



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, June 05, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

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FOREST PARK CITY HALL
745 Forest Parkway
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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

Ricky L. Clark Jr, City Manager
S. Diane White, City Clerk
Mike Williams, City Attorney

AGENDA

VIRTUAL NOTICE

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CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION(S):

1. **Steve Lundquist Indoor Pool – Soils and Building Foundation Investigation Report** – Recreation and Leisure Department

Background/History:

A full Soils and Building Foundation Investigation was conducted by Engineered Systems & Services to find the source of the ongoing leak in the indoor pool. ESS evaluated the pool shell foundation, integrity of the building's foundation, and the soil surrounding it to determine if there was any evidence of structural damage present.

This report is being submitted and presented to provide transparency to the council and the citizens of the City of Forest Park about the ongoing work being done to the indoor pool.

2. **Forest Park Fire & EMS Announces Two New Paramedics – Joseph Kidd and Takuya Gatlin.**

Background/History:

Forest Park Fire & EMS is pleased to announce its newest Paramedics. Congratulations to Joseph R. Kidd and Takuya Gatlin for obtaining their Georgia Paramedic license. Paramedic Kidd and Paramedic Gatlin satisfied the national standards for certification on March 26, 2023 with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

Congratulations !!!

NEW BUSINESS:

3. **Council Discussion on Cloud based camera system for Public Safety Building** – IT Department

Background/History:

The new Public Safety Building needs to have security cameras added. I am recommending a proposal for Verkada cloud-based cameras. These are very high-quality cameras that provide remote access for better security, have both on premise and cloud-based storage, and Verkada excellent 24x7 support for any issues. This would be a 3-year agreement which includes unlimited cloud storage, 14 high quality exterior cameras, and a 10-year hardware warranty with the next day RMA's.

I am asking for approval to enter into a 3-year agreement to implement this video security system for our new public safety building.

4. **Council Discussion of GDOT Maintenance Contract** – Legal and Police

Background/History:

The City has previously authorized the acquisition and installment of Flock license plate reader cameras in July of 2022. Some of the cameras will be installed on polls owned or maintained by GDOT and in GDOT right-of-way. GDOT requires that the City enter into the attached maintenance agreement in order to do so. Staff has reviewed the agreement and recommends approval.

5. **Council Discussion on Termination of Janitorial Contract** – Legal and Procurement

Background/History:

For the past year, Ascential Technologies has provided citywide janitorial services for all City buildings. The City issued an RFP for City Wide Janitorial Services on 02-16-2022. Ascential Technologies Inc. was the top ranked proponent as well as the lowest in cost. Unfortunately, the service was not up to the city's standards. there have been widespread complaints about the quality of their work. After numerous attempts by the Public Works department and the Procurement Division to bring the deficiencies to their attention, complaints by several departments continued. The City is requesting we terminate this Janitorial contract with Ascential Technologies Inc. and assign this contract to Lorean Cleaning Services, a local company, on an emergency basis for the following departments: City Hall, Human Resources, Planning, Economic Development, and the Council House. The funding will be spread amongst the various departments, until Janitorial Services for the City are reprocured.

6. **City of Forest Park Medical Plan Renewal** – Executive Office

Background/History:

Annually, staff works with our Broker for the purposes of renewing our medical premiums for the upcoming year. We are excited to report that this year, we are not experiencing an increase. By combining our plans all under Cigna, we are experiencing a significant decrease. The City Manager and the Human Resources Department have worked to ensure that all of our plans are completely funded. The attachment shows a breakdown of our renewal premiums and any applicable savings.

7. Council Discussion on Peachtree Recovery Services – Executive Office

Background/History:

The purpose of this memorandum is to request authorization for the City Manager to execute an agreement with Peachtree Recovery Services, Inc. (PRS) for the provision of property damage revenue recovery services to the City. Damage to city properties such as fire hydrants, pavements, signs, guardrails, athletic facilities, etc., occurs on a frequent basis. Usually, insurance companies set aside funds for such damages, but most local government agencies do not have the time and capacity to investigate such accidents internally.

The Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) partnered with PRS to create a revenue recovery program and negotiated the agreement on behalf of the cities of Georgia. Through this program, PRS accesses Georgia's traffic report database to capture all instances where an accident has occurred within the city limits to identify estimated damages. Based on the traffic accident reports, PRS initiates a claim on behalf of the City. The agency has the ability to identify and track down the responsible parties. After negotiating, settling, and resolving claims, PRS receives funds from the responsible parties (or insurance companies), retains a fee of seventeen percent (17%), and remits the remaining funds to the City every month.

City staff reached out to the cities of Hinesville, Calhoun, and Griffin to find out about their experience(s) with PRS. All the organizations responded with positive feedback about the services provided by PRS. PRS is also working with the cities of Atlanta, Savannah, Newnan, and Valdosta and local government agencies in Alabama, North Carolina, and Indiana. To identify all potential claims, PRS will review both current accidents and accidents within Georgia's four-year statute of limitations. The agreement has a three-year term, and the statute claims recovery is spread out over three years. PRS also sends monthly claims reports to identify all potential claims.

As part of the City Manager's 100-day action plan, Revenue Recovery remains one of the top efforts. These efforts will allow us to identify any missed revenue, unpaid revenue, policies, and code language that simply needs to be updated to reflect current trends more accurately.

This initiative along with others to come down the pipeline, will set the pace for future recovery efforts.

8. Council Discussion on the Amendment of City Holiday Ordinance - Executive Offices / Legal

Background/History:

This house-keeping ordinance merely amends the City Code to provide that the City shall observe those legal holidays designated by the governing body, by resolution entered upon the minutes.

Each December, the City Council approves the holiday schedule for the following calendar year. This ordinance memorializes the City's existing practice into the Code while also giving the City the flexibility to

examine the calendar each year to take into account situations such things as when holidays fall on weekends or City Council meeting days.

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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