs of the department. The current salary range is competitive with surrounding jurisdictions for a City Planner. The request will not have an impact on the budget.

5. **Discussion on Noah's Ark and Forest Avenue Tank Reconditioning** – Public Works Department

Background/History:

The Clayton County Water Authority is about to enter into a contract with an experience and qualified contractor to recondition five ground storage tanks, three of which are located at 1101 Forest Avenue, Forest Park, GA (Forest Avenue Tanks). The City of Forest Park desires to utilize the Authority's contractor to paint its city logo on one of the three Forest Avenue Tanks. The Authority with its own resources has already bid and awarded Sothern Tank & Tower, Inc as the lowest responsible bidder to complete the project. The Authority will pay for the upfront costs, including labor, materials, and equipment to begin the project, in which Forest Park will reimburse the Authority for our portion of our logo totaling \$14,000.00.

6. **Downtown Development Authority and Urban Redevelopment Authority Board Appointments** – Economic Development Department

Background/History:

There are vacancies on the DDA which also serves as the board for the URA pursuant to O.C.G.A. 35-61-18(b) which states that "If the governing body of a municipality designates members of a downtown development authority as an urban redevelopment agency, the method of appointment, number of commissioners, and terms of office shall be in conformity with the requirements of Code Section 36-42-4."

7. **Discussion to Approve the Confirmation of Fire Chief** – Executive Offices

Background/History:

Discussion to approve the confirmation of the City of Forest Park, Georgia Fire Chief

8. Discussion to approve Resolution 2021-26 with Family Literacy of Georgia to accept a donation of a Little Free Library – Legislative

Background/History:

It is proposed that the City of Forest Park accept a donation of a Little Free Library from Family Literacy of Georgia for placement at Starr Park. The resolution authorizes the Little Free Library at that location and the terms of the partnership agreement with Family Literacy of Georgia and the Little Free Library Read in Color program.

9. Discussion to Approve the Abandonment of Portion of JG Glover Court - Legislative

Background/History:

The northern portion of JG Glover Court is not needed as a public road by the City of Forest Park. The adjacent property owner has requested that the City abandon the road and sell it to them so that they can further develop their property.

10. Discussion for a Ordinance 2021-10 Amending the FY22 Budget for the Approval of a Employee Premium Pay – Executive Offices

Background/History:

For the fiscal year ending June 20, 2021, the city received funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the amount of \$3,738,098.00. Under the United States Department of Treasury guidelines Employee Premium Pay is an acceptable use of this funds. This is a ordinance request for a one-time Employee Premium Payment to those on our current payroll in the amount of \$2,500.00 each as of the approval date of the ordinance.

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

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