

CITY OF FOREST PARK MAYOR & COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Monday, October 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

Website: www.forestparkga.gov YouTube: https://bit.ly/3c28p0A Phone Number: (404) 366.1555 FOREST PARK CITY HALL 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 Stephanie Tigner, Deputy City Clerk Mike Williams, City Attorney

### VIRTUAL NOTICE

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

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YouTube page - "City of Forest Park GA"

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

INVOCATION/PLEDGE:

**ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:** 

**PRESENTATIONS:** 

1. Proclamation – Mary Ann Connelly

### Background/History:

Council would like to present a Proclamation to the family of Mary Ann Connelly

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (All Speakers will have 3 Minutes)

2. PUBLIC HEARING - Council Approval on the Ordinance 2021-12 to Establish the Final Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate for the City of Forest Park – Interim Finance Director

### Background/History:

The proposed Ordinance is to establish the Ad Valorem Millage Rate for the City Forest Park for 2021 in accordance with the State of Georgia Code Section 48-5-32. The proposed Millage Rate of 16.743, is the same as 2020.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (All Speakers will have 3 Minutes)

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS:

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

<u>3.</u> Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from October 4, 2021 - S. Diane White, City Clerk

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

4. Council to Approve the Appointment of Fire Chief Latosha Clemons as the City of Forest Park's Emergency Management Director – Executive Offices

#### Background/History:

The City Forest Park's Emergency Management Director is responsible for coordinating all activities necessary to protect Forest Park residents from natural, technological, and manmade disasters and other emergencies that threaten the city.

5. Council Approval for Twenty (20) Surplus City iPhones for Sister Cities (Haiti) Initiative – Executive Offices

### Background/History:

It is requested that council authorizes the City Manager to not purchase the new phones, but utilize twenty (20) surplus city iPhones, along with approved laptops and iPads for this Initiative.

### 6. Council Approval to Amend Maintenance List of Abandoned Cemeteries – Executive Offices

### **Background/History:**

It is requested that city council authorizes an amendment to the approved list to add Elam Church Cemetery on Elam Church Rd in Forest Park as the fourth. This current cost would be set not to exceed \$45,000 annually for all four cemeteries.

7. Council Allocating Funds to City Edge Project to Administer Rental Assistance for the City – Executive Offices

### **Background/History:**

The City Manager is seeking direction from the Council, after reviewing the revised City Edge Project documents, regarding the allocation of American Rescue Funds in whole or in part to the program for rental assistance purposes or further discussion.

### 8. Council Approval of Resolution 2021-33 Authorizing the Assignment of 890 Conley Road Liens to Land Bank – PBZ

### **Background/History:**

The City of Forest Park is the holder of certain tax liens and nuisance abatement liens against the property located at 890 Conley Road. It is proposed that said liens be transferred to the Clayton County Land Bank in order to provide for new economic development within the City.

### 9. Council Approval of Resolution 2021-34 to Support the Submission of Application for State of Georgia Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds –City Manager's Office

### **Background/History:**

There are three categories of which to apply for funding, broadband infrastructure, negative economic impact, and water/sewer infrastructure. From the aforementioned categories, grant applications will be submitted to request funds for Negative Economic Impact and Broadband Infrastructure.

### Council Approval of Selecting Three On- Call Managing General Contractor Services – Public Works/ Procurement Department

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

The Department of Public Works is requesting your approval to enter into a contractual agreement with the following three general contractor companies: **FS360**, **Randolph and Company**, **and Technique Concrete Construction**. These firms will be on an on-call basis, which means as services are needed, The City will utilize these three firms to perform specific task orders.

### **CLOSING COMMENTS BY GOVERNING BODY:**

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

### ADJOURNMENT:

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for Council meetings should notify the City Clerk's Office at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at 404-366-1555.

### 1. Proclamation – Mary Ann Connelly

### Background/History:

Council would like to present a Proclamation to the family of Mary Ann Connelly



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	Proclamation – Mary Ann Connelly		
Submitted By:	S. Diane White		
Date Submitted:	10/06/2021		
Work Session Date:	N/A		
Council Meeting Date:	10/06/2021		
Background/History: Council would like to pre	esent a Proclamation to the family of Mary Ann Connelly		
Cost: \$ N/A	Budgeted for: Yes x No		
Financial Impact:			
No financial impact			
Action Requested from Council:			

