



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, September 02, 2025, at 7:00 PM  
Council Chambers and YouTube Livestream

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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 Delores A. Gunn  
The Honorable Latresa Akins-Wells  
The Honorable Allan Mears

Ricky L. Clark Jr, City Manager  
Randi Rainey, City Clerk  
Danielle Matricardi, City Attorney

### AGENDA

#### VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

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**CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:**

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE:**

**ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:**

**ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS:**

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2025 -  
City Clerk

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

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- [2.](#) **Public Hearing #1 on the Recommended Proposed Millage Rate-** Finance Department
- [3.](#) **Council Approval of an Ordinance for Case # RZ-2025-02 Rezoning Request for 486 Main Street (Zoned RM – Multiple Family Residential) and 0 Burks Rd (Zoned RT – Two Family Residential) from RM and RT to GC (General Commercial District) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations-** PCD Department
- [4.](#) **Council Approval of an Ordinance for Case # CUP-2025-04- Conditional Use Permit for 5000 Governors Dr to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2-** PCD Department

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- [5.](#) **Council Approval of a Resolution for a Blanket Purchase Order (BPO) for Tactical Gear Supply –** Police Department

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- [6.](#) **Council Approval of an Ordinance on the Proposed Amendment to the Charter to Amend Section 2.15 (Inquiries and Investigations) of Article II (Governmental Structure)-** Executive Office
- [7.](#) **Council Approval for the selection of a professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for the selection of a new City Manager –** Executive Office
- [8.](#) **Council Approval of Massage Establishments as a business license type within the City of Forest Park-** PCD Department

**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 meeting accommodation should notify the City Clerk's Office at 404-366-4720 at least 24 hours before the meeting.**

**File Attachments for Item:**

**1. Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2025 -**  
City Clerk



## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

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### DRAFT MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:** Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:** A quorum was established.

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

Pauline Warrior, Chief of Staff; Josh Cox, IT Director; Rodney Virgil, Level 2 Support Engineer; Javon Lloyd, PIO; John Wiggins, Finance Director; Jeremy Patterson, Deputy Finance Director; Shalonda Brown, HR Director; Diane Lewis, HR Deputy Director; Nicole Dozier, PCD Director; Rochelle Dennis, Economic Development Director; Dorothy Roper-Jackson, Municipal Court Director; Tarik Maxwell, Director of Rec and Leisure; Alton Matthews, Public Works Director; Nigel Whatley, Deputy Public Works Director; Latosha Clemons, Fire Chief; David Halcome, Deputy Fire Derry Walker, Code Compliance Director; and Danielle Matricardi, City Attorney. City Manager Clark was present via zoom and arrived in person during executive session.



**ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS:**

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Mears.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

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

It was moved to approve the agenda.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mear

**CONSENT AGENDA:** (There was no discussion on these items.)

1. **Council Discussion and Approval of Blanket Purchase Order for Read's Uniform- Fire & EMS Services Department**

**Background/History:**

As part of our ongoing efforts to streamline the procurement process, the cooperative contract with Read's Uniform is being presented to create Blanket Purchase Order (BPO) for FY 25/26 for the purchases of firefighter uniforms (dress pants and shirts, pants, polos, job shirts, badges, patches, belts, brass insignias, shorts, caps, dress hats, officer coats).

Read's Uniform - \$65,000.00 from fund 100-61-3510-53-1702

2. **Council Discussion and Approval of Blanket Purchase Orders – IT Department**

**Background/History:**

As part of our ongoing efforts to streamline the procurement process, the following cooperative contracted vendors are being presented to create Blanket Purchase Orders (BPOs) for FY 25/26:

- Interdev – \$342,000 (email hosting & IT support licensing) – Fund:100-24-1535-52-3203
- Net2Atlanta – \$120,000 (internet services) – Fund:100-24-1535-52-3203
- Ring Central – \$66,000 (phone services) – Fund:100-24-1535-52-3202

**OLD BUSINESS:**

3. **Council Discussion and Approval of Case # CUP-2025-03- Conditional Use Permit for 4959 and 4965 West St. to establish a childcare center within the Single-Family Residential District (RS)- PCD Department**

**Background/History:**

The applicant requests approval for a Conditional Use Permit **to establish a childcare center within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2, per Sec 8-8-28.** - Single-family residential

district (RS), Pre-k facilities, and daycare centers require a conditional use permit to operate within the Single-Family Residential District. On July 17, 2025, the Planning Commission approved the Conditional Use Permit Request with conditions. **The conditions are as follows:**

**If the applicant ceases to operate the business at this location, any subsequent operator or the property owner must obtain a new Conditional Use Permit (CUP) prior to commencing operations. Continued use of the property for this business type within the Single-Family Residential (RS) District shall not be permitted without prior approval of a new CUP by the Planning Commission and Mayor & Council.**

**If the applicant ceases operating the business at this location, the property owner is required to adhere to section 8-8-90. - Parking standards (1) *Driving surfaces*. All parking areas, including parking spaces, interior drives, and ingress/egress into parking areas, must be paved with asphalt or concrete. All parking areas shall be clearly painted to show each parking space.**

The proposed location has been granted a conditional use permit in the past to operate a daycare center, but due to there not being a consistent business use at this location, the ordinance requires that any new applicant reapply for a Conditional Use Permit. If the Mayor and Council approve the Conditional Use Permit Request, the applicant will move forward with her business plans to establish a childcare facility for children aged 6 weeks to 12 years.

**Director Dozier** stated that the item had previously been heard with a public hearing and was returning for Council consideration. She explained that staff recommended the parking lot be paved, noting the original condition required the property owner to make improvements upon the next tenant's occupancy. She added that discussion had included requiring the improvements prior to the current applicant, and the matter was now before Council for a vote.

### **Comments/Discussion from Governing Body:**

**Councilwoman James** thanked staff for bringing the item back for discussion. She stated that after conducting research and consulting with Public Works and Code Compliance, she had concerns regarding safety and parking. She expressed that she would only be in favor of approval if those issues were addressed prior to issuance of the conditional use.

**Councilmember Gunn** stated that, after viewing the property, she felt it did not present well compared to the townhomes across the street. She expressed support for requiring the applicant to meet the prior conditions before leasing, noting this would be fair to any new tenant. She explained that she personally inspected the site to verify the parking lot conditions and emphasized the need for adherence to the mandated special conditions.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** stated that he agreed with his colleagues' concerns, noting that the City must hold landlords to the highest standards if it expects to attract different types of businesses. He remarked that many plazas remain mediocre and emphasized the need to continue raising expectations. He cited the current petition as an example, particularly given the presence of children, stressing the importance of being proactive and ensuring the highest standards for safety and appearance rather than waiting until problems arise.

**Councilmember Akins-Wells** stated that she was in agreement with her colleagues.

**Councilmember Mears** agreed with his colleagues, adding that the property needs to be brought up to a higher standard. He noted that even from the exterior, including the parking lot, it is clear that upgrades are necessary. He further stated that property owners seeking to lease or sell must be held accountable for making such improvements.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

4. **Council Discussion and Approval to enter into a contract with New Image Towing & Wrecker Services-Police Department**

**Background/History:**

The City has contracted towing services with New Image Towing since FY2020. These services consist of towing, removal, storage, and impoundment of wrecked and disabled vehicles for private citizens within Forest Park, GA, and include towing services for City-owned vehicles. The Police Department requests to continue these services by utilizing the cooperative contract with Clayton County and New Image Towing, which is located in Forest Park. This is a revenue-generating contract with admin fees paid to the city at \$50 per vehicle and no charge for city-owned vehicles.

**Director Wiggins** explained that the item was a renewal with the only change being an increase in the fee to \$50 from the prior year. He noted that the Police Department and City Manager had met with the company, and the fee adjustment was the outcome of that discussion.

**Comments/Discussion from Governing Body:**

**Councilmember Mears** asked whether the Police Department and all parties involved were satisfied with the support provided by the record service in conducting their business and whether the service was assisting the City in all aspects of its operations. Director Wiggins responded that, based on the meeting, all parties were satisfied with the service, particularly with its ability to generate additional revenue for the City, which should be substantial. Councilmember Mears stated that he believed the service was doing a good job, noting that he observed their work regularly and had personally received assistance from them. He expressed his support for the item.

5. **Council Discussion and Approval of Surplus Items from the Public Works Fleet Department-Public Works Department**

**Background/History:**

The Public Works Department would like to declare the surplus items listed in Exhibit A. They consist of tools, equipment, and vehicles that are either broken or non-operable and occupy space that can be better utilized to secure operable equipment.

**Director Matthews** reported that the item involved Public Works equipment that was no longer operable and not cost-effective to repair, and he requested Mayor and Council approval of the surplus equipment list.

6. **Council Discussion on the Recycling Center at 327 Lamar Drive- Public Works Department**

**Background/History:**

Recycling has long been a priority issue for Forest Park, both at the leadership level and among residents. However, past efforts, including the operation of a City-managed recycling center, encountered significant limitations:

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many services, including recycling, were reduced or eliminated due to budget constraints. In 2022, a new operational contract with Waste Management was executed, prioritizing cost control and service oversight. That contract introduced real-time monitoring capabilities for curbside carts, providing the City with new enforcement and education tools.

To pilot a monitored, community drop-off recycling program that maximizes education, minimizes contamination, and builds the foundation for a permanent, scalable recycling solution.

**Pilot Features:**

1. Duration: 1 month (Trial Period)
2. Location: 327 Lamar Drive
3. Schedule: 6 hours of Operation
4. Accepted Materials: Clean, pre-sorted recyclables (specific list to be distributed in public materials)
5. Partnership Terms:
  - Waste Management will waive hauling costs during the trial.
  - The City will cover the cost of the on-site service attendant to support operations and educate residents.

**Director Matthews** stated that the item was brought forward as a pilot program and noted that a Waste Management representative was present to provide additional details and answer any questions.

**A Waste Management representative** thanked Director Matthews and addressed the Mayor and Council. He explained that recycling has been a topic of concern for Forest Park residents since 2020 and stated that the goal of the pilot program is to reopen the recycling center and educate the community on proper recycling practices. He emphasized the intent to establish a true recycling center, rather than a dumping site, and noted that staff would return to Council after the trial month to report tonnage and contamination levels collected.

**Comments/Discussion from Governing Body:**

**Councilmember Gunn** asked whether the City receives compensation when residents clean their plastics before disposal and the materials are processed through the City's recycling program. The Waste Management representative responded that the program is focused on education, as currently no rebate is provided due to contamination in the recycling carts. He explained that the trial program is intended to reengage the community on proper recycling practices for plastics, cardboard, paper, and glass. He noted that Forest Park would be among the few cities on the south side to accept glass, though it cannot be placed in household carts. He stated that prior to reopening, staff would conduct outreach at town halls to educate residents on acceptable materials. He further explained that the recycling center would provide clearly labeled containers for different materials, allowing residents to drop off items easily and correctly.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** expressed excitement about the program and encouraged working with the City's PIO to create educational videos on proper recycling practices. He stated that while some constituents value recycling and others prefer two trash days, the program should be used as intended

to reduce the City's carbon footprint. He emphasized the importance of educating children about environmental stewardship and stated that he looked forward to seeing the study results.

**Councilmember Mears** stated that he had received both complaints and support regarding the program. He suggested a joint effort to mail flyers with recycling information, noting that many older residents do not use computers and may not access information online. He emphasized that mailed notices would help ensure residents are informed about proper recycling practices. The Waste Management representative stated that he and Director Matthews had discussed using town halls as an opportunity to distribute literature directly to residents, in addition to posting information on the City's website. He emphasized the goal of ensuring a smooth rollout of the program and preventing past issues, such as non-residents dumping appliances and construction debris, by keeping the recycling center reserved for Forest Park residents. Councilmember Gunn stated that block parties have been very successful in sharing information with the community and suggested that they would also be a good venue to communicate details about the recycling program.

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

It was moved to recess into Executive Session at 6:18 p.m. for Personnel, Litigation, or Real Estate matters.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears.

It was moved to reconvene the work session at 7:01 p.m.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Akins-Wells.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Butler adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

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### DRAFT MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:** Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE:** Elder Cook led the invocation and pledge.

**ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK:** A quorum was established.

Attendee's Name	Title	Absent	Present
Angelyne Butler, MPA	Mayor, At-Large		X
Kimberly James	Council Member, Ward 1		X
Councilmember Gunn	Council Member, Ward 2		X
Hector Gutierrez	Council Member, Ward 3		X
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**ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS:**

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Akins-Wells.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

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

It was moved to approve the Agenda.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. **Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from August 4, 2025, and Special Called Meeting from August 13, 2025 - City Clerk**

It was moved to approve the Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from August 4, 2025, and Special Called Meeting from August 13, 2025.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Mears.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

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

There were two (2) Public Comment Speakers.

**Dr. Folami** addressed the Mayor and Council, first commending Director Matthews and Public Works for their work in her district to improve road safety. She then expressed her disappointment with the Mayor's conduct, citing concerns regarding behavior, ethics, and professionalism. She stated that the Mayor had not issued an apology to constituents or colleagues and asserted that the City could not thrive without accountability and transparency in leadership. Dr. Folami respectfully requested that the Mayor step aside to allow the City to move forward and thanked her for her service.

**Ms. Franklin**, representing Every Refuge, addressed the Mayor and Council to express concern that the Calvary Shelter was in crisis and at risk of closing due to the loss of grant funding. She reported that 44 homeless individuals were currently being housed at the shelter and emphasized the importance of preventing their displacement. She urged the City and community to consider fundraising efforts to sustain the shelter, noting that while a campaign was underway, donations were coming in slowly. She stated that she had volunteered and worked with Calvary for over 20 years and offered her continued support as a volunteer in any effort the City or community may undertake.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**City Manager, Mr. Clark Jr.** reported that staff had been in contact with community advocates and Clayton County regarding support for Calvary Refuge, noting efforts to restore water service at an additional facility. He stated that the City originally erected the structure and emphasized the importance of the governing body's focus, as it could increase shelter capacity from approximately 59 to over 100 residents. He then presented the July 2025 "Back to School Edition" City Manager's Report, highlighting community events and initiatives across all wards, including the Back-to-School Bash, monthly ward meetings, fitness activities, community closet efforts, and other neighborhood programs. He noted completion of Phase II of the Home Improvement Program and launch of the Performance Reporting Dashboard for public use. Within the City Clerk's Office, 62 open records requests were received in July, with 43 completed and 19 canceled. Code Enforcement handled 689 cases, including removal of 57 illegally placed campaign signs.

**Mr. Clark Jr.** further reported on the appointment of Rochelle Dennis as Economic Development Director, progress on property and infrastructure improvements, and the successful July 2 town hall regarding the proposed data center. He noted a record-breaking turnout at the recent job fair, upcoming events such as the Blues on Main festival, and nearly \$498,000 in purchase orders processed by the Finance Department in July. He concluded by recognizing the Fire Department as award-winning and invited Chief Clements to share a recent success story involving staff professional development and certification.

**Chief Clemons** addressed the Mayor and Council, reporting that some new recruits had faced challenges with the advanced EMT National Registry exam. She noted that Paramedic Steiner, a new hire who also teaches paramedic students, and Lieutenant Anderson worked with recruits to provide test-taking strategies. As a result, several recruits successfully passed the exam, including two who did so on their first attempt. She stated that additional recruits were making progress and thanked Mr. Clark for supporting the initiative. She concluded by affirming that the Fire Department continues to perform strongly.

**Mr. Clark Jr.** stated that he highlighted the Fire Department's success story because if recruits do not pass the EMT exam, they cannot continue employment with the City. He emphasized that, rather than terminating employees, the partnership provided them another opportunity to advance their professional careers, and he thanked Chief Clemons and her team for their efforts. He then continued with the City Manager's Report, noting that the Human Resources Department is steadily filling vacancies and has finalized pension plan details to ensure employees receive accurate and fair information. He reported that the IT Department achieved 100% of its baseline metrics for July and is expected to expand under the adopted budget. Municipal Court Services disposed of 737 citations and cleared 297 failures to appear during the month. The Planning and Community Development Office continues to implement a concierge model to streamline operations, and Code Compliance staff remain active in enforcement.

**Mr. Clark Jr.** reported that the Office of Public Information issued several news releases in July promoting City events, with the most popular social media post highlighting the Back-to-School Bash. He noted Public Works activities, including debris removal from nine locations, sweeping approximately 60 streets, hauling tires, and providing 15 hours of event setup time. He stated that ongoing projects include the Rock Cut sidewalk project, the Linda Way project (notice to proceed issued), a new storage shed for Building and Maintenance, and the planned groundbreaking of the Legacy Dog Park in Ward 2. He further reported that the Office of Recreation and Leisure issued \$481 in daily passes and collected \$30,456 in revenue during July. Activities for Legacy residents included field trips, a healthcare boot camp, church and senior events, a spa day at Macy's, a community healthcare event, and a six-week painting and craft workshop.

**Mr. Clark Jr.** concluded his City Manager's Report for July 2025 by thanking the Mayor, Council, and community, stating that it has been the thrill of his life to serve the City of Forest Park.



**PRESENTATIONS:**

2. **Proclamation in Recognition of Unidos Dual Language School Music Teacher, Roger Ruzow-Ward 1, Councilmember James**

**Background/History:**

Councilmember James would like to present Roger Ruzow with a proclamation honoring his commitment to music education and the enrichment of the Forest Park community.

Councilwoman James presented a proclamation to Mr. Roger Ruzow.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** stated that he had the pleasure of working with Mr. Ruzow as a colleague and thanked him for his dedication to music education. He noted the importance of having a male role model in an elementary school setting and shared that his own daughter, along with many other students, benefited from Mr. Ruzow teaching. He expressed gratitude for Mr. Ruzow's commitment, both in the classroom and through his continued communication with the City regarding community needs.

**Mr. Ruzow** expressed his gratitude to Mayor Butler, Councilmembers James, and Mears, Board Member Williams, Principal Brandy, and the City Council for the recognition. He stated that when he began teaching music in 2000, his focus was first on learning how to teach, and after several years, he sought to establish an elementary band program. He recalled asking why Clayton County did not have such a program and committed himself to building one by seeking donated instruments. He thanked his former band members, alumni, parents, and colleagues for their support, emphasizing that the work was simply something he loved to do.

3. **Proclamation in Recognition of the Boot's Family Contribution to Affordable Housing and Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity-Ward 1, Councilmember James**

**Background/History:**

Councilmember James would like to present the Boot family with a proclamation to recognize their contributions to affordable housing and their longstanding commitment to the community; and, to Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity, which has been a vital partner in the mission to eliminate substandard housing and homelessness in the Southern Crescent region of Georgia, including the City of Forest Park.

Councilwoman James presented a proclamation to the Boot's Family and Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity; and two certificates to Tiffany Cobb and Krizia Williams.

**A representative of Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity** thanked the Mayor, Council, and staff for their support and partnership. She noted that the organization's first house in the late 1980s was built in Forest Park and expressed appreciation for the City's recognition as Habitat approaches its 40th anniversary in 2026.

**Councilmember James** stated that she first met the honoree during a home dedication and learned that his family had donated land to Habitat for Humanity. She remarked that this generous act was inspiring and that she wished to recognize him for his contribution.

**CONSENT AGENDA: APPROVED**

4. **Council Approval of Blanket Purchase Order for Read's Uniform-** Fire & EMS Services Department
5. **Council Approval of Blanket Purchase Orders –** IT Department

#### OLD BUSINESS:

6. **Council Discussion and Approval of Case # CUP-2025-03- Conditional Use Permit for 4959 and 4965 West St. to establish a childcare center within the Single-Family Residential District (RS)-** PCD Department

It was motioned to approve the Ordinance for Case # CUP-2025-03- Conditional Use Permit for 4959 and 4965 West St. to establish a childcare center within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) with these conditions:

- The applicant must comply with Section 8-8-90 of the ordinance, which includes requirements for parking: all parking areas, including surfaces, drives, and ingress/egress, must be paved with asphalt or concrete and clearly marked for each parking space.
- The applicant must comply with Section 8-8-70, 78.3, which covers facility requirements for childcare centers.
- If the applicant ceases to operate the business at this location, any subsequent operator or the property owner must obtain a new conditional use permit before commencing operations.
- Continued use of the property for this business type within a single-family residential district is not permitted without prior approval of a new conditional use permit.
- The property owner must adhere to all parking and facility standards before the permit is granted.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

#### NEW BUSINESS:

7. **Council Approval to enter into a contract with New Image Towing & Wrecker Services-**Police Department

It was motioned to approve the Resolution Authorizing a contract with New Image Towing & Wrecker Service.

The motion was made by Councilmember Mears and seconded by Councilmember James.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

8. **Council Approval of Surplus Items from the Public Works Fleet Department-** Public Works Department

It was motioned to approve the Resolution authorizing a list of Surplus items from the Public Works Department.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

9. **Council Approval of a Temporary Construction Easement for 644 and 714 Linda Way for the City Sidewalk Project-** Executive Office

It was motioned to approve the Resolution of a Temporary Construction Easement for Linda Way.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Gunn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

10. **Council Approval of a Temporary Acquisition of certain real property located in land lot 79, 13th land district, city of Forest Park, Clayton County, Georgia, by weight of negotiated purchase, or where necessary, by way of eminent domain for public purposes, to authorize the approval of any necessary documents as to form and substance-** Executive Office

It was motioned to approve the Resolution of a Temporary Acquisition of certain real property located in land lot 79, 13th land district-5208 Austin Place

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Mears.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

11. **Council Approval the Resolution accepting the Resignation and General Release Agreement between the City of Forest Park and Ricky L. Clark Jr.-**Executive Office

It was moved to Approve the Resolution accepting the Resignation and General Release Agreement between the City of Forest Park and Ricky L. Clark Jr.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Akins-Wells.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

12. **Council Approval to accept Chief of Fire, Latosha Clemons to serve as the Interim City Manager-**Legislative Office

It was moved to Approve the acceptance of Chief of Fire, Latosha Clemons to serve as the Interim City Manager.

The motion was made by Councilmember Akins-Wells and seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

**Chief Clemons** thanked Mr. Clark, stating it had been a pleasure serving alongside him. She remarked that during her nearly five years with the City, this was the most stable she had felt with Mr. Clark's

leadership as City Manager. She praised Mr. Clark's energy and vision, noting their impact on the directors and the City as a whole. Chief Clemons emphasized her commitment to continue supporting the City's progress, stating that she believes in leading with legality, ethics, and empowerment so that staff may reach their full potential. She concluded by thanking the Mayor, Council, and community for the opportunity to serve.

**13. Council Approval of the Temporary acquisition of certain real property located at 798 Linda Way- Executive Office**

It was moved to Approve the Temporary acquisition of certain real property located at 798 Linda Way.

The motion was made by Councilmember James and seconded by Councilmember Mears.

Voting Yea: Councilmember James, Councilmember Gunn, Councilmember Gutierrez, Councilmember Akins-Wells, Councilmember Mears

**CLOSING COMMENTS BY GOVERNING BODY:**

**Councilmember James** thanked Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity, the Boots family, and welcomed new homeowners to the City. She commended the Fire Department for supporting employee development and reminded residents of her Ward meeting, held the third Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Hartsfield Community Center, noting that this month's guest would be Ray Southern Food. She also invited the community to attend the upcoming homecoming parade on Saturday at 11:00 a.m., concluding at the amphitheater with Director Maxwell's tailgate celebration, and encouraged support for the City's youth.

**Councilmember Gunn** expressed excitement about the upcoming Legacy Dog Park groundbreaking, scheduled for Friday, August 29 at 2:30 p.m. at Bill Lee Park, 725 Main Street. She stated that the idea grew from conversations with residents, and after dialoguing with City leadership, everyone came together collectively to support the project. She noted that she was proud to stand behind the team's work and emphasized that the park would provide a place for families to enjoy with their "fur babies." She added humorously that she might even find a stuffed animal to bring on a leash for the occasion. Councilmember Gunn also reflected on her first experience attending Forest Park Day, describing it as a vibrant, shoulder-to-shoulder community celebration.

**Councilmember Gutierrez** thanked everyone for attending and expressed appreciation for community recognitions such as those for Mr. Ruzow and Mr. Boots. He stated that Forest Park Day was a success and shared lighthearted remarks about the event. He congratulated Chief Clemons on her new role, describing her as a well-rounded leader who will help the City transition following Mr. Clark's departure. He concluded by noting he had no additional updates and was surprised at how quickly the meeting progressed.

**Councilmember Akins-Wells** thanked Chief Clemons for stepping into the interim role, describing her as a phenomenal leader and expressing confidence in her ability to guide the City. She also thanked Mr. Clark for bringing Chief Clemons to the City, noting her proven leadership within the Fire Department. Councilmember Akins-Wells highlighted the recent job fair led by Economic Development Director Rochelle Dennis, calling it one of the most successful she had seen, with more than 400 registrants and strong participation from all City departments. She shared a personal story of a resident who had just lost her job and expressed gratitude for the immediate impact of the event. She commended all departments for their involvement in Forest Park Day, which drew thousands of residents without incident, and thanked Councilmembers Gutierrez and Gunn for their visible support. Finally, she reminded residents that Election Day is November 4 and stressed the importance of providing accurate information

to the public regarding polling locations. She urged citizens to be informed and to hold leaders accountable, emphasizing that the City deserves leadership committed to moving Forest Park forward.

**Councilmember Mears** commended Mr. Clark for his leadership in guiding the City forward and expressed confidence in Chief Clemons's ability to assume responsibility in her new role. He thanked everyone for attending and, in closing, emphasized the importance of respecting elders, recognizing Mr. Willie Finch for his continued presence and support.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Butler adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

**In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring meeting accommodation should notify the City Clerk's Office at 404-366-4720 at least 24 hours before the meeting.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk Signature

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Mayor's Signature

**File Attachments for Item:**

**2. Public Hearing #1 on the Recommended Proposed Millage Rate-** Finance Department

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## City Council Agenda Item

**Title of Agenda Item:** Public Hearing #1 for the Recommended Proposed Millage Rate

**Submitted By:** Finance Department

**Date Submitted:** 8/19/2025

**Work Session Date:** 9/2/2025

**Council Meeting Date:** 9/2/2025

### Background/History:

The City of Forest Park has tentatively adopted a 2025 millage rate which will require an increase in property tax by 1.21 percent due to property values increasing. Even though the City of Forest Park is proposing to keep the millage rate at 16.74 mills, the increase in property values results in a property tax increase.

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**Action Requested from Council:** Approval of renewal

**Cost: \$**

**Budgeted for:** X    **Yes**    **No**

**Financial Impact:**

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## NOTICE

The Forest Park City Council does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at Forest Park City Hall  
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following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

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	Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	0.0085	0.0034	0.0005	0.0009	0.0085
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# 2025 MILLAGE RATE PRESENTATION

**John Wiggins**

Finance Director

470-599-8286 | [jwiggins@forestparkga.gov](mailto:jwiggins@forestparkga.gov)



# MILLAGE RATE



THE TAX RATE THAT IS APPLIED TO THE ASSESSED VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY TO CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAX TO BE PAID.



- MILLAGE RATE OF 1 MIL IS \$1.00 PER THOUSAND OF ASSESSED VALUE.



- FOR CALCULATION PURPOSES, THE MILLAGE RATE IS STATED AS 0.001.



THE MILLAGE RATE IS ESTABLISHED BY THE LEVYING AUTHORITY EACH YEAR.

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# Notice Of Property Tax Increase To Be Publish

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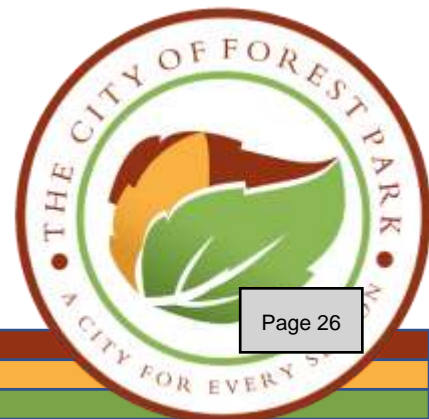
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# Q&A

Item # 2.

# THANK YOU!



STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF THE 2025 MILLAGE RATE FROM THE CITY'S FINANCE DEPARTMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has tentatively adopted a 2025 millage rate of 16.74 mills; and

**WHEREAS**, although the millage rate remains the same as the prior year, increases in assessed property values will result in an effective property tax increase of approximately 1.21 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 requires the City to hold three public hearings to receive input from the public before final adoption of the millage rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the three public hearings shall be held at City Hall on September 2, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., September 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., and September 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council have caused public notice of said hearings to be published in the City's legal organ and posted at City Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, the approval of this millage rate is necessary for the safety, health, and welfare of the City's citizens.

**THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1. Approval.** The Department's request to adopt the 2025 millage rate of 16.74 mills, which constitutes a property tax increase of 1.21 percent as presented to the Mayor and Council on September 15, 2025, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk ("Clerk") and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 3. Authorization of Execution.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

**Section 4. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 15th day of September 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*



**File Attachments for Item:**

**3. Council Approval of an Ordinance for Case # RZ-2025-02 Rezoning Request for 486 Main Street (Zoned RM – Multiple Family Residential) and 0 Burks Rd (Zoned RT – Two Family Residential) from RM and RT to GC (General Commercial District) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations- PCD Department**



CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

# City Council Agenda Item

**Subject:** Council Discussion to approve Case # RZ-2025-02 Rezoning Request for 486 Main Street (Zoned RM – Multiple Family Residential) and 0 Burks Rd (Zoned RT – Two Family Residential) from RM and RT to GC (General Commercial District) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations.

**Submitted By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner, Planning & Community Development Department

**Date Submitted:** August 25, 2025

**Work Session Date:** September 02, 2025

**Council Meeting Date:** September 02, 2025

## Background/History:

The subject property consists of three vacant parcels totaling approximately 1.23+/- acres in Ward 2. The primary parcel is located at 486 Main Street, occupying the southwest corner of Main Street and Burks Road. The two additional vacant parcels are situated immediately behind the proposed parcel to the west of the existing commercial structure, occupying the northwest portion of the block formed by Burks Road and North Avenue. The applicant is requesting a rezoning of all three parcels from residential to commercial to support the development of a unified off-street parking area in preparation for relocating future commercial operations to the site. Currently, the corner parcel fronting Main Street is zoned Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) and is adjacent to existing multifamily residential development to the west. The two interior parcels along Burks Road are zoned Two-Family Residential District (RT) and are surrounded by a mix of townhomes and single-family residences.

On Thursday August 21, 2025, the planning commission voted to approve this rezoning request with conditions. The following **conditions** shall apply:

1. **Limit of Rezoning:** Only the parcel at 486 Main Street (Parcel #13080A E005) shall be rezoned. The two rear parcels (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006) shall remain zoned RT.
2. **Site Plan Review:** Prior to any construction or use of the site for commercial purposes, the applicant shall submit a full site plan for review and approval by the Planning Department and applicable City departments. The site plan must address:
  - Parking layout and access points.
  - Landscaping and buffer requirements.
  - Stormwater management.
  - Compliance with all applicable zoning and development standards.

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3. **Buffering:** A landscape buffer, as required by the City's zoning ordinance, shall be provided along the western and northern edges of the commercial parcel to mitigate visual and noise impacts on adjacent residential properties.
  4. **Use Restrictions:** The commercial zoning shall be limited to uses that are compatible with neighborhood-scale development, as determined by the final zoning designation and subject to Planning Commission review and Final approval by Mayor & Council, if applicable.
  5. **Truck Parking Restriction:** To preserve the residential character of the rear parcels, truck parking shall be prohibited on all portions of the property, including the rear parcels zoned RT. Trucks may access the site for loading and unloading purposes only but shall not remain parked on the premises at any time.
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**Cost:** N/A

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

**Financial Impact:**

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**Action Requested from Council:** Deliberate and decide on Case #RZ-2025-02 — a request to rezone the property at 486 Main Street (Zoned RM – Multiple Family Residential) and 0 Burks Rd (Zoned RT – Two Family Residential) from RM and RT to GC (General Commercial District) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations.

July 29, 2025

Clayton News Daily  
P.O. Box 368  
Jonesboro, GA 30253

Please run the following Public Hearings Section of the August 06, August 13, and August 20, 2025, Editions.

**TO THE CITIZENS OF FOREST PARK, CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: The City of Forest Park Planning Commission will conduct a meeting on a series of Public Hearings for the purpose of considering the matters listed below. The Public Hearings will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers located at 745 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297. The Mayor and City Council will conduct a meeting of Public Hearings for the listed Conditional Use Permit and Rezoning at Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers, 745 Forest Parkway, on Monday September 1, at 6:00 p.m.

- **Case #CUP-2025-04** – Conditional Use Permit for 5000 Governors Dr, Parcel ID # **13051C A003B**. The applicant, Seacoast at Governors Glen, is requesting a conditional use permit to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.
- **Case# VAR-2025-10**-Variance Request for 3953 Jonesboro Road, Parcel # **13015A A012**. The applicant, Robert King, is requesting a variance to allow the reduction of the rear yard setback from the required thirty (30) feet to twenty-five (25) feet, an increase in the maximum lot coverage from the required seventy percent (70%) to seventy-six percent (76%), and a reduction in the required parking from fifty-eight (58) spaces to twenty-nine (29) spaces. These variances are being requested to permit the construction of a gasoline service station with an attached restaurant suite/business space in the General Commercial (GC) District, located in Ward 1.
- **Case# VAR-2025-12** -Variance Request for 459 Cynthia LN, Parcel # **13083C B001**. The applicant, Brenda Lopez, is requesting a variance to allow an increase of the allowed maximum accessory structure square footage by 241.73 square feet. This variance is being requested to construct an 841.73 square foot accessory structure in the rear yard of the property located within the Single-Family Residential (RS) District, located in Ward 4.
- **Case# RZ-2025-02** - Rezone Request for 486 Main St, Parcel # **13051A A005** and 0 Burks Rd, Parcel # **13051A A004** and Parcel # **13051A A006**. The applicant, Yaritza Hernandez, is requesting to rezone the property from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations in Ward 2.

SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner  
Planning & Community Development Department

404-366-4720

**STAFF REPORT**  
**Planning Commission Meeting: May 16, 2024**  
**City Council Meeting: June 3, 2024**

**Case:** RZ-2025-02

**Current Zoning:** RS- Single Family Residential

**Proposed Request:** Rezone property from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations in Ward 2.

**Staff Report Compiled By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner

**Staff Recommendation:** Partial Approval of Rezoning Request.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

**Owner of Record:** Yaritza Hernandez

**Applicant:** Yaritza Hernandez

**Address:** 486 Main St

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**City/State:** Forest Park, GA 30297

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**PROPERTY INFORMATION**

**Parcel Number:** 13080A E005, 13051A A004, and 13051A A006

**Acreage:** 1.23 +/-

**Address:** 486 Main Street  
0 Burks Rd

**FLU:** Commercial  
**Medium Density Residential**

**SUMMARY & BACKGROUND**

The subject property consists of three vacant parcels totaling approximately 1.23± acres in Ward 2. The primary parcel is located at 486 Main Street, occupying the southwest corner of Main Street and Burks Road. The two additional vacant parcels are situated immediately behind the proposed parcel to the west of the existing commercial structure, occupying the northwest portion of the block formed by Burks Road and North Avenue.

Currently, the corner parcel fronting Main Street is zoned Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) and is adjacent to existing multifamily residential development to the west. The two interior parcels along Burks Road are zoned Two-Family Residential District (RT) and are surrounded by a mix of townhomes and single-family residences.

The applicant is requesting a rezoning of all three parcels from residential to commercial to support the development of a unified off-street parking area in preparation for relocating future commercial operations to the site. While County records classify one of the parcels as commercial, it remains zoned residential under current City zoning and thus requires formal rezoning to allow for commercial use. The intent is to consolidate the parcels into a single, functional parking area that will meet City code requirements for future business use, including provisions for customer access, staff parking, and delivery logistics.

As part of their proposal, the applicant has engaged a licensed architect to ensure compliance with City standards related to grading, access, stormwater management, landscaping, and buffer requirements, and has expressed commitment to maintaining compatibility with the surrounding residential context.

After careful staff analysis, it is recommended that only the RM-zoned corner parcel fronting Main Street be approved for rezoning to a commercial district. This recommendation is based on its strategic location at the intersection of two roads, its adjacency to a commercially trending corridor, and its suitability for accommodating commercial land use without disrupting the established residential character of the interior lots. Retaining the RT zoning for the two rear parcels will provide a necessary transition and buffer, preventing commercial encroachment into the residential core of the neighborhood and preserving land use compatibility along Burks Road.

