



CITY OF FOREST PARK
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 5:30 PM
Council Chambers

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
745 Forest Parkway
Forest Park, GA 30297

MINUTES

Kimberly James, Chairwoman
Eliot Lawrence, Vice Chairman
Debra Patrick, Member
Marisol Sconiers, Member
Avery Wilson, Member

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

Chairwoman James called the Urban Redevelopment Authority meeting on July 13, 2023, to order at 5:30pm.

PRESENT:

Kimberly James
Eliot Lawrence
Avery Wilson

ALSO PRESENT:

Ricky L. Clark, Jr., City Manager
Michael Williams, City Attorney
Bruce Abraham, Economic Development Director
Charise Clay, Economic Development Staff Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Approval of June 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes
Avery Wilson made a motion to approve the June 8, 2023 meeting minutes. Eliot Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Financial Report

Charise Clay, delivered the update:

- As of June 30, 2023, the URA checking account had \$5,183,444.26. The sinking fund had \$303,506.86. The city-wide capital project fund had \$35,576,323.50.

3. Old Fire Station Evaluation & Appraisal

Bruce Abraham, delivered the update:

- Although the new fire station at Gillem is complete, offices for administrative staff aren't available. Until the administrative team has space in the new facility, they will continue to use the old station. Bruce met with a brewery and several restaurateurs about redeveloping the old station. The board approved to have the building appraised. This will give them ample information when determining if they should lease or sale the property. The 11,000 sq. ft. building on 1.60 acres appraised for \$1.8 million. Based on information in the appraisal, if the board decided to renovate the building the appraised value would be doubled.

OTHER DISCUSSION: Mr. Abraham received a request from Robinson Weeks to put building directional signs on Anvil Block Road. Eliot Lawrence made a motion to permit the proposed sign request and to allow the city attorney to draft a copy of the lease agreement. Avery Wilson seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *(Executive Session may be called for issues concerning Personnel, Litigation or Real Estate)*

Eliot Lawrence made a motion to enter executive session at 5:47pm. Avery Wilson seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Avery Wilson made a motion to end the executive session at 5:53pm. Eliot Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Bruce Abraham resigned from the Property Owner's Association (POA) at Gillem.

Avery Wilson made a motion to select Mr. Clark as the URA's representative on the POA. Eliot Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Avery Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm. Eliot Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

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