**Present Proclamation** 



# PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS:** Mary Ann Connelly worked for the Recreation Department for thirty years; from 1984 until her retirement in 2014. Mary Ann progressed in the positions of Program Director, Program Coordinator and Senior Coordinator;
- WHEREAS: her duties and responsibilities included running events and programs, like the Christmas parade, the Golden Olympics, Summer Camp and Ladies Softball;
- **WHEREAS:** her love and passion was with the seniors. Mary Ann was instrumental in the development and management of the senior programs and activities for the city. She devoted hard work and time towards the concerns and welfare of the seniors in the community;
- WHEREAS: her exemplary handling of senior matters attested to her professional knowledge, willingness to responsibility, attention to detail and the ability to adapt to any situation;
- **WHEREAS:** Mary Ann rendered invaluable assistance in obtaining sponsors who helped with furniture and a van for the Senior Center.
- **WHEREAS:** the recognition of Mary Ann Connelly's contribution was highly recommended by the City of Forest Park staff and Forest Park residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of Forest Park unveiled the renaming of Forest Park Senior to Mary Ann Connelly Senior Center on July 2, 2021.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hand on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, and have caused the Official Seal of the great City of Forest Park, to be affixed hereto:

Angelyne Butler, MPA Mayor

Councilmember Kimberly James Ward 1

Councilmember Hector Gutierrez Ward 3 Councilmember Dabouze Antoine Ward 2

Councilmember Latresa Akins-Wells Ward 4

Councilmember Allan Mears Ward 5

# 2. PUBLIC HEARING - Council Approval on the Ordinance 2021-12 to Establish the Final Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate for the City of Forest Park – Interim Finance Director

### Background/History:

The proposed Ordinance is to establish the Ad Valorem Millage Rate for the City Forest Park for 2021 in accordance with the State of Georgia Code Section 48-5-32. The proposed Millage Rate of 16.743, is the same as 2020.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

### Subject: Discussion and approval on the Ordinance to Establish the final Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate for the City of Forest Park, Georgia. – Interim Finance Director

Submitted By: Darquita Williams

Date Submitted: October 12, 2021

Work Session October 18, 2021 Date:

Council Meeting October 18, 2021 Date:

### Background/History:

The proposed Ordinance is to establish the Ad Valorem Milage Rate for the City Forest Park for 2021 in accordance with the State of Georgia Code Section 48-5-32. The proposed Millage Rate of 16.743 is the same as 2020.

 Cost: \$ 0
 Budgeted for: Yes No

 Financial Impact:

 No Cost

Action Requested from Council:

Approve Ordinance.

#### **ORDINANCE NO.**\_2021-12\_\_\_

### AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY 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

WHEREAS, the City of Forest Park has advertised its intent to establish a millage rate for ad valorem taxation for municipal purposes to be imposed upon tangible property within the City of Forest Park; and

WHEREAS, the City has published the required report on the proposed millage rate in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32.1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Forest Park as follows:

**Section 1.** Establishment of final ad valorem tax

In order to finance the proposed expenses of the City, a final ad valorem tax will be set at 16.743 mills.

#### Section 2. Severability

If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance were held to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and such remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

#### Section 3. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its final passage.

### CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA

Angelyne Butler, Mayor

**Kimberly James** Councilmember, Ward One

Dabouze Antoine Councilmember, Ward Two

Hector Gutierrez Councilmember, Ward Three

Latresa Wells Councilmember, Ward Four

Allan Mears Councilmember, Ward Five

ATTEST:

### (THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA)

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

### 3. Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from October 4, 2021 -

S. Diane White, City Clerk

CITY OF FOREST PARK MAYOR & COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, October 04, 2021, at 6:00 PM Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

Website: www.forestparkga.gov YouTube: https://bit.ly/3c28p0A Phone Number: (404) 366.1555

### DRAFT WORK SESSION MINUTES

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

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Butler at 6:00pm.

Mayor Butler stated that our YouTube performed an update, and we are not able to stream the meeting in our normal fashion. Our apologies, we are working on trying to figure out how to work around and or return back to in person meetings.

ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK: A quorum was established.