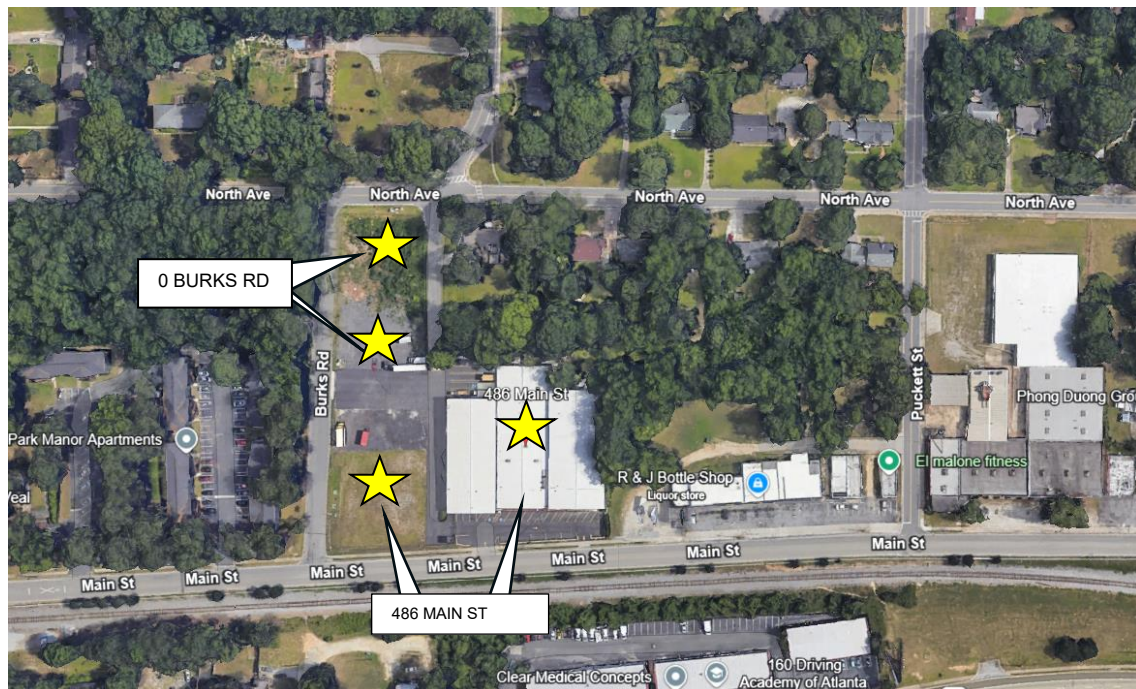
This approach balances the applicant's operational needs with the City's broader planning goals by facilitating appropriate commercial activity along Main Street, while protecting the residential scale and fabric of the surrounding community.

Should the request be approved, the applicant will be able to move forward with developing a compliant parking area on the front lot to support future commercial operations, while preserving residential integrity at the rear of the site.

#### ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES

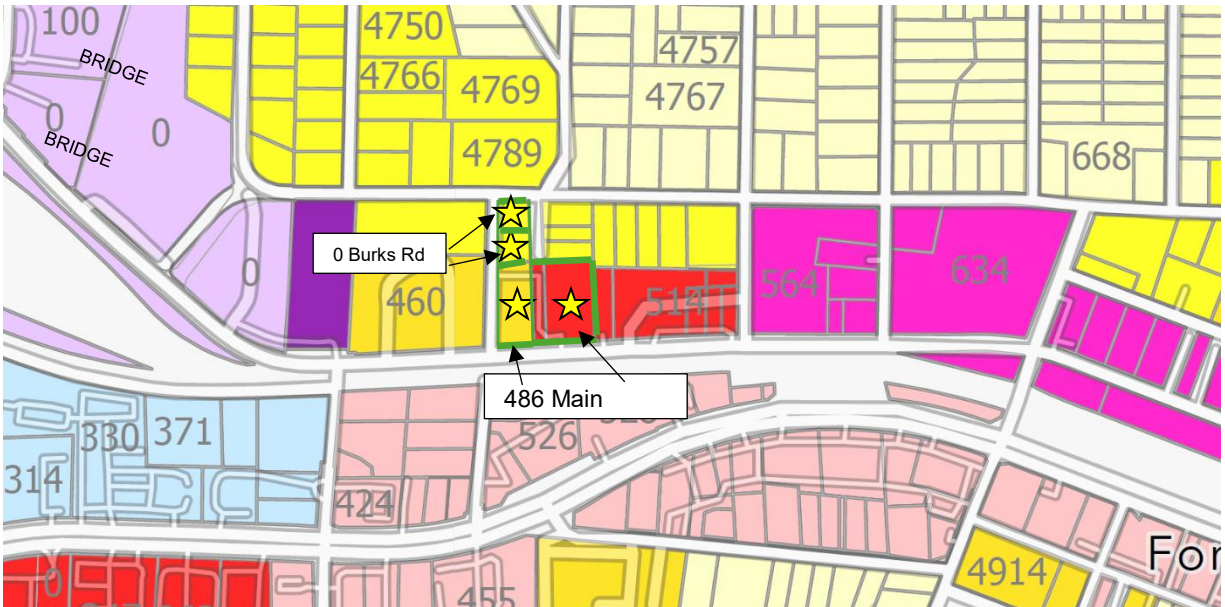
<b>North</b>	RT (Two-Family Residential District)	<b>East</b>	GC (General Commercial District)
<b>South</b>	IC (Institutional Commercial District)	<b>West</b>	RM (Multiple-Family Residential)

#### AERIAL MAP



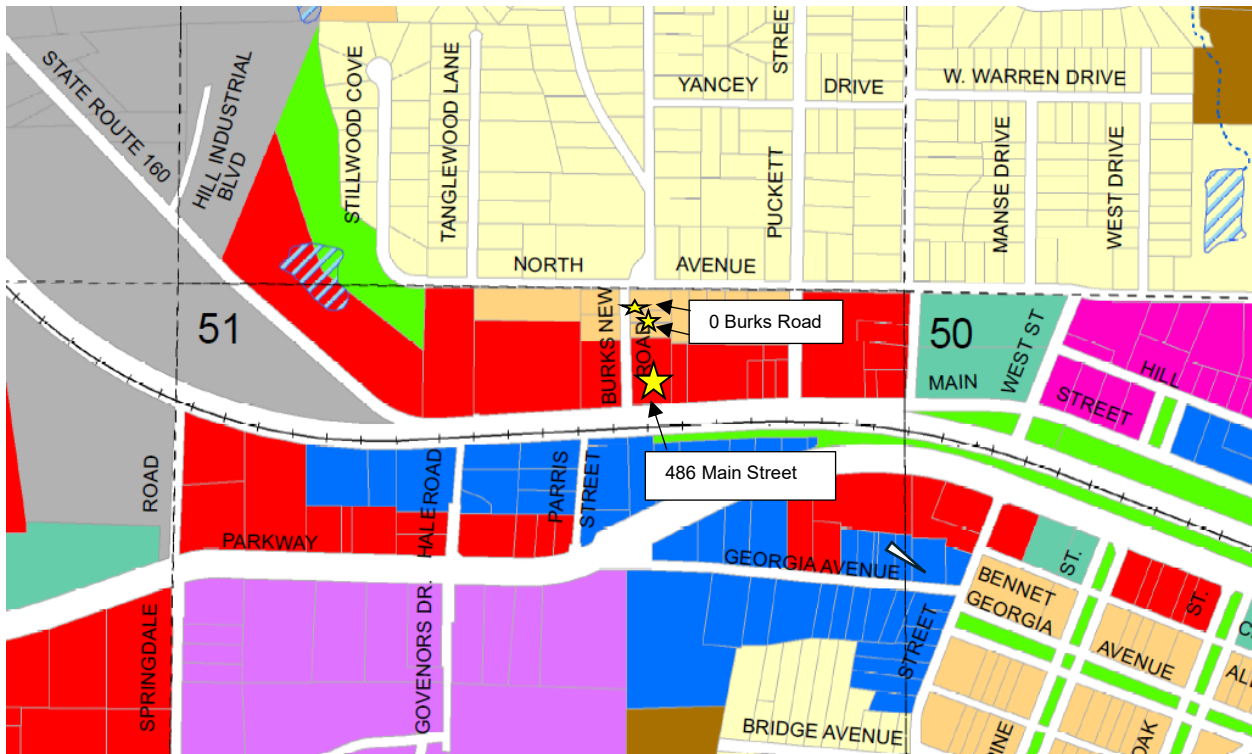


## ZONING MAP



**Current Zoning: RS (Single-Family Residential)**

## FUTURE LAND USE MAP



**Future Land Use: Commercial and Medium Density Residential**



## SITE PHOTOS



**486 Main Street. Vacant Parcel on the Corner of Main Street and Burks Rd.**



**Vacant parcel**



**Northwest Corner of Burks Rd and North Avenue**





Rear of site

## SURROUNDING PROPERTIES



Residential: Zoned RM (Multiple-Family Residential District)  
(West of Parcel)



**Residential: Zoned RT (Two-Family Residential District)  
(West of Parcel)**



**Commercial: Zoned GC (General Commercial District)  
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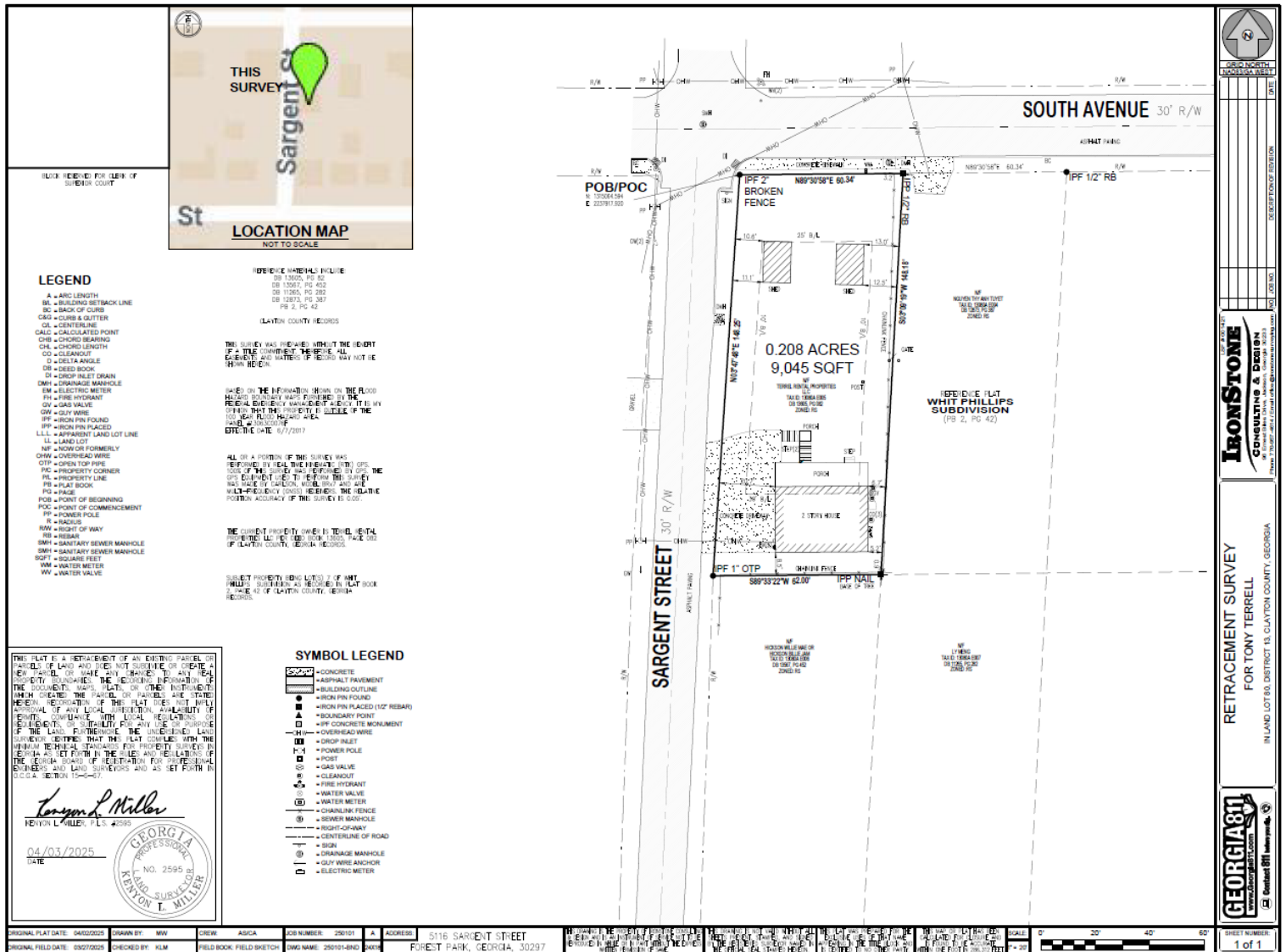


**Railroad and Commercial: Zoned IC (Institutional Commercial District)  
(South of Parcel)**



**Residential: Zoned RT (Two-Family Residential)  
(North of Parcel)**

## BOUNDARY SURVEY



# SITE PLAN



SITE

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## Impact Summary

Would the proposed amendment be consistent and compatible with the city's land use and development, plans, goals, and objectives? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** *Yes, the proposed amendment is consistent with the City's land use plans and goals. Rezoning only the corner lot supports commercial use along Main Street while preserving residential character behind it, aligning with the City's objective for balanced, context-sensitive development.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no impact on traffic safety and congestion in the streets? ☐ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☒ **No Impact** *The proposed amendment is expected to have minimal impact on traffic safety and congestion. Limiting the rezoning to the corner lot allows for controlled commercial use along Main Street, a corridor better suited to handle increased activity. The applicant's plan to develop a dedicated, code-compliant parking area in advance of operations will help manage vehicle circulation, reduce on-street parking, and minimize potential congestion.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no relationship to safety from fire and other dangers? ☐ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☒ **No Relationship** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no negative impact on safety from fire or other dangers. Any future development on the rezoned parcel will be required to meet all applicable fire codes, building standards, and safety regulations. The applicant is working with a licensed architect to ensure compliance, which supports safe site design and emergency access.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence on the public health and general welfare of the city? ☒ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☐ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to promote the public health and general welfare of the city. By supporting appropriately scaled commercial use along Main Street and preserving residential zoning in the rear, the amendment encourages orderly development, reduces potential land use conflicts, and ensures that future business operations can provide adequate parking and infrastructure—contributing to a safer, more functional environment for residents and visitors.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease or to have no influence on the adequacy of light and air? ☐ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☒ **No Influence** *Rezoning is limited to the corner lot along Main Street, which is adjacent to commercial and multifamily uses, while the rear residential parcels remain unchanged. This preserves the existing residential character and spacing that ensures adequate light and air for surrounding properties.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no influence on the overcrowding of land? ☐ **Cause** ☐ **Prevent** ☒ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no influence on the overcrowding of land. The rezoning is limited to the corner parcel and will facilitate organized commercial development with adequate parking, rather than increasing density or overloading the site. The surrounding residential parcels remain unchanged, maintaining existing land use patterns.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no relationship on the population distribution within the city, thus creating any area as dense in population as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the city? ☐ **Cause** ☐ **Prevent** ☒ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no relationship to population distribution or density. The rezoning focuses on commercial use of a corner lot and does not involve residential development changes that would significantly affect population patterns or density in the area. Therefore, it will not impact the city's health, safety, or general welfare related to population concentration.*



Would the proposed amendment tend to impede, to facilitate, or to have no impact on the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, other public services, utilities, or facilities?

☐ **Impede** ☒ **Facilitate** ☐ **No Impact.** *The proposed amendment is expected to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, and other public services. By allowing a planned commercial use with a dedicated parking area, the amendment supports organized development that meets City infrastructure standards. The applicant's commitment to working with licensed professionals ensures compliance with all necessary public service and utility requirements, promoting efficient and sustainable service provision.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to be compatible with environmental conditions in light of surrounding developments? If compatible, what factors, if any, would diminish the value, use and enjoyment of surrounding properties? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** *The proposed amendment is compatible with the surrounding environmental conditions and development patterns. Rezoning is limited to the corner lot along a busy corridor, which is already transitioning toward commercial use. The preservation of residential zoning on the rear parcels helps maintain neighborhood character and buffers. The applicant's plans for stormwater management, landscaping, and buffering will further minimize any potential negative impacts. Factors that could diminish the value or enjoyment of surrounding properties are expected to be minimal due to thoughtful site design and adherence to City standards. Continued monitoring of landscaping and buffer effectiveness is recommended to ensure ongoing compatibility.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence upon the aesthetic effect of existing and future uses of the property and the surrounding area?

☒ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☐ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to promote the aesthetic quality of the property and surrounding area. By concentrating commercial use on the corner lot along Main Street, where such development is appropriate, and preserving residential zoning in the rear, the amendment encourages a well-planned transition in land use. The applicant's commitment to landscaping, buffer zones, and compliance with design standards will enhance the visual appeal and maintain neighborhood character.*

Would the proposed amendment have measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent property? ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No** *The proposed amendment to rezone the property from RM (Multiple-Family Residential) to GC (General Commercial) is not expected to have a measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent properties. The rezoning is focused on a corner lot already suited for commercial use, and the preservation of residential zoning on the rear parcels helps protect the character and stability of the neighborhood. Thoughtful site design, buffering, and compliance with City standards will help maintain property values and neighborhood desirability.*

Would the proposed amendment create an isolated district, unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts?

☐ **Yes** ☒ **No** *No, the proposed amendment would not create an isolated district. Rezoning the corner parcel to commercial use aligns with existing commercial and multifamily uses along Main Street, creating a logical extension of the commercial corridor. The retention of residential zoning on the adjacent rear parcels maintains a cohesive transition to surrounding residential neighborhoods, ensuring land use compatibility.*

### **Staff Review**

Public Works, Police, and Fire departments did not conduct formal reviews for this rezoning request, as no site development or building plans have been submitted at this stage. Additional departmental reviews will be required during the site plan and permitting process.

### **Planning & Community Development Department**

Planning Staff has conducted a full review of the rezoning request and supports the recommendation to rezone only the corner parcel fronting Main Street. This recommendation is based on land use compatibility, existing zoning patterns, and alignment with the City's development goals. The remaining

parcels should retain residential zoning to preserve neighborhood character and provide an appropriate buffer between commercial and residential uses.

### **Staff Recommendation**

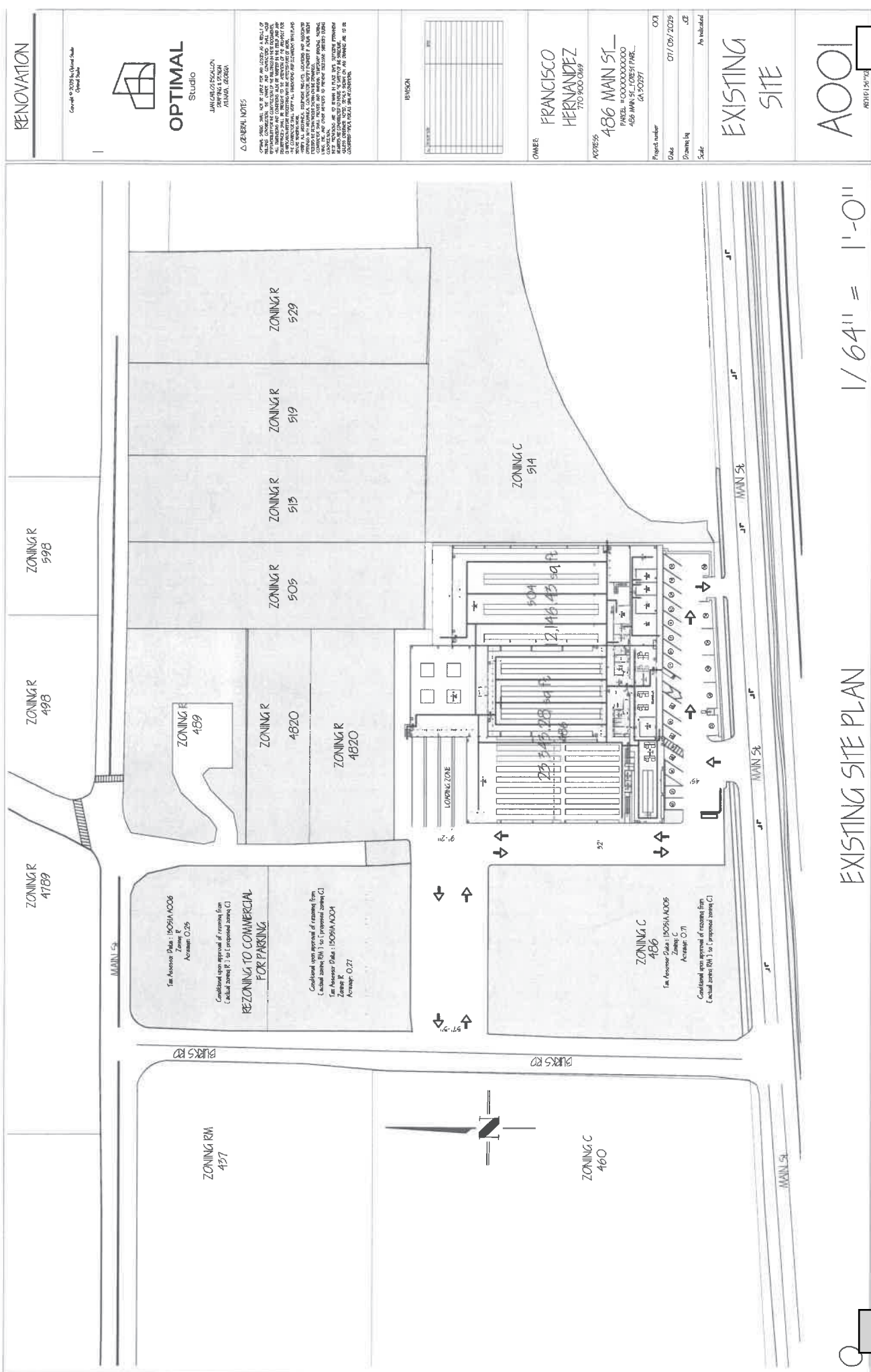
Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the rezoning request for the corner parcel located at 486 Main Street (Parcel #13080A E005) from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC), with the condition that the two rear parcels (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006) remain zoned Two-Family Residential (RT).

This recommendation is based on a detailed review of existing land use patterns, zoning compatibility, infrastructure capacity, and the City's long-range development goals. The subject corner lot fronts Main Street, a corridor that exhibits a mix of residential, institutional, and commercial uses, and is generally appropriate for limited commercial activity. The lot's location at a signalized intersection provides suitable access and visibility for commercial use without burdening the surrounding residential streets. Rezoning only the front-facing parcel strikes a balance between accommodating the applicant's stated intent, to develop a code-compliant parking area supporting future commercial operations and maintaining the integrity of the adjacent residential neighborhood. Staff finds that this approach creates a logical land use transition and avoids the potential for commercial encroachment deeper into the block, which could disrupt established residential patterns and diminish neighborhood character.

The following **conditions** shall apply:

1. **Limit of Rezoning:** Only the parcel at 486 Main Street (Parcel #13080A E005) shall be rezoned. The two rear parcels (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006) shall remain zoned RT.
2. **Site Plan Review:** Prior to any construction or use of the site for commercial purposes, the applicant shall submit a full site plan for review and approval by the Planning Department and applicable City departments. The site plan must address:
  - Parking layout and access points.
  - Landscaping and buffer requirements.
  - Stormwater management.
  - Compliance with all applicable zoning and development standards.
3. **Buffering:** A landscape buffer, as required by the City's zoning ordinance, shall be provided along the western and northern edges of the commercial parcel to mitigate visual and noise impacts on adjacent residential properties.
4. **Use Restrictions:** The commercial zoning shall be limited to uses that are compatible with neighborhood-scale development, as determined by the final zoning designation and subject to Planning Commission review and Final approval by Mayor & Council, if applicable.

Staff finds that this conditional approval facilitates the applicant's operational needs, supports orderly development along a transitioning corridor, and preserves the residential quality of the neighborhood interior. The recommendation aligns with sound planning principles and the City's broader goals for sustainable, context-sensitive growth.



**Letter of Intent****Property Address: 486 Main Street and Adjacent Lots, Forest Park, GA**

I am submitting this Letter of Intent as part of our rezoning application for three parcels located at and behind 486 Main Street. We are requesting a change in zoning from residential to commercial to allow for the development of a unified parking area to support future business operations at the property.

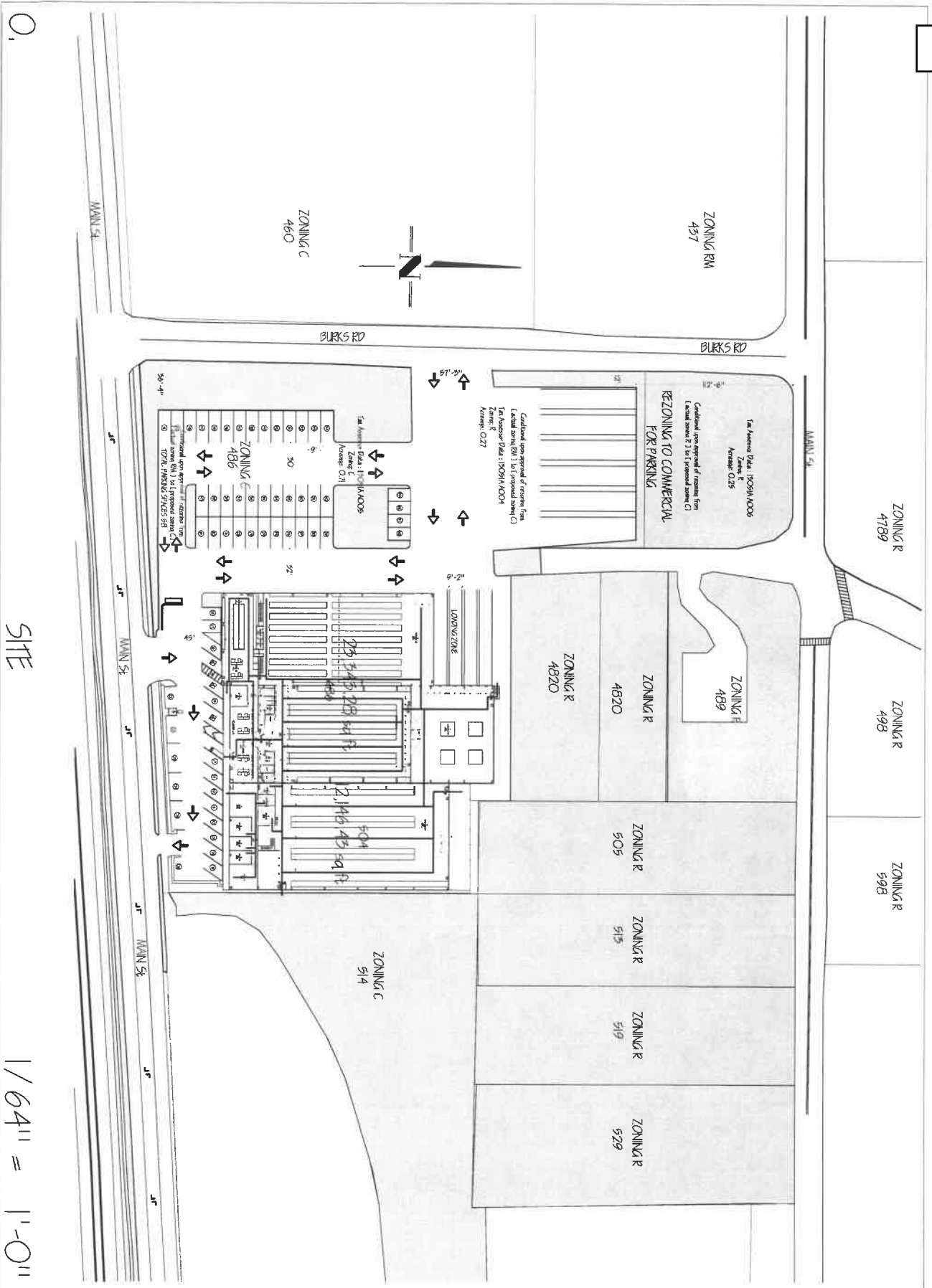
The lots include:

- A side lot (Parcel #13051A A005), which is already classified as commercial by county records, but currently zoned as residential by the City;
- Two side rear lots (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006), which are classified as residential by both City and County.

Our goal is to rezone all three parcels to commercial so they can be developed into a single, functional parking lot in preparation for relocating our business operations to this site. Although the facility is currently used as a storage facility, we plan to begin active commercial operations there and want to ensure there is sufficient, compliant parking to support customers, deliveries, and staff. Developing a designated parking area ahead of operations will help us minimize future congestion and meet City code requirements from the outset.

We are working with a licensed architect to help us meet all City requirements for grading, access, striping, stormwater management, landscaping, and buffer zones to protect surrounding properties. We are committed to developing a clean, organized, and code-compliant parking area that enhances the functionality of the property while maintaining harmony in the neighborhood.

We appreciate your time and consideration in reviewing this request. Please let us know if any further information is needed.



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SITE

1/64" = 1'-0"

RENOVATION

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JANUARY 2023

GENERAL NOTES

1. THE CLIENT HAS REQUESTED THAT THE DESIGNER PREPARE A PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR THE PROPOSED RENOVATION OF THE EXISTING BUILDING. THE DESIGNER SHALL PREPARE A PRELIMINARY DESIGN THAT SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED RENOVATION, THE EXISTING BUILDING, AND THE PROPOSED ZONING. THE DESIGNER SHALL ALSO PREPARE A PRELIMINARY DESIGN THAT SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED RENOVATION, THE EXISTING BUILDING, AND THE PROPOSED ZONING. THE DESIGNER SHALL ALSO PREPARE A PRELIMINARY DESIGN THAT SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED RENOVATION, THE EXISTING BUILDING, AND THE PROPOSED ZONING.

PERSON

NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION
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3	01/01/2023	PRELIMINARY DESIGN
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OWNER  
FRANCISCO  
HERNANDEZ  
10000 049

ADDRESS  
486 MAIN ST  
PRINCE GEORGES, ONTARIO  
486 MAIN ST, L7R 5H1  
CANADA

Project number: 001  
Date: 01/01/2023  
Drawing by: JZ  
Scale: As indicated

SITE

AOO1

ARCHITECT



**CITY OF FOREST PARK**  
785 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, Georgia 30297  
Planning & Community  
Development  
(404) 366-4720



## REZONING APPLICATION

### Important Notice:

Please read the application carefully. The Planning, Building & Zoning Department will not accept an incomplete application. Submittal of partial or incomplete applications will not be accepted. This request is subject to all Planning, Building and Zoning requirements under the jurisdiction of the City of Forest Park. If you have any further questions concerning these requirements, please contact the City of Forest Park Planning, Building and Zoning Department for clarification.

## Rezoning Application Checklist

**Please submit the following materials in addition to this application:**

1. **Authorization(s) of property owner(s);**
2. **Notarized authorization(s) of attorney** (only if an attorney is filing the application on behalf of a property owner);
3. **Letter of intent;**
4. **A copy of a survey plat of the property to be rezoned;**
5. **A written legal description** (in metes and bounds);
6. **A conceptual site plan.** This plan must be drawn to scale and must depict the proposed use of the property. This must include the following:
  - A scale and north arrow;
  - The proposed land use and building outline as it would appear (should the rezoning application be approved);
  - The present zoning classification of all adjacent parcels;
  - The gross square footage of all proposed buildings;
  - The proposed location of all driveways and entry/exit points for vehicular traffic, using arrows to depict direction of movement;
  - The location of all required off-street parking and loading spaces, including number of spaces and driveway dimensions;
  - Required yard setbacks (appropriately dimensioned);
  - The location and extent of required buffer areas, depicting extent of natural vegetation, as well as the type and location of additional vegetation (if required).
7. **File notarized application and all required materials with the City of Forest Park Planning, Building and Zoning Department.**
8. **Pay application fee.** The rezoning application fee is \$600. The fee is due upon submission of this application. Please make check payable to The City of Forest Park.

## Authorization of Property Owner

I CERTIFY THAT I AM THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT:

0 + 486 Main St

Forest Park, GA 30297

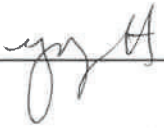
City of Forest Park, Clayton County, Georgia

WHICH IS THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS APPLICATION. I AUTHORIZE THE APPLICANT NAMED BELOW TO ACT AS THE APPLICANT IN PURSUIT OF A REZONING OF THE PROPERTY.

Name of Applicant: Yaritza Hernandez

Applicant Address: 505 Church RD SE

Applicant Phone: 678-570-1737

 Owner Signature  
Yaritza Hernandez  
Owner Name (please print)

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This 8 day of July, 2025.

  
Notary Public

FATIMA FERNANDEZ OCHOA  
Notary Public - State of Georgia  
Clayton County  
My Commission Expires Apr 9, 2027



## Applicant Information

Applicant: Yaritza Hernandez

Address of Property: 486 Main Street, Forest Park, GA 30297

Email Address: Productos mex. hernandez@gmail.com Phone: 678-570-1737

Property Owner (if different from above): Yaritza Hernandez

Mailing Address (if different from above): 505 Church RD SE, Smyrna, GA 30082

Email Address: productosmex.hernandez@gmail.com Phone: 678-570-173

Size of Property: Square Footage: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres: 1.23

Present Zoning Classification: RM Proposed Zoning Classification: GC

Present Land Use: residential - multiple family

Proposed Land Use: general commercial

I hereby make application to the City of Forest Park to rezone the above referenced property. I do hereby swear or affirm that the information provided here and above is true, complete, and accurate. I understand that any inaccuracies may be considered just cause for invalidation of this application and any action taken on this application. I understand that the City of Forest Park reserves the right to enforce all ordinances regardless of any action or approval of this application. Furthermore, I understand that it is my/our responsibility to conform with all the City of Forest Park's ordinances in full. I hereby acknowledge that all requirements of the City of Forest Park shall be adhered to. I attest that I have read and understand this application or have had it read to me (if I could not read it myself). I understand that it is a felony to make false statements or writings to the City of Forest Park pursuant to O.C.G.A. 16-10-20 and I may be prosecuted for a violation thereof.

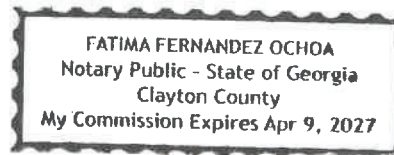
SIGNATURE: [Signature] Date: 7/7/25

PRINT NAME: Yaritza Hernandez

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This 7th day of July, 20 25.

[Signature]  
Notary Public







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Item # 3.

# CITY OF FOREST PARK

Planning & Community Development Department  
785 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, Georgia 30297  
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## AUTHORIZATION OF PROPERTY OWNER

I CERTIFY THAT I AM THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT:

0 Main Street  
Forest Park, GA 30297

City of Forest Park, Clayton County, Georgia

WHICH IS THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS APPLICATION. I AUTHORIZE THE  
APPLICANT NAMED BELOW TO ACT AS THE APPLICANT IN PURSUIT OF THIS PERMIT  
OR REQUEST.

Name of Applicant: Yaritza Hernandez

Applicant's Address: 505 Church RD SE, Smyrna, GA 30082

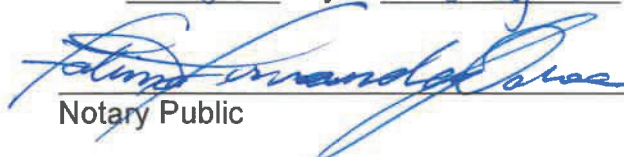
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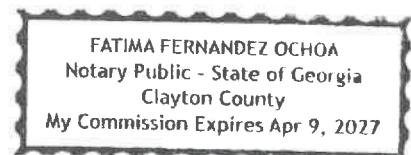
 Signature of the Owner

Yaritza Hernandez  
Name of the Owner (please print)

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This 8 day of July, 2025.

  
Notary Public



## EXHIBIT "A"

**TRACT ONE: 13051AA005**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Clayton County Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the northwest corner of Main Street and Burks Road; thence north 01 degrees 35 minutes west, 263.99 feet along the west side of Burks Road to a manhole; thence south 84 degrees 37 minutes west 154.27 feet to an iron pin; thence south 01 degrees 00 minutes east 263.99 feet to an iron pin on the north side of Main Street; thence east 160.8 feet along the north side of Main Street to an iron pin and the Point of Beginning, all as shown on plat of survey for William L. Meyers by Carl M. Maddox, Surveyor, dated May 6, 1977.

**TRACT TWO: 13051BC002**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Clayton County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin found on the north right of way of Main Street (Georgia Highway #160), said pin located 153.4 feet east of the northeast corner of Main Street and Burks Road; running thence north 01 degrees 54 minutes 38 seconds east, along the east line of property now or formerly owned by William L. Meyers 224.88 feet to an iron pin found; thence south 86 degrees 51 minutes 30 seconds east along the south line of property of David and Ruby Hitson, 64.93 feet to an iron pin; thence south 01 degrees 55 minutes 07 seconds west along property now or formerly owned by James L. and Theresa Turner, 219.62 feet to an iron pin found on the north right of way of Main Street; thence west along Main Street 65 feet to an iron pin found and the Point of Beginning as per survey for William Lewis Meyers dated 4/9/79 by Carl M. Maddox which is incorporated herein by reference.

