



## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, October 17, 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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**FOREST PARK CITY HALL**  
745 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297

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

**PRESENTATION(S):**

1. **City of Forest Park Fiscal Year 2020-21 Final Audit & Findings** – Finance Department

**Background/History:**

Presentation of COFP 1st Quarter Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

2. **2nd Reading & Public Hearing of the Ordinance to Establish the Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate for the City of Forest Park, Georgia**

**Background/History:**

The proposed Ordinance is to establish the Ad Valorem Milage Rate for the City Forest Park for 2022 in accordance with the State of Georgia Code Section 48-5-32. The proposed Millage Rate of 16.743 is the same as 2021.

**2nd Read of Ordinance 22-16 – An ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK TO ESTABLISH THE FINAL AD VALOREM TAX MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**3rd Public Hearing for Regular Meeting**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

3. **Discussion and approval of allocating funds to the City Edge Project to administer Rapid Rental Assistance on behalf of the city** – Executive Offices

**Background/History:**

On September 7, 2021, the City Council approved to set aside funds from the first allocation of American Rescue Funds to aid with rental assistance specifically for residents of the City of Forest Park. From the second round of ARPA Funding the City Manager is seeking to allocate an additional \$300,000 in funds to the city's residential assistance program.

4. **Christmas Lights/Decorations** – Recreation & Leisure Services

**Background/History:**

The current Christmas lights are 10-15 years old and in need of replacement. The City Manager, along with Recreation and Leisure and Public has review the need for the upcoming Christmas holiday season and request \$50,000 to purchase a new set of lights.

5. **Waste Management Contract** - Public Works Department

**Background/History:**

At the June 6th City Council meeting, City Council approved an extension of Waste Management's Sanitation contact with the city for 120 days with some added additional terms. Per City Council's direction at the June 21st meeting, the previous procurement for a new sanitation contract was thrown out, and the RFP process started over with a recycling component. And at the September 19, 2022, Council meeting, City Council directed the city manager to cancel the sanitation RFP and continue to work with Waste Management.

Sanitation accounts are enterprise funds that generates revenue from the annual billing of residential accounts and the monthly billing of commercial and roll off accounts.

The current billed amount for commercial and residential accounts combined is \$1,500,000. As of July, and August 2022 the combined paid bills by Public Works was \$484,055.55, leaving a remaining balance of \$1,015,944.45, and averaging \$242,027.75 monthly. This leaves a shortage for the next 10 months of approximately \$920,277.50.

The currently billed amount for roll offs is \$1,300,00.00. As of July, and August 2022 the paid bills total was \$551,886.90, leaving a remaining balance of \$748,113.10, and average of \$374,056.55 monthly. This leaves a shortage for the next 10 months of approximately \$2,240,565.50.

Additionally, under the new financial arrangements that was approved by city council June 6, it is costing approximately \$21,000 a month to dispose of containers at the recycling center. This item was “**At No Charge**” previously until July 1, 2022.

**With both of these items combined to complete the 22-23 Fiscal Year, we are asking council to appropriate approximately \$3,160,843.00 in additional funds from the city’s reserve fund.**

**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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