Attendee's Name	Title	Absent	Present
Angelyne Butler, MPA	Mayor, At-Large		~
Kimberly James	Council Member, Ward 1		~
Dabouze Antoine	Council Member, Ward 2, Mayor Pro-Tem		~
Hector Gutierrez	Council Member, Ward 3		~
Latresa Akins-Wells	Council Member, Ward 4	~	
Allan Mears	Council Member, Ward 5		~



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

### **COMMUNITY INFORMATION/REMINDERS:**

- Clayton County Rental Assistance Program has been extended to October 3, 2021. This is for Clayton County residents needing help with rental assistance can apply for funding now. For more information contact 404-858-6147 or email – <u>erap@claytoncountyga.gov</u>
- Clayton County HUD Office has funds available for homeowners needing roof repairs, plumbing, etc. City residents needing such assistance should contact them at 678-632-1670. They are encouraging residents to do this ASAP. There are flyers outside of the Chambers at the table.
- Friday, October 8, 2021 Coffee with the Chief (7:30 am 8:30 am) @ BP Gas Station at 4950 Old Dixie Hwy (kick off – National Faith and Blue Weekend).
- Saturday, October 9, 2021 Community Unity Day (1:30 pm 4:30 pm) at the Forest Park Police Department (free food, prizes, employment opportunity, community resources, COVID testing/vaccinations, and family fun).
- Recreation and Leisure presents Youth Basketball for Ages 5-14. Registration is October 4<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>, cost of \$85 per child – to register visit <u>www.forestparkga.gov/parksrec/page/youth-basketball</u> or call 404-363-2908
- Fall Break Camp, October 11-15, 7am 6pm for ages 5-14, registration fee is \$40 space is limited registration going on now. To register visit Community Recreation Building, 803 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297.
- The Ultimate Tailgate Experience, Georgia v Auburn Game, October 9, 2021, festivities start @ 12 noon at Starr Park, 803 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pink Panther Walk, Registration Free or registration with a T-shirt is \$5.00. Warm-up beings at 8am, and the walk starts at 9am at Starr Park, 5031 Park Ave., Forest Park, GA 30297.

### **CITY OPERATIONS:**

• On September 21 COFP Human Resources sent out Volume 1 issue 1 of the monthly HR news Blast which is filled with important information and contacts for all city of forest park staff. Thank you, Ms. Shalonda Brown, for your leadership and commitment in keeping staff informed.

### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

- Newly Appoint Deputy Fire Chief of Operations David Halcome.
- Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper has been awarded from the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) a 25-year Local Government Service Award. Announcement of this award will be on the ICMA website and Public Management magazine.

### SHOUT OUT

Our Business License Team Ms. Rhonda Whitehead and Ms. Dawna Hill-Topps and the entire Finance Team. They received KUDOs for superb customer service from (Cinelease) a newly licensed business in our city. GREAT JOB TEAM!

COVID-19 UPDATE: Division Chief Joel Turner

There was no COVID-19 updates provided.

### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion on Employee Vacation Sellback – Chief Executive Offices

There was no discussion by the governing body.

2. Discussion for Approval of Law Firm to hear Ethics Cases (Ethics Officer) – Chief Executive

This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### 3. Council Discussion Only for a Proposed Entertainment District – PBZ

James Shelby, PB&Z Director would like to have a brief discussion about a proposed entertainment district. The purpose of the district is to rejuvenate affected real estate on Main Street, increase the tax base to generate tax revenue for the city, encourage a business-friendly environment, and to encourage a pedestrian friendly atmosphere and create a sense of place to bolster a live, work, play image. The highlights of the entertainment district are name of the district will be the Forest Park Entertainment District. The boundaries all properties on Main Street to include West Street (west) to (east) on Phillips Drive. There will be a (1) cup drink limit on the street, you can only have one cup at a time limit 12oz to 16oz. Some cities are allowing size 12 ounces and others 16 ounces. We are proposing that we have a specialty cup a clear plastic up with the city's logo and you can only use the cup when you walk the streets within the districts. All properties that face Main Street will be affected. The City of Cartersville, Convers, Dunwoody, Kennesaw, Atlanta, and Jonesboro all have an entertainment district. In the City of Cartersville, they have an adult beverage to go license at their bars and eatery's. The hours are 5pm -10pm Thursday through Saturday. You can only have those cup on those days and times. The City of Marietta has an entertainment district, and they are using the plastic cups. I have seen where a city may use paper cups, but I am suggesting we stick with the plastic cup. If this is something that the City Council would like for us to pursue. The City of Dunwoody have (2) new districts and you can see their boundaries.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** - I love the idea, I just do not like the entertainment district. Can we come up with a cool name? Or is that something that we would use internally "the Entertainment District" but we will call it something else "the Forest"

City Manager - the council can name it whatever they would like.

**Councilmember Mears** - will we have enough police to foot patrol and keep it intact once we get rolling with it?

10/4/2 Item # 3.