**TRACT THREE: 13051AA007**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District, Clayton County, Georgia, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin on the western right of way line of Burks Road (as formerly located) at its intersection with the north right of way line of Main Street, being 24 feet from centerline and also being 63.6 feet north of the centerline of Central of Georgia Railroad; thence north 01 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds west along the western right of way line of Burks Road, 263.92 feet to an "x" in a sanitary sewer manhole, thence north 82 degrees 37 minutes 14 seconds east 39.72 feet to an iron pin on the eastern right of way line of Burks Road; thence south 01 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds east along said right of way line 265.30 feet to an iron pin at the north right of way line of Main Street; thence south 84 degrees 36 minutes 06 seconds west along the north right of way line of Main Street, 39.64 feet to the Point of Beginning. The above described tract contains 10,461 square feet and is further described as Tract "A" on a plat of survey for City of Forest Park by Metro Engineering & Survey Co., Inc., dated April 24, 1984.

## EXHIBIT (A) CONTINUED

**TRACT FOUR: 13051BC001**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Clayton County, Georgia. Being a tract of land shown by plat of survey prepared for William Lewis Meyers by W. R. Franks, Registered Land Surveyor dated September 12, 1975 and recorded in Deed Book 783, page 857, Clayton County Records. Said plat being incorporated herein and made by reference a part of this description as follows:

Beginning at a point marking the northeast intersection of Main Street and Burks Road; at an iron pin running thence north along the east side of Burks Road north 1 degree 35 minutes 43 seconds west 263.99 feet to an iron pin; thence north 88 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds east 153.85 feet to an iron pin; thence south 1 degree 26 minutes 01 seconds east 254.07 feet to an iron pin; thence west along the north side of Main Street, north 82 degrees 41 minutes 40 seconds west 153.4 feet to an iron pin at the intersection with Burks Road and The Point of Beginning.

**TRACT FIVE: 13051AA004**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Clayton County, Georgia, being a vacant lot on the west side of Burks Road aka Burk Street, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the west side of Burks Road at the northeast corner of the property now or formerly owned by William L. Meyers; and running thence west along the north line of the Meyers property 154.27 feet to a made corner; thence running north 98 feet to a made corner; thence running east 150 feet, more or less, to the east side of Burks Road; thence running south along the west side of Burks Road 98 feet to the Point of Beginning.

**TRACT SIX: 13051AA006**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 51 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Clayton County, Georgia, being a vacant lot, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point formed by the south side of North Avenue and the west side of Burks Road aka Burk Street; running thence south along the west side of Burks Road 98 feet to the property now or formerly owned by Patricia Wilson Newkirk; thence running west along the north line of the Newkirk property 150 feet, more or less, to the northwest corner of the Newkirk property; thence running North 98 feet to the south side of North Avenue; thence running east 147.7 feet along the south side of North Avenue to the Point of Beginning.

**NOTE:**

- (a) Tracts One, Five and Six are conveyed less and except that portion conveyed to the City of Forest Park for the creation of the new Burks Road. See Deed Book 1164, page 784.
- (b) All references to Burke Road in the legal descriptions in Tracts One – Six are referring to Burks Road as formerly located.

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE BY MAYOR ANGELYNE BUTLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION TO REZONE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 486 MAIN STREET (PARCEL ID 13080A E005) FROM THE MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT; TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City is the duly elected governing authority thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body is authorized by its Charter to regulate zoning within the limits of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the subject properties within the rezoning application consist of three (3) vacant parcels totaling approximately 1.23 acres; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the parcels is located at 486 Main Street, Forest Park, Georgia 30297 (Parcel ID 13080A E005) and is located within the Multiple-Family Residential zoning district (“RM Zoning District”); and

**WHEREAS**, the other two (2) parcels are located at 0 Burks Road, Forest Park, Georgia

30297 (Parcel ID Numbers 13051A A004 and 13051A A006), and are currently located within the Two-Family Residential zoning district (“RT Zoning District”); and

**WHEREAS**, Yaritza Hernandez (the "Applicant") has requested to rezone all three (3) parcels from residential to the General Commercial zoning district (“GC Zoning District”) to allow for the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Planner and Planning Commission recommend partial approval of the rezoning request, specifically to rezone only Parcel ID 13080A E005 from the RM Zoning District to the GC Zoning District; subject to certain conditions included in the City's Staff Report, more particularly described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Planner and Planning Commission recommend the other two parcels (Parcel IDs 13051A A004 and 13051A A006) to remain within the RT Zoning District, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council have considered the Staff Report and have found that this partial approval balances the Applicant's operational needs with the City's planning goals, promotes appropriate commercial development along the Main Street corridor, preserves the residential character of the adjacent neighborhood, and is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Procedures Act has been properly held prior to the adoption of this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the citizens of the City will be positively impacted by the adoption of this Ordinance.

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**, and by the authority thereof:

**Section 1.** That the Applicant's request to rezone Parcel ID 13080A E005 located at 486

Main Street, Forest Park, Georgia 30297 from the RM Zoning District to the GC Zoning District is hereby approved, subject to all conditions being met contained within the City's Staff Report.

**Section 2.** That Parcel ID Numbers 13051A A004 and 13051A A006 located at 0 Burks Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297 shall retain their current RT Zoning District designation.

**Section 3.** That the Zoning Ordinance of the City be amended, and the Official Zoning Map of the City established in connection therewith be amended to reflect the rezoning of Parcel ID 13080A E005 from the RT Zoning District to the GC Zoning District . The City Clerk is hereby directed to update and maintain the official copy of said Zoning Map.

**Section 4.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

**Section 5.** (a) The approval granted herein is subject to all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining

phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance and that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

**Section 6.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of adoption unless otherwise specified therein.

**Section 7.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 8.** This Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia and the City of Forest Park, Georgia. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provision of this ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Forest Park, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

**Section 9.** The City Clerk, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, is authorized to correct any scrivener's errors found in this Ordinance, including its exhibits, as enacted.

**SO ORDAINED** this 2nd day of September, 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED BY:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*

## EXHIBIT A STAFF REPORT

### STAFF REPORT Planning Commission Meeting: May 16, 2024 City Council Meeting: June 3, 2024

**Case:** RZ-2025-02

**Current Zoning:** RS- Single Family Residential

**Proposed Request:** Rezone property from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations in Ward 2.

**Staff Report Compiled By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner

**Staff Recommendation:** Partial Approval of Rezoning Request.

#### APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Owner of Record:</b> Yaritza Hernandez	<b>Applicant:</b> Yaritza Hernandez
<b>Address:</b> 486 Main St	<b>Address:</b> 486 Main St
<b>City/State:</b> Forest Park, GA 30297	<b>City/State:</b> Forest Park, GA 30297

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION

<b>Parcel Number:</b> 13080A E005, 13051A A004, and 13051A A006	<b>Acreage:</b> 1.23 +/-
<b>Address:</b> 486 Main Street 0 Burks Rd	<b>FLU:</b> Commercial Medium Density Residential

#### SUMMARY & BACKGROUND

The subject property consists of three vacant parcels totaling approximately 1.23± acres in Ward 2. The primary parcel is located at 486 Main Street, occupying the southwest corner of Main Street and Burks Road. The two additional vacant parcels are situated immediately behind the proposed parcel to the west of the existing commercial structure, occupying the northwest portion of the block formed by Burks Road and North Avenue.

Currently, the corner parcel fronting Main Street is zoned Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) and is adjacent to existing multifamily residential development to the west. The two interior parcels along Burks Road are zoned Two-Family Residential District (RT) and are surrounded by a mix of townhomes and single-family residences.

The applicant is requesting a rezoning of all three parcels from residential to commercial to support the development of a unified off-street parking area in preparation for relocating future commercial operations to the site. While County records classify one of the parcels as commercial, it remains zoned residential under current City zoning and thus requires formal rezoning to allow for commercial use. The intent is to consolidate the parcels into a single, functional parking area that will meet City code requirements for future business use, including provisions for customer access, staff parking, and delivery logistics.



As part of their proposal, the applicant has engaged a licensed architect to ensure compliance with City standards related to grading, access, stormwater management, landscaping, and buffer requirements, and has expressed commitment to maintaining compatibility with the surrounding residential context.

After careful staff analysis, it is recommended that only the RM-zoned corner parcel fronting Main Street be approved for rezoning to a commercial district. This recommendation is based on its strategic location at the intersection of two roads, its adjacency to a commercially trending corridor, and its suitability for accommodating commercial land use without disrupting the established residential character of the interior lots. Retaining the RT zoning for the two rear parcels will provide a necessary transition and buffer, preventing commercial encroachment into the residential core of the neighborhood and preserving land use compatibility along Burks Road.

This approach balances the applicant's operational needs with the City's broader planning goals by facilitating appropriate commercial activity along Main Street, while protecting the residential scale and fabric of the surrounding community.

Should the request be approved, the applicant will be able to move forward with developing a compliant parking area on the front lot to support future commercial operations, while preserving residential integrity at the rear of the site.

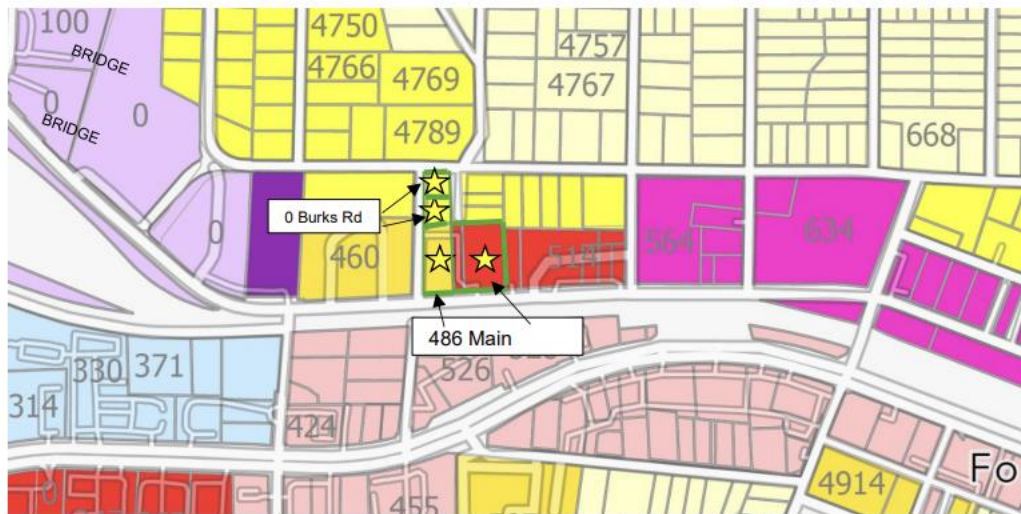
#### ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES

<b>North</b>	RT (Two-Family Residential District)	<b>East</b>	GC (General Commercial District)
<b>South</b>	IC (Institutional Commercial District)	<b>West</b>	RM (Multiple-Family Residential)

#### AERIAL MAP

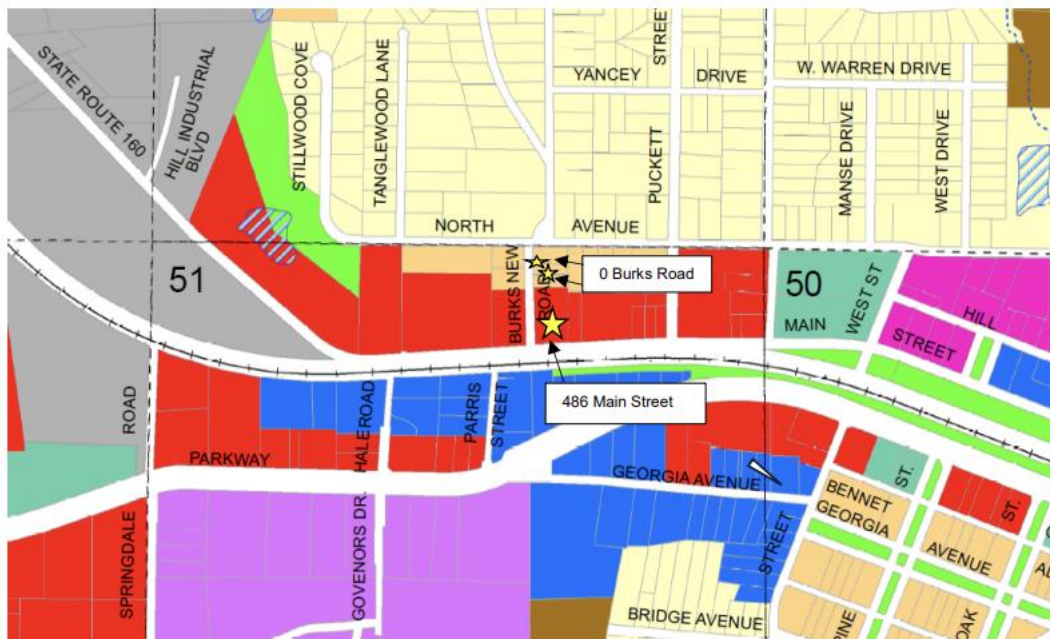


### ZONING MAP



Current Zoning: RS (Single-Family Residential)

### FUTURE LAND USE MAP



Future Land Use: Commercial and Medium Density Residential



**SITE PHOTOS**



**486 Main Street. Vacant Parcel on the Corner of Main Street and Burks Rd.**



**Vacant parcel**



**Northwest Corner of Burks Rd and North Avenue**



Rear of site

### SURROUNDING PROPERTIES



Residential: Zoned RM (Multiple-Family Residential District)  
(West of Parcel)





**Residential: Zoned RT (Two-Family Residential District)  
(West of Parcel)**



**Commercial: Zoned GC (General Commercial District)  
(East of Parcel)**

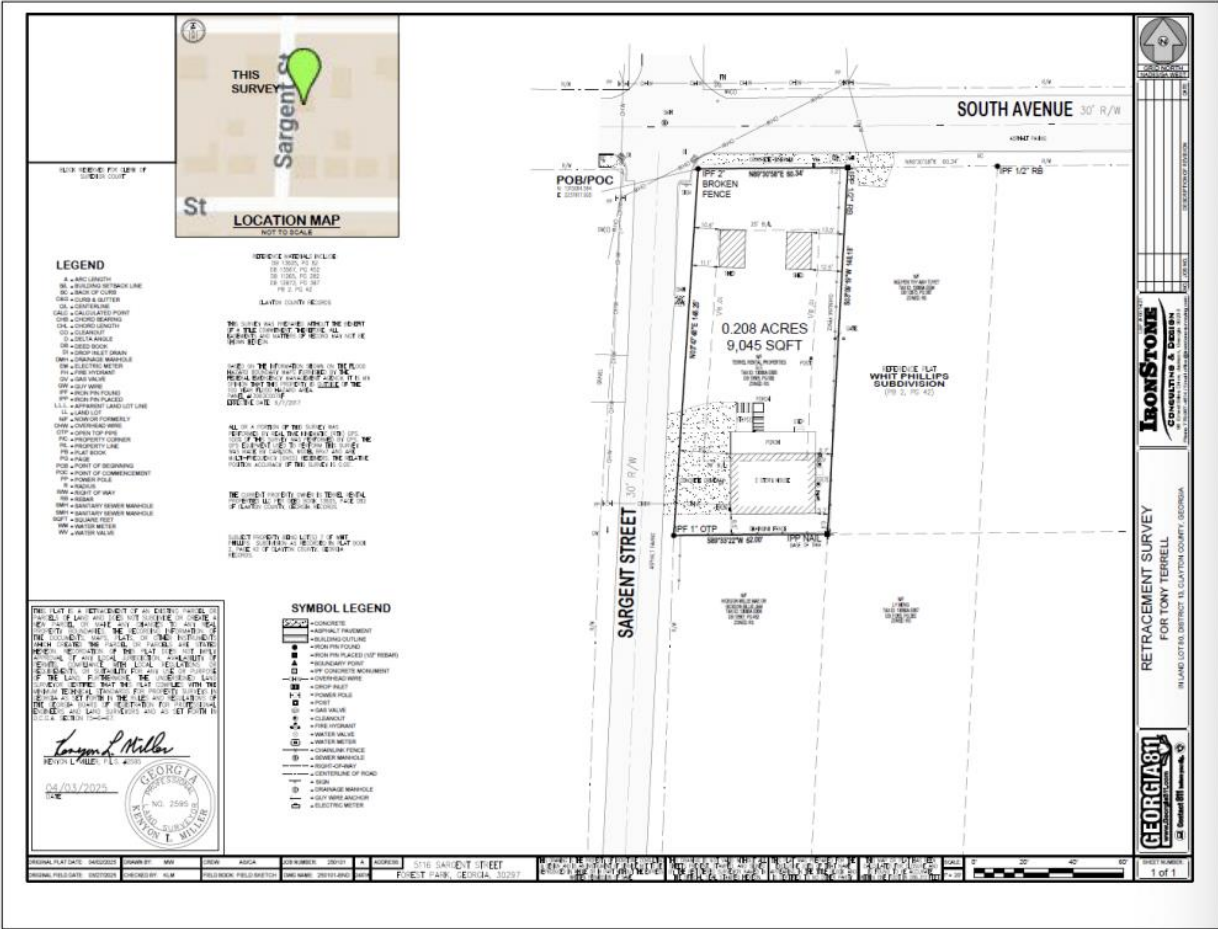


**Railroad and Commercial: Zoned IC (Institutional Commercial District)  
(South of Parcel)**



**Residential: Zoned RT (Two-Family Residential)  
(North of Parcel)**

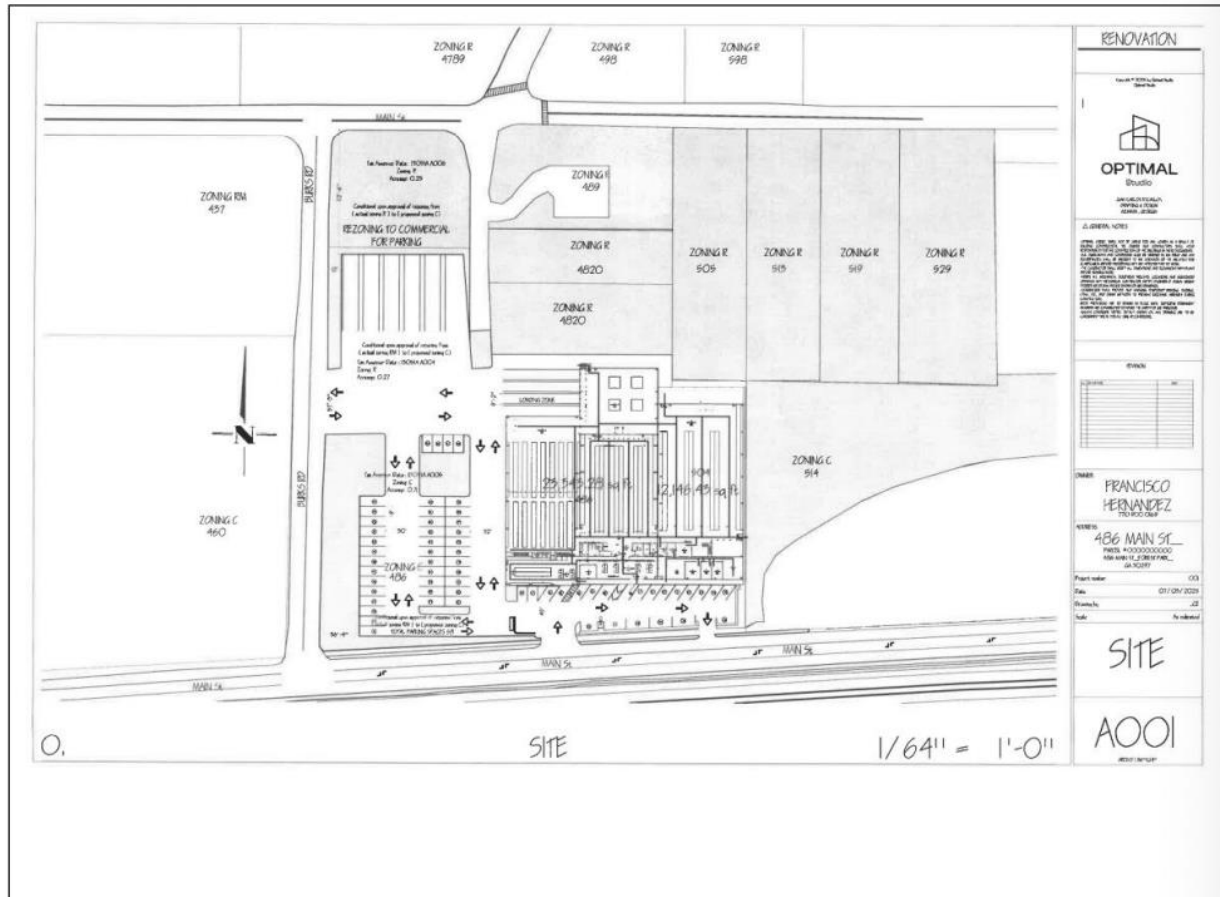
## BOUNDARY SURVEY





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## SITE PLAN



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## Impact Summary

Would the proposed amendment be consistent and compatible with the city's land use and development, plans, goals, and objectives? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** *Yes, the proposed amendment is consistent with the City's land use plans and goals. Rezoning only the corner lot supports commercial use along Main Street while preserving residential character behind it, aligning with the City's objective for balanced, context-sensitive development.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no impact on traffic safety and congestion in the streets? ☐ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☒ **No Impact** *The proposed amendment is expected to have minimal impact on traffic safety and congestion. Limiting the rezoning to the corner lot allows for controlled commercial use along Main Street, a corridor better suited to handle increased activity. The applicant's plan to develop a dedicated, code-compliant parking area in advance of operations will help manage vehicle circulation, reduce on-street parking, and minimize potential congestion.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no relationship to safety from fire and other dangers? ☐ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☒ **No Relationship** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no negative impact on safety from fire or other dangers. Any future development on the rezoned parcel will be required to meet all applicable fire codes, building standards, and safety regulations. The applicant is working with a licensed architect to ensure compliance, which supports safe site design and emergency access.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence on the public health and general welfare of the city? ☒ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☐ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to promote the public health and general welfare of the city. By supporting appropriately scaled commercial use along Main Street and preserving residential zoning in the rear, the amendment encourages orderly development, reduces potential land use conflicts, and ensures that future business operations can provide adequate parking and infrastructure—contributing to a safer, more functional environment for residents and visitors.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease or to have no influence on the adequacy of light and air? ☐ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☒ **No Influence** *Rezoning is limited to the corner lot along Main Street, which is adjacent to commercial and multifamily uses, while the rear residential parcels remain unchanged. This preserves the existing residential character and spacing that ensures adequate light and air for surrounding properties.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no influence on the overcrowding of land? ☐ **Cause** ☐ **Prevent** ☒ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no influence on the overcrowding of land. The rezoning is limited to the corner parcel and will facilitate organized commercial development with adequate parking, rather than increasing density or overloading the site. The surrounding residential parcels remain unchanged, maintaining existing land use patterns.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no relationship on the population distribution within the city, thus creating any area as dense in population as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the city? ☐ **Cause** ☐ **Prevent** ☒ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to have no relationship to population distribution or density. The rezoning focuses on commercial use of a corner lot and does not involve residential development changes that would significantly affect population patterns or density in the area. Therefore, it will not impact the city's health, safety, or general welfare related to population concentration.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to impede, to facilitate, or to have no impact on the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, other public services, utilities, or facilities?

☐ **Impede** ☒ **Facilitate** ☐ **No Impact.** *The proposed amendment is expected to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, and other public services. By allowing a planned commercial use with a dedicated parking area, the amendment supports organized development that meets City infrastructure standards. The applicant's commitment to working with licensed professionals ensures compliance with all necessary public service and utility requirements, promoting efficient and sustainable service provision.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to be compatible with environmental conditions in light of surrounding developments? If compatible, what factors, if any, would diminish the value, use and enjoyment of surrounding properties? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** *The proposed amendment is compatible with the surrounding environmental conditions and development patterns. Rezoning is limited to the corner lot along a busy corridor, which is already transitioning toward commercial use. The preservation of residential zoning on the rear parcels helps maintain neighborhood character and buffers. The applicant's plans for stormwater management, landscaping, and buffering will further minimize any potential negative impacts. Factors that could diminish the value or enjoyment of surrounding properties are expected to be minimal due to thoughtful site design and adherence to City standards. Continued monitoring of landscaping and buffer effectiveness is recommended to ensure ongoing compatibility.*

Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence upon the aesthetic effect of existing and future uses of the property and the surrounding area?

☒ **Promote** ☐ **Diminish** ☐ **No Influence** *The proposed amendment is expected to promote the aesthetic quality of the property and surrounding area. By concentrating commercial use on the corner lot along Main Street, where such development is appropriate, and preserving residential zoning in the rear, the amendment encourages a well-planned transition in land use. The applicant's commitment to landscaping, buffer zones, and compliance with design standards will enhance the visual appeal and maintain neighborhood character.*

Would the proposed amendment have measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent property? ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No** *The proposed amendment to rezone the property from RM (Multiple-Family Residential) to GC (General Commercial) is not expected to have a measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent properties. The rezoning is focused on a corner lot already suited for commercial use, and the preservation of residential zoning on the rear parcels helps protect the character and stability of the neighborhood. Thoughtful site design, buffering, and compliance with City standards will help maintain property values and neighborhood desirability.*

Would the proposed amendment create an isolated district, unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts?

☐ **Yes** ☒ **No** *No, the proposed amendment would not create an isolated district. Rezoning the corner parcel to commercial use aligns with existing commercial and multifamily uses along Main Street, creating a logical extension of the commercial corridor. The retention of residential zoning on the adjacent rear parcels maintains a cohesive transition to surrounding residential neighborhoods, ensuring land use compatibility.*

#### **Staff Review**

Public Works, Police, and Fire departments did not conduct formal reviews for this rezoning request, as no site development or building plans have been submitted at this stage. Additional departmental reviews will be required during the site plan and permitting process.

#### **Planning & Community Development Department**

Planning Staff has conducted a full review of the rezoning request and supports the recommendation to rezone only the corner parcel fronting Main Street. This recommendation is based on land use compatibility, existing zoning patterns, and alignment with the City's development goals. The remaining



parcels should retain residential zoning to preserve neighborhood character and provide an appropriate buffer between commercial and residential uses.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the rezoning request for the corner parcel located at 486 Main Street (Parcel #13080A E005) from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC), with the condition that the two rear parcels (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006) remain zoned Two-Family Residential (RT).

This recommendation is based on a detailed review of existing land use patterns, zoning compatibility, infrastructure capacity, and the City's long-range development goals. The subject corner lot fronts Main Street, a corridor that exhibits a mix of residential, institutional, and commercial uses, and is generally appropriate for limited commercial activity. The lot's location at a signalized intersection provides suitable access and visibility for commercial use without burdening the surrounding residential streets.

Rezoning only the front-facing parcel strikes a balance between accommodating the applicant's stated intent, to develop a code-compliant parking area supporting future commercial operations and maintaining the integrity of the adjacent residential neighborhood. Staff finds that this approach creates a logical land use transition and avoids the potential for commercial encroachment deeper into the block, which could disrupt established residential patterns and diminish neighborhood character.

The following **conditions** shall apply:

1. **Limit of Rezoning:** Only the parcel at 486 Main Street (Parcel #13080A E005) shall be rezoned. The two rear parcels (Parcel #13051A A004 and #13051A A006) shall remain zoned RT.
2. **Site Plan Review:** Prior to any construction or use of the site for commercial purposes, the applicant shall submit a full site plan for review and approval by the Planning Department and applicable City departments. The site plan must address:
  - o Parking layout and access points.
  - o Landscaping and buffer requirements.
  - o Stormwater management.
  - o Compliance with all applicable zoning and development standards.
3. **Buffering:** A landscape buffer, as required by the City's zoning ordinance, shall be provided along the western and northern edges of the commercial parcel to mitigate visual and noise impacts on adjacent residential properties.
4. **Use Restrictions:** The commercial zoning shall be limited to uses that are compatible with neighborhood-scale development, as determined by the final zoning designation and subject to Planning Commission review and Final approval by Mayor & Council, if applicable.

Staff finds that this conditional approval facilitates the applicant's operational needs, supports orderly development along a transitioning corridor, and preserves the residential quality of the neighborhood interior. The recommendation aligns with sound planning principles and the City's broader goals for sustainable, context-sensitive growth.

**File Attachments for Item:**

**4. Council Approval of an Ordinance for Case # CUP-2025-04- Conditional Use Permit for 5000 Governors Dr to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2- PCD Department**

CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

# City Council Agenda Item

**Subject:** Council Discussion to approve Case # CUP-2025-04- Conditional Use Permit for 5000 Governors Dr to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.

**Submitted By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner, Planning & Community Development Department

**Date Submitted:** August 25, 2025

**Work Session Date:** September 02, 2025

**Council Meeting Date:** September 02, 2025

## Background/History:

The applicant is requesting approval for a Conditional use permit to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2. Per Sec 8-8-28. - Single family residential district (RS), Assisted living/nursing home and residential care facility for children and adults require a conditional use permit to operate within the Single-Family Residential District. On August 21, 2025, The Planning Commission voted to approve the Conditional Use Permit.

The proposed location is currently developed as a licensed memory care and assisted living facility known as Governor's Glen. It operates under a previously approved Conditional Use Permit (CUP) that allows for a long-term residential care facility within the RS zoning classification. The applicant is now requesting approval of a new CUP to reflect a change in ownership and business name. The new permit would formally recognize the new ownership entity while maintaining compliance with the City's land use requirements. No changes are proposed to the existing land use, building footprint, operations, or intensity of use. The facility will continue to serve as an assisted living residence for seniors requiring cognitive and physical care.

**Cost:** N/A

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Financial Impact:**

**Action Requested from Council:** To approve case # CUP-2025-04



July 29, 2025

Clayton News Daily  
P.O. Box 368  
Jonesboro, GA 30253

Please run the following Public Hearings Section of the August 06, August 13, and August 20, 2025, Editions.

**TO THE CITIZENS OF FOREST PARK, CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: The City of Forest Park Planning Commission will conduct a meeting on a series of Public Hearings for the purpose of considering the matters listed below. The Public Hearings will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers located at 745 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297. The Mayor and City Council will conduct a meeting of Public Hearings for the listed Conditional Use Permit and Rezoning at Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers, 745 Forest Parkway, on Monday September 1, at 6:00 p.m.

- **Case #CUP-2025-04** – Conditional Use Permit for 5000 Governors Dr, Parcel ID # **13051C A003B**. The applicant, Seacoast at Governors Glen, is requesting a conditional use permit to establish and operate an Assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.
- **Case# VAR-2025-10**-Variance Request for 3953 Jonesboro Road, Parcel # **13015A A012**. The applicant, Robert King, is requesting a variance to allow the reduction of the rear yard setback from the required thirty (30) feet to twenty-five (25) feet, an increase in the maximum lot coverage from the required seventy percent (70%) to seventy-six percent (76%), and a reduction in the required parking from fifty-eight (58) spaces to twenty-nine (29) spaces. These variances are being requested to permit the construction of a gasoline service station with an attached restaurant suite/business space in the General Commercial (GC) District, located in Ward 1.
- **Case# VAR-2025-12** -Variance Request for 459 Cynthia LN, Parcel # **13083C B001**. The applicant, Brenda Lopez, is requesting a variance to allow an increase of the allowed maximum accessory structure square footage by 241.73 square feet. This variance is being requested to construct an 841.73 square foot accessory structure in the rear yard of the property located within the Single-Family Residential (RS) District, located in Ward 4.
- **Case# RZ-2025-02** - Rezone Request for 486 Main St, Parcel # **13051A A005** and 0 Burks Rd, Parcel # **13051A A004** and Parcel # **13051A A006**. The applicant, Yaritza Hernandez, is requesting to rezone the property from Multiple-Family Residential District (RM) to General Commercial District (GC) to allow the development of a unified parking area supporting future business operations in Ward 2.

SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner  
Planning & Community Development Department

404-366-4720



# CITY OF FOREST PARK

Item # 4.

Planning & Community Development Department  
785 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, Georgia 30297  
(404) 366-4720

## Staff Report – Conditional Use Permit

Public Hearing Date: August 21, 2025

City Council Meeting: September 01, 2025

**Case:** CUP-2025-04

**Current Zoning:** **Downtown** Single Family Residential District (RS)

**Proposed Request:** Applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to establish and operate an assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.

**Ward District:** 2

**Staff Report Compiled By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner

**Staff Recommendation:** Approval of Conditional Use

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

**Owner of Record:**

**Name:** Forest Park, GA Realco, LLC

**Address:** 5000 GOVERNORS DR

**City/State:** Forest Park, GA 30297

**Applicant:**

**Name:** Seacoast at Governors Glen

(Stephen Nadeau)

**Address:** 2800 E Silver Springs BLVD STE 205

**City/State:** Ocala, FL 34470

### PROPERTY INFORMATION

**Parcel Number:** 13051C A003B

**Address:** 5000 GOVERNORS DR

**Acreage:** 6.7 +/-

**FLU:** Mixed Use Office/Professional

### SUMMARY & BACKGROUND

The applicant for 5000 Governors Dr is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to establish and operate an assisted living facility on approximately 6.7+/- acre parcel. The subject property is located south of Forest Parkway, with its access terminating at the southern end of Governors Drive, a private loop road that serves the site exclusively. The site is currently developed as a licensed memory care and assisted living facility known as Governor's Glen, which includes one primary structure with supporting parking, access drives, and landscaped areas. The property is zoned within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) and is subject to a previously approved Conditional Use Permit (CUP) allowing operation of a long-term residential care facility within the RS zoning classification.

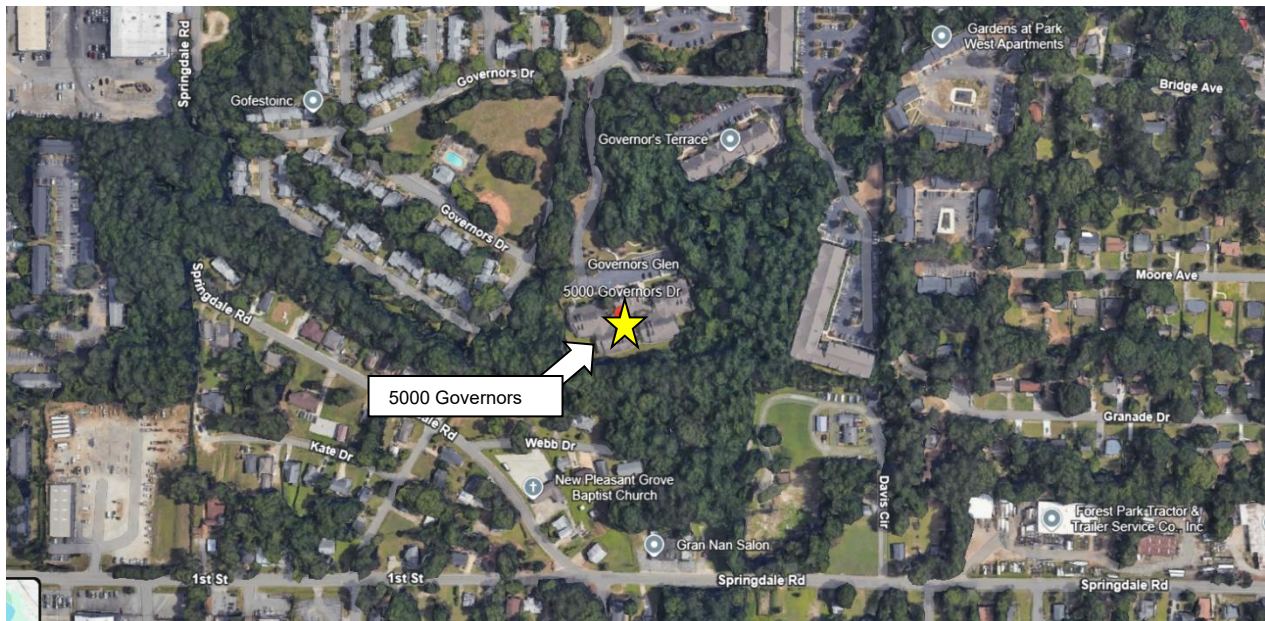
The applicant is requesting approval of a new Conditional Use Permit due to a change in ownership and business name. The proposed CUP would reflect the new ownership entity and maintain compliance with the City's land use requirements. No changes to the existing land use, building footprint, operations, or intensity of the use are proposed. The facility will continue to operate as an assisted living residence for seniors with cognitive and physical care needs.

### Property Zoned General Commercial District (GC)

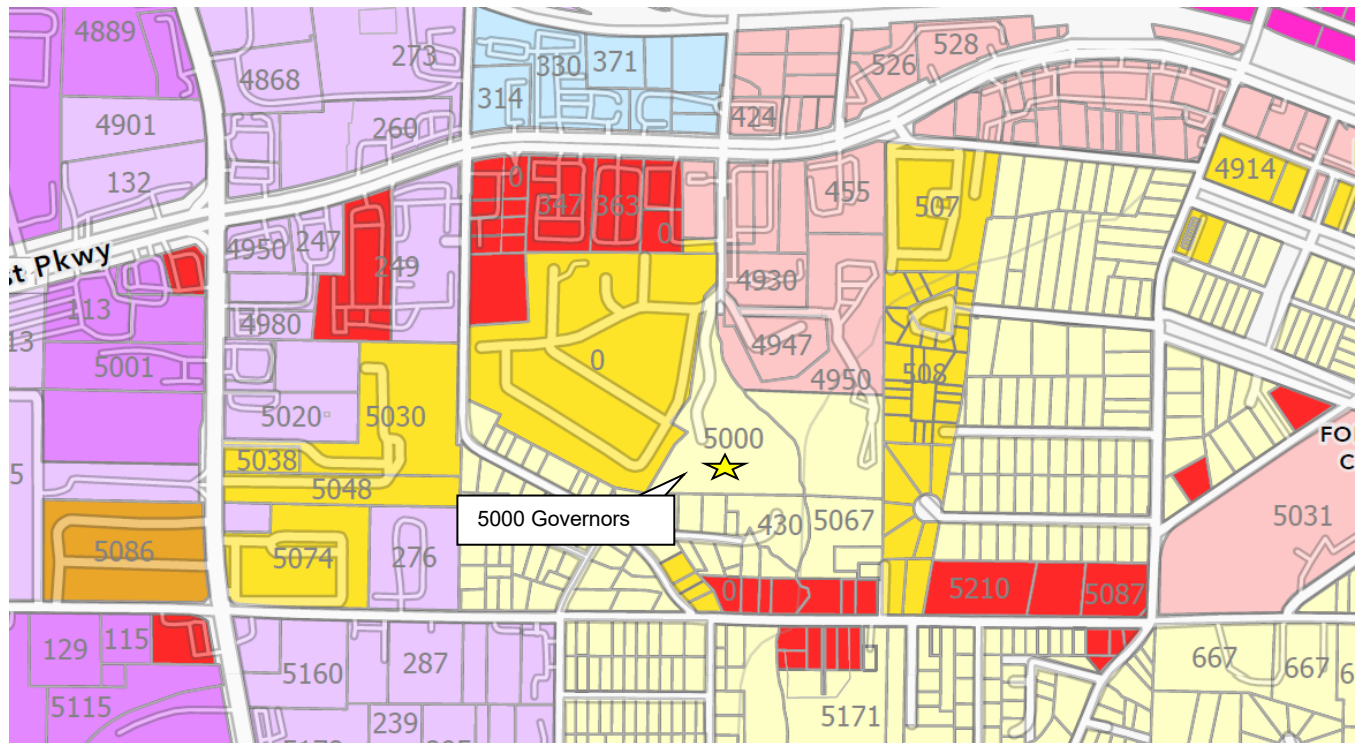
#### ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES

Direction	Zoning & Use	Direction	Zoning & Use
North	RM: Multiple Family Residential District and Institutional Commercial District	East	IC: Institutional Commercial District And RS: Single-Family Residential
South	RS: Single-Family Residential	West	RM: Multiple Family Residential District

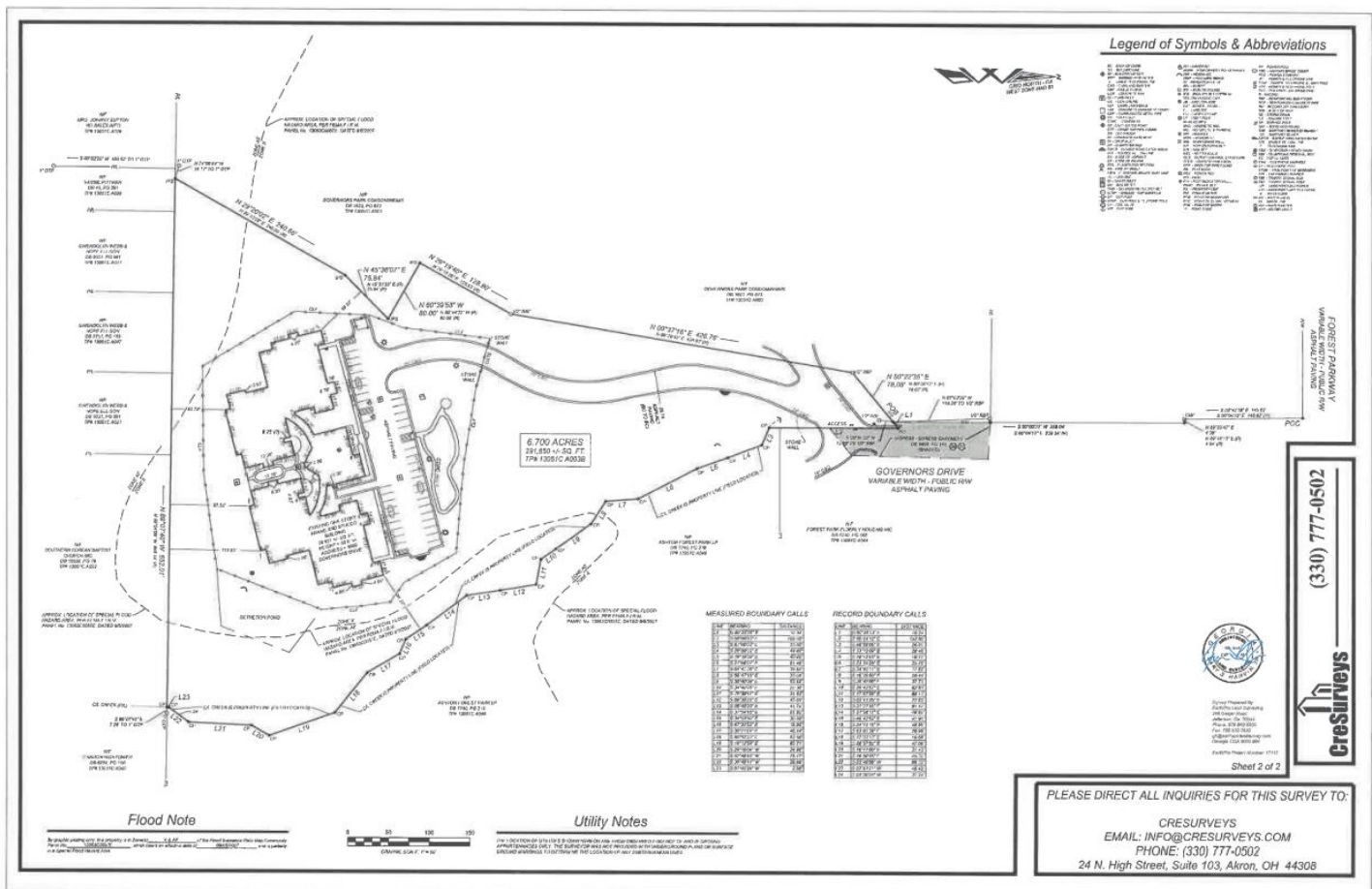
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## ZONING MAP

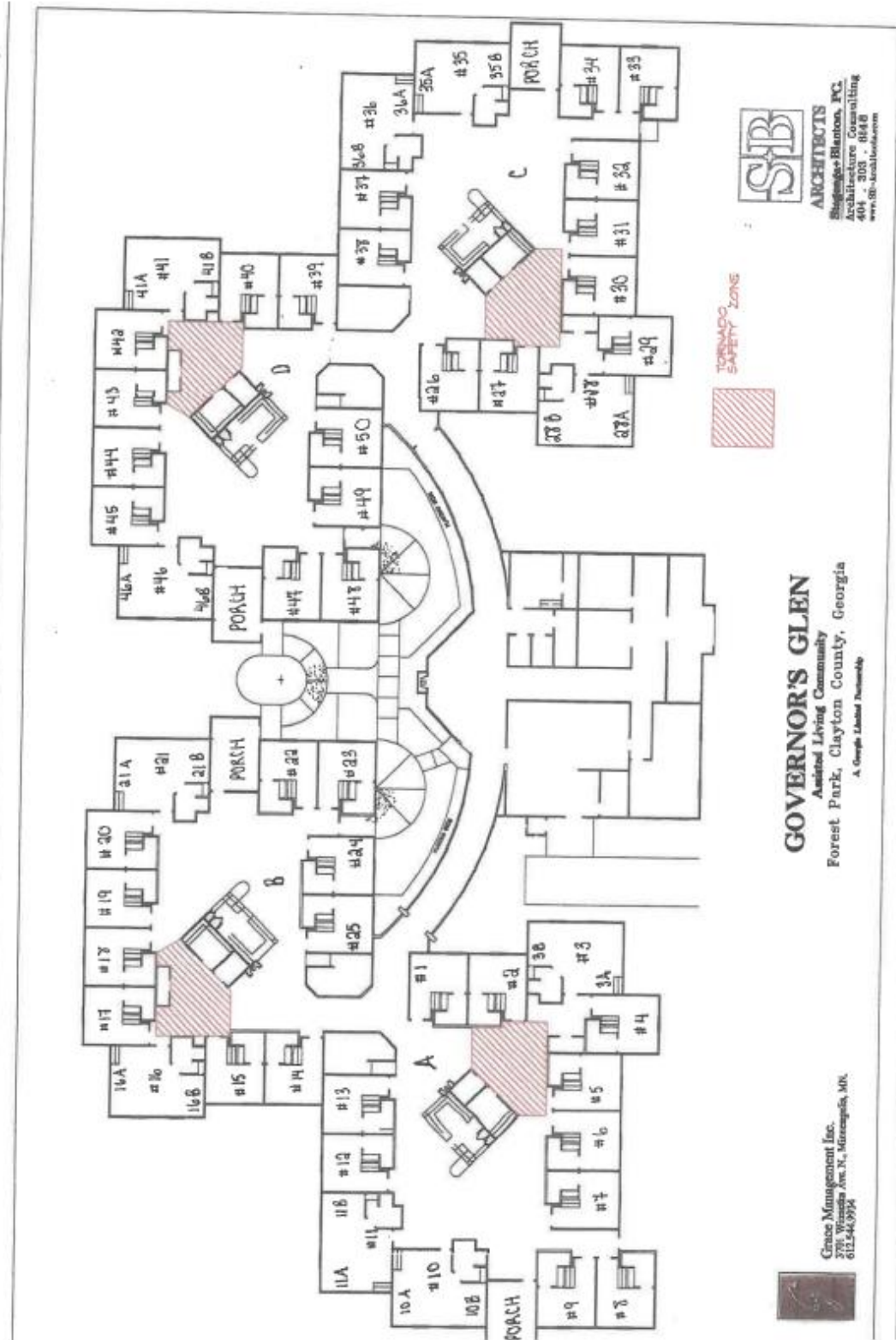


## SURVEY

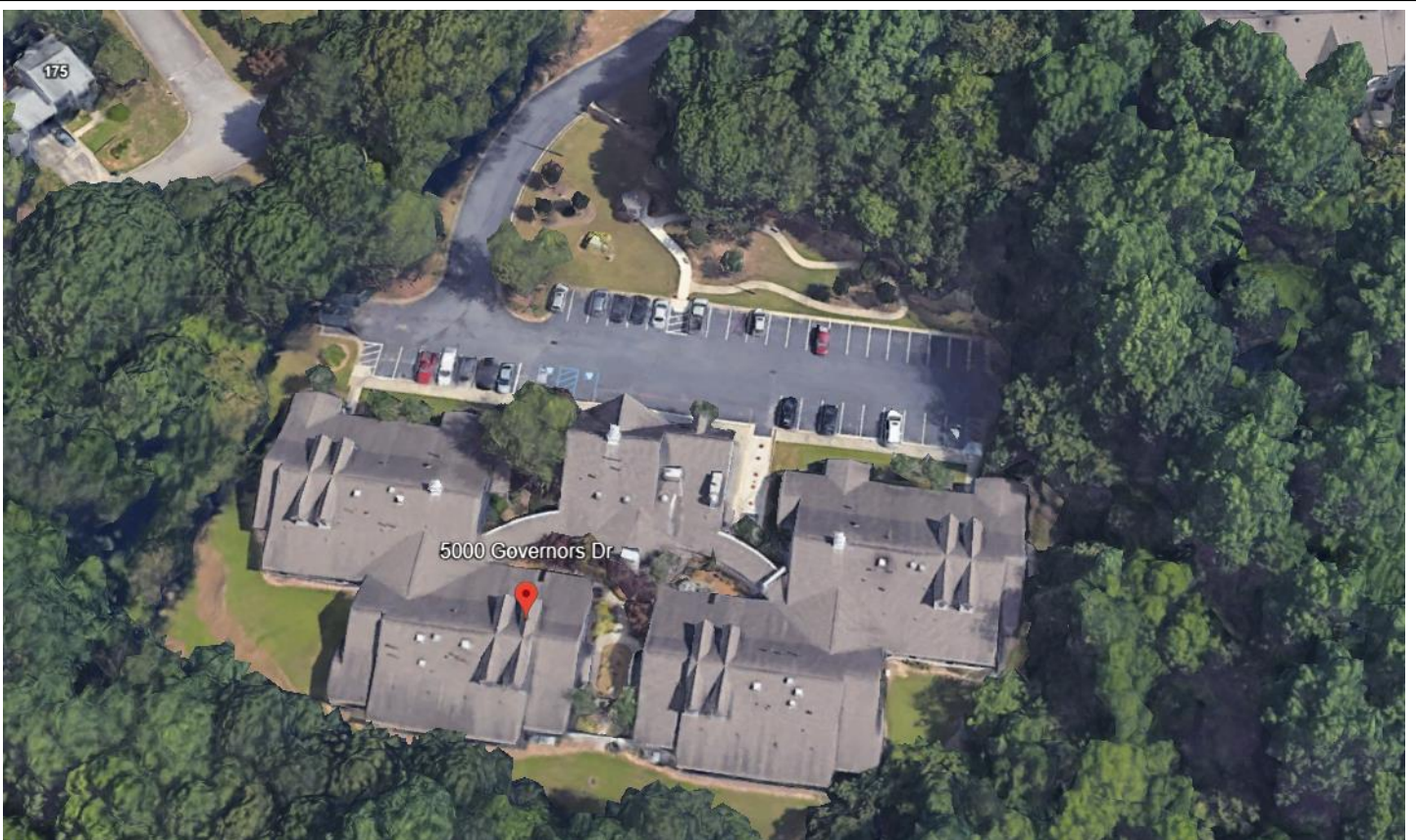
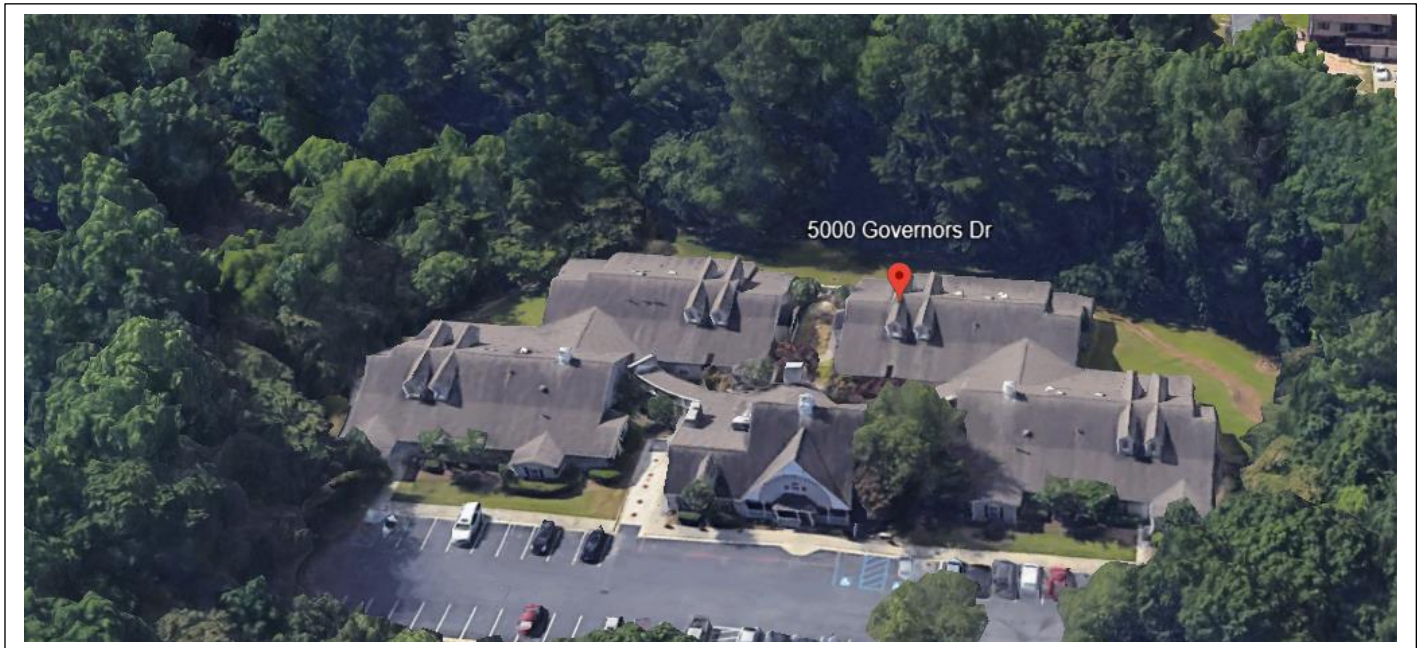




SITE PLAN



**SITE PHOTOS**





## ZONING CRITERIA AND ANALYSIS

1. **Would the proposed amendment be consistent and compatible with the City's land use and development, plans, goals, and objectives?** Yes, the proposed Conditional Use Permit is consistent with the City's land use and development plans. The use remains unchanged and continues to align with the intent of the existing zoning and previously approved CUP. The amendment reflects a change in ownership only and maintains compatibility with surrounding development.
2. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no impact on traffic safety and congestion in the streets?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no impact** on traffic safety or congestion. No changes are proposed to the site's operations, intensity of use, or access points, and the facility will continue to operate as it has under the existing CUP.
3. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no relationship to safety from fire and other dangers?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no relationship** to safety from fire or other dangers. There are no changes to the building, operations, or site layout, and the facility will continue to meet all applicable safety codes and licensing requirements.
4. **Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence on the public health and general welfare of the city?** The proposed amendment would **promote** the public health and general welfare by ensuring the continued operation of a licensed assisted living facility that provides essential care services to seniors, without altering the existing use or intensity.
5. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease or to have no influence on the adequacy of light and air?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no influence** on the adequacy of light and air, as no changes are proposed to the building footprint, height, or site layout.
6. **Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no influence on the overcrowding of land?** The proposed amendment would have **no influence** on the overcrowding of land. The existing facility is appropriately scaled for the 6.7-acre site, and no expansion or intensification of use is proposed.
7. **Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no relationship with the population distribution within the city, thus creating any area so dense in population as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the city?** The proposed amendment would have **no relationship** with population distribution within the city. It does not increase residential density or alter the use of the site, and therefore poses no adverse impact on health, safety, or general welfare related to population concentration.
8. **Would the proposed amendment tend to impede, to facilitate, or to have no impact on the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, other**

**public services, utilities, or facilities?** The proposed amendment would have **no impact** on the provision of transportation, water, sewerage, utilities, or other public services. Existing infrastructure is already in place and sufficient to support the continued use of the facility without modification.

9. **Would the proposed amendment tend to be compatible with environmental conditions in light of surrounding developments? If compatible, what factors, if any, would diminish the value, use and enjoyment of surrounding properties?** The proposed amendment would be compatible with environmental conditions and surrounding developments. The use remains unchanged, and the facility has operated without known negative impacts. No factors are anticipated that would diminish the value, use, or enjoyment of surrounding properties.
10. **Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence upon the aesthetic effect of existing and future uses of the property and the surrounding area?** The proposed amendment would have **no influence** on the aesthetic effect of existing or future uses of the property and surrounding area. No physical changes to the site, structures, or landscaping are proposed.
11. **Would the proposed amendment have measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent property?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no measurable adverse economic effect** on the value of surrounding or adjacent properties. The use remains the same, and the facility has operated compatibly within the area without negatively impacting property values.
12. **Would the proposed amendment create an isolated district unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts?** No, the proposed amendment would not create an isolated district. The use is consistent with the existing Conditional Use Permit and remains integrated within the surrounding zoning and land use.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends **APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST** to establish and operate an assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.

Attachments Included:

- Application
- Letter of Intent
- Authorization of Property Owner
- Floor Plan

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE BY MAYOR ANGELYNE BUTLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, TO APPROVE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5000 GOVERNORS DRIVE, FOREST PARK, GEORGIA 30297 (PARCEL ID 13051C A003B); TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City is the duly elected governing authority thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body is authorized by its authorized by its Charter to regulate zoning within the limits of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the total subject property is approximately 6.7 acres located at 5000 Governors Drive, Forest Park, Georgia 30297 (Parcel ID 13051C A003B) (“Property”) and is currently zoned within the Single-family Residential district (RS zoning district”); and

**WHEREAS**, Seacoast at Governors Glen (“Applicant”) has requested a conditional use permit (“CUP”) to establish and operate an assisted living facility at the Property within the RS Zoning District; and

**WHEREAS**, the subject property is currently developed and operating as a licensed memory care and assisted living facility under a previously approved Conditional Use Permit, and the current request is due to a change in ownership with no proposed changes to the land use, building footprint, operations, or intensity of use; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Planner and Planning Commission recommend approval of the CUP application *subject to certain conditions* included in the City’s Staff Report, more particularly described in

**Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority finds that the CUP application does conform to the requirements of its designated zoning district, and the proposed use shall not negatively impact the surrounding properties and is consistent with the City's future land use; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Procedures Act has been properly held prior to the adoption of this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the citizens of the City will be positively impacted by the adoption of this Ordinance.

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**, and by the authority thereof:

**Section 1.** The Applicant's request for the CUP concerning the Property to establish and operate an assisted living facility within the RS Zoning District is hereby approved, subject to all conditions being met contained within the City's Staff Report.

**Section 2.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein,

**Section 3.** (a) The approval granted herein is subject to all applicable local, state, and federal regulations, including but not limited to building codes, fire safety codes, and business licensing requirements.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid,



unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance and that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

**Section 4.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of unless otherwise specified therein.

**Section 5.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6.** The Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia and the City of Forest Park, Georgia. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provision of this ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code Ordinances, City of Forest Park, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

**Section 7.** The City Clerk, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, is authorized to correct any scrivener's errors found in this Ordinance, including its exhibits, as enacted.

**SO ORDAINED** this 2nd day of September, 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED BY:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*

## EXHIBIT A



## CITY OF FOREST PARK

Planning & Community Development Department  
785 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, Georgia 30297  
(404) 366-4720

## Staff Report – Conditional Use Permit

Public Hearing Date: August 21, 2025

City Council Meeting: September 01, 2025

Case: CUP-2025-04

**Current Zoning:** Downtown Single Family Residential District (RS)

**Proposed Request:** Applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to establish and operate an assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.

**Ward District:** 2

**Staff Report Compiled By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner

**Staff Recommendation:** Approval of Conditional Use

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

**Owner of Record:**

**Name:** Forest Park, GA Realco, LLC

**Address:** 5000 GOVERNORS DR

**City/State:** Forest Park, GA 30297

**Applicant:**

**Name:** Seacoast at Governors Glen  
(Stephen Nadeau)

**Address:** 2800 E Silver Springs BLVD STE 205

**City/State:** Ocala, FL 34470

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

**Parcel Number:** 13051C A003B

**Address:** 5000 GOVERNORS DR

**Acreage:** 6.7 +/-

**FLU:** Mixed Use Office/Professional

## SUMMARY &amp; BACKGROUND

The applicant for 5000 Governors Dr is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to establish and operate an assisted living facility on approximately 6.7+/- acre parcel. The subject property is located south of Forest Parkway, with its access terminating at the southern end of Governors Drive, a private loop road that serves the site exclusively. The site is currently developed as a licensed memory care and assisted living facility known as Governor's Glen, which includes one primary structure with supporting parking, access drives, and landscaped areas. The property is zoned within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) and is subject to a previously approved Conditional Use Permit (CUP) allowing operation of a long-term residential care facility within the RS zoning classification.

The applicant is requesting approval of a new Conditional Use Permit due to a change in ownership and business name. The proposed CUP would reflect the new ownership entity and maintain compliance with the City's land use requirements. No changes to the existing land use, building footprint, operations, or intensity of the use are proposed. The facility will continue to operate as an assisted living residence for seniors with cognitive and physical care needs.

### Property Zoned General Commercial District (GC)

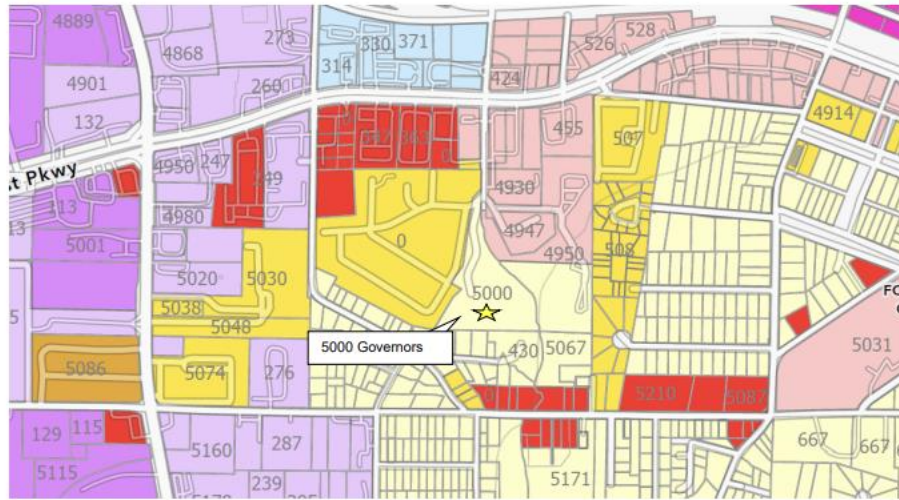
#### ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES

Direction	Zoning & Use	Direction	Zoning & Use
North	RM: Multiple Family Residential District and Institutional Commercial District	East	IC: Institutional Commercial District And RS: Single-Family Residential
South	RS: Single-Family Residential	West	RM: Multiple Family Residential District

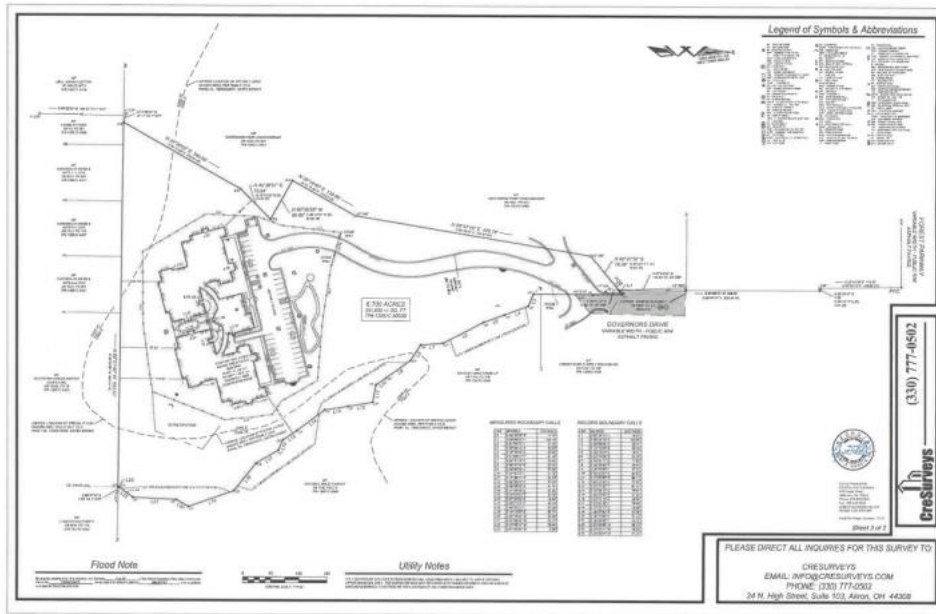
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**ZONING MAP**

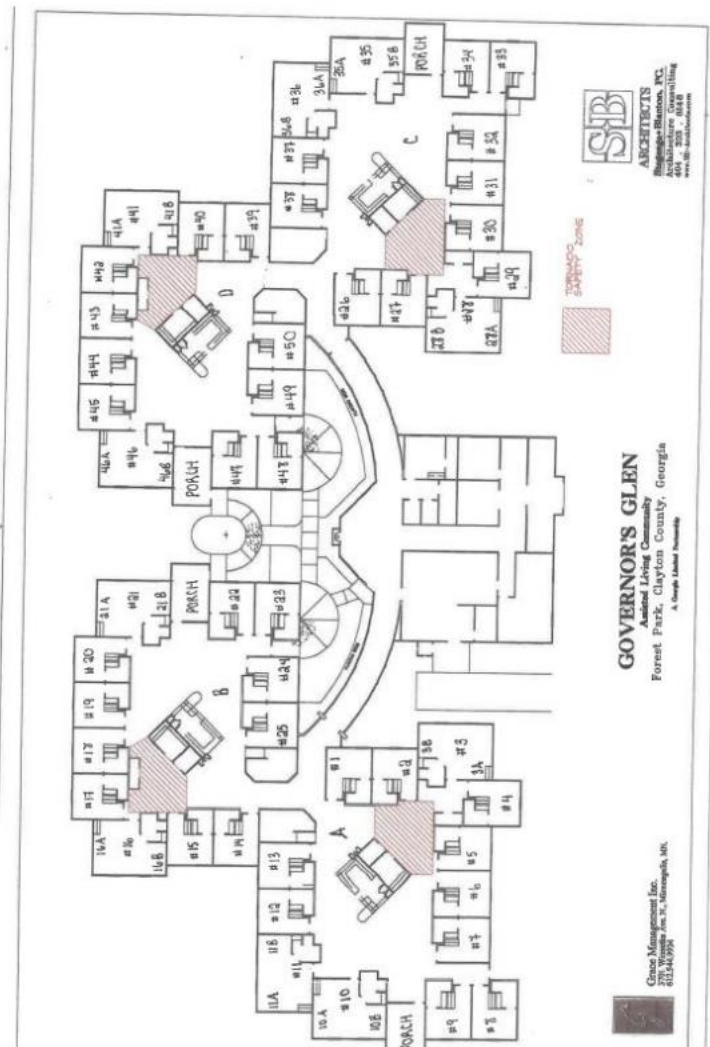


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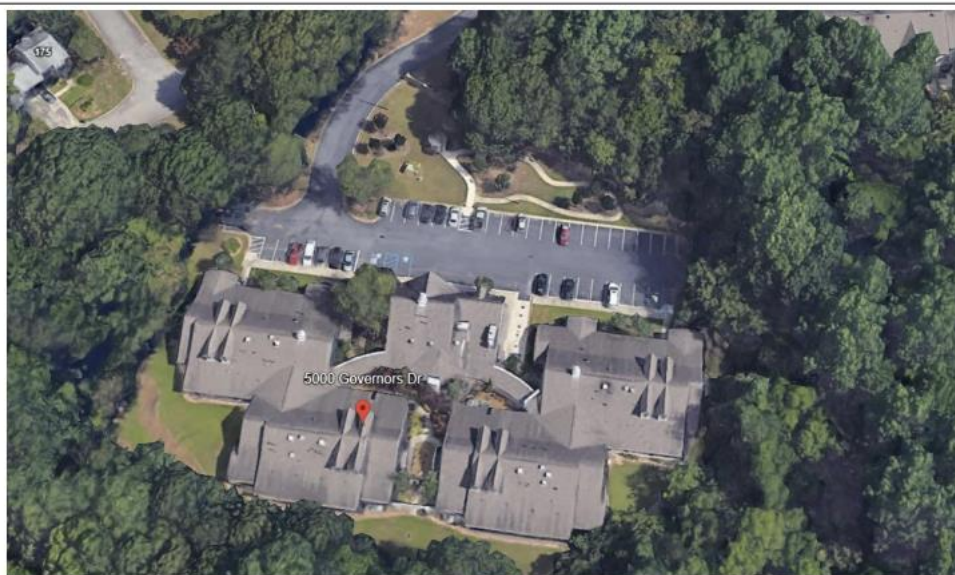
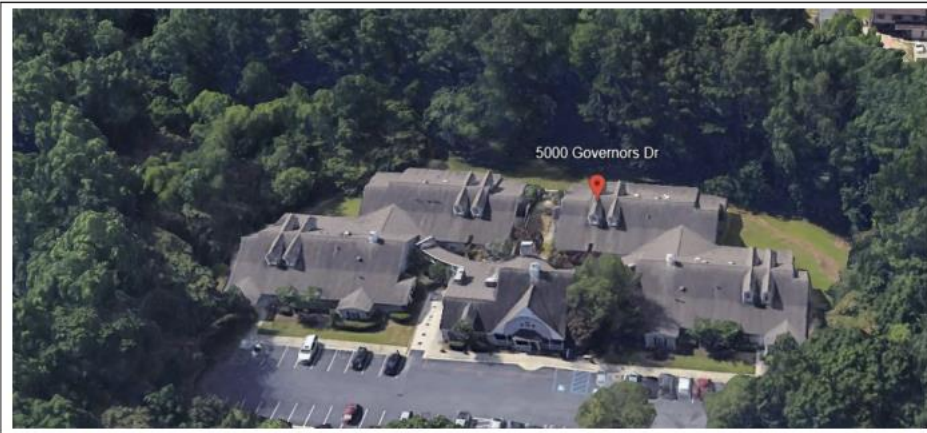




## SITE PLAN



SITE PHOTOS



## ZONING CRITERIA AND ANALYSIS

1. **Would the proposed amendment be consistent and compatible with the City's land use and development, plans, goals, and objectives?** Yes, the proposed Conditional Use Permit is consistent with the City's land use and development plans. The use remains unchanged and continues to align with the intent of the existing zoning and previously approved CUP. The amendment reflects a change in ownership only and maintains compatibility with surrounding development.
2. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no impact on traffic safety and congestion in the streets?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no impact** on traffic safety or congestion. No changes are proposed to the site's operations, intensity of use, or access points, and the facility will continue to operate as it has under the existing CUP.
3. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no relationship to safety from fire and other dangers?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no relationship** to safety from fire or other dangers. There are no changes to the building, operations, or site layout, and the facility will continue to meet all applicable safety codes and licensing requirements.
4. **Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence on the public health and general welfare of the city?** The proposed amendment would **promote** the public health and general welfare by ensuring the continued operation of a licensed assisted living facility that provides essential care services to seniors, without altering the existing use or intensity.
5. **Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease or to have no influence on the adequacy of light and air?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no influence** on the adequacy of light and air, as no changes are proposed to the building footprint, height, or site layout.
6. **Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no influence on the overcrowding of land?** The proposed amendment would have **no influence** on the overcrowding of land. The existing facility is appropriately scaled for the 6.7-acre site, and no expansion or intensification of use is proposed.
7. **Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no relationship with the population distribution within the city, thus creating any area so dense in population as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the city?** The proposed amendment would have **no relationship** with population distribution within the city. It does not increase residential density or alter the use of the site, and therefore poses no adverse impact on health, safety, or general welfare related to population concentration.
8. **Would the proposed amendment tend to impede, to facilitate, or to have no impact on the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, other**

**public services, utilities, or facilities?** The proposed amendment would have **no impact** on the provision of transportation, water, sewerage, utilities, or other public services. Existing infrastructure is already in place and sufficient to support the continued use of the facility without modification.

9. **Would the proposed amendment tend to be compatible with environmental conditions in light of surrounding developments? If compatible, what factors, if any, would diminish the value, use and enjoyment of surrounding properties?** The proposed amendment would be compatible with environmental conditions and surrounding developments. The use remains unchanged, and the facility has operated without known negative impacts. No factors are anticipated that would diminish the value, use, or enjoyment of surrounding properties.
10. **Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence upon the aesthetic effect of existing and future uses of the property and the surrounding area?** The proposed amendment would have **no influence** on the aesthetic effect of existing or future uses of the property and surrounding area. No physical changes to the site, structures, or landscaping are proposed.
11. **Would the proposed amendment have measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent property?** The proposed amendment is expected to have **no measurable adverse economic effect** on the value of surrounding or adjacent properties. The use remains the same, and the facility has operated compatibly within the area without negatively impacting property values.
12. **Would the proposed amendment create an isolated district unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts?** No, the proposed amendment would not create an isolated district. The use is consistent with the existing Conditional Use Permit and remains integrated within the surrounding zoning and land use.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends **APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST** to establish and operate an assisted living facility within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.

Attachments Included:

- Application
- Letter of Intent
- Authorization of Property Owner
- Floor Plan

**File Attachments for Item:**

**5. Council Approval of a Resolution for a Blanket Purchase Order (BPO) for Tactical Gear Supply – Police Department**



CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

## City Council Agenda Item

**Title of Agenda Item:** Council Discussion and Approval of Blanket Purchase Order for Tactical Gear Supply – The City of Forest Park Police Department

**Submitted By:** Chief Brandon Criss

**Date Submitted:** August 22, 2025

**Work Session Date:** September 2, 2025

**Council Meeting Date:** September 2, 2025

### Background/History:

The City of Forest Park Police Department respectfully requests approval to create a Blanket Purchase Order (BPO) with **Tactical Gear Supply** for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 to cover the purchase of police officer uniforms and related equipment. This includes, but is not limited to, dress pants and shirts, BDU pants, polos, badges, patches, belts, hats, and other essential gear.