**James Shelby** - one of the reasons the district is not large is so that we can manage it, keep in mind the only people leave their premises are the ones that have a license to sell alcohol. We will create a sign that will warn the patrons informing them of their responsibilities when leaving the premise. I do not think this will be a big deal, but we will get with Police Chief Clark to ensure we stay on sound ground.

City Manager - this is just to get the plans together.

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

It was motioned to recess into Executive Session at 6:16pm.

Motion made by Councilmember Mears, Seconded by Councilmember James. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

It was motioned to reconvene back into Work Session at 6:55pm.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### ADJOURNMENT:

It was motioned to adjourn the October 4, 2021, Work Session at 6:55pm.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried. CITY OF FOREST PARK MAYOR & COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

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### DRAFT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MINUTES

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

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE:** The invocation and pledge was provided by Dr. Paden.

ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK: A quorum was established.

Attendee's Name	Title	Absent	Present
Angelyne Butler, MPA	Mayor, At-Large		~
Kimberly James	Council Member, Ward 1		~
Dabouze Antoine	Council Member, Ward 2, Mayor Pro-Tem		~
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Allan Mears	Council Member, Ward 5		✓

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Joshua Cox, IT Director, LaShawn Gardiner, Management Analyst, Nathaniel Clark, Chief of Police and Latosha Clemmons, Fire Chief

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (All Speakers will have 3 Minutes)

#### There was one speaker:

**Dr. Paden**- I stand to just invite you on behalf of the Forest Park Minister's Association we will be having a political forum on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 6pm to 9pm, at the Community Recreation center located at 803 Forest Parkway, Forest Park. We do not endorse any candidates, but we like to provide the candidates a platform as well as the community a platform. So, we invite all of you to come and be apart. I think it will be informative.

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS:

It was motioned to adopt the agenda with the following addition Item #4 the Resolution to Authorize Ethics Officer to investigate administer all pending and or any future complaints until such time the ethics board is fully constituted and trained.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2021 - S. Diane White, City Clerk

It was motioned to approve the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes as printed.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS:

2. Approval of Employee Vacation Sellback – Chief Executive Offices

It was motioned to approve the Employee Vacation Sellback

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

3. Approval of Law Firm to hear Ethics Cases (Ethics Officer) – Chief Executive

It was motioned to approve the law firm of Chandler, Britt & Jay, LLC as the Ethics Officer

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### ADDENDUM:

### 4. Resolution to Authorize Ethics Officer - Executive Office

It was motioned to approve a Resolution to Authorize Ethics Officer to investigate administer all pending and or any future complaints until such time the ethics board is fully constituted and trained.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### CLOSING COMMENTS BY GOVERNING BODY:

**Councilmember James -** reminded everyone to come out to the 2021 Forest Park Homecoming Parade that will be held this Saturday, October 9, 2021. I would like to express for anyone that would like to participate, please have your parade entry form submitted by tomorrow. I would also like to make a special note that there will be no campaigning in the parade. The only campaigning will be from the candidates that are running for homecoming court. I want to thank everyone for coming out. I hope you all come out to the Forest Park Ministers Association political forum. Have a great evening.

**Councilmember Antoine - I** see a lot of new faces and for those that are always here, thank you. I want to give a shout out to our Deputy Chief and congratulations on this historic event. Thank you for the phone calls about the people in Haiti which is where I am from. I know you heard about the events. I lot of you sent emails and text messages that you were keeping us in your prayer. As you have seen on the news, there is help. But they are being shipped back by the thousands. A lot of the people are being shipped back are from the Sister Cities that we supported. Years ago, when we adopted this agenda, we did not know this was going to happen. Shout out to the Fire Department when the fire trucks are shipped. Thank you beforehand the help that was needed. If you show me a person that cares about another country, I can tell you where that person is going because it is not just about one area; they see where they can help everywhere. I hope everyone sees it like that. I want to give a shout out about the utility assistance program that is coming along. I am excited to spread the word I know there will be more details coming. I would like to give a shout out to Mr. Shelby, you are always on point by bringing businesses to the city. I would like to give a shout out to our City Manager. I am not sure if you all knew but this is a milestone he has achieved. There are not many City Managers in Georgia that can wear this title. I would also say that this is one of the best City Manager's that we have ever had.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** - congratulations Dr. Cooper I share the same sentiments as Councilman Dabouze. I just want to say we have had a few events; a few is an understatement, I really want to shout out our Public Works Department, Director of Parks & Recreation Tarik Maxwell, our Council Aides Ms. Tenisha Dixon, and Demarion Moses they are just amazing at everything that they do. Their organization and execution; I am just blessed. I get a lot of the credit for things that they do. We just talk about it and our city staff just execute for you all, our people. I am really happy. We do not have to drive (insert city name) because we are hosting them here. At Food Truck Friday we showed a movie at the *Fountain* so my apologies because we did have to close the turning lane to the right. You were still able to turn in you just had to go 5 more feet, sorry for the inconvenience. We also had a cleanup and the Boys Scouts showed up, thank you to them and the other (2) two volunteers that showed up. Our Hispanic Heritage Festival

was also a success. The community really embraced that we had some amazing performers and a lot of children from the community performing. My favorite event that I have had since I been here in Forest Park is Bingo Night with the seniors. Just to talk and connect with them. I know COVID hit us hard, but for our seniors that were hit harder. They had to be secluded as the ones that were the most vulnerable. I lot of people were just thankful and to connect with them on a personal level. I lost my father a few years ago so it is nice to talk to them. We will be meeting with our Senior Committee this week to talk about our next event. I would like to invite you all to that; it is very powerful. I would like to invite you to the future national champions, this Saturday Georgia Bulldogs @ Auburn. Please come out and enjoy. Shout out to Parks and Recreation Director, Tarik Maxwell he brings a lot of local performers that is nice and neat experience. Next week, I will be partnering with a nonprofit to finish up Hispanic Heritage Month. I would like to invite you to Sunset Yoga, yoga out on the green and watch the sun come down; Wednesday, we will host an event for Breast Cancer Awareness, we will have a speaker to come out. I did not know that men could get breast cancer. I do not know any men/guys that have had it. So, men and women check your self; Thursday, they will be making vision boards, if you want to build something to help motivate you; vision boards are very powerful; and Friday we will be playing Loteria (Spanish Bingo). Follow us on social media or you can just call me if you cannot find the information God bless all of you. Elections are coming up, please make sure you get people motivated and registered. The people have the power. When we hold people accountable when we show up and vote; so, let's make sure we do that. Congratulations Deputy Chief Halcome. Also, there was a cemetery in my ward that was left off the list for maintenance.

**Councilmember Mears** - I am glad to see everyone here tonight. I would like to give a few accolades to Dr. Cooper for his award and Mr. Halcome on his achievement in fire endeavors. I have known Mr. Holcomb since he was (9) years old, congratulations. I work a part time job and several people at my work have had cases of COVID. We have a perfect opportunity to be check at no expense. I use the facility last weekend. Just to check in to see. You never know when you will be exposed. They are highly professional. They checked and everything is fine. I do not have COVID. Please use them. Have a good evening and thank you.

**Mayor Butler** - I would like to echo the sentiments of my colleagues Dr. Cooper on your accomplishments. You are a blessing to have in our city. Deputy Chief Halcome congratulations. We do have the second annual State of the City Address that will be held on October 13, 2021, at 7:00pm at Living Faith Tabernacle. I want to encourage everyone to come out and hear about all of the amazing things going on in our city and all of the future plans to continue to move Forest Park forward. I do hope to see you all at the political forum. The same faces here, I would hope to see you after the November election. The *Green Leaf* will be going out in the mail; grab one on your way out. You have some people try and tell our narrative and often times they get it wrong. This is coming from the City of Forest Park. This is as good as the gospel; this is our gospel. If it is not coming from this office, consider the source.

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

### ADJOURNMENT:

It was motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:18pm.

Motion made by Councilmember James, Seconded by Councilmember Mears. Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Antoine, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Mears. The motion carried.

### 4. Council to Approve the Appointment of Fire Chief Latosha Clemons as the City of Forest Park's Emergency Management Director – Executive Offices

### **Background/History:**

The City Forest Park's Emergency Management Director is responsible for coordinating all activities necessary to protect Forest Park residents from natural, technological, and manmade disasters and other emergencies that threaten the city.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	Consider request to approve the appointment of Fire Chief Latosha Clemons as the City of Forest Park's Emergency Management Director – Executive Offices	
Submitted By:	Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper	
Date Submitted:	October 06, 2021	
Work Session Date:	October 18, 2021	
Council Meeting Date:	October 18, 2021	

### Background/History:

The City Forest Park's Emergency Management Director is responsible for coordinating all activities necessary to protect Forest Park residents from natural, technological, and manmade disasters and other emergencies that threaten the city. In times of declared emergency or disaster the EMD will in cooperation with Clayton County's Emergency Management Operations coordinates the response of the local agencies ensuring the most appropriate resources are dispatched to the impacted area. Historically, this responsibility has been designated to the Municipalities Fire Chief and this approval is needed to officially send notification to the county.