Approval of this BPO will ensure that the department can maintain consistent uniform standards and provide officers with the necessary equipment to perform their duties effectively and professionally.

The total requested amount is **\$58,000.00**, to be allocated from **Fund 100-31-3210-53-1702**

**Action Requested from Council: Vote for Approval**

**Cost:** \$58,000.00

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes   x   No

**Financial Impact:** Not applicable

**File Attachments for Item:**

**6. Council Approval of an Ordinance on the Proposed Amendment to the Charter to Amend Section 2.15 (Inquiries and Investigations) of Article II (Governmental Structure)- Executive Office**

CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

## City Council Agenda Item

**Title of Agenda Item:** Council Discussion- Proposed Amendment to the Charter to Amend Section 2.15 (Inquiries and Investigations) of Article II (Governmental Structure)

**Submitted By:** Executive Offices

**Date Submitted:** 8/26/2025

**Work Session Date:** 9/2/2025

**Council Meeting Date:** 9/2/2025

### Background/History:

In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3, the Mayor and Council of the City of Forest Park are authorized to amend the City Charter. The proposed amendment seeks to revise Section 2.15, "Inquiries and Investigations," of Article II, "Governmental Structure."

At the recent strategic planning retreat, there was general consensus to amend the Charter, by revising the process in which investigations are conducted by the governing body. With the adoption of this revision, investigations are still possible, but would require approval of the Governing Body.

**Action Requested from Council:** Approval

**Cost:** \$

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

**Financial Impact:**

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_**

1           AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK BY  
2   AMENDING ARTICLE II (GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE), PART 1 (COUNCIL  
3   COMPOSITION), SECTION 2.15 (INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS); TO PROVIDE FOR  
4   SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN  
5   ADOPTION DATE; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER  
6   LAWFUL PURPOSES.

7           **WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Forest Park, Georgia  
8   (hereinafter the “City”) is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the City desires to amend its Charter by home rule ordinance; and

10          **WHEREAS**, a synopsis of this Ordinance shall be advertised once per week for three (3)  
11   weeks within sixty (60) days preceding the final adoption of this Ordinance, in accordance with  
12   Section 36-35-3(b)(1) of the Official Code of Georgia, in a newspaper of general circulation on  
13   August 6, 2025, August 13, 2025, and August 20, 2025; and

14          **WHEREAS**, the notice of the adoption of this Ordinance provides that a copy of the  
15   proposed ordinance shall be available for inspection in the Office of the Forest Park City Clerk  
16   and the Office of the Clayton County Superior Court Clerk, in accordance with Section 36-35-  
17   3(b)(1) of the Official Code of Georgia, and a copy of the proposed ordinance shall be placed in  
18   said locations; and

19          **WHEREAS**, this Ordinance shall be considered at two (2) consecutive public meetings,  
20   no less than seven (7) and no more than sixty (60) days apart, in accordance with Section 36-35-

3(b)(1) of the Official Code of Georgia, with public meetings held on September 2, 2025 and September 15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendments contained herein will benefit the health, safety, morals, and welfare of the citizens of the City.

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA THAT**, and by the authority thereof:

**Section 1.** Section 2.15 (“Inquiries and Investigations”) of Article II (“Governmental Structure”) of the Charter of the City of Forest Park, Georgia is hereby amended with permanent additions in **bold** font and permanent deletions in ~~striketrough~~ font to be read and codified as set forth below:

“Sec. 2.15. - Inquiries and investigations.

The city council may make inquiries and investigations into the affairs of the city and the conduct of any department, office or agency thereof, and for this purpose may subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony, and require the production of evidence. Any person who fails or refuses to obey a lawful order issued in the exercise of these powers by the city council shall be punished as provided by ordinance. ~~The mayor and council members may individually make inquiries of any city employee concerning the operations of the city.”~~

**Section 2.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia and the City.



43           **Section 4.** (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all  
44 sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their  
45 enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

46           (b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest  
47 extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this  
48 Ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this  
49 Ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the  
50 greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance  
51 is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this  
52 Ordinance.

53           (c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance  
54 shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable  
55 by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of  
56 the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the  
57 greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any  
58 of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance and that, to  
59 the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and  
60 sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and  
61 effect.

62           **Section 5.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly  
63 repealed.

64           **Section 6.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of adoption unless  
65 otherwise stated herein.

66           **ORDAINED** this 15th day of September, 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

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*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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*City Attorney*

**File Attachments for Item:**

**7. Council Approval for the selection of a professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for the selection of a new City Manager – Executive Office**



CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

## City Council Agenda Item

**Title of Agenda Item:** Council Discussion for the selection of a professional nationwide recruitment firm for the selection of a new City Manager – Executive Office

**Submitted By:** Procurement

**Date Submitted:** 8-25-2025

**Work Session Date:** 9-02-2025

**Council Meeting Date:** 9-02-2025

### Background/History:

Due to the resignation of the city's current City Manager, the Governing Body is seeking to contract with a professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for a new City Manager for the City of Forest Park. The Procurement Division has completed the attached reference of firms' comparison report for the Governing Body's consideration.

**Action Requested from Council:** Approval of selecting a professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for the selection of a new City Manager.

<b>Annual Cost: \$</b>	<b>Budgeted for:</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
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**Financial Impact:**

Executive Recruitment Firms  
Reference Report

Item # 7.

Executive Recruitment Firm	YRS in Business	Clients Serviced	Positions	Cost	Feedback
<b>Sumter (Alpharetta)</b> <b>404-535-0525</b> <b>warren@sumterconsulting.com</b> <b>shawn@sumterconsulting.com</b>	24	City of Chamblee, Stone Mountain, Woodstock, Marietta, Stonecrest and Clayton County Water Authority	Director, City Manager, Police Chief, Deputy Director, Public Safety Director, and Director	<b>\$21,000</b> with Expenses to be reimbursed by the City of Forest Park based on actual documented expenses: Consultant travel and Advertising fees.The flat fee is broken into milestones: 1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the advertising process; 1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the semi-finalist interviews; and 1/3 fee – paid upon start date of the City Manager. Sumter LGC is confident in our process, and if the City of Forest Park decides to start over with the recruitment due to unsatisfactory candidates, or if the chosen candidate doesn’t last one year in the position for any reason, we offer a one-year guarantee. We will complete another search for the City at no charge (except reimbursable expenses).	Offer a one-year guarantee for candidates we recruit. We understand local politics and the complexities of a City or County Manager search process. We understand how to balance transparency and the confidentiality needs of your best candidates. We are cost-effective. With limited overhead, we can offer a competitive price, a customized solution, and personal service.
<b>Slavin (Norcross)</b> <b>770-449-4656</b>	27	City of Stockbridge	City Manager	<b>\$24,521</b> - total not to exceed with the cost for finalist candidates travel to Forest Park for interviews is in addition to the above not-to-exceed amount. Such costs are impossible to forecast and vary widely depending on candidate location, spouse involvement, time required for candidates to be in Forest Park, etc. We will submit monthly invoices for fees and expenses. It is our practice to bill 30% at the start of the searches, 30% at the end of thirty days, 30% at the end of sixty days, and the remaining 10% shortly after the time the new City Manager accepts employment with the City. <b>Anticipated timeline 60-90 days.</b>	

Executive Recruitment Firms  
Reference Report

The Chasin Group (C	22	City of Brookhaven	Director	N/A - no proposal provided	Our expertise is not in this field. We focus on economic development organizations, chambers of commerce, CVBs, and other nonprofits. Referral: Alan Reddish is with the Mercer Group. He is an excellent executive recruiter for local governments and I highly recommend him to lead your search.
RSI (Atlanta)					
Stanton Chase (Atlanta) 770-672-6663	30			Anticipated timeline 90 days.	Sent request for proposal - awaiting response
Mercer Group Associates (Athens) 706-614-4961 alanreddish51@gma		Columbus, GA, Griffin, Woodstock, Bartow County	City Manager Sr. Attorney, CFO		Sent request for proposal - awaiting response



# Recruitment Proposal ----- City Manager



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[www.sumterlocalgovconsulting.com](http://www.sumterlocalgovconsulting.com)  
404.535.0525

City of Forest Park  
745 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297  
Attention: Mayor Angelyne Butler

Dear Mayor Butler,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a proposal for executive search services for the City of Forest Park.

Founded in 2021 by seasoned public servant Warren Hutmacher, Sumter Local Government Consulting (Sumter LGC) delivers tailored management consulting services to local governments and organizations operating within the public sector. Core services include management consulting, interim staffing, and talent recruitment. With more than 25 years of executive leadership experience in municipal government, Warren brings unmatched insight and practical expertise to every engagement.

Sumter LGC understands that recruiting a City Manager is one of the most critical responsibilities a governing body undertakes. This process requires more than matching qualifications to a job description—it requires an in-depth understanding of municipal operations, the political and organizational landscape, and the ability to identify leadership qualities that align with a community's vision and challenges. Having served as City Manager for Johns Creek, Dunwoody, Norcross, and Avondale Estates, Warren has direct experience navigating complex community issues such as transportation, planning, economic development, neighborhood preservation, and parks. His deep familiarity with these issues ensures a high degree of discernment in identifying candidates who can meet the strategic and operational needs of a city.

Sumter LGC's approach to executive recruitment is proactive and highly customized. We engage deeply with stakeholders to understand community values and expectations, develop a candidate profile that reflects both technical competencies and cultural fit, and leverage a robust network of local government professionals to identify and attract top talent—including those not actively seeking new roles.

At the heart of our approach is a deep respect for the unique needs and complexities of local government. Here's what sets us apart:

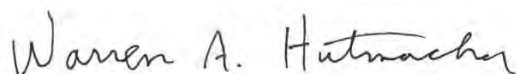
1. We aren't just local government specialists; we spend considerable time getting to know your specific culture, ultimately allowing us to create a customized candidate profile that differentiates good candidates from the right candidates for your local government.
2. We advertise strategically with smart recruitment materials and, most importantly, work aggressively with our extensive local government network and email database to find candidates who are not currently in job search mode. In other words, we do a lot more than place ads and sort resumes.
3. We've hired public sector leaders at all levels, acting as a bridge between candidates and your leadership. We've also been search consultants, clients, and candidates, so we know the process from every angle and always deliver positive results.

4. We have a comprehensive background check process that is both unique and thorough, involving extensive research to avoid surprises and provide you with meaningful information to make informed business decisions.
5. Public service is our passion, and we believe that local governments are most successful when there are strong synergies between the executive team and department heads.

Sumter LGC should be selected for its unique combination of public sector experience, proven leadership, and strategic recruitment capabilities. Our firm is committed to delivering thoughtful, informed, and results-oriented solutions that help local governments find the right leaders to guide their communities forward.

As President of Sumter LGC, I will personally handle this search. Our team is excited to partner with you and find your next City Manager.

Sincerely,



Warren Hutmacher, President  
Sumter Local Government Consulting

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# OVERVIEW

A successful executive search for a City Manager demands more than just recruitment expertise—it requires gaining a deep understanding of the community, its values, and its vision. As a firm focused on serving the public sector, we take pride in conducting thorough research and becoming true advocates for our clients.

We know Georgia and are looking forward to working with the City of Forest Park. We have conducted our research and have a basic understanding of the City of Forest Park and the growth and development challenges it is facing. Forest Park, located in Clayton County, is a city nine miles south of Atlanta, making it part of the wider Atlanta metropolitan area. Forest Park is a vibrant, diverse suburb characterized by affordable living and a youthful demographic. The recent initiatives implemented by the City reflect a strong commitment to workforce development, public safety, and civic participation.

We've reviewed your current projects and challenges. From managing community upliftment and engagement efforts to implementing economic development initiatives that align with sustainable infrastructure planning and improving quality of life, we understand the complexity of what lies ahead. Our successful recruitment efforts for City Managers in Tifton, Guyton, and Winder highlight our preparedness to help Forest Park find a City Manager who can be both a capable representative and a collaborative partner to City officials.

With experience working with cities, we know how to deliver candidates who will advance Forest Park's vision while serving the community professionally and purposefully. The following objectives are designed to align with Forest Park's governance structure, community priorities, and ongoing progressive initiatives. We seek to:

## **1. Attract and Recruit Top Executive Talent**

Implement a recruitment strategy that reaches national, regional, and Georgia-based candidates, ensuring a diverse pool of qualified professionals. Use targeted advertising in professional associations such as ICMA, Georgia City-County Management Association, and our database of management professionals. Recruit professionals with substantial experience in municipal government or comparable executive-level management, possessing deep knowledge of public administration, budgeting, and intergovernmental relations.



## 2. Align Leadership with Forest Park's Strategic Vision

Recruit a City Manager whose experience, values, and leadership style align with Forest Park's priorities, including sustainable growth, economic vitality, and community engagement. Identify candidates who understand the opportunities and challenges of a city. Prioritize a candidate with an unwavering commitment to ethical conduct, fiscal responsibility, and the highest standards of professional integrity.

## 3. Foster Civic Engagement and Transparency

Find a City Manager who values inclusive decision-making, effective stakeholder engagement, and open communication with residents. Prioritize candidates adept at building trust through accessibility, public outreach, and collaborative problem-solving.

## 4. Support Forest Park's Ongoing Projects and Priorities

Secure a leader prepared to oversee and advance key initiatives, like the **ELEVATE Workforce Development Program**, to create more opportunities for residents. Find a strategic thinker capable of anticipating challenges, capitalizing on opportunities, and guiding the City through changing political, economic, and social landscapes.

The following proposal outlines our professional background and explains how we will work with you to address your needs and challenges in recruiting your next City Manager.





# ABOUT SUMTER



## HISTORY OF SUMTER LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSULTING

Sumter LGC was founded in 2021 by local government industry veteran Warren Hutmacher. We provide customized management consulting services to local governments and organizations that operate within the local government sphere of influence.



## PRIDE IN OUR EXPERTISE

Sumter LGC is dedicated to providing clients with executive-level assistance to solve complex problems and carefully handle important projects, leveraging years of experience and accomplishments for the benefit of our clients. Core services include management consulting, interim services recruitment, and talent recruitment.



## PRIDE IN THE PERSONAL ATTENTION WE PROVIDE TO CLIENTS

Sumter LGC provides the personal attention necessary to take on tough projects, meet deadlines, and provide top-level expertise. We believe that local government consulting is a relationship business and that our reputation depends on how we treat our partners.



## PRIDE IN PUBLIC SERVICE

Sumter LGC was founded by a career public servant who dedicated his career to working for the public good. Our work for local government clients is an extension of this mission. We strive in everything we do to earn the trust of our clients and the communities we serve.

# WHY WE'RE DIFFERENT

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## **We are local government professionals for local government professionals.**

- Many of us have served as City Managers and other positions in local government and understand the unique challenges faced by local government leadership.
- We have been both a candidate and a client of executive search firms, as well as a consultant helping local governments with their recruitments.
- Our team has over 100 years of cumulative experience in local government.
- We have hired for every position in local government.
- In just 4 years in business, we've helped nearly 50 different local governments achieve their operational and recruitment goals.
- Our proprietary search process sets us apart, both in our technical capabilities and our human approach—our experience on all sides of the table impacts how we treat our clients, how we treat candidates, and ultimately how we focus on creating positive outcomes for all.

The bottom line is we know what we are doing, can provide excellent advice throughout the process, and can ultimately help you select a candidate that is the best fit for the City of Forest Park.

# HOW WE WORK

We will work collaboratively with the City of Forest Park to recruit for a City Manager.

Sumter LGC will:

- Keep the client informed of key progress in the recruitment process.
- Place the client's best interest above all others.
- Provide candid and thoughtful assessments of the candidates.
- Represent the client with integrity, professionalism, and tact.



Our recruitment approach takes place in six phases:



# PHASE 1

## Developing the Candidate Profile & How They'll Be Assessed

### The Candidate Profile

We believe that the most critical element in the recruitment process is creating an ideal candidate profile for the City Manager position. This profile will be utilized to narrow the candidate pool and focus the remaining steps of the search process on locking in on the candidate that is the best fit for the City of Forest Park. This process includes challenging the client to think critically about what character traits, soft skills, and leadership abilities candidates will need to be successful.

### Getting Immersed

The Qualifications Assessment process includes a site visit to Forest Park to gain a thorough understanding of the unique nature of the community and organization.

During this phase, we will take a deep dive into the responsibilities of the City Manager and the issues facing the City of Forest Park. Through this process, we will be able to articulate the key short- and long-term challenges and opportunities facing the next City Manager.



We spend considerable time and effort talking with the City's leadership, key staff, and anyone else the client recommends to develop the ideal candidate profile.

We will conduct interviews to:

- Understand the functions of the City of Forest Park Executive Department.
- Articulate the expectations for success for the City Manager.
- Create a personality profile to outline the traits that will be most successful in the City of Forest Park and what type of traits are to be avoided—helping to narrow the candidate pool.

Please see Exhibit "A" for an example of a candidate profile.

# PHASE 2

## Creating Marketing Materials That Effectively Sell Your Story

### The Candidate Brochure

Sumter LGC creates a unique and informative digital candidate brochure to use in our marketing materials to catch the attention of top talent. The brochure is a storytelling opportunity and a staple in recruitment. It captures the essence of a community and articulates the value proposition for the position we are recruiting for.

Candidates can easily move through the brochure to find pertinent information and get a gut feeling for the community and the job. We have also included video in a previous brochure to stay on the cutting edge.

See Exhibit "B" for an example of a brochure we used in a previous recruitment. [Click here to view all of our current brochures on our website.](#)



# PHASE 3

## Building a Large, Qualified Pool of Candidates

### Sound Targeting Strategies

Effective recruitment demands a large, diverse pool of qualified candidates. Our experience enables us to build large, qualified pools efficiently and effectively—helping to find the ideal candidate. We know where to post the job and how to craft an effective job posting.

- We work diligently to craft job advertisements and brochures to attract a wide range of candidates.
- We target our placements to sites where the best qualified candidates are looking.
- We also proactively recruit candidates who aren't actively looking, to deliver candidates who most closely fit the ideal candidate profile.

### Equity and Diversity

The best way to achieve equity and diversity in the local government workforce is to attract a diverse candidate pool. The larger and more diverse the candidate pool is, the better the chance for an equitable hiring process.

- We use a wide range of advertising sources to enlarge and diversify our applicant pool.
- We dig deeper to advertise and recruit where diverse candidates are already looking. This is the right thing to do and reflects good business practices.

### Leveraging Our Connections

Recruiting is the most effective method of attracting candidates. We spend time working our network, researching candidates, and inviting the best candidates to apply. Sumter LGC President Warren Hutmacher also attends networking events and regional conferences. There are no shortcuts to recruiting. It takes time, effort, and persistence to find the right candidates. Our proactive, energetic approach separates us from our competition, who typically rely on conventional advertising and email blasting.

### Reaching Candidates

We recommend you advertise nationally; however, we will focus our recruitment efforts regionally as the most likely scenario is that your most interested candidates are already working in Georgia. For your recruitment, we will focus on the following job boards:

- International City/County Management Association (ICMA)
- Georgia Local Government Access (GLGA)
- All city manager associations within the southeast region/states
- National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA)
- SheLeadsGov (<https://icma.org/sheleadsgov>)

In addition, Sumter LGC will leverage our extensive email outreach network (25,000 targeted email addresses) and our LinkedIn presence to spread the word.



# PHASE 4

## Identifying the Short List of Candidates

### Initial Resume Reviews

Resumes will be collected directly by Sumter LGC. They are reviewed against the ideal candidate profile to narrow the pool to a semi-final group considered to be qualified for the job and genuine hiring possibilities.

- Unlike other firms, your executive recruiter will be solely responsible for the task of reviewing applicants. For this assignment, Sumter LGC President Warren Hutmacher will be handling the initial review of resumes.
- Larger firms sometime use lower hourly rate assistants to sort through resumes. This can lead to good candidates being discarded because the reviewer hasn't participated in all the buildup to this phase, including the site visit, tours, and interviews conducted in Phase One. This task requires an experienced professional with good judgment to differentiate qualified candidates from those qualified candidates who are a good fit for the City of Forest Park.

### Semi-Finalist Identification

After the initial review, we are ready to identify 10-12 (typically) semi-finalist candidates. Some clients prefer to review and approve the semi-finalist list prior to holding initial interviews. We will honor the client's preference related to conducting initial interviews.

### Initial Interviews

Once the list of semi-finalists is agreed upon, we conduct live two-way recorded initial interviews, whether in person or virtual, so the client can see what we see. We learn a great deal from body language, facial expressions, enthusiasm, and tone of voice. Clients are invited to participate.

### Semi-Finalist Summary Report

After the initial interviews are completed, we will recommend a manageable finalist group for a more formal in-person interview process. To accomplish this, we provide you with a written report summarizing each of the semi-finalist candidates. The report also includes links to the recorded interviews we conducted.

### On-Site Collaboration

We will set up another site visit to review the semi-finalist candidates with City leaders. Through this review, we encourage the client to narrow down the field of candidates to proceed with in-person interviews in Forest Park. (Typically, the client will choose 3-5 finalists.)

# PHASE 5

## Meeting Your Candidates

### Making the Best Evaluation

The in-person interview process can be handled in a variety of ways. We will formulate a unique interview process based on the individual needs, culture, and priorities of the City of Forest Park.

- Prior to the interviews, we fully prepare you with best practices for interviewing candidates and provide suggested interview questions.
- For this City Manager recruitment, Sumter LGC recommends a full-day interview. The day will be comprised of a tour of Forest Park, meetings with the staff leadership team, and a lengthy interview with the City of Forest Park's leadership.
- Having the candidates interact with a wide assortment of people provides different perspectives on the candidate's strengths and weaknesses. In addition to the more formal activities, we will have the candidates go to lunch or for coffee with City staff to interact in a more casual setting.
- We create every opportunity to expose the candidates to everything the City of Forest Park has to offer and to provide them with an accurate view of the challenges and opportunities that await them.
- This type of process affords the client multiple data points and interactions to get to know the candidate's true self.

### A Four-Step Approach to the Interview Day

**Step 1:** Candidates will interview with the staff leadership team. This will allow candidates to get a feel for the personalities of their future colleagues and for the staff to provide feedback to the hiring manager on which candidates they believe would most effectively work with the leadership team and employees.

**Step 2:** Candidates meet with City staff members individually over lunch and for coffee to create a casual atmosphere to get to know the candidate's personality and character.

**Step 3:** Tour of Forest Park by City staff to help the candidate learn more about the City of Forest Park and get another casual opportunity to get to know the candidate's personality and character.

**Step 4:** Mayor and City Council spend 75 to 90 minutes interviewing each candidate. At the end of the day, we recommend a feedback loop between the City's leaders and all the participants from the interview day.

Here are some additional approaches and activities the City can consider as part of this process:

- An interactive activity that the candidates participate in to allow the client to see them in action in a stressful or creative exercise. An example we have used previously is posted as Exhibit "C".
- Asking the candidates to prepare material ahead of time to present to the client/staff leadership team to gauge the candidate's presentation skills, preparation ability, critical thinking, research techniques, and attention to detail.
- Holding a meet and greet with the finalist candidates to allow them to interact with the staff.



# PHASE 6

## The Hiring Process

### Post-Interview Process Feedback

After the interviews and activities are completed, Sumter LGC will gather the entire day's participants who interacted with the candidates to meet with the City's leadership.

- Everyone is invited to provide feedback on both substantive information and little things they believe would help to define the candidate's personality, character, style, and suitability for the job.
- This feedback loop will help add to the data the City's leadership needs to evaluate to make the final selection.
- The recruiter will sit with the Mayor and City Council after all the feedback is received. This discussion typically results in a definitive decision on which candidate to select.
- The recruiter is not the decision maker and is present to facilitate conversations, answer questions, and offer opinions only when asked.

### Negotiation

Sumter LGC will work with you to formulate a term sheet with the key business terms to begin the negotiation process.

- Sumter LGC is intimately familiar with this process as both a consultant and a candidate. We are on top of industry trends and methods of finding compromises each party can agree to.
- To help the process along, Sumter LGC will provide the client with salary and benefit data relevant to the size of the City of Forest Park and the marketplace in your competitive area.
- Sumter LGC will work with the Mayor, City Council, and the candidate to agree on an offer letter.

### Background Checks

Sumter LGC recommends performing background checks after the parties have established mutual interest and agreed to terms (subject to a background check).

- Sumter LGC will perform the requisite criminal and credit checks and education and employment verifications.
- Sumter LGC doesn't ask candidates for references, but we do fully investigate their background. We choose who we want to talk with from their professional background. We do this because candidates share only references who look upon them favorably. This limits the usefulness of the background check process.
- Sumter LGC digs into a candidate's professional background to eliminate surprises and to get a full view of the candidate's veracity and character. We believe that clients should know everything they can about candidates' backgrounds before making a final hiring decision. We have the experience and aptitude to conduct deep internet searches, looking at social media posts, blogs and other sources.

- At the discretion of the client, and only at the direct costs of travel, Sumter LGC will travel to the communities the final candidate has worked. Sumter LGC will fact check the candidate's resume and meet the people they worked with.
- Delivering this level of scrutiny gives you the best chance at knowing all you can to make a sound decision in selecting a City Manager.

### Press Release

Sumter LGC will write or assist the City of Forest Park in composing a press release as part of our flat fee.

- The initial press release and responses to media coverage can get the candidate and the City of Forest Park off on the right foot.
- The press release tells the story of how the candidate will benefit the City of Forest Park as well as explain the process that brought the candidate to the City.

### Notifying Candidates Not Selected

Sumter LGC will notify candidates who were not selected.

- We are sensitive to the compassion required to handle this duty and are skilled at delivering difficult news in a constructive manner to candidates.
- We respect that the reputation of the City of Forest Park is at stake, and we take every step to preserve the good name of the City during this process.

### Helping Deliver Success

Sumter LGC offers a follow-up service to work with the new City Manager for the first year of employment as a mentor and resource.

# SEARCH TIMELINE

We expect to move quickly once awarded this assignment.

- Our goal is a 56-day process to propose finalist candidates to the client.
- This can be streamlined by shortening the advertising period, however at least 2-3 weeks is recommended for this phase.
- Another method to streamline the process is to skip the semi-finalist process. This will cut the time for the recruitment down to 5-6 weeks.



## The Initial Kick-off meeting

This on-site meeting in Forest Park includes:

- Meeting with the Mayor and City Council and any key staff they recommend talking with to gain clarity and consensus on the roles and responsibilities expected of the City Manager.
- Interviewing the City's leadership team and key staff to develop a candidate profile.
- Agreeing to a recruitment schedule and handling administrative issues.
- Gaining familiarity with the City of Forest Park, reviewing expected challenges for the new City Manager, and completing a candidate profile, recruitment brochure and advertising plan.

## 2-week milestone

- Advertise position widely with a completed recruitment brochure

## 5-week milestone

- Initial review of resumes and scoring of proposed semi-finalist candidates

## 6-week milestone

- Selection of semi-finalist candidates (on site in Forest Park)

## 7-week milestone

- Interviews of semi-finalist candidates by Sumter LGC

## 8-week milestone

- Present finalist candidate recommendations



# PROPOSED FEE

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Sumter LGC is proposing a flat fee for this executive search assignment, excluding expenses.

## **Fee proposal for professional services: \$21,000**

Expenses to be reimbursed by the City of Forest Park based on actual documented expenses:

- Consultant travel
- Advertising fees

The flat fee is broken into milestones:

1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the advertising process

1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the semi-finalist interviews

1/3 fee – paid upon start date of the City Manager

Sumter LGC is confident in our process, and if the City of Forest Park decides to start over with the recruitment due to unsatisfactory candidates, or if the chosen candidate doesn't last one year in the position for any reason, we offer a one-year guarantee. We will complete another search for the City at no charge (except reimbursable expenses).

# OUR CONSULTANTS

**Warren Hutmacher**  
President, Sumter LGC



Warren has over 25 years of leadership experience and is familiar with all aspects of municipal government. As former City Manager for the cities of Johns Creek, Dunwoody, Norcross, Avondale Estates, and Hutto, Warren was involved in key community issues, including traffic congestion, planning, neighborhood preservation, economic development, revenue expansion, and park development. Serving various municipalities throughout his career, Warren maintains a keen understanding of community issues, including how to work with a wide variety of stakeholders to establish priorities that will provide the best and most meaningful results for clients.

## Experience:



## Education:



## Shawn Gillen, PhD

Senior VP, Sumter LGC



With a long track record in local government, Dr. Shawn Gillen has served as a Mayor, City Administrator, and City Manager in Illinois, Minnesota, and Georgia. He recently served as the City Manager in Doraville, GA, and Tybee Island, GA.

In addition to his leadership experience, Shawn brings a PhD and years of teaching at the university level to the table. His academic research centers around public finance and budgeting. Shawn is also a published author on the topic of City/County Consolidation. His unique skills and experiences will allow him to be a valued problem solver for local governments.

### Experience:



### Education:



**Billy Grogan**  
Senior VP, Sumter LGC



With a long track record in local government and law enforcement, Billy has served as a Police Chief, Interim City Manager, Instructor, and Leadership Consultant. He recently retired as the first Chief of Police for the City of Dunwoody, GA.

Billy has an MPA from Kennesaw State University and is a graduate of the 193rd session of the FBI National Academy. He is an accomplished author and subject matter expert on the use of social media in law enforcement. He has a long list of accolades and accomplishments in law enforcement, including serving as the President of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police and board service on the International Association of Chiefs of Police Human and Civil Rights Committee.

Billy will be helping local governments solve complex problems in law enforcement and leadership as well as helping clients with executive search and staffing challenges.

**Experience:**



**Education:**



**Gary La Venia**  
Senior VP, Sumter LGC



Gary has enjoyed a long professional career serving others through his work in local government. Gary has served as a City Manager in Florida and New Jersey. Gary earned both a bachelor's degree and a Master of Public Policy from Rutgers University. He has recently retired after a decade of service as the City Manager of Fruitland Park, FL. Gary has extensive expertise in shared services and economic development. He has relocated to South Carolina and will be investing in building relationships in South Carolina and North Carolina as well as servicing clients in Florida and Georgia. Gary will be helping local governments solve complex problems as well as aiding clients with executive search and staffing challenges.

**Experience:**



**Education:**



# WHO WE'VE HELPED

Client	Assignment	Year
City of Smyrna, GA	Assistant City Administrator	2020
City of Winder, GA	City Engineer	2020
City of Doraville, GA	City Clerk	2020
City of College Park, GA	City Manager	2022
City of Stone Mountain, GA	Interim City Manager	2022
City of College Park, GA	Public Works Director	2022
City of Winder, GA	Planning Leader	2022
City of College Park, GA	Chief Building Official	2022
City of South Fulton, GA	Internal Auditor	2023
City of College Park, GA	Airport Affairs Director	2023
City of Fayetteville, GA	Economic Dev. Director	2023
City of College Park, GA	City Engineer	2023
City of Pompano Beach, FL	Human Resources Director	2023
City of Winder, GA	Human Resources Director	2023
City of Social Circle, GA	Finance Director	2023
Georgetown County, SC	County Engineer	2023
City of Suwanee, GA	Public Works Director	2023
City of Clarkston, GA	Interim City Manager	2023
City of Social Circle, GA	Interim Finance Director	2023
City of Brookhaven, GA	Interim Parks and Recreation Director	2023
City of South Fulton, GA	Fire Fee Analysis	2023
City of Powder Springs, GA	Fractional Deputy Finance Director	2023
City of Doraville, GA	Interim City Clerk	2023
City of Duluth, GA	Purchasing Manual Revision	2023
City of Palmetto, GA	Budget Preparation	2023
City of College Park, GA	Assistant City Manager	2023
City of Brookhaven, GA	Interim Parks and Recreation Director	2023
City of Chamblee, GA	Interim City Manager	2024
City of Doraville, GA	Interim Accountant	2024
City of Sylvester, GA	Fractional Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	2024
City of Decatur, GA	Senior City Engineer	2024
City of Atlanta, GA	Interim Fleet Manager	2024
City of Powder Springs, GA	Agency Head - Infrastructure/Dev.	2024
City of Brookhaven, GA	Public Works Director	2024
City of East Point, GA	Interim City Manager	2024
City of Villa Rica, GA	City Engineer	2024



City of Powder Springs, GA	Deputy Finance Director	2024
City of Kennesaw, GA	Information Technology Director	2024
City of Stonecrest, GA	Chief of Police	2024
Glynn County, GA	Community Development Director	2024
City of Winder, GA	City Administrator	2024
City of New Carrollton, MD	Interim City Clerk	2024
City of Acworth, GA	Finance Director	2024
City of Acworth, GA	Deputy City Manager	2024
City of Germantown, TN	Public Works Director	2024
City of Warner Robins, GA	Finance Director	2024
City of Warner Robins, GA	City Engineer	2024
City of College Park, GA	HR and Risk Management Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	Purchasing Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	City Clerk	2024
City of College Park, GA	Economic Development Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	City Manager	2024
City of College Park, GA	City Planner	2024
City of College Park, GA	Grants Manager	2024
City of College Park, GA	Public Works Director	2024
City of Sandersville, GA	Finance Director	2024
City of Tucker, GA	Deputy Parks and Recreation Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	Interim Finance Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	Interim Purchasing Administrator	2024
City of Chamblee, GA	Assistant City Manager	2024
Spartanburg County, SC	Transportation Manager	2024
City of College Park, GA	Fire Chief	2024
City of College Park, GA	Finance Director	2024
City of College Park, GA	Executive Director - Convention Center	2024
City of East Point, GA	Finance Director	2024
City of East Point, GA	IT Director	2024
City of Sandersville, GA	Public Works Director	2024
City of Acworth, GA	Public Works Director	2024
City of Fayetteville, GA	Communications Director	2024
Town of Easton, MD	Town Manager	2024
City of Guyton, GA	City Manager	2024
City of Port Wentworth, GA	Assistant City Manager	2024
City of Warner Robins, GA	City Engineer	2024
City of Dade City, FL	City Manager	2024
City of College Park, GA	Communications Director	2024
City of Tifton, GA	City Manager	2024
Town of Ocean City, MD	Chief of Police	2024

City of Cape Canaveral, FL	Chief Building Official	2025
City of College Park, GA	Deputy Fire Chief	2025
City of Warner Robins, GA	Interim Finance Director	2025
Washington County, GA	County Administrator	2025
City of Winder, GA	Interim Finance Director	2025
City of Winder, GA	Finance Director	2025
City of College Park, GA	Interim Purchasing Administrator	2025
City of Clarkston, GA	Interim Finance Director	2025
City of Villa Rica, GA	Interim Community Development Director	2025
City of Alpharetta, GA	Interim Assistant City Clerk	2025
City of Valdosta, GA	Interim Senior Accountant	2025
St. Mary's County, MD	EMS Chief	2025
City of Chamblee, GA	Interim Planning and Development Director	2025
Clayton County Water Authority	Engineering Director	2025
City of Marietta, GA	Deputy Finance Director	2025
City of North Myrtle Beach, SC	Finance Director	2025
Town of Hilton Head Island, SC	Planning Director	2025
Town of Hilton Head Island, SC	Assistant Planning Director	2025
Town of Hilton Head Island, SC	Assistant Finance Director	2025
Town of Hilton Head Island, SC	Plans Examiner	2025
City of Stone Mountain, GA	City Manager	2025
City of Woodstock, GA	Chief of Police	2025
City of Chamblee, GA	Planning and Development Director	2025

# EXHIBIT A – CANDIDATE PROFILE

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## The Ideal Candidate

- Amiable leader with the ability to relate to a diverse workforce
- Adept at determining and ordering priorities; managing delegation of responsibilities to key staff
- Positive attitude and ability to interact with citizens, elected officials, staff, and consultants
- Expertise in advising elected officials on complex and/or controversial issues
- Exceptional communication skills
- Supportive leader, able to delegate tasks and allow a seasoned staff to work with autonomy
- Humble and naturally helpful person
- Ability to read people, quickly decipher challenges and use good judgment in making difficult decisions
- Keen eye for talent
- Ability to refrain from being a chokepoint in the decision-making process
- Resourceful problem solver willing to provide others credit
- Contributes to the profession and actively engages in professional development
- Always embodies integrity and is focused on the City's best interests

## Qualifications

- The City Manager shall have, prior to appointment, a master's degree in business or public administration from an accredited college or university or at least five years' experience as an executive or administrator either in public administration or private business or an equivalent combination of education and experience
- Knowledge and significant experience in municipal operations, services, and finance, including, without limitation, budget development and implementation
- Knowledge and experience in developing municipal infrastructure, managing technical projects and personnel as well as communicating complex information to a diverse audience of consultants, City staff, elected officials, citizens and business owners

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# EXHIBIT B – RECRUITMENT BROCHURE



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RECRUITMENT

# City Manager

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**Regional Map**  
Tampa Bay Area, FL (Area)



**Dade City, FL**

**Pasco County, FL**



**Dade City, FL**

## The Community

The City of Dade City, incorporated in 1885, was named after U.S. Army Major Francis L. Dade, is the county seat of Pasco County, Florida, and is located approximately 35 miles north of Tampa, and 60 miles west of Orlando.