Cost: \$ N/A	Budgeted for:	Yes	No
Financial Impact:			
N/A			

### Action Requested from Council:

Approve the appointment of Fire Chief Latosha Clemons as the City of Forest Park, Georgia's Emergency Management Director.

### 5. Council Approval for Twenty (20) Surplus City iPhones for Sister Cities (Haiti) Initiative –

**Executive Offices** 

### Background/History:

It is requested that council authorizes the City Manager to not purchase the new phones, but utilize twenty (20) surplus city iPhones, along with approved laptops and iPads for this Initiative.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

 Subject:
 Consider request to approve twenty (20) surplus city iPhones for Sister Cities (Haiti) initiative – Executive Offices

 Submitted By:
 Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper

 Date Submitted:
 October 06, 2021

 Work Session Date:
 October 18, 2021

 Council Meeting Date:
 October 18, 2021

### Background/History:

On September 7, 20221, the City Council approved an itemized list to purchase iPad, Laptops, and iPhones as part of the Sister Cities Initiative to Haiti for schools. The price quoted for iPhone on the itemized list was \$274.99 per phone to purchase fifteen (15) new iPhones totaling \$4,124.85. The quote price was changed by the vendor to \$539.00 per phone. It is requested that council authorizes the City Manager to not purchase the new phones, but utilize twenty (20) surplus city iPhones, along with approved laptops and iPads for this Initiative.

Cost: \$ N/A Budgeted for: Yes No
Financial Impact:
N/A

### Action Requested from Council:

Approve twenty (20) surplus city iPhones to be sent to Sister Cities (Haiti) initiative.

### 6. Council Approval to Amend Maintenance List of Abandoned Cemeteries – Executive Offices

### Background/History:

It is requested that city council authorizes an amendment to the approved list to add Elam Church Cemetery on Elam Church Rd in Forest Park as the fourth. This current cost would be set not to exceed \$45,000 annually for all four cemeteries.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	Consider request to amend approve maintenance list for abandoned cemeteries – Executive Offices
Submitted By:	Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper
Date Submitted:	October 06, 2021
Work Session Date:	October 18, 2021
Council Meeting Date:	October 18, 2021

### Background/History:

On August 16, 2021, the City Council approved resolution 2021-29 a resolution to authorize maintenance of certain cemeteries within the city limits of Forest Park. This resolution had listed in Exhibit A three known abandoned cemeteries. It is requested that city council authorizes an amendment to the approved list to add Elam Church Cemetery on Elam Church Rd in Forest Park as the fourth. The resolution authorized the City Manager to direct the Public Works staff and/or the City's on-call landscape maintenance vendors to maintain said cemeteries by keeping them clear of unchecked vegetation, trash, and debris. This current cost would be set not to exceed \$45,000 annually for all four cemeteries.

Cost: \$ N/A

Budgeted for: Yes No

Financial Impact:

N/A

### Action Requested from Council:

Approve twenty (20) surplus city iPhones to be sent to Sister Cities (Haiti) initiative.

### 7. Council Allocating Funds to City Edge Project to Administer Rental Assistance for the City –

**Executive Offices** 

### Background/History:

The City Manager is seeking direction from the Council, after reviewing the revised City Edge Project documents, regarding the allocation of American Rescue Funds in whole or in part to the program for rental assistance purposes or further discussion.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	Consideration for discussion and approval of allocating funds to the City Edge Project to administer rental assistance for the city – Executive Offices
Submitted By:	Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper
Date Submitted:	October 06, 2021
Work Session Date:	October 18, 2021
Council Meeting Date	: October 18, 2021

### Background/History:

On September 7, 2021, the City Council approved to set aside \$400,000 of the American Rescue Funds allotment to aid with rental assistance specifically for residents of the City of Forest Park. The city received a proposal from the City Edge Project based in Forest Park on assisting with the administration of the city's rental assistance program. Previously Coronavirus Rental Assistance Funds were allocated to Clayton County Community Services Department for distribution. The City Manager is seeking direction from the Council, after reviewing the revised City Edge Project documents, regarding the allocation of American Rescue Funds in whole or in part to the program for rental assistance purposes or further discussion.

Cost: \$ 400,000

Budgeted for: Yes X No

### **Financial Impact:**

Funding would be from the FY21-22 allocation of the American Rescue Funds awarded to the City of Forest Park.

### Action Requested from Council:

Approve the allocation of \$400,000 from the FY21-22 allocation of the American Rescue Funds awarded to the City of Forest Park to the City Edge Project for the purpose of administering rental assistance to residents of the city.