With a current population of approximately 10,000 residents and growing, Dade City is a community with a rich history, a small-town feel and a growth pattern that will lead to opportunities for prosperity. The City is looking for a City Manager who can help lead the City to a bright future while retaining its charm and character.

In September 1885, the first regular train of the Florida Central and Peninsular Railway passed through the City, beginning a history of a strong rail presence that has impacted the growth and development of the City.

The railroads and the citrus industry, along with Dade City's ideal location between the ocean and Orlando, have contributed to its economy and population increases. During World War II, the government established a prisoner-of-war (POW) camp in Dade City. The POW camp operated from approximately 1942 to the spring of 1946. The site has been redeveloped as the Naomi Jones Park and James Irvin Civic Center.


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## The Community

Modern Dade City offers an ideal family environment with affordable, quiet neighborhoods and an assortment of entertainment, cultural and park amenities, and activities. A drive through the heart of the community reveals a city with a proud heritage and promising future. Historical buildings that have been adapted for contemporary commercial enterprises are sprinkled throughout the community.

Visible signs of steady new growth are evidenced by the recent residential and commercial projects taking hold in the community. Dade City residents and visitors benefit from a lifestyle that values sound education, community pride, active lifestyles, and safe neighborhoods.

Dade City is a vibrant and family-oriented community. 70% of its population is below the age of 59. Dade City remains a vibrant and affordable community. The City has a diversity of housing types, including single-family homes, townhomes and apartments. Currently, 63.7% of homes are owner occupied. In 2023, the median home value in Dade City was \$157,416 compared to a median home value of \$284,798 for Pasco County, \$330,683 for Florida and \$308,943 for the U.S.

The Pasco County School District serves the students of Dade City. Dade City is home to four public schools—Rodney B. Cox Elementary, Pasco Elementary, Pasco Middle School, and Pasco High School.

Dade City still retains its “Old Florida” charm, with a thriving downtown and a strong sense of community sitting on the cusp of major growth, which will have a tremendous impact on this municipality.





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## The City Government

Dade City operates under a chartered Commission - Manager form of government. Citizens elect a governing body to adopt legislation and set policy. The governing body then hires a manager or administrator with broad executive authority to carry out those policies and oversee the local government's day-to-day operations. In Dade City, the five commissioners are elected at-large, and serve a four-year term. The Mayor is elected by the City Commission. The Mayor serves as the presiding officer of the Commission and as the head of the City for ceremonial purposes.

The Commissioners appoint the City Manager, City Clerk, Finance Officer, and the City Attorney. The City Manager is the Chief Executive Officer of the City and is responsible for the management of all City affairs and for ensuring that all laws, rules, and provisions of the City Charter are enforced and executed.

The total budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$40,714,965. This represents an increase of \$5,492,215 or 15.6% from the FY 2023-2024 budget.

A millage rate of 6.93, assessed on the taxable value of property within the city, was used to provide this level of funding. This is a reduction of approximately 1% from the previous millage rate of 7.00. The General Fund budget increase was mainly due to the hiring of additional staff, salary and benefits increases, the insurance crisis, inflationary effects, and supply chain issues.



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## Elected Officials



**Scott Black**  
Mayor



**Normita Woodard**  
Mayor Pro Tem



**Kristin Church**  
Commissioner



**James Shive**  
Commissioner



**Ann Cosentino**  
Commissioner





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## Key Staff



**Angie Guy**

City Clerk



**Catherine Ralston**

Director of Community &  
Economic Development



**Kendon Daniels**

Utilities Director



**Marieke vanErven**

Acting City Manager



**Will Toner**

Public Works Director



**Peter Altman**

Finance Officer



**Terri Dison**

Human Resources  
Director

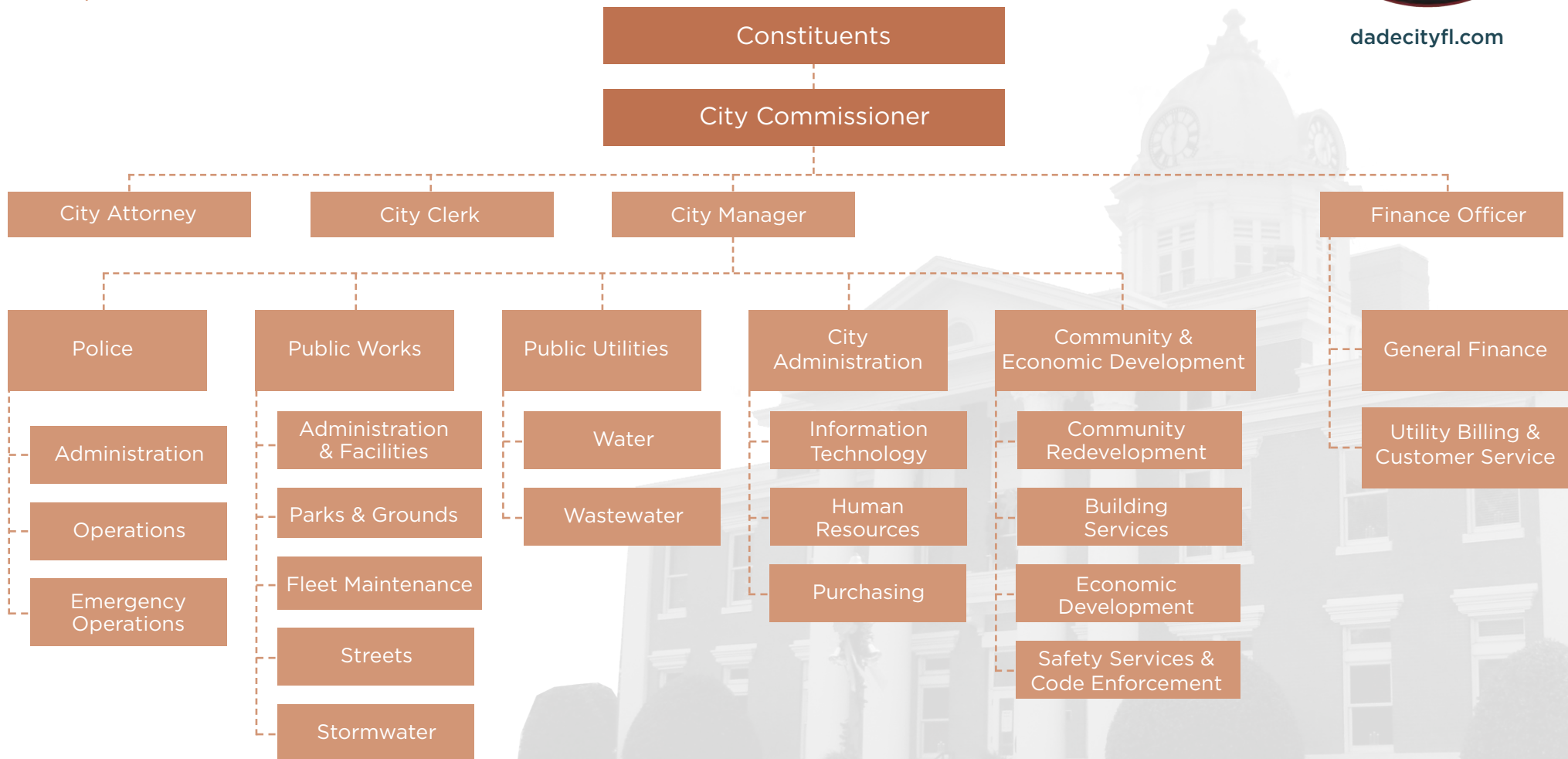


**Robert Tungate**

Acting Chief of Police



# Organizational Chart





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## The Role

The City Manager is a well-established role for the City of Dade City. The City Manager will work for the elected officials and be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of this growing local government. The City Manager also serves the needs of the Mayor and City Commission as they debate and develop citywide policies. The City Manager provides leadership and direction in the development of short- and long-term plans. The City Manager provides staff support to the elected officials and attends Commission meetings.

The City Manager is responsible for the hiring and management of the City's Department Heads. The City Manager makes sure there are proper procedures and policies in place for the efficient operation of the local government. The City Manager helps to prepare the annual budget and is responsible for helping to communicate the financial condition of the City to the elected officials. The City Manager should have experience and display competency in successfully overseeing municipal finances.

The City Manager also represents the City in interactions with citizens, business owners, other governments and key outside stakeholders.

The City Manager is a spokesperson for the City and is expected to be an involved member of the community.

The City Manager needs to be a leader, be progressive minded in both management and leadership style and understand the importance of and be fully prepared to partner with the City Commission, key staff and the community to move the City forward.





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## Challenges & Opportunities

First and foremost, there is a strong consensus among the Commission, staff and the community that there exists an overall troubling lack of communication which has created a number of issues. The next City Manager must make it the number one priority to rectify this situation.

Personnel management will be another key component to the position. Managing the current staff, creating a cohesive constructive working environment and bringing in the right people to fill key positions will be of great importance and demand immediate attention.

The chosen individual must be prepared to deal with the tremendous growth outside of the center of the City. Preparing the City and the local government apparatus to meet the challenges of rapid growth is essential for success.

The City Manager must be prepared to be a unifier, embrace diversity, and act to create an atmosphere of inclusivity, fairness, and belonging.



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## Challenges & Opportunities

Community involvement, visibility at community events, as well as a genuine connection between the City Manager and all members of the community is critical to success. Intractable introverts and candidates who see community involvement as a necessary but unappealing obligation need not apply. The Commission wants candidates who genuinely enjoy community engagement and see it as a critical part of the City Manager's core responsibilities.

The elected officials are seeking a City Manager who will tell them what they need to hear, not what he/she thinks they want to hear. Regular and frank communication is a must and a high priority for both the Commission and staff.

This position calls for someone who can think strategically and resist impulsivity. They weigh their actions based on the impact on the current and future circumstances. This individual must have strong, proven leadership abilities and have the skill to set realistic, attainable goals for staff with the expectation that staff can be given the resources to achieve these goals. The City needs a mentor to develop key staff; one who recognizes talent, sets high expectations and holds people accountable for their actions.

The City needs a relatable leader; someone who can create a stable, comfortable workplace employees will embrace. Strong people skills, strong organizational skills and strong customer service skills will serve the successful candidate well.

The successful candidate must possess strong financial skills. The City is wrestling with growth opportunities and will count on the City Manager to help evaluate the financial consequences when making strategic decisions.

The successful candidate will have to manage the expectations of a strong, active historical downtown business district that is cautiously measuring the potential impact growth may have on the district.





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## The Ideal Candidate

- Amiable leader with the ability to relate to a diverse workforce
- Adept at determining and ordering priorities; managing delegation of responsibilities to key staff
- Positive attitude and ability to interact with citizens, elected officials, staff, and consultants
- Expertise in advising elected officials on complex and/or controversial issues
- Exceptional communication skills
- Supportive leader, able to delegate tasks and allow a seasoned staff to work with autonomy
- Humble and naturally helpful person
- Ability to read people, quickly decipher challenges and use good judgment in making difficult decisions
- Keen eye for talent
- Ability to refrain from being a chokepoint in the decision-making process
- Resourceful problem solver willing to provide others credit
- Contributes to the profession and actively engages in professional development
- Always embodies integrity and is focused on the City's best interests

## Qualifications

- The City Manager shall have, prior to appointment, a master's degree in business or public administration from an accredited college or university or at least five years' experience as an executive or administrator either in public administration or private business or an equivalent combination of education and experience
- Knowledge and significant experience in municipal operations, services, and finance, including, without limitation, budget development and implementation
- Knowledge and experience in developing municipal infrastructure, managing technical projects and personnel as well as communicating complex information to a diverse audience of consultants, City staff, elected officials, citizens and business owners

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CITY MANAGER JOB DESCRIPTION](#)

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## Application Process

For more information on this position, including supplementary documents and resources, visit the recruitment webpage at:

[City of Dade City, City Manager Recruitment Page](#)

The first review of resumes will take place June 6, 2025. Please refrain from communicating with the staff or elected officials with the City of Dade City. Please direct inquiries, concerns, and/or problems to Sumter Consulting. Please contact the Executive Recruiter with any questions or concerns.

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Phone: 404-535-0525

Website: [www.sumterlocalgovconsulting.com](http://www.sumterlocalgovconsulting.com)





## Compensation

\$160,000-\$170,000 (salary negotiable based on experience)

## Benefits

In addition to a competitive market-based salary, the City offers all employees excellent employment benefits. Please note that contract negotiations will enable candidates to negotiate other benefits. Here is a summary of key benefits offered to all employees:

- City-paid health insurance for employee (United Healthcare); optional dental and vision (MetLife), with an option to include dependents at employee cost
- City-paid life insurance and accidental death & dismemberment insurance; optional additional life insurance, short-term disability and long-term disability (MetLife)
- Flexible Spending Account and Dependent Care Account; optional additional term and whole life insurance (American Fidelity)
- Optional supplemental insurance - Accident, Critical Illness-Cancer, Hospital Indemnity (Allstate)
- Dade City 401(a) Plan - (Florida Municipal Pension Trust Fund) - City contributes 8%; employee contributes 4%; fully vested after 6 years (for all City employees except sworn police officers; begin earning first day of employment)
- Optional deferred compensation - Florida Municipal Pension Trust Fund

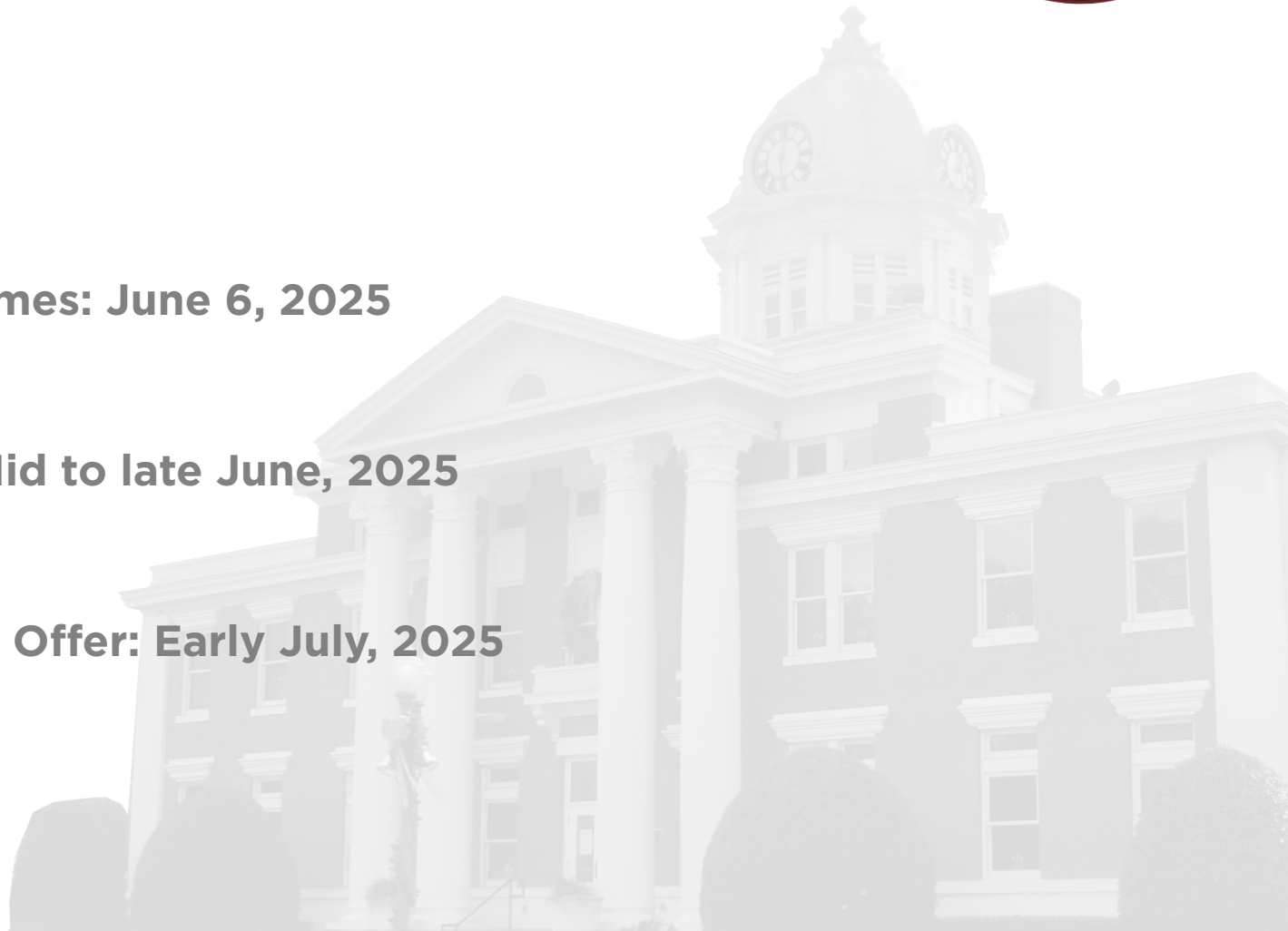
[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CITY MANAGER BENEFITS](#)





## Hiring Process and Projected Timeline

- **Apply here**
- **First Review of Resumes: June 6, 2025**
- **Finalist Interviews: Mid to late June, 2025**
- **Background Check & Offer: Early July, 2025**



## EXHIBIT C – INNOVATIVE INTERVIEW

# INNOVATIVE INTERVIEWS

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The interview process is intended for candidates to be fully informed about their prospective employer as well as for the city to find out as much as it can about the candidate's abilities, qualifications, and character.

Sumter Consulting believes that there are methods outside the traditional interview process used to discover more about the applicant than a question and answer can produce.

When the City of Johns Creek was interviewing candidates for a Communications Director position, the ideal candidate profile called for the successful candidate to be capable of handling crisis communication while providing a sense of confidence and calm under heavy stress. They could have asked candidates to discuss a time in their careers when they dealt with a crisis, but instead the city created a crisis and put the applicants to the test....

Here is why Sumter Consulting approaches the recruitment process differently than other firms. The following is a retelling of a recruitment process Warren Hutmacher led for the City of Johns Creek, GA.



# INNOVATIVE INTERVIEWS

## Example: “The Crisis Unveiled”

Candidates entered the conference room for their individual interviews opposite three similarly dressed interviewers representing the city. Hands are shaken, introductions made, and the interviews proceed like any other interview held by a city government. While the employer is taking turns asking questions, the door suddenly comes flying open and a city staffer bellows into the room in an agitated state that the Communications Director candidate is urgently needed to help with a crisis in the making.



The candidate is whisked away to a separate conference room and is briefed by the Police Chief and Assistant City Manager regarding an officer involved shooting that has just occurred. The facts are hazy and are dribbling in. The candidate is then asked to go to the PD Headquarters and interview the Sergeant and Lieutenant on duty when the shooting happened.

After talking with an obviously flustered Sergeant and an overly tight-lipped Lieutenant, the candidate must take this information and what he learned from the Chief and Assistant City Manager to craft an immediate action plan and a press release and prepare for a press conference to be held in the next 30 minutes.

After 30 minutes alone with pen and paper, the candidate is taken by the Police Chief to the Roll Call room for a press conference. The video cameras are rolling, and a dozen city staff are in attendance. The candidate is called to the podium to give a statement and take questions from the “reporters” in the room. The candidate is peppered with questions, some of which are unfair, and some are hard hitting.

# INNOVATIVE INTERVIEWS

## Example: “The Crisis Unveiled” continued

After this 30-minute exercise, the candidate is taken back to the original panel interview to brief the panelists as to how they think they did with the exercise and finish up their formal question and answer interview.

This process is repeated for all three finalists. The videos are compiled and the participants from the staff (Police Chief, Assistant City Manager, Sgt., Lt., and staff acting as reporters) gather to review the press releases, view the press conference videos, and conduct a full debrief on the entire exercise. The City Manager learned the following from this experience:

The first candidate panicked and was very uncomfortable in dealing with the crisis. He was pushed around by the “reporters” at the mock press conference. His answers, press release and leadership through the exercise did not meet the expectations for the job.

The second candidate’s performance was rated as mediocre. She failed to keep certain confidential details off the public record after being warned by the Chief of Police that certain facts were not to be shared publicly.



The last candidate was sharp, unaffected by the stress and handled the reporters politely and directed the answers toward the city’s narrative. It didn’t hurt that this candidate was the former public affairs Captain for the United States Navy’s entire Pacific Fleet. When asked afterwards about the exercise, he joked that this crisis was rather easy to deal with compared to North Korea!



# EXHIBIT D – SEMI-FINALIST REPORT

EXECUTIVE SEARCH

# Semi-Finalist Candidate Review

City of Winder, GA

**Finance Director**



Executive search provided by:



May 7,

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# AGENDA

Review of Process

Review of Ideal Candidate Profile

Candidate Review

Semi-Finalist Recommendations

Review Next Steps



# INITIAL CANDIDATE REVIEW

## REVIEW OF PROCESS

Development of Ideal Candidate Profile and Recruitment Brochure

Advertising

Recruitment

Initial Candidate Review - Client

Selection of Semi-Finalists - Client

Recorded Interviews for Semi-Finalists with Search Consultant

## Review of Semi-Finalists with Client and Selection of Finalists

Finalist Interviews with...

Background Investigations, Selection, and Negotiations

## THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

Strong leadership abilities to effectively manage and inspire the finance and customer service team

Exceptional analytical and problem-solving skills to navigate complex financial scenarios

Extensive knowledge of governmental accounting, budgeting, and financial management

Excellent communication skills to clearly convey financial information to diverse audiences

Ability to think strategically and align financial planning with the city's long-term goals

Meticulous attention to detail in financial analysis, reporting, and compliance

Strong interpersonal skills to build effective working relationships with city leadership, departments, and external stakeholders

Flexibility and adaptability to respond to changing financial conditions and priorities

Proven experience in municipal finance or a related field, demonstrating a track record of success

Expertise in identifying and mitigating financial risks to protect the city's assets

Ability to recruit, train, and develop finance staff, fostering a culture of excellence and continuous improvement

In-depth understanding of local, state, and federal financial regulations

A strong commitment to contributing to the city's financial health and prosperity

A good sense of humor



## QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree in public administration, accounting, finance, or related field required; CGFO, CPA or master's degree preferred.

A minimum of five years' experience is required in municipal financial management, with increasingly responsible supervisory experience.

Must be proficient in governmental finance theory and concepts, including but not limited to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) statements/pronouncements, and applicable municipal laws and regulations.

Must be team-oriented, with the ability to instill a sense of customer service and responsiveness in subordinates.

Knowledge of fiscal functions and practices of municipalities is required.

Municipal supervisory experience in accounting, cash and investments, debt management, property tax, purchasing, municipal court, and water customer services (utility billing and meter reading) preferred.

## Semi-Finalists selected by client

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

## Semi-Finalists selected by client

### What I like

- She is well spoken and articulate
- She is a Certified Local Government Finance Officer and Certified Public Manager
- Has extensive experience with enterprise funds
- Strong accounting background
- She is in the final stages of receiving her Doctorate in Business Administration
- Lives within driving distance of Winder

### What concerns me

- She has spent the majority of her career as an Accounting Analyst
- No experience as a Finance Director
- Has no experience supervising staff



## Semi-Finalists selected by client

### What I like

- He has served for the last four years as the Finance Director of [REDACTED]
- Has extensive experience with Water & Sewer, including using Waterworth software that helped manage the system
- Has extensive experience as an Accountant in the private and non-profit sectors
- Based on information from the interview, he appears to be a self-starter who seeks out ways to make improvements to operations
- Approachable, sensible, and collaborative management style

### What concerns me

- Some of his answers lacked depth
- I'm not sure he is committed to relocating at this time

## Semi-Finalists selected by client

### What I like

- She has extensive experience as a Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, and County Manager with multiple local governmental organizations
- Extensive knowledge of all aspects of governmental accounting
- The candidate has experience with various enterprise funds, including rate setting
- The candidate has implemented various financial software systems during her career
- She is well spoken, articulate, and personable

### What concerns me

- Most of the candidate's experience is from out of state



## Semi-Finalists selected by client

### What I like

- She is well spoken and articulate
- The candidate has an extensive accounting background
- She has some limited experience as a Financial Services Manager for [REDACTED]
- The candidate has experience with multiple enterprise funds and the auditing of those funds
- She seemed to have a good understanding of the City of Winder

### What concerns me

- The candidate did not talk much about her time and experience with [REDACTED]
- This position would be a big move from her current role

## Finalist Recommendations

(in no particular order)

1. [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED]

3. [REDACTED]

4. [REDACTED]

## CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

# City Manager Search

Prepared by Robert E. Slavin on August 18, 2025



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**COVER LETTER**

August 18, 2025

Talisa R. Adams, CPPO  
Procurement Manager  
City of Forest Park  
745 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297  
Via: [tadams@forestp.arkga.gov](mailto:tadams@forestp.arkga.gov)

**Re: Executive Search Services for City Manager**

Dear Talisa Adams:

The purpose of this project is to help the City Council to develop and agree to a comprehensive position profile for City Manager and then to identify, recruit and present outstanding candidates who meet these criteria. Once the profile has been approved by the City Council, SMC will have no difficulty identifying quality prospective candidates and becoming immediately productive. It is normal for a City Manager search to take between sixty and ninety days to complete.

This important engagement will be managed by me, Robert E. Slavin. I will be assisted by Barbara Lipscomb. Biographical info for both team members is provided in this proposal.

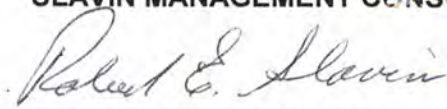
SMC is pleased to submit this proposal. We are most capable and interested in providing these services to Forest Park.

Our contact information is:

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Norcross, GA 30071  
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Sincerely,

**SLAVIN MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS**

  
Robert E. Slavin, President



From the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Budget we learned that Forest Park was incorporated in 1908 and that it is located approximately nine miles south of Atlanta's downtown business district. The City enjoys access to Interstate Highways I-75 and I-285, and Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. The City currently covers a land area of 9.3 square miles and it serves a population of approximately 19,932, based on the latest census. The City is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal properties located within its boundaries.

Forest Park operates under the Council-Manager form of government. Policymaking and legislative authority are vested in the City Council, which consists of a mayor and a five-member council. The City Council is responsible for, among other things, passing ordinances, adopting the budget, appointing committees and hiring the City Manager and the City's attorney.

The City Manager is responsible for carrying out the policies and ordinances of the City Council and overseeing the day-to-day operations of the City. The Council members are elected on a non-partisan basis. Council members are elected to four-year staggered terms with three elected every two years. The Mayor is elected for a four-year term. All Councilmembers are elected from their districts, while the Mayor is elected at large.

Forest Park provides a full range of municipal services, including police and fire protection; sanitation services; the construction and maintenance of highways, streets, and infrastructure; and recreational activities and cultural events. Forest Park's FY 2026 -26 total overall budget is \$43,034,857.22.

### **SLAVIN MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS**

Slavin Management Consultants (SMC) is an independent management consulting firm formed in 1991 and incorporated in the State of Georgia. We operate nationwide from our home office near Atlanta, Georgia. I am the principal and only stock holder of the firm. SMC has affiliates in Alexandria, VA; Burlington, NC; Lake Mary, FL; Louisville, KY; Manteca, CA and Queen Creek, AZ. Our Federal ID number is 58-2377-314.

The company provides exceptionally high-quality consulting services to state and local governments, health care providers, transit authorities, utilities, special districts, and private sector clients. Specialty practice areas include executive recruitment, pay and classification, performance appraisal systems, and organization development and training. Our key consultants have conducted successful assignments for hundreds of public sector and not profit organizations nationally and offer many references as testimony of our work.

Over the years, SMC has recruited and placed more than 900 local government executives including several in Georgia where we have served the communities of Albany, Alpharetta, Bibb

County, Brookhaven, Cartersville, Clarkston, Cobb County, Decatur, Lithia Springs, Duluth, Dunwoody, Fulton County, Gainesville, Glenn County, Gwinnett County, Hall County, Lawrenceville, Lilburn, Perry, Quitman, Snellville, Statesboro, Stockbridge, Tift County, Valdosta, and Whitfield County. *SMC is proud that more than 25% of our placements have been with woman and/or minority candidates.*

Our process is designed to be minimally disruptive to the City's normal activities. However, it will be critical to have City Council member involvement at the beginning of the search to gather information critical to producing an accurate recruitment profile. We will meet with the Council at least two additional times - - once for an in-person progress meeting and then for finalist/Council interviews. We will need an assigned staff liaison to schedule necessary meetings and to facilitate orderly information exchange.

This proposal commits the highest level of our firm's resources. I, Bob Slavin, will manage and serve as the primary consultant for the project. I am the owner and president of SMC and am among the most experienced recruiters of governmental managers in the nation. I have a strong and proven commitment to providing exceptional recruitment services to public agencies and have received many accolades supporting this work. *I have the authority to bind the corporation.* Barbara Lipscomb will assist with the project. Both of us have been local government executives and are both now experienced human resources consultants.

#### **Recent SMC Chief Executive Searches**

CLIENT	POP	SEARCH FOR	START DATE	FINISH DATE	STAFF ASSIGNED (Mgr/Asst)	Contact Information
Buncombe County, NC	260,000	County Manager	10/29/18	1/7/19	Slavin/Lipscomb	Chair Brownie Newman (828) 243-0107 newman@buncombecounty.org
Citrus County, FL	155,800	County Manager	7/20/22	10/18/22	Slavin/Trager	June Randall, H/R Director (352) 527-5372 june.randall@citrusbocc.com
Corpus Christi, TX	285,000	City Manager	12/13/18	4/10/19	Slavin/Wenbert	Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo (361) 826-3100 paulette.guajardo@cctexas.com
Corinth, TX	20,600	City Manager	7/11/22	8/30/22	Slavin/Krings	Guadalupe Ruiz Human Resources Director (940) 498-3277 gruiz@cityofcorinth.com
Danville, KY	17,000	City Manager	9/16/20	11/30/20	Slavin/Frank	Mayor Mike Perros (859) 238-1200 mayor@danvilleky.org
Daytona Beach, FL	68,900	City Manager	12/08/20	03/12/21	Slavin/Lipscomb	James Sexton (386) 671-8200 sextorj@codb.us

CLIENT	POP	SEARCH FOR	START DATE	FINISH DATE	STAFF ASSIGNED (Mgr/Asst)	Contact Information	Item # 7.
Dothan, AL	68,500	City Manager	7/29/24	01/06/25	Slavin	Mayor Mark Saliba (334) 615-3110 mayor@dothan.pog	
Durango, CO	19,071	City Manager	2/4/20	7/3/20	Slavin/ Krings	Mayor Mayor Gilda Yazzie gilda.yazzie@durangoCO.org	
Evans, CO	21,400	City Manager	10/4/16	1/20/17	Slavin/ Wenbert	Julie Roeder H/R & Risk Mgmt Dir (970) 475-1138 jroeder@evanscolorado.gov	
Georgetown, SC	10,000	City Administrator	3/14/19	5/31/19	Slavin	Mayor Carol Jayroe (843) 545-4175 cjayroe@cogsc.com	
Georgetown County, SC	61,000	County Administrator	11/22/19	3/11/20	Slavin/Lipscomb	Board Chair John Thomas (843) 327-3718 johnthomas@gtcounty.org	
Greenville, NC	84,500	City Manager	3/15/17	6/11/17	Slavin	Mayor PJ Connelly (252) 329-4419 amthomas@greenvillenc.gov	
Harnett County, NC	133,568	County Manager	9/15/21	11/22/21	Slavin/Lipscomb	Chair Lewis Weatherspoon (919) 306-2900 Lweatherspoon@harnett.org	
Kettering, OH	57,862	City Manager	8/16/22	10/15/22	Slavin/Krings	Jenny Smith, H/R Director (937) 296-2446	
Lubbock, TX	340,000	City Manager	7/18/16	10/28/16	Slavin/ Wenbert	Former Mayor Dan Pope linkedin.com/dan-pope-95b3809	
Maplewood, MO	8,100	City Manager	3/15/21	6/14/21	Slavin	Anthony Traxler Dir of Public Works/ Asst. City Manager (314) 646-3635 atraxler@maplewoodmo.gov	
Mount Dora, FL	12,500	City Manager	7/13/21	9/14/21	Slavin	Sharon Kraynik Fmr Human Resources Dir Current Port Orange HR Dir (386) 506-5560	
Mount Rainier, MD	8,100	City Manager	3/04/21	7/08/21	Slavin	Mayor Celina Benitz (301) 985-6585 mayorbenitez@mountrainiermd.org	
Metro/Plan Orlando	3-County MPO	Executive Director	3/23/18	6/1/18	Slavin	Mr. Jason S. Loschiavo, CPA Director of Finance & Admin MetroPlan Orlando (407) 481-5672 Ext. 310 jloschiavo@metroplanorlando.org	
Metropolitan Washington COG (D.C.)	Regional COG & MPO	Chief Financial Officer	3/23/19	9/20/19	Slavin/Frank	Mr. Clark Mercer, Executive Director (202) 962-3260 <a href="mailto:cmercer@mwkog.org">cmercer@mwkog.org</a>	



CLIENT	POP	SEARCH FOR	START DATE	FINISH DATE	STAFF ASSIGNED (Mgr/Asst)	Contact Information	Item # 7.
Quitman, GA	3,703	City Manager	3/17/21	8/03/21	Slavin/Lipscomb	Councilman Mark De Vane (229) 263-4166 mdevine@quitman.org	
Sandusky, OH	25,000	City Manager	5/5/23	7/28/23	Slavin	Richard Brady, Comm. President (419) 627-5850 rbrady@cityofsandusky.com	
Spring Hill, TN	62,000	City Administrator	03/19/25	07/11/25	Slavin/Kross	Chris Clausi, J.D. H/R Dir and Former Interim City Administrator (931) 486-2252 ext.265 cclausi@springhilltn.org	
Volusia County, FL	550,000	Deputy County Manager	3/18/19	7/21/19	Slavin/Lipscomb	Mr. George Recktenwald County Manager (386) 736-5920 grecktenwald@volusia.org	
Winter Springs, FL	40,000	City Manager	06/12/24	09/05/24	Slavin	Mayor Kevin McCann City of Winter Springs 1126 East State Road 434 Winter Springs, FL 32708 (404) 327-5956 City Manager Search (2024) kmccann@winterspringsfl.org	

### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Slavin Management Consultants (SMC) uses a "critical path" search process which allows our clients to focus attention on the selection process rather than on identifying, recruiting, screening and evaluating candidates. We understand that each client's need for key executives is different and that there is no "best" person for all situations. The best prospects are typically happily employed and not responding to advertisements. These people need to be found and encouraged to become candidates. They are understandably reluctant to apply for positions when their interest could become a matter of public information prior to being assured that Forest Park is interested in their candidacy. Our approach to this assignment will reflect the unique qualities of Forest Park. It will honor the interests of candidates to the extent possible under Georgia law.

SMC provides comprehensive and thorough executive search services to its clients which are distinguished by our on-site visits to finalist candidates. Our work is of the highest quality. The average tenure of our chief executive placements is about eight years. The national average is about five years.

We recommend a proven and comprehensive five-step process to complete this project. The steps are as follows:

- Develop job qualifications and requirements for the position -- the *Recruitment Profile*.
- Identify and recruit qualified candidates.
- Evaluate prospective candidates.
- Make recommendations, help in selection and facilitate employment.
- Establish evaluation criteria and follow-up.

#### **A. Develop Position Profile**

We will meet with each City Council member individually and with staff and others of the Council's choosing to learn the City's needs, focus and requirements such as experience, education and training as well as preferred management style and personal traits. In developing the recruitment profile, we will spend a considerable amount of time at the beginning of the process in Forest Park to gather additional information about the City and to ascertain, the unique challenges of the job and the general environment within which the position functions.

Once we have gained the necessary information, we will prepare a draft recruitment profile and review it with the City Council to arrive at a general agreement regarding the specifications for the position. The final profile will include information about the region, Forest Park, the City government, major issues to be faced, the position and the selection criteria established.

#### **B. Identify Qualified Candidates**

We will first review our database to find those candidates whom we may already know and/or already have on file who may meet your specifications. Although the above process is valuable, we will rely heavily on our own contacts in related fields, on our own experience and increasingly of professional web based social networking. In other words, through "networking," we will conduct a professional search for the best-qualified candidates and invite them to apply for the position. In this effort, we utilize appropriate professional organizations, our established contacts, and our knowledge of quality jurisdictions and their employees.

We will prepare and place electronic and print based advertisements with national, state and regional professional organizations. We will acknowledge all resumes received and thoroughly screen all potential candidates.

#### **C. Evaluate Prospective Candidates**

##### ***Preliminary Screening and Progress Report***

Criteria for the preliminary screening will be contained in the approved recruitment profile. They may include such items as education, technical knowledge, experience, accomplishments, management style, personal traits, etc. Screening of candidates against those criteria will be based on data contained in the resume and other data provided by the candidates and on our knowledge of the organizations in which they work. At this stage, each must meet the minimum qualifications specified in the recruitment profile.