# 8. Council Approval of Resolution 2021-33 Authorizing the Assignment of 890 Conley Road Liens to Land Bank – PBZ

### Background/History:

The City of Forest Park is the holder of certain tax liens and nuisance abatement liens against the property located at 890 Conley Road. It is proposed that said liens be transferred to the Clayton County Land Bank in order to provide for new economic development within the City.



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# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:Approval of Assignment 890 Conley Road Liens to Land Bank – PBZSubmitted By:Michael Williams and James ShelbyDate Submitted:September 28, 2021Work Session Date:October 4, 2021Council Meeting Date:October 4, 2021

### Background/History:

The City of Forest Park is the holder of certain tax liens and nuisance abatement liens against the property located at 890 Conley Road. It is proposed that said liens be transferred to the Clayton County Land Bank in order to provide for new economic development within the City.

Cost: \$ variable

Budgeted for: Yes X No

### Financial Impact:

The City will benefit from the return of this property to productive use in the future.

### Action Requested from Council:

It is requested that the city approve the resolution.

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

#### **CITY OF FOREST PARK**

#### **RESOLUTION NO.** <u>2021-33</u>

### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN LIENS TO THE CLAYTON COUNTY LAND BANK

**WHEREAS,** the City of Forest Park is the holder of certain tax liens and nuisance abatement liens against the property located at 890 Conley Road;

**WHEREAS,** it is proposed that said liens be transferred to the Clayton County Land Bank in order to provide for new economic development within the City; and

**WHEREAS, the** Mayor and Council have determined that the said transfer is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Forest Park;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park that the transfer of those liens listed on the Transfer and Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit A are authorized.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any and all resolutions, or any part thereof in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall be recorded in the minutes of the City.

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

SO RESOLVED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

Mayor Angelyne Butler

Council Member Kimberly James, Ward 1

Council Member Dabouze Antoine, Ward 2

Council Member Hector Gutierrez, Ward 3

Council Member Latresa Wells, Ward 4

Council Member Allan Mears, Ward 5

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

### EXHIBIT A

#### TRANSFER AND ASSIGNMENT

The City of Forest Park, as the current holder of certain liens against Briarwood Forest Duplexes, LLC, in rem, and certain real property located at 890 Conley Road, Forest Park, Georgia (such liens being more fully identified in Schedule A below), hereby transfers and assigned those identified liens to the Clayton County Land Bank.

All inquiries related to the payoff and satisfaction of the described liens should be directed to Clayton County Land Bank at 2987 Clairmont Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329; Telephone (404) 369-0388.

This, the <u>day of October</u>, 2021.

City of Forest Park

By: Its (title)\_\_\_\_\_

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Notary Public My Commission Expires:\_\_\_\_\_

Tax Year	Lien Type	Book/Page recording information
2007	FIFA	1019/100
2008	FIFA	935/276
2009	FIFA	945/471
2010	FIFA	1006/246
2011	FIFA	1058/460
2012	FIFA	1125/318
2013	FIFA	1193/16
2014	FIFA	1251/147
2015	FIFA	1303/470
2016	FIFA	1359/97
2017	FIFA	1431/470
2018	FIFA	1482/620
2019	FIFA	?
2020	FIFA	?
7/31/2008	PW	1285/581
8/4/2008	PW	1285/280
5/11/2010	PW	1367/487
6/9/2010	PW	1367/486
7/7/2011	PW	1467/63
4/16/2012	PW	1467/64
5/19/2017	PW	1367/493
7/28/2020	PW	1546/289

### "Schedule A"

# 9. Council Approval of Resolution 2021-34 to Support the Submission of Application for State of Georgia Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds –City Manager's Office

### **Background/History:**

There are three categories of which to apply for funding, broadband infrastructure, negative economic impact, and water/sewer infrastructure. From the aforementioned categories, grant applications will be submitted to request funds for Negative Economic Impact and Broadband Infrastructure.



### **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	State of Georgia Coronovirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds –City Manager's Office
Submitted By:	LaShawn Gardiner
Date Submitted:	10/11/2021
Work Session Date:	10/18/2021
Council Meeting Date:	: 10/18/2021

### Background/History:

The Governor's Office of Planning and Budget ("OPB") is facilitating the distribution of the State's Coronovirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds ("CSFRF") through a competitive grant process called the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Grant Program ("Grant Program"). There are three categories of which to apply for funding, broadband infrastructure, negative economic impact, and water/sewer infrastructure. From the aforementioned categories, grant applications will be submitted to request funds for Negative Economic Impact and Broadband Infrastructure.

Cost: \$ TBD

Budgeted for: Yes No

Financial Impact: Any determined match funds will reflect the city's competitiveness for requested funding.

### Action Requested from Council:

Authorization to apply for funds from the State of Georgia Coronovirus Fiscal Recovery Grant Program.

#### STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF CLAYTON

#### **RESOLUTION NO.:** <u>2021-34</u>

A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO SUPPORT THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE STATE OF GEORGIA COMPETITIVE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS PROGRAM IN THE NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT AND BROADBAND CATEGORIES TO ASSIST INDUSTRY AND SMALL BUSINESSES AND SUPPORT WI-FI CONNECTIVITY AT DESIGNATED CITY FACILITIES; AWARD SELECTION BASED ON PROJECT DESCRIPTION, DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, CAPABILITY, PERFORMANCE, BUDGET AND MATCH FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS,** the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget ("OPB") is facilitating the distribution of the State's Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds ("CSFRF") through a competitive grant process called the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Grant Program ("Grant Program"); and

**WHEREAS,** applications are due by October 31, 2021, and will be competitively selected for awards based on description of the issue, project design and implementation, capabilities and competencies, performance measures, the budget, and matching funds; and

**WHERAS**, award announcements are scheduled to be announced on or around the week of January 3, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the State has designated three (3) categories which are Broadband Infrastructure, Negative Economic Impact, and Water/Sewer Infrastructure of which to apply for funding; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Forest Park will apply for funding under the categories of Negative Economic Impact and Broadband Infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the negative economic impact category of the grant program seeks to address financial challenges of industry and business sectors hard-hit by the COVID-19 emergency and are now operating at a lesser capacity before the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the negative economic impact grant will aid in speeding the recovery of various small businesses, travel, tourism, and hospitality; and

**WHEREAS**, Broadband Infrastructure will aid in providing better Wi-Fi connections to patrons visiting and using city facilities; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Forest Park City Council support the submission of an application for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Grant Program.

**Section 1.** The Mayor and City Council of Forest Park, Georgia hereby authorizes the submittal of appropriate documents to the State of Georgia to apply for the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Grant program. Furthermore, approval is hereby granted for the acceptance of funding from the State for the purposes as specified if funding is awarded to the City of Forest Park.

**Section 2.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of the court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution, and such remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its final passage.

Section 4.

SO RESOLVED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

#### **CITY OF FOREST PARK**

Angelyne Butler, Mayor

Kimberly James, (Ward 1)

Antoine Dabouze, (Ward 2)

Hector Gutierrez, (Ward 3)

Latresa Akins-Wells, (Ward 4)

Alan Mears, (Ward 5)

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

(THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA)

Approved as to form:

CITY ATTORNEY

**10. Council Approval of Selecting Three On- Call Managing General Contractor Services** – Public Works/ Procurement Department

### **Background/History:**

The Department of Public Works is requesting your approval to enter into a contractual agreement with the following three general contractor companies: **FS360**, **Randolph and Company**, **and Technique Concrete Construction**. These firms will be on an on-call basis, which means as services are needed, The City will utilize these three firms to perform specific task orders.



# **City Council Agenda Item**

Subject:	<b>On- Call Managing General Contractor Services</b> – Public Works/ Procurement Department	
Submitted By:	Bobby Jinks	
Date Submitted:	October 12, 2021	
Work Session Date:	October 18, 2021	
Council Meeting Date: October 18, 2021		

### Background/History:

The Department of Public Works is requesting your approval to enter into a contractual agreement with the following three general contractor companies: FS360, Randolph and Company, and Technique Concrete Construction. The Department of Procurement conducted a request for qualifications for on- call managing general contractor services and of the eight firms that submitted their qualifications, these three firms were selected. These firms are on an on-call basis, which means as services are needed, The City will utilize these three firms to perform specific task orders. These firms will supplement the Public Works short staffed for managing general services. The Department of Public Works will have the option to allow these firms to compete against each other or they can be in rotation for various sites throughout The City of Forest Park, as well as for the various existing City Boards. The contracts will last for 3 years with a 2 year renewal option if the City wants to continue any one of the three firms based on their performance.

### Cost: \$ TBD

Budgeted for: x Yes No

### Financial Impact:

This is on-call services and cost is to be determined

### Action Requested from Council:

Approve the contractual agreement with the following three on- call managing general contractor companies: FS360, Randolph and Company, Technique Concrete Construction