We request that all candidates provide us, in writing, substantial information about their accomplishments and their management style and philosophy. This information is verified and, at the City's option, may be further tested by having the finalists respond to a supplemental questionnaire and/or complete management and leadership style inventories. We interpret these instruments for the City as well.

We will meet with the City Council to provide a progress report on a number of semifinalist candidates. These individuals will be top prospects who clearly meet the City's specifications for the position. With guidance from the City Council, we will narrow the semifinalist candidate group on the basis of refined criteria. During this meeting we will assist the City Council to develop a comprehensive plan for final candidate interviews. Details will include confidentiality issues, scheduling, candidate travel, community tours, staff and community involvement. We will also determine the City Council's expectations relative to interview questions that we will write as well as candidate rating and scoring processes which will be included in our final report.

#### **D. Selection and Employment**

##### ***In-depth Screening and Project Completion***

At this point, we will interview those semifinalist candidates whom the City Council has the greatest interest in. Proper "fit" is as important as technical ability. We assess both. In order to better assess candidates' management style and interpersonal characteristics, we personally interview each in his or her present work environment (site visits). We will closely examine each candidate's experience, qualifications, achievements, management style and interpersonal skills in view of the selection criteria and our professional expertise in evaluating the quality of such qualifications, skills and achievements.

We conduct in-depth background checks on those individuals who continue to demonstrate their overall suitability for the position. Included are detailed and extensive reference checks which cover a minimum period of ten years. In conducting these, it is our practice to speak directly to individuals who are now or have been in positions to evaluate the candidate's job performance. We ask each candidate to provide us with a large number of references. We then network these references to other persons who know the candidate. In this way, we thoroughly evaluate each candidate. These references and evaluations are combined to provide frank and objective appraisals of the top candidates.

As part of our evaluation process we conduct credit checks and verify undergraduate and graduate college degrees. We also conduct national and local criminal history, social security, sex offender, civil court records and driving record checks. At the City Council's option, we can arrange for assessment centers and/or psychological (or similar) testing of the candidates. These optional items will result in extra cost.

We will then meet with the City Council to present a group of well-qualified finalist candidates for interviews in Forest Park. These final candidates will not be ranked because, at this point, they

will all be qualified and it will then be a matter of fit between the candidates and the City Council and staff that should produce the final selection decision.

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Our final report will be presented in a meeting with the City Council. This written report is a comprehensive document. It contains our candidate recommendations, details about the search, interview tips, interview questions, candidate evaluation forms and information about legal vs. illegal inquiries. The report also includes the candidate interview schedule as well as our recommendations relative to timing, sequencing, location, setting, format, and conduct of interviews. The report contains comprehensive information about each recommended candidate. This includes educational and experience information, an evaluation of the candidate's experience relative to the criteria established by the City Council, a summary of reference comments and a statement of accomplishments and management style prepared by the candidate. Present compensation is also provided for each recommended candidate.

We will provide information about trends in employment, employment contracts and agreements, relocation expenses, perquisites, appropriate roles for spouses, receptions, etc. We arrange schedules for top candidate interviews with the City Council and we will coordinate the entire process.

We will properly handle any and all media relations. Unless otherwise directed, it is our standard practice to tell all media that we are working on behalf of Forest Park and that any public statement should come from the City directly. Under no conditions will we release information to the media unless specifically directed by the City Council to do so.

We will notify all unsuccessful candidates of the final decision reached. Finally, will continue to work for the City Council until a suitable candidate is recruited and hired by the City Council.

#### **E. Project Schedule**

The search process normally takes between sixty (60) and ninety (90) days to complete and typically follows the following pattern:

		DAYS			
STEPS		1-30	30-45	45-60	60-360
1.	Develop Search Process, Recruitment Profile and Advertising Program for City Council Approval	✓			
2.	Identify Qualified Candidates, Review Data Base, Network, Receive and Review Resumes	✓	✓		
3.	Screen & Evaluate Prospective Candidates		✓		
4.	Progress Meeting and Report		✓		
5.	Interview and Evaluate Prospective Candidates		✓	✓	

		DAYS				Item # 7.
STEPS		1-30	30-45	45-60	60-360	
6.	Submit Final Report and Recommendations, Assist in Selection, Facilitate Employment Agreement			✓		
7.	Establish Evaluation Criteria and Follow-up				✓	

#### **F. Establish Evaluation Criteria**

Once the new City Manager has been on board for 30 days or so, we will conduct a session with the City Council and with the new City Manager to establish mutual performance criteria and goals for the position.

#### **G. Follow-up**

We will follow-up with the City Council and the new City Manager during the first year and assist in making any adjustments that may be necessary.

#### **H. Reporting**

We will keep the City Council informed and involved in strategic decisions throughout the search process. We will provide frequent progress reports to the City Council.

#### **I. Deliverables**

Deliverables include the recruitment profile (draft and final), the advertisement (draft and final), the progress report (presented in person), the final report with interview tips, interview schedule, interview questions, candidate resumes, candidate evaluations, candidate writing samples, rating sheets, ranking forms, tabulation forms and appropriate/inappropriate question list and negotiated employment agreement between the City Council and the selected candidate.

#### **J. Warranty Provisions**

We provide a comprehensive set of assurances and guarantees to our executive recruitment clients that include:

- We are committed to excellence. We guarantee the highest quality of work and its success in your environment. To accomplish this, we will continue to work with the City Council until the City Council is satisfied with the candidates and a satisfactory candidate is selected and accepts employment.
- We guarantee our work and will redo the search if the position is vacated, for any reason, within two years of the employment date of a candidate selected by the City Council through our efforts.
- We will never actively recruit any candidate who we have placed nor will we actively recruit any employee from a client organization for at least two years from the completion date of an assignment.



### **K. Statement of Equality**

SMC is an equal opportunity employer and recruiter, and will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, sex, race, creed, color, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender expression or gender identity. SMC will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants and employees are treated fairly and legally during employment without regard to their age, sex, race, creed, color, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender expression or gender identity. Approximately twelve semifinalist candidates are presented to at the progress meeting. Generally, about five finalist candidates are presented for interviews with the City Council.

### **CONSULTING STAFF**

#### **Robert E. Slavin, President**

Mr. Slavin will manage and serve as the lead consultant for this project. He is a pioneer in public sector and nonprofit executive search. He is among the best known and respected professional recruiters in the business. He is a frequent speaker before professional groups and he has written several articles for professional journals concerning governmental management. By special invitation, Mr. Slavin assisted the United States Office of Personnel Management to define and set up the Senior Executive Service for the Federal Government.



Mr. Slavin began his local government career in 1967. His experience includes twelve years working directly for local governments and it includes seven years as a principal consultant with the government search practice of Korn/Ferry International, the largest private sector search firm in the world. He headed the local government search practices for Mercer/Slavin, Incorporated, Mercer, Slavin & Nevins and Slavin, Nevins and Associates, Inc. Mr. Slavin now heads the executive search practice for Slavin Management Consultants. Clients include state and local governments, nonprofit and private sector businesses all over the United States. His experience includes search assignments for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic's Organizing Committee.

Mr. Slavin's experience and qualifications include organizational analysis, classification and compensation studies, and assessment centers and human resource's systems studies.

Before being invited to join Korn/Ferry International, Mr. Slavin served as Assistant City Manager/Director of Human Resources for the City of Beverly Hills, California.

While at Beverly Hills, Mr. Slavin conducted many executive level recruitment assignments involving nationwide search and placement. Before joining the City of Beverly Hills, Mr. Slavin was the Assistant Personnel Director for the City of San Leandro, California.

Before San Leandro, Mr. Slavin was on the personnel staff of Santa Clara County, California. His assignments included recruitment, classification and selection for the County's Health Department, Medical Center, Transportation Agency, Sheriff's Office, Superintendent of Schools, Fire Marshall, Assessor's Office, Library System and County Recorder's Office.

Mr. Slavin received his Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from the University of Santa Clara, and has completed the graduate course work for a Master's degree in Public Administration at California State University at Hayward.

### **Organizations**

- International City/County Management Association
- National Forum for Black Public Administrators
- International Personnel Management Association
- IPMA - Human Relations Commission
- IPMA - Publications Review Committee
- Society for Human Resource Management
- Government Finance Officers Association

### **Barbara W. Lipscomb, ICMA-CM, CPM, MRP - SMC Managing Consultant**

#### **Professional Summary**

- Achievement oriented Certified Public Manager (Florida State University), possessing more than thirty-five years of progressively responsible experience in municipal administration at the city manager, deputy city manager and assistant city manager levels, primarily in the State of Florida
- Extensive experience with state-level leadership and mentoring of other public managers through the Florida City and County Managers Association
- Extensive experience and success with state and federal intergovernmental relations and special appropriations
- Proven track record for local government and community project development/ redevelopment projects
- Strong financial background, including organization downsizing, and profitability assurance

#### **Professional Experience**

##### **City of Greenville, North Carolina**

##### **City Manager August 2012 – August 2017 (Retirement)**

Greenville, North Carolina, 90,000+ population, \$131.2 M total budget, including \$82.6 million General Fund Budget, 750 full-time employees.



***City of Casselberry, Florida*****City Manager                      January 2007 – January 2012**

Casselberry, Florida, 26,000 population (approx), \$40.5 million General Government Budget, including \$18 million General Fund Budget

***City of Gainesville, Florida*****Assistant City Manager      February 2004 – January 2007**

Gainesville, Florida, 120,000 population, \$212 million General Government Budget, including \$92 million General Fund Budget

**Interim City Manager                      October 2004 – September 2005**

Directed all City of Gainesville general government operations and departments

**Assistant City Manager      February 2004 – October 2004*****City of Lakeland, Florida*****Assistant City Manager****Deputy City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager      May 1986 - February 2004**

Lakeland, Florida, 86,000 population, \$250 million total budget

***City of Grand Rapids, Michigan*****Management Analyst                      1982 - 1986**

Grand Rapids, MI, 200,000 population, \$200 million total budget

***Community Enrichment Services Group*****Administrative Assistant****Education and Professional Certifications****University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.***Master of Regional Planning***University of Georgia, Athens, GA***BA (Geography and Political Science)*

- International City/County Managers' Association (ICMA), Credentialed Manager - 2004
- Florida State University, Certified Public Manager - 2003
- Florida Public Labor Relations Association, Certificate in Labor Relations - 2003
- National Forum for Black Public Administrators Executive Leadership Institute - 1988-89
- Florida Redevelopment Association Certified Redevelopment Administrator - 2011

## REFERENCES

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**Professional Fee**

Our fees are based on a rate schedule that reflects the experience of the individual assigned. We use a flat fee rate schedule. Therefore, there are no project limitations based on annual salary. For this assignment we are proposing to use only consultants who have specific experience on similar assignments for other clients. We will use senior consultants where appropriate and to reduce the overall cost. We will use staff consultants when feasible. The following tables show the level of involvement by project step and cost.

PROJECT COSTS					
STEPS	ASSIGNED HOURS (Approximate)			RATE (Hr)	FEES
	Project Manager	Consultant	Total		
1. Project Planning/Develop Position Profile/Prepare and Place Announcements	38		38	80	\$3,040
2. Identify & Recruit Candidate/Acknowledge all Resumes	35		35	80	\$2,800
		36	36	30	\$1,080
3. Preliminary Candidate Screening	12		12	80	\$960
		6	6	30	\$180
4. Progress Report to the City Council/ Reduce Candidate Pool	10		10	80	\$800
		8	8	30	\$240
5. In-depth Candidate Evaluation (Includes on-site consultant interviews with semi-finalist candidates)	38		38	80	\$3,040
		16	16	30	\$480
6. Arrange for & Schedule Final Interviews	4		4	80	\$320
7. Prepare Final Report with Interview Questions and Selection Criteria	8		8	80	\$640
		16	16	30	\$480
8. Present Final Report and Attend Interviews	16		16	80	\$1,280
9. Assist in Employee Selection	2		2	80	\$160
10. Negotiate Employment Agreement	4		4	80	\$320
11. Establish Performance Goals	6		6	No Charge	\$0
12. Follow-up	4		4	No Charge	\$0
TOTAL HOURS	177	82	259		
TOTAL COSTS					\$15,820

## Expenses

Consultant Travel Costs: The client pays direct cost for all necessary consultant travel using coach or, when available, lower air rates, corporate hotel rates at moderately priced properties (Holiday Inn or equivalent), rental cars, using the corporate discount and normal meals. Client controls these costs in the following ways: (1) when appropriate, consultants will accomplish multiple purposes when traveling and will allocate costs to multiple clients; (2) the client pre-approves all work plans including all consultant (and candidate) travel; (3) SMC will comply with the current State of Georgia travel expense per diem rate schedule.

Office Costs Include: Telephone (\$350 flat fee, billed in two installments), FAX, postage, messenger, copier, and clerical costs.

Average Advertising Costs: Normally about \$2,500. Client controls these costs because the advertising program will be approved by the City prior to implementation.

Expenses for items identified above will not exceed 55% of the professional fee or \$8,701. Therefore, the total not-to-exceed cost for these services would be \$24,521. This proposal supports three trips to Forest Park by SMC consultants. Should more than three such trips be required by the City and the cost for the additional trip(s), causes the total allowable expense costs to exceed 55% of the fee, SMC will invoice the City for this added out of pocket cost.

The cost for finalist candidates travel to Forest Park for interviews is in **addition to the above not-to-exceed amount**. Such costs are impossible to forecast and vary widely depending on candidate location, spouse involvement, time required for candidates to be in Forest Park, etc.

Should the City's needs result in additional project scope that significantly increases consultant travel and/or advertising costs, it may be necessary to increase the expense budget for the project.

Your liability to Slavin Management Consultants for services rendered under this agreement will not exceed the agreed upon price unless an increase is authorized by you in writing.

We will submit monthly invoices for fees and expenses. It is our practice to bill 30% at the start of the searches, 30% at the end of thirty days, 30% at the end of sixty days, and the remaining 10% shortly after the time the new City Manager accepts employment with the City. Each invoice will be payable upon receipt for professional services. Expenses will be billed in addition and shown as a separate figure. Attached is a pro-forma invoice showing the level of accounting detail we will provide.

We will comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations of federal, state, and local government entities. Our ability to carry out the work required will be heavily dependent upon our experience in providing similar services to others and we expect to continue such work in



the future. We will, to the degree possible, preserve the confidential nature of any information received from you or developed during the work in accordance with our professional standards.

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We assure you that we will devote our best efforts to carrying out the engagements. The results obtained, our recommendations, and any written material provided by us will represent our best judgment based on the information available to us. Our liability, if any, will not be greater than the amount paid to us for the services rendered. This proposal constitutes the agreement between us. It cannot be modified except in writing by both parties. Our agreement will be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

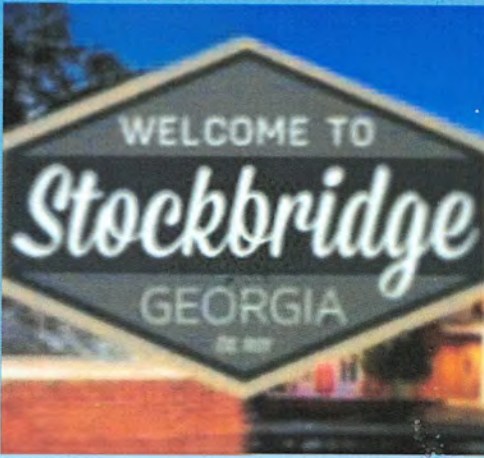




# EXHIBITS

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A large, two-story brick building with a central cupola. The building has a red brick facade, white columns, and a brown metal roof. The entrance is labeled "CITY HALL". In the foreground, there are purple tulips.

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Stockbridge Amphitheater

### About the City of Stockbridge

The City of Stockbridge was founded in 1829 and was incorporated as a city in 1920. Stockbridge is a diverse and fast growing city of approximately 36,000 residents. Stockbridge is located approximately twenty miles south of Atlanta and twelve miles east of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

Stockbridge is the largest city in Henry County which is the fourth fastest growing county in the United States. The City has close proximity to I-75 as well as I-675. Supportive economic development, excellent public services and small-town hospitality are all reasons why Stockbridge continues to provide residents with an excellent quality of life while accommodating rapid and well-planned growth..

Stockbridge is seeking new City Manager.

### About the City Government

Stockbridge is a municipal corporation created under the laws

of the State of Georgia. The affairs of the City are conducted by a Mayor and a five-member city council. The Mayor and City Council members are elected at-large and serve four-year staggered terms with no term limits. The City Council is responsible for the active coordination of community resources, to anticipate problems and meet community needs.

Along with the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the City Treasurer, the City Manager is appointed by the Mayor and City Council. He or she oversees the day-to-day operations of the City and ensures the smooth and efficient delivery of municipal services.

The City provides a full range of municipal services. These services are provided as a whole either directly by the City or through contractual agreements with Henry County. They include Police, Municipal Courts, Information Technology, Human Resources, Community Development (including Permitting and

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Planning and Zoning), Economic Development, Public Works (including Water and Sewer, Stormwater and Sanitation), City Events, City Clerk, Treasurer and City Attorney, and general administrative services. Fire, Recreation and Library services are provided by Henry County

### CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE, GEORGIA Organizational Chart



#### OUR VALUES | PEACE

- Professionalism
- Excellence
- Adaptability
- Communications
- Ethics

#### VISION STATEMENT

To be the most progressive business and family oriented community in Metro Atlanta with a focus on enhanced Quality of Life initiatives which promote a sustainable "Live, Work, Play" environment.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

To provide visionary leadership and superior municipal services that enhance the quality of life for citizens while creating a welcoming business atmosphere focused on sustainability and expansion of tourism and cultural events.

## Stockbridge Mayor and City Council



**Anthony S. Ford**  
Mayor



**LaKeisha T. Gantt**  
Councilwoman, District 1  
Mayor Pro Tem



**Alphonso Thomas**  
Councilman, District 2



**Kyle D. Berry Sr.**  
Councilman, District 3



**Yolanda Barber**  
Councilwoman, District 4



**Elton Alexander**  
Councilman, District 5

### Active Growth and Development

Establishing and fostering the most progressive business- and family-oriented community in the Metro-Atlanta area through initiatives that enhance the quality of life for its residents has always been an elevated priority for the City of Stockbridge. From the installation of a plethora of communal facilities to the annexation of land in 2022 that added 6,500 new City residents. The City has proven its standing as an epicenter of developmental excellence for the sake of its citizens. Notwithstanding the City's acclimated success, the City seeks to progressively move forward with several new community developments that will further compound the quality of life for residents.

As of June 9, 2024, there are 34 planned or proposed projects within the City of Stockbridge. Included in these are a mixture of residential, hotel, retail, office, and mixed-use projects or properties. Totally, where data is available, there are approximately 4,797 residential units; 284 hotel rooms; 235,294 square feet of retail space; and 251,782 square feet of office space. The total aggregated investment of these projects is \$208,987,720.

### City Council Stockbridge Strategic Priorities

The city council met at an offsite retreat in 2022 and developed a series of four core strategic priorities that the city will focus on in the next 3 to 5 years. Those strategic priorities are outlined below at a high level:

#### Quality of Life

Create an environment that fosters an enjoyable life for our citizens and visitors, so they want to stay here, build businesses here and retire here.

#### Economic Growth

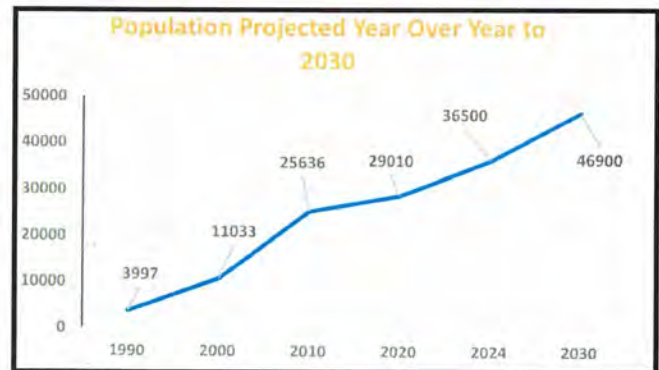
Support activities that stimulate the local economy, so the city can provide a higher standard of living for the citizens.

#### Culture and Brand Development

Invest in and support things that positively affect the culture and brand of our staff and the city so that people will want to work and live here.

#### Sustainability

Be sustainable in how we address our assets, our services, our finances, the environment, and our people, so we can thrive for many years to come.





## About the City Manager

The Stockbridge City Charter provides that the City Manager is responsible for implementing policy direction established by the City Council. Further, the City Manager provides management and leadership over all the affairs of the City; appoints and oversees department heads and subordinate staff in areas such as budget development and management, council meeting coordination and report preparation; initiating and implementing opportunities to enhance municipal service delivery; and striving for continuous improvement in all core City functions. The City Manager is expected to effectively guide a motivated and talented team of professionals who possess the expertise, enthusiasm and work ethic needed to ensure responsive and collaborative service. The successful applicant will be aggressive in facing and responding to the City's existing and future challenges; setting example for others and inspiring the staff to assume individual and collective responsibility. Stockbridge's City Manager must have a firm grasp of the full breadth of municipal management functions and must be particularly strong in Municipal Finance, Community Development, and Economic Development. He or she must be innovative and bring workable approaches that provide effective and efficient public services.

**Requires** a combination of education and experience equivalent to the attainment of a Bachelor's Degree (MPA or MBA preferred) complemented by at least ten (10) years of increasingly responsible management experience preferably gained in a local government. Recent experience as a local government

department head, assistant or deputy manager will also be considered. Although it is not a requirement, experience with diversity would be very helpful.

**Compensation** will be highly competitive. Beginning compensation is negotiable based on qualifications and experience. The City offers an excellent benefit package which includes 100% paid employee health benefits, 100% paid pension and no social security tax. Relocation expenses are negotiable.

## Application and Selection Process

The recruitment will remain open until the position is filled. The first review of applications is scheduled for Friday, April 18, 2025. To apply, please email a letter of interest, a detailed résumé, and current salary to:

**Robert E. Slavin or Barbara Lipscomb**

**SLAVIN MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS**

e-mail: [slavin@bellsouth.net](mailto:slavin@bellsouth.net)

[www.slavinmanagementconsultants.com](http://www.slavinmanagementconsultants.com).

Electronic submissions are required.

Additional information about the City of Stockbridge and the position is available at <http://stockbridgega.org>.

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**PRO FORMA INVOICE**

INVOICE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CLIENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Progress billing for professional services  
rendered in connection with our agreement:

(Invoice \_\_\_ of \_\_\_)

\$XXXX.XX

Reimbursable expenses at cost:

Airfare	\$ XXX.XX
Hotel	XX.XX
Ground Transportation	XX.XX
Meals	XX.XX
Tips	XX.XX
Telephone	XXX.XX
Clerical Support	XXX.XX
FAX	XX.XX
Messenger Service	XX.XX
Copies	XX.XX
Postage	XX.XX
Misc. Direct Costs	XX.XX

Total Expenses	\$XXXX.XX
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<b>TOTAL INVOICE</b>	<b><u>\$XXXX.XX</u></b>
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## CLIENT LIST BY CATEGORY

The following list of clients represent organizations for which our principal Consultants performed significant project work. This client list spans thirty years of experience of SMC consultants. Please contact SMC if you desire to speak with the individuals who were project contacts.

### MUNICIPALITIES

Aiken, South Carolina	Concord, New Hampshire
Albany, Georgia	Coral Gables, FL
Alexandria, Virginia	Coral Springs, Florida
Alpharetta, Georgia	Corpus Christi, Texas
Altamonte Springs, Florida	Corta Madera, California
Anaheim, California	Corinth, Texas
Ann Arbor, Michigan	Creedmoor, North Carolina
Arlington, Texas	Culver City, California
Arlington Heights, Illinois	Dallas, Texas
Arvada, Colorado	Danville, Kentucky
Atlanta, Georgia	Davenport, Iowa
Atlantic Beach, Florida	Davie, Florida
Asheville, North Carolina	Daytona Beach, Florida
Auburn, Maine	Decatur, Georgia
Aurora, Colorado	Decatur, Illinois
Austin, Texas	Delaware, Ohio
Bartlesville, Oklahoma	Delray Beach, Florida
Bentonville, Arkansas	Del Rio, Texas
Bergenfield, New Jersey	Denton, Texas
Berkeley, California	Destin, Florida
Beverly Hills, California	Dothan, Alabama
Birmingham, Alabama	Dubuque, Iowa
Bisbee, Arizona	Duluth, Georgia
Blacksburg, Virginia	Dunedin, Florida
Bloomington, Illinois	Durango, CO
Bothell, WA	Durham, North Carolina
Boynton Beach, Florida	Eagle Pass, Texas
Branson, Missouri	East Brunswick Township, New Jersey
Brea, California	Edmond, Oklahoma
Bridge City, Texas	Elgin, Illinois
Bridgeport, Connecticut	Enfield, Connecticut
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma	Englewood, Colorado
Brownsville, Texas	Escondido, California
Bryan, Texas	Evanston, Illinois
Burbank, California	Fort Collins, Colorado
Camarillo, California	Fort Pierce, Florida
Carson, California	Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Cary, North Carolina	Fort Smith, AR
Casper, Wyoming	Fort Worth, Texas
Chapel Hill, North Carolina	Frankfort, Kentucky
Charlotte, North Carolina	Franklin, Tennessee
Cherry Hills Village, Colorado	Frisco, Colorado
Chesapeake, Virginia	Gainesville, Florida
Clarkston, Georgia	Gainesville, Georgia
Clearwater, Florida	Galesburg, Illinois
Cleveland, OH	Garden City, New York
Clinton, SC	Glastonbury, Connecticut
Columbia, Missouri	Glendale, Arizona
Columbus, Georgia	Glen Ellyn, Illinois

Golden, Colorado	Oxnard, California
Grand Rapids, Michigan	Paducah, Kentucky
Greensboro, North Carolina	Palm Bay, Florida
Groves, Texas	Palm Beach Gardens, Florida
Gulfport, Florida	Palo Alto, California
Hardeeville, SC	Panama City, Florida
Hemet, California	Park Ridge, Illinois
Hercules, California	Pasadena, California
Highland Park, Illinois	Peoria, Illinois
Hollywood, Florida	Phoenix, Arizona
Homestead, Florida	Pittsburg, Kansas
Huntington Beach, California	Pompano Beach, Florida
Independence, Missouri	Portage, Michigan
Independence, Kansas	Pueblo, Colorado
Iowa City, Iowa	Richmond, California
Jacksonville Beach, Florida	Richmond, Virginia
Jupiter, Florida	Riverside, California
Kalamazoo, Michigan	Riverview, Michigan
Kansas City, Missouri	Roanoke, Virginia
Kettering, Ohio	Rock Hill, South Carolina
Lake Worth, Florida	Rockville, Maryland
Lakewood, Colorado	Sacramento, California
Lapeer, Michigan	St. Louis Park, Minnesota
Laramie, Wyoming	Salem, Oregon
Laredo, Texas	San Diego, California
Lenexa, Kansas	San Fernando, California
Liberty, Missouri	San Francisco, California
Lillburn, Georgia	San Jose, California
Little Rock, Arkansas	San Juan Capistrano, California
Long Beach, California	Sandersville, Georgia
Longmont, Colorado	Santa Ana, California
Manassas, Virginia	Santa Monica, California
Mansfield, Massachusetts	Sandusky, Ohio
Maplewood, Missouri	Sarasota, Florida
Marshfield, Missouri	Shaker Heights, Ohio
Miami Beach, Florida	Simi Valley, California
Milwaukie, Oregon	Sioux City, Iowa
Minneapolis, Minnesota	Snellville, Georgia
Miramar, Florida	South Brunswick Township, New Jersey
Modesto, California	South Fulton, GA
Muscatine, Iowa	Springfield, Missouri
Neptune Beach, Florida	Spring Hill, Tennessee
Newark, Delaware	Steamboat Springs, Colorado
New Smyrna Beach, Florida	Stockbridge, Georgia
Norfolk, Virginia	Stratford, Connecticut
Norman, Oklahoma	Storm Lake, Iowa
North Las Vegas, Nevada	Sunnyvale, California
North Miami Beach, Florida	Sunrise, Florida
Northglenn, Colorado	Takoma Park, Maryland
North Port, Florida	Tarpon Springs, Florida
Norwich, Connecticut	Topeka, Kansas
Oak Island, NC	Titusville, Florida
Oberlin, Ohio	Thornton, Colorado
Ocean City, Maryland	Traverse City, Michigan
Oceanside, California	Topeka, Kansas
Olathe, Kansas	Turlock, California
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	Upper Arlington, Ohio
Orlando, Florida	Urbana, IL



Urbandale, Iowa  
 Valdez, Alaska  
 Venice, FL  
 Virginia Beach, Virginia  
 Waco, Texas  
 Warrensburg, Missouri  
 Washington, Illinois  
 West Des Moines, Iowa  
 West Hartford, Connecticut  
 West Hollywood, California

West Palm Beach, Florida  
 Wichita, Kansas  
 Windham, Connecticut  
 Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
 Winter Park, Florida  
 Winter Springs, Florida  
 Worthington, Minnesota  
 Ypsilanti, Michigan

## COUNTIES

Adams County, Colorado  
 Alameda County, California  
 Albemarle County, Virginia  
 Arapahoe County, Colorado  
 Beaufort County, South Carolina  
 Broward County, Florida  
 Brown County, Wisconsin  
 Buffalo County, Nebraska  
 Buncombe County, North Carolina  
 Chaffee County, Colorado  
 Cass County, Michigan  
 Chesterfield County, Virginia  
 Citrus County, Florida  
 Clark County, Nevada  
 Cobb County, Georgia  
 Dade County, Florida  
 Doña Ana, New Mexico  
 Dunn County, Wisconsin  
 Eagle County, Colorado  
 Escambia County, Florida  
 Fairfax County, Virginia  
 Forsyth County, Georgia  
 Fremont County, Colorado  
 Fresno County, California  
 Fulton County, Georgia  
 Georgetown County, South Carolina  
 Glynn County, Georgia  
 Gunnison County, Colorado  
 Hall County, Georgia  
 Hamilton County, Ohio  
 Harnett County, NC  
 Hertford County South Carolina  
 Johnson County, Kansas  
 Ketchikan-Gateway Borough, Alaska  
 Lake County, Florida  
 Lake County, Illinois  
 La Plata County, Colorado  
 Leon County, Florida  
 Lincoln County, North Carolina

Livingston County, Illinois  
 Los Angeles County, California  
 Martin County, Florida  
 McHenry County, Illinois  
 Mecklenburg County, North Carolina  
 Mendocino County, California  
 Mesa County, Colorado  
 Moffat County, Colorado  
 Monterey County, California  
 Montgomery, Maryland  
 Muscatine County, Iowa  
 New Kent County, Virginia  
 Orange County, New York  
 Orange County, North Carolina  
 Palm Beach County, Florida  
 Peoria County, Illinois  
 Pinellas County, Florida  
 Polk County, Florida  
 Prince William County, Virginia  
 Ramsey County, Minnesota  
 St. Louis County, Minnesota  
 Saline County, Kansas  
 San Diego County, California  
 San Luis Obispo County, California  
 San Mateo County, California  
 Sarasota County, Florida  
 Sedgwick County, Kansas  
 Seminole County, Florida  
 Sonoma County, California  
 Springettsbury Township, Pennsylvania  
 Spotsylvania County, Virginia  
 Tazewell County, IL  
 Volusia County, Florida  
 Wake County, North Carolina  
 Washtenaw County, Michigan  
 Whiteside County, Illinois  
 Whitfield County, Georgia  
 Yolo County, California

## OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

### Development Groups

Arrowhead Regional Development, Duluth,  
 Minnesota



Columbia Development Corporation, South Carolina  
 Fresno Economic Development Commission, California  
 Fresno Redevelopment Authority, California  
 GoTopeka, Inc., Kansas  
 Lincoln Road Development Corporation, Miami Beach, FL  
 Los Angeles, California, Community Redevelopment Agency  
 Mid-American Regional Council, Kansas City, Missouri  
 West Palm Beach Downtown Development Authority, Florida

### **Housing Authorities**

California Housing Finance Agency  
 Jefferson County Housing Authority, Alabama  
 Las Vegas Housing Authority  
 Memphis Housing Authority, Tennessee  
 Ocala Housing Authority, Florida  
 Peoria Housing Authority, Illinois

### **Libraries**

Birmingham, Alabama Public Library  
 Central Arkansas Library System  
 Lexington, Kentucky Library System  
 Metropolitan Library System of Oklahoma  
 Moline Public Library

### **Non-Profits and Other Governmental Jurisdictions**

California State Government  
 CDC Federal Credit Union, Atlanta, Georgia  
 District of Columbia  
 Fresno Employment and Training Commission, California  
 Jefferson County Personnel Board, Alabama  
 Local Government Insurance Trust, Maryland  
 Los Angeles, California Department of Community Public Health Los Angeles,  
 California Music Center Operating Company  
 Los Angeles Olympics Organizing Committee  
 Metropolitan Nashville, Tennessee Arts  
 Mississippi Regional Housing Authority  
 Southeast Mississippi Rural Health Initiative Commission  
 Parkland Hospital, Texas  
 Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

### **Professional Associations**

American Public Works Association  
 Association of County Commissioners, Georgia  
 Georgia Municipal Association  
 International City/County Management Association  
 Iowa League of Cities  
 Missouri Municipal League

### **School Districts**

Adams County School District #14, Commerce City, Colorado  
 Lake Sumpter Community College, Florida  
 Dallas Independent School District, Texas

### **Transportation Agencies**

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, Oakland, California  
 Bay Area Rapid Transit District, Oakland, California  
 Dallas Area Rapid Transit District, Dallas, Texas  
 Greater Dayton Regional Transportation Authority  
 Kalamazoo County Transportation Authority  
 Lee County Port Authority, Florida  
 Metra (Chicago Commuter Rail System)  
 MetroPlan Orlando (MPA)  
 Port Everglades Authority, Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
 Orlando - Orange County Expressway Authority  
 Port of Sacramento, California  
 Riverside Transit Agency, California  
 San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, California  
 Sarasota/Manatee Airport Authority, Florida  
 Southern California Rapid Transit District

### **Utilities**

Columbus Water Works, Georgia  
 Greater Peoria Sanitation District  
 Gulf Shores Utilities  
 Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati, Ohio  
 Orange Water and Sewer Authority (North Carolina)  
 Public Works Commission of Fayetteville, North Carolina  
 Rivanna Solid Waste Authority, Virginia  
 Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority, Virginia  
 Sacramento Municipal Utility District, California  
 South Florida Water Management District  
 Spartanburg Utility District, South Carolina



## EEO STATEMENT

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Slavin Management Consultants (SMC) is committed to building a diverse workforce which reflects the face of the community we serve, honors and respects the differences and abilities of all our employees and residents, and provides employees with the necessary opportunities, tools, and support to achieve their maximum potential.

Equitably managing a diverse workforce is at the heart of equal opportunity. Valuing diversity is the basis for a policy of inclusion. Diversity recognizes and respects the multitude of differences which employees bring to the workplace. Diversity complements organizational values that stress teamwork, leadership, empowerment, and quality service. Diversity means striving to maintain an environment in which managers value the differences in their employees and take steps to ensure that all employees know they are welcome.

To achieve workplace equity and inclusion, SMC will observe the practices outlined below:

- It is the policy of Slavin Management Consultants to provide equal opportunity to all qualified employees and applicants without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex (including gender identity, sexual preference, and pregnancy), marital status, national origin or ancestry, genetic make-up, disability status, protected veterans' status, equal pay or any other characteristic protected by law..
- Our recruiting efforts will ensure that applicant pools are both capable and diverse.
- We will make employment decisions based on job-related criteria and will provide opportunities for entry and promotion into non-traditional jobs.
- We will ensure a workplace free of all forms of harassment.
- We will develop a procedure for prompt, thorough and impartial investigations of discrimination or harassment complaints and will act on appropriate measures to provide remedy or relief to individuals who have been victims of illegal discrimination or harassment.

Measures to ensure accountability for managing diversity will be incorporated into the performance management system for supervisors and managers. The chief executive officer will evaluate the effectiveness of our diversity policies and programs.

By creating a workplace where everyone can work towards their maximum potential, SMC will retain quality, productive employees who will provide excellent services to our clients.



## **SMC SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY**

Slavin Management Consultants (SMC) is committed to providing a workplace that is free from sexual harassment. Sexual harassment in the workplace is against the law and will not be tolerated. Should the company determine that an allegation of sexual harassment is credible, it will take prompt and appropriate corrective action.

### **What Is Sexual Harassment?**

Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when:

- An employment decision affecting that individual is made because the individual submitted to or rejected the unwelcome conduct; or
- The unwelcome conduct unreasonably interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, or abusive work environment.
- Certain behaviors, such as conditioning promotions, awards, training or other job benefits upon acceptance of unwelcome actions of a sexual nature, are always wrong.

Unwelcome actions such as the following are inappropriate and, depending on the circumstances, may in and of themselves meet the definition of sexual harassment or contribute to a hostile work environment:

- Sexual pranks, or repeated sexual teasing, jokes, or innuendo, in person or via e-mail;
- Verbal abuse of a sexual nature;
- Touching or grabbing of a sexual nature;
- Repeatedly standing too close to or brushing up against a person;
- Repeatedly asking a person to socialize during off-duty hours when the person has said no or has indicated he or she is not interested (supervisors in particular should be careful not to pressure their employees to socialize);
- Giving gifts or leaving objects that are sexually suggestive;
- Repeatedly making sexually suggestive gestures;
- Making or posting sexually demeaning or offensive pictures, cartoons or other materials in the workplace;
- Off-duty, unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that affects the work environment. A victim of sexual harassment can be a man or a woman.
- The victim can be of the same sex as the harasser.
- The harasser can be a supervisor, co-worker, other company employee, or a non-employee who has a business relationship with the Slavin Management Consultants.

### **SMC's Responsibilities Under This Policy:**

If SMC receives an allegation of sexual harassment, or has reason to believe sexual harassment is occurring, it will take the necessary steps to ensure that the matter is promptly investigated and addressed. If the allegation is determined to be credible, SMC will take immediate and effective measures to end the unwelcome behavior. SMC is committed to take action if it learns of possible sexual harassment, even if the individual does not wish to file a formal complaint.

SMC will seek to protect the identities of the alleged victim and harasser, except as reasonably necessary (for example, to complete an investigation successfully). SMC will also take the necessary steps to protect from retaliation those employees who in good faith report incidents of potential sexual harassment. It is a violation of both federal law and this policy to retaliate against someone who has reported possible sexual harassment. Violators may be subject to discipline.

Employees who have been found by SMC to have subjected another employee to unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, whether such behavior meets the legal definition of sexual harassment or not, will be subject to discipline or other appropriate management action. Discipline will be appropriate to the circumstances, ranging from a letter of reprimand through suspensions without pay of varying lengths to



separation for cause. A verbal or written admonishment, while not considered formal discipline, may also be considered.

#### Employees' Rights and Responsibilities Under This Policy

Any employee who believes he or she has been the target of sexual harassment is encouraged to inform the offending person orally or in writing that such conduct is unwelcome and offensive and must stop.

If the employee does not wish to communicate directly with the offending person, or if such communication has been ineffective, the employee has multiple avenues for reporting allegations of sexual harassment and/or pursuing resolution.

Employees are encouraged to report the unwelcome conduct as soon as possible to his or her supervisor or to the President of SMC.

In addition to reporting sexual harassment concerns to a responsible SMC official, employees who believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment may elect to pursue resolution in several ways, including:

**Mediation:** Mediation is an informal way to resolve office problems using a trained mediator who facilitates communication between the parties to the dispute. If an employee chooses to attempt resolution through mediation, management is obligated by Company policy to send a representative to the table. If a resolution is not reached, the parties may continue to pursue their rights in any other appropriate forum.

**EEO processes:** All SMC employees can file an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) complaint with the United States Equal Employment Commission (EEOC). An employee who wishes to file a complaint under EEO procedures must consult an EEO counselor within 45 days of the alleged incident. It is not necessary for an employee to complain to his/her supervisor before approaching an EEO counselor, nor to attempt informal resolution through mediation or other means. EEOC contact Information:  
<https://eeoc.com>. Phone 1 (800) 669-4000

All SMC employees are required to comply with this policy. Employees are also expected to behave professionally and to exercise good judgment in work-related relationships, whether with fellow employees, business colleagues, or members of the public with whom they come into contact in the course of official duties. Further, all employees are expected to take appropriate measures to prevent sexual harassment. Unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature should be stopped before it becomes severe or pervasive and rises to a violation of law.



## MINORITY AND WOMEN PLACEMENTS

CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
ALACHUA COUNTY, FL	County Administrator			X
ALBANY, GA	City Manager	X		
	Police Chief	X		
	Assistant City Manager	X		
	Human Resources Director	X		
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, FL	Finance Director		X	
ASPEN, CO	City Manager		X	
AUSTIN, TX	City Auditor		X	
	City Manager		X	
	Police Chief			X
BERKELEY, CA	City Manager	X		
	Public Works Director			X
BEVERLY HILLS, CA	Sanitation Director	X		
	Library Director		X	
BOCA RATON, FL	City Manager		X	
	Asst. City Manager		X	
BOTHELL, WA	City Manager		X	
BOISE, ID	Chief Financial Officer	X		
BROWARD COUNTY, FL	Assistant Director of Equal Employment	X	X	
	Director of Budget	X		
	911 Center Director	X		
	Drug Addiction Recovery Cntr Dir	X	X	
BOISE, ID	Chief Financial Officer		X	
BRYAN, TX	Municipal Court Judge		X	
	City Manager		X	
BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NC	County Manager	X	X	
CAMARILLO, CA	City Clerk		X	
CARSON, CA	Planning Director		X	
CHAPEL HILL, NC	Transportation Director		X	
	Human Resources Director		X	
CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FL	County Attorney		X	
CENTRAL CITY ASSN. OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES (CA)	Director of Security	X		
CHARLOTTE, NC	Neighborhood Services Director	X		

CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
CLARKSTON, GA	City Manager	X	X	
COLUMBIA, MO	Police Chief	X		
CORINTH, TX	Director of Economic Development		X	X
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX	City Manager Police Chief	X		X
CULVER CITY, CA	Finance Director			X
DANE COUNTY, WI	Director of Human Services		X	
DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)	Chief Financial Officer	X	X	
DALLAS, TX	City Attorney		X	
DAYTONA BEACH, FL	City Manager	X		
DECATUR, GA	Chief of Police	X		
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Executive Director Alcoholic Beverage Regulations Commission		X	
DURANGO, CO	City Manager			X
DURHAM, NC	City Manager City Manager Police Chief Public Works Director	X X X X	X X X X	
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FL	Assistant County Administrator	X		
ESCONDIDO, CA	Civic Center Construction Mgr		X	
FRANKFORT, KY	City Manager		X	
EVANSTON, IL	City Manager		X	
FRESNO, CA (PIC)	Executive Director	X		
FORT COLLINS, CO	City Attorney		X	
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	Fire Chief	X		
FORT MYERS, FL	City Manager Police Chief	X X		
FORT PIERCE, FL	City Attorney		X	
FORT WORTH, TX	Auditor General Police Chief	X	X	
FRANKLIN, TN	Director of Community Development		X	
FRESNO, CA (PIC)	Executive Director	X		
GAINESVILLE, FL	Equal Employment Director	X		
GEORGETOWN, SC	City Administrator		X	
GEORGETOWN COUNTY, SC	County Manager	X	X	
GLASTONBURY, CT	Human Resources Director	X	X	

CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO	City Manager		X	
GREENBELT HOMES, INC. (MARYLAND)	Executive Director		X	
GREENSBORO, NC	Assistant City Manager	X		
GREENVILLE, NC	City Manager	X	X	
HAMILTON COUNTY, OH	Jobs and Family Services Director		X	
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY (FL) CHILDREN'S BOARD	Executive Director		X	
HOLLYWOOD, FL	City Manager	X		
JUPITER, FL	Assistant to the City Manager		X	
	Public Works Director			X
KALAMAZOO, MI	City Manager		X	
	Assistant City Manager		X	
LAKE COUNTY, FL	County Attorney		X	
LAKE COUNTY, IL	Purchasing Director		X	
	Human Resources Director	X		
	Assistant County Administrator		X	
LAKE COUNTY, IL HEALTH DEPARTMENT	Executive Director		X	
LAKE WORTH, FL	Utilities Customer Services Manager	X		
LA PLATA COUNTY, CO	Human Services Director		X	
LAREDO, TX	City Manager			X
LEE COUNTY, FL	County Administrator		X	
	Human Resources Director	X		
LINCOLN ROAD DEVELOPMENT CORP.	Executive Director		X	
LONG BEACH, CA	Police Chief	X	X	
	Executive Director, Civil Service Commission			
LONGMONT, CO	City Manager			X
LONGVIEW, CO	Assistant City Manager		X	
LOS ANGELES, COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY	Sr. Project Manager	X		X
	Project Manager	X		
	Project Manager			X
LOS ANGELES COUNTY (CA) HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY	Executive Director	X	X	
	Deputy Exec. Dir.			X
LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	Public Health Director	X		



CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
LOS ANGELES OLYMPICS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	Human Resources Director	X	X	
	Director of Venues		X	
MAPLEWOOD, MO	City Manager	X		
METROZOO (MIAMI FL)	Director of Marketing		X	
MEMPHIS (TN) HOUSING AUTHORITY	Executive Director	X		
MIAMI (FL) OFF-STREET PARKING SYSTEM	Finance Director			X
MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTH. (DAYTON, OH)	Executive Director	X	X	
MIRAMAR, FL	City Manager		X	
MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY VIII	Executive Director	X		
MONTEREY COUNTY, CA	Hospital Administrator	X		
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES	Executive Director	X	X	
MOUNT DORA, FL	City Manager		X	
NOAH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	Executive Director	X		
NEWARK, DE	City Manager	X		
NORFOLK, VA	Human Resources Director	X		
	Senior Engineer		X	
NORFOLK, VA	Social Services Director	X		
Oak Island, NC	Town Manager		X	
OAK PARK, IL	Village Manager		X	
OCALA (FL) PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY	Executive Director	X		
OBERLIN, OH	City Manager		X	
ORANGE CITY, FL	City Clerk		X	
ORLANDO, FL	Fire Chief	X		
ORMOND BEACH, FL	City Manager	X		
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK	City Manager	X		
PALM BAY, FL	Human Resources Director		X	
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL	Assistant County Administrator		X	
PALM BEACH COUNTY (FL) CHILDREN'S SERVICES BOARD	Executive Director		X	



CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
<i>PALM BEACH COUNTY (FL) HEALTH CARE DISTRICT</i>	Executive Director		X	
<i>PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL</i>	City Manager (1992) City Manager (1999)		X	X
<i>PALO ALTO, CA</i>	City Attorney		X	
<i>PANAMA CITY, FL</i>	City Clerk/Treasurer		X	
<i>PARKLAND, FLORIDA</i>	City Manager		X	
<i>PEORIA (IL) PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY</i>	Executive Director	X		
<i>PHOENIX, AZ</i>	Chief of Police			X
<i>POWDER SPRINGS, GA</i>	City Manager		X	
<i>PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA</i>	County Executive Human Resources Director Fire Chief	X X	X X X	
<i>RICHMOND, CA</i>	City Manager	X		
<i>RICHMOND, VA</i>	Director of Public Health	X		
<i>ROANOKE, VA</i>	Police Chief Economic Development Director Assistant City Manager Director of Human Services	X X	X X X	
<i>ROCKVILLE, MD</i>	Assistant City Manager		X	
<i>SACRAMENTO, CA</i>	Human Resources Director	X	X	
<i>SAGINAW, MI</i>	Police Chief			X
<i>SAN DIEGO, CA</i>	City Manager	X		
<i>SAN FRANCISCO, CA</i>	Assistant City Administrator		X	
<i>SAN JOSE, CA</i>	Police Chief	X		
<i>SANTA MONICA, CA</i>	Deputy City Manager		X	
<i>SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY (FL)</i>	Executive Director		X	
<i>SARASOTA, FL</i>	Human Resources Director	X		
<i>SARASOTA COUNTY, FL</i>	Deputy County Administrator	X		
<i>SELMA, AL</i>	Chief of Police	X		
<i>SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH</i>	City Administrator		X	
<i>SOUTH DAKOTA STATE LEGISLATURE</i>	Chief Legislative Analyst		X	
<i>SOUTH FULTON, GA</i>	Finance Director	X	X	
<i>SE MISSISSIPPI RURAL HEALTH INITIATIVE</i>	General Manager	X	X	
<i>SUNNYVALE, CA</i>	Public Information Officer City Clerk		X X	
<i>STRATFORD, CT</i>	Human Resources Director		X	

CLIENT	POSITION	AFRICAN AMERICAN	WOMAN	LATINO
STOCKBRIDGE, GA	City Manager	X		
TAKOMA PARK, MD	City Manager		X	
	Recreation Director	X	X	
	Housing and Community Development Director		X	
	Public Works Director	X		
THORNTON, CO	Public Information Officer		X	
	City Attorney			X
TOPEKA, KS	City Manager	X		
	Police Chief	X		
URBANA, IL	Chief Administrative Officer		X	
VALDEZ, AK	City Manager		X	
VENICE, FL	Police Chief		X	
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA	Human Resources Director	X		
VIRGINIA BEACH PARK TRUST (FL)	Executive Director	X		
VOLUSIA COUNTY, FL	County Manager		X	
	Budget Director		X	
	Human Resources Director		X	
	Deputy County Manager		X	
WACO, TX	Deputy City Manager		X	
	Exec. Dir. - Support Services			X
	Assistant City Manager	X		
	Director of Facilities			X
WAKE COUNTY, NC	Human Services Director			X
THE WEINGART CENTER (LOS ANGELES)	Executive Director		X	
WEST COVINA, CA	Planning Director	X	X	
WEST MIFFLIN, PA	Town Administrator		X	
WEST PALM BEACH, FL	Assistant City Administrator	X	X	
WICHITA, KS	Human Resources Dir	X	X	
	Community Services Dir	X	X	
	Communications Director		X	
	Director of Libraries		X	
	Housing and Development Director	X	X	
	City Manager	X		
WYOMING, OHIO	City Manager		X	
YPSILANTI, MI	City Manager	X		
ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF FLORIDA (DADE COUNTY)	Executive Director			X

**From:** [Tim Chason](#)  
**To:** [Talisa Adams](#)  
**Cc:** [Alan Reddish W.](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Request for Executive Recruitment Proposal - City Manager Position  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 27, 2025 7:48:32 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the organization. Please use caution when interacting with this email.

Talisa thank you for reaching out regarding an executive search for a city manager.

To be honest, TCG's expertise is not in this field. We focus on economic development organizations, chambers of commerce, CVBs, and other nonprofits.

Alan Reddish is with the Mercer Group. He is an excellent executive recruiter for local governments and I highly recommend him to lead your search.

Please let me know if I can assist you in any way.

Tim Chason  
404.735.0540

On Aug 25, 2025, at 3:01 PM, Talisa Adams <tadams@forestparkga.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr. Chason,

The City of Forest Park is requesting a proposal for executive recruitment services for the City Manager position.

Please let me if you need any information to prepare the proposal for consideration.

Thanks,



CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

Talisa R. Adams, CPPO

Procurement Manager

City of Forest Park

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STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR ANGELYNE BUTLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT FIRM TO COMPLETE A NATIONWIDE SEARCH FOR A NEW CITY MANAGER FOR THE CITY FROM THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the resignation of the City's current City Manager, the governing body is seeking to contract with a professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for a new City Manager for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Procurement Division has completed a reference of recruitment firms' comparison report ("Report") for the governing body's consideration, more particularly described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body has selected \_\_\_\_\_ from the Report and has authorized the City Attorney to draft a professional services agreement for the City to enter into a contract with this firm; and

**WHEREAS**, the approval of this professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for a new City Manager is necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City.

**THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1. Approval.** The selected professional recruitment firm to complete a nationwide search for a new City Manager as presented to the Mayor and Council on September 2, 2025, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk ("Clerk") and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 3. Authorization of Execution.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

**Section 4. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 2nd day of September 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*

## EXHIBIT A

### Executive Recruitment Firms Reference Report

Executive Recruitment Firm	YRS in Business	Clients Served	Positions	Cost	Feedback
Sumter (Alpharetta) 404-535-0525 warren@sumterconsulting.com shawn@sumterconsulting.com	24	City of Chamblee, Stone Mountain, Woodstock, Marietta, Stonecrest and Clayton County Water Authority	Director, City Manager, Police Chief, Deputy Director, Public Safety Director, and Director	<b>\$21,000</b> with Expenses to be reimbursed by the City of Forest Park based on actual documented expenses: Consultant travel and Advertising fees. The flat fee is broken into milestones: 1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the advertising process; 1/3 fee – paid upon the completion of the semi-finalist interviews; and 1/3 fee – paid upon start date of the City Manager. Sumter LGC is confident in our process, and if the City of Forest Park decides to start over with the recruitment due to unsatisfactory candidates, or if the chosen candidate doesn't last one year in the position for any reason, we offer a one-year guarantee. We will complete another search for the City at no charge (except reimbursable expenses).	Offer a one-year guarantee for candidates we recruit. We understand local politics and the complexities of a City or County Manager search process. We understand how to balance transparency and the confidentiality needs of your best candidates. We are cost-effective. With limited overhead, we can offer a competitive price, a customized solution, and personal service.
Slavin (Norcross) 770-449-4656	27	City of Stockbridge	City Manager	<b>\$24,521</b> - total not to exceed with the cost for finalist candidates travel to Forest Park for interviews is in addition to the above not-to-exceed amount. Such costs are impossible to forecast and vary widely depending on candidate location, spouse involvement, time required for candidates to be in Forest Park, etc. We will submit monthly invoices for fees and expenses. It is our practice to bill 30% at the start of the searches, 30% at the end of thirty days, 30% at the end of sixty days, and the remaining 10% shortly after the time the new City Manager accepts employment with the City. <b>Anticipated timeline 60-90 days.</b>	







**File Attachments for Item:**

**8. Council Approval of Massage Establishments as a business license type within the City of Forest Park-PCD Department**



CITY OF  
**FOREST PARK**

# City Council Agenda Item

**Subject:** Council Discussion to approve Massage Establishments as a business license type within the City of Forest Park.

**Submitted By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner, Planning & Community Development Department

**Date Submitted:** August 25, 2025

**Work Session Date:** September 02, 2025

**Council Meeting Date:** September 02, 2025

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## Background/History:

As part of the City's business licensing process, staff recently received an application for a proposed massage therapy business seeking to operate within the City of Forest Park.

Per Sec. 9-7-4. - Licensing of massage business operators and masseurs:

**(a)** No person, partnership, corporation or association shall operate a massage business as herein defined, or engage in the business or profession of massage, unless such person, partnership, corporation or association shall have first applied for and received the license provided by this chapter.

**(b)** Every application for the license prescribed herein shall be upon a form approved by the city manager and shall be filed with the city manager or his designated representative.

Upon review of this ordinance, it has been determined that applicants for a Massage Establishment license are required to appear before Mayor and Council for consideration and approval of the license type. The application has been reviewed by Planning, Fire, Police, and Building departments, and no comments or objections have been noted at this time.

Should Mayor and Council approve the request, the applicant may proceed with establishing and operating the massage therapy business within the City.

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**Cost:** N/A

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

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## Financial Impact:

**Action Requested from Council:** To Approve Massage Establishments as a business license type.







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Department of Finance  
745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297  
Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344  
www.forestparkga.gov

**NEW APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL OCCUPATIONAL/BUSINESS TAX CERTIFICATE**

Business License are valid for one calendar year, January 1 through December 31, and must be renewed by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year

Failure to renew on or before November 15<sup>th</sup>, will result in a 10% penalty Ord. Sec. 3-3-18

Ownership: ☐ Sole Proprietor ☒ Limited Liability Company ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Non-Profit ☐ Other

ESTIMATED GROSS RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR OR REMAINDER OF YEAR: \$ 49,700 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: 1

E-Verify#: \_\_\_\_\_ FEIN# \_\_\_\_\_ SSN#(Owner): \_\_\_\_\_ GA SALES TAX ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Corporations and Partnerships must provide the Names of all Officers and Partners, their Titles, Mailing Addresses, and SSN# on a separate sheet of paper

Have you registered your Trade Name? (optional) ☐ Yes ☒ No (Trade Names are registered through Clayton County Clerk of Superior Court)

Will your Business operate as an Adult Entertainment Establishment or offer and form of Adult Entertainment? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will your Business operate as a Night Club or Late-Night Entertainment? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is this Business required by the State of Georgia to have a Professional License, a Clayton County Health/Food Permit or Approved Inspection Report, or any other Regulatory Approval Documentation? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Copy is required)

Detailed Description of Business: Client focused body work to release pain and stress

Corporation Name: Serenity In Every Touch LLC

D/B/A (doing business as): Serenity In Every Touch

Business Address: 1105 Forest Parkway City: Forest Park State: GA Zip: 30297

Business Phone: 404-735-9633 Business Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Email: serenityineverytouch@gmail.com

Owner 1: CATHERINE LINDSEY Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: serenityineverytouch@gmail.com

Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway City: Forest Park State: GA Zip: 30297

Owner 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: Catherine Lindsey Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I, Catherine Lindsey, being the Owner, do hereby certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, completion of this form does not guarantee or grant issuance of an occupational tax certificate/business license. The City of Forest Park reserves the right to not issue or renew a certificate in cases which there are documented violations of the city code and/or ordinances, other taxes or fees are owed to the city by the business or its owners, or in which the business fails to meet the requirements set forth by the City of Forest Park. I understand all occupational taxes and corresponding fees shall be due October 1 and not later than November 15 to avoid a 10% penalty plus monthly 1.5% accrued interest city ordinance code SEC. 9-1-1(A). All city taxes (real & personal), sanitation fees and any other assessments must be paid before payment of license will be accepted. If paying by check you must pay all fees with SEPARATE CHECKS! All delinquent businesses are subject to fines imposed by the city. The business tax division will mail you a renewal application in August each year. **In the event that you do not receive a renewal notice, remember that it is YOUR responsibility to pay your fee by November 15 of the following year to avoid a 10% penalty. ORD SEC. 3-3-18** Any certificate issued without payment of all such assessments shall be revoked if the outstanding assessments are not paid within 30 days of the business owner being notified by the department of finance. For purposes of determining the demand date or the notification date, the date shall be 3 days after the mailing date, excluding, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Please notify us of any changes with your business. All changes should be submitted in writing. Applicants must comply with all applicable state regulations of the proposed business activity.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS/BUSINESS OWNERS:**

- 1) All required licenses/certificates must be obtained prior to the issuance of the occupational tax certificate.
- 2) Non-Profit organizations are required to register with the city before operations may begin, copies of state and federal registration documents need to be submitted with the application
- 3) Licenses are not transferable. If you sell your business, it is your responsibility to notify the city so that your license can be closed. The new owner must apply for a license. If you move your business, you must complete a new application for a business license
- 4) You may check the status of your application at [www.egovlink.com/forestpark/action.asp](http://www.egovlink.com/forestpark/action.asp).
- 5) All trash receptacles will be provided by the city.
- 6) A license contractor must obtain all applicable permits prior to any new construction, renovation, demolition, or signage.

Signature of Owner 1/Agent: Catherine Lindsey Signature of Owner 2/Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: 7/1/25

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**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- \* Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records. This notice is issued only one time and the IRS will not be able to generate a duplicate copy for you. You may give a copy of this document to anyone asking for proof of your EIN.
- \* Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear at the top of this notice on all your federal tax forms.
- \* Refer to this EIN on your tax-related correspondence and documents.
- \* Provide future officers of your organization with a copy of this notice.

Your name control associated with this EIN is SERE. You will need to provide this information along with your EIN, if you file your returns electronically.

Safeguard your EIN by referring to Publication 4557, Safeguarding Taxpayer Data: A Guide for Your Business.

You can get any of the forms or publications mentioned in this letter by visiting our website at [www.irs.gov/forms-pubs](http://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs) or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions about your EIN, you can contact us at the phone number or address listed at the top of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the bottom of this notice and include it with your letter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Keep this part for your records.

CP 575 G (Rev. 7-2007)

Return this part with any correspondence  
so we may identify your account. Please  
correct any errors in your name or address.

CP 575 G  
[REDACTED]

Your Telephone Number Best Time to Call  
( ) -

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: 11-06-2024  
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: [REDACTED]  
FORM: SS-4 NOBOD

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
CINCINNATI OH 45999-0023  
[REDACTED]

SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC  
CATHERINE LINDSEY SOLE MBR  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Affidavit Verifying Status for City of Forest Park Business License Application**

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a loan, grant, tax credit and/or other public benefit, as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1, administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, the undersigned applicant verifies one of the following with respect to my application for a public benefit:

1) ☒ I am a United States Citizen.2) ☐ I am a legal permanent resident of the United States.3) ☐ I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency.

My alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency is: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(1), with this affidavit. The secure and verifiable document provided with this affidavit can best be classified as: GA Driver's License

**Private Employer of Compliance Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6 (d)**

- (A) **More than 10:** By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation employs more than 10 employees and has registered with and utilizes the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-90. Furthermore, the undersigned private employer hereby attests that its federal work authorization
- (B) **Less than 10:** By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies that it is exempt from compliance with O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation employs 10 or fewer employees and is not required to register with and/or utilize the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6. user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:



More Than 10 Employees



Less Than 10 Employees

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Authorization \_\_\_\_\_

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully make a false fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation O.C.G.A. 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such statute.

Catherine Lindsey  
Signature of Applicant

CATHERINE LINDSEY  
Printed Name of Applicant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME

Executed on 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2025 (city), Forest Park State GA

Fatima Fernandez Ochoa  
(Notary Signature/Seal)

4/9/2027  
My Commission Expires

FATIMA FERNANDEZ OCHOA  
Notary Public - State of Georgia  
Clayton County  
My Commission Expires Apr 9, 2027





Department of Finance - Business License Division  
 745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297  
 Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344

## APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL SANITATION

**\*\*Please fill out this form completely\*\***

**\*In accordance with City Ordinance 5-2-2-(11)**

### 1. BUSINESS INFORMATION:

(a) Date Applied: 7/1/2025 Telephone #: 404-735-9633  
 (b) BUSINESS/CORPORATION/ORGANIZATION NAME: Serenity In Every Touch LLC

(b) DBA name: Serenity In Every Touch LLC

(c) Business Location: 1105 Forest Parkway  
 Address(Suite/Unit#) (NO P.O. BOX OR VIRTUAL OFFICE)

Forest Park GA 30297 (404)-735-9633  
 City State Zip Code Business Phone

(d) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
 Address(Suite/Unit#)

Forest Park GA 30297 (404) 735-9633  
 City State Zip Code Business Phone

(e) Type of Business: Massage Therapy

### 2. BUSINESS OWNER INFORMATION

(a) FULL NAME: Catherine Lindsey Title: Owner

(b) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
 Address(Suite/Unit#)

Forest Park GA 30297 404 735-9633  
 City State Zip Code Business Phone

Email: Serenityineverytouch@gmail.com Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: Catherine Lindsey Date: 7/1/25

#### Account Changes Request

Type of Changes:

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Name
- ☐ Service Change
- ☐ Discontinue Service

Reason for Request \_\_\_\_\_

#### OFFICE USE ONLY

Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTERED IN COMPUTER: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_





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**M.A.R.C.**  
**Merchant Awareness Reduces Crime**

Please print, read, and fill out this form completely.

Date: 7/1/25 Type of Business: Massage Therapy  
Business Name: SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC.  
Business Address: 1105 FOREST PARKWAY, FOREST PARK, GA  
Email address (if available): serenityineverytouch@gmail.com  
Business Phone#: 404 735-9633 Alternate#: [REDACTED] Fax#: [REDACTED]  
Owner's Name: CATHERINE LINDSEY Owner's Home Phone#: [REDACTED]  
Owner's Home Address: [REDACTED]

Alarm Type(s) (circle all that apply): Burglar Fire Panic Hold-up Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Alarm Company: N/A Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any security concerns? If so, please explain:  
N/A

Have you noticed any problems in the area of your business? If so, what are they:  
N/A

What can we the police do to help maintain a safe working environment? N/A

Emergency contact person: Valene Farrell Phone#: [REDACTED] Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Back-up person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Back-up person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

**CITY HALL:** Please route this completed form to the police department upon license approval.

**COMMUNICATIONS USE ONLY:**

Keyword: \_\_\_\_\_

Rolodex date: \_\_\_\_\_

CAD Date: \_\_\_\_\_



745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297

Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344

www.forestaprkga.gov

**PROFESSIONAL PRACTITIONER**

Have you ever obtained a Professional Business License in the City of Forest Park? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

I, CATHERINE D LINDSEY, hereby register my  
First Name Middle Initial Last NameProfession as Massage Therapist; and further certify that I  
am duly licensed by the State of Georgia.**PRINCIPAL OFFICE NAME AND LOCATION**(a) Firm/Company Name: Serenity In Every Touch LLCd/b/a Serenity In Every touch(c) Business Location: 1105 Forest Parkway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Address (Suite/Unit#) (NO P.O. BOX OR VIRTUAL OFFICE) 9633Forest Park GA 30297 404-735-9633  
City State Zip Code Business Phone(d) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
Address (Suite/Unit#)Forest Park GA 30297 404 735 9633  
City State Zip Code Business Phone(e) Telephone: 404-735-9633 (f) Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Under penalty of law, I hereby certify and declare that the above information to the best of my knowledge and belief is true and complete. I agree to notify the Office of Occupational Tax should any of the information change.*

Signature Catherine LindseyDate: 7/1/25

I. New applicants must attach a copy of their State of Georgia license for application can be processed.

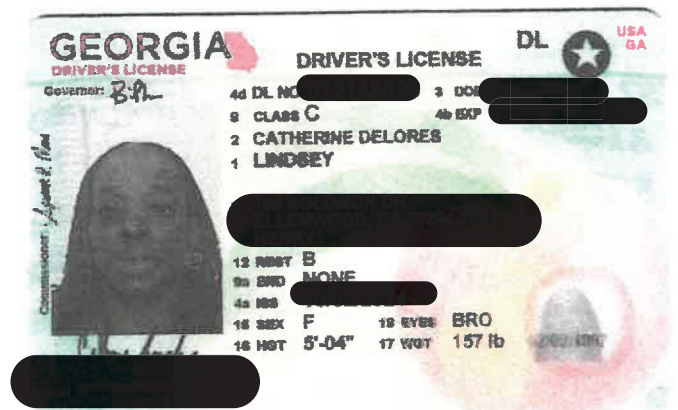
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Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_



# SUBLEASE AGREEMENT

## PARTIES

- This Sublease Contract Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the **"Agreement"**) is entered into on 23RD day of May 2025 (the **"Effective Date"**), by and between Catherine Lindsey, (hereinafter referred to as the **"Subtenant"**) and Valerie Farrell (Innovative Hub), (hereinafter referred to as the **"Sublessors"**) (collectively referred to as the **"Parties"**).

Subtenant: Catherine Lindsey  
Trade Name: Serenity In Every Touch

## PREMISES

- The premises that are to be subleased are located at (address)  
1105 Forest Parkway (upstairs)  
Forest Park, GA 30297

## TERM

- This Agreement shall be effective on the date of signing this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the **"Effective Date"**) and will end on July 1, 2026.

## PAYMENT AND COSTS

- The monthly rent to be paid is \$750. It is to be paid on or before the first day of every month, so that the first rent payment is due on June 1, 2025. The method of payment preferred by both parties is Zelle or Cash.

## UTILITIES

- Hereby, both parties agree that the Subtenant is responsible for paying a portion of the Electric bill. Also Water and Gas are the only utilities that are included within the rent payment.





**DEPOSIT**

- Prior to taking the occupancy of the premises, the Subtenant will pay the Sublessor an amount of     \$0     as a security deposit to cover the cost of any damages suffered by the premises and cleaning.

**INSURANCE**

- The Subtenant is to arrange renter's insurance that meets the minimum standards required under the Sublessor's original lease.
- In the event the structure of the Premises is damaged as a result of any neglect or negligence of Subtenant, their employees, agents, business invitees, or any independent contractors serving the Subtenant or in any way as a result of Subtenant's use and occupancy of the Premises, then the Subtenant shall be primarily responsible for seeing that the proper claims are placed with the Subtenant's insurance company, or the damaging party's insurance company, and shall furthermore be responsible for seeing that the building is safeguarded with respect to said damage and that all proper notices with respect to said damage are made in a timely fashion, including notice to the Tenant and the party or parties causing said damage. Any damage that is not covered by an insurance company will be the liability of the Subtenant.

**Condition of Premises/Inspection by Subtenant**

- The Subtenant has had the opportunity to inspect the Premises and acknowledges with its signature on this Agreement that the Premises are given in "as is" condition and comply in all respects with the requirements of this Agreement. Furthermore, the Tenant makes no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the Premises or its fitness or availability for any particular use, and the Tenant shall not be liable for any latent or patent defect therein. Furthermore, the Subtenant represents that Subtenant has inspected the Premises and is leasing and will take possession of the Premises with all current fixtures present in their "as is" condition as of the date hereof.

**TERMINATION**

- This Agreement may be terminated in the event that any of the following occurs: 1. At any given time by providing written notice to the other party   60   days prior to terminating the Agreement.

Handwritten signature and initials, possibly "VJ" and "CDL", in blue ink.

## **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

- This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the Parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof.

## **Landlord Info**

- Landlord has given consent for subletting office space at  
1105 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297

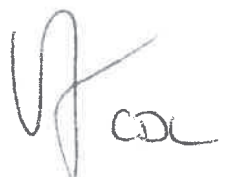
Landlord's Mailing Address:  
RSDC GROUP LLC  
660 Ripple Water Run  
Lilburn, GA 30047  
Attn: Jay Gill

## **AMENDMENTS**

- The Parties agree that any amendments made to this Agreement must be in writing, where they must be signed by both Parties to this Agreement. Accordingly, any amendments made by the Parties will be applied to this Agreement.

## **SIGNATURE AND DATE**

- The Parties hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and such is demonstrated by their signatures below:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'J. Gill' or similar, with a stylized flourish.

Witness the following signatures:

SUBLESSOR: INNOVATIVE HUB


Registered Tenant:- Valerie Farrell

Signature  5/23/25

Name: VALERIE FARRELL

Title: Tenant of 1105 Forest Parkway, Forest Park GA 30297  
Innovative Hub

SUBTENANT: Serenity In Every Touch

Signature:  5/23/25

Name: Catherine Lindsey

Title: Owner Serenity In Every Touch

## COMMERCIAL LEASE ADDENDUM

1. **THE PARTIES.** This Lease Addendum ("Addendum"), made effective as of 05/15/2025, is by and between:

Landlord: RSDC GROUP / JASDEV GILL ("Landlord") and

Tenant: VALERIE FARRELL ("Tenant").

The Landlord and Tenant are each referred to herein as a "Party" and, collectively, as the "Parties."

2. **ORIGINAL LEASE.** This Addendum is being added to the lease agreement between the Parties, dated 07/01/2024, for the property located at 1105 FOREST PARKWAY, FOREST PARK GA 30297 ("Original Lease").

3. **ADDITIONAL TERMS.** The following terms and conditions shall be added to the Original Lease:

TENANT WILL TAKE ON LEASING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE UPSTAIRS UNIT AT MENTIONED PROPERTY. THE RENT WILL INCREASE TO \$1500 MONTHLY STARTING JUNE 1, 2025. ALSO SUBLEASING IF NOT MENTIONED IN THE ORIGINAL LEASE IS ALLOWED AND TENANT WILL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUBTENANT. ORIGINAL LEASE TERMS STILL APPLY

Except as specifically mentioned in this Addendum, all other terms and conditions of the Original Lease shall remain in full force and effect.

4. **EXECUTION.** This Addendum may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**Landlord Signature:** 

Date:

5/1/2025

Print Name:

JASDEV GILL (678) 778-4125

**Tenant Signature:** 

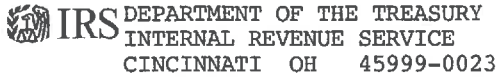
Date:

5/15/25

Print Name:

VALERIE FARRELL (646) 538-5405





Date of this notice: 11-06-2024

Employer Identification Number:  
[REDACTED]

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 G

For assistance you may call us at:  
1-800-829-4933

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE  
STUB AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC  
CATHERINE LINDSEY SOLE MBR  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN [REDACTED]. This EIN will identify you, your business accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

Taxpayers request an EIN for their business. Some taxpayers receive CP575 notices when another person has stolen their identity and are opening a business using their information. If you did **not** apply for this EIN, please contact us at the phone number or address listed on the top of this notice.

When filing tax documents, making payments, or replying to any related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear-off stub and return it to us.

A limited liability company (LLC) may file Form 8832, *Entity Classification Election*, and elect to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation. If the LLC is eligible to be treated as a corporation that meets certain tests and it will be electing S corporation status, it must timely file Form 2553, *Election by a Small Business Corporation*. The LLC will be treated as a corporation as of the effective date of the S corporation election and does not need to file Form 8832.

To obtain tax forms and publications, including those referenced in this notice, visit our Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). If you do not have access to the Internet, call 1-800-829-3676 (TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059) or visit your local IRS office.

<p>Affix your 2"x2" photo, taken within the last two years.</p>	
	<p><b>STATE OF GEORGIA</b>  <b>Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State</b>  Georgia Board of Massage Therapy  Massage Therapist  <b>LICENSE NO. MT015292</b>  Catherine D Lindsey  [REDACTED]  [REDACTED]  <b>EXP DATE - 10/31/2026</b>  Active</p>


A pocket-sized license card is below. Above is an enlarged copy of your pocket card.

Please make note of the expiration date on your license. It is your responsibility to renew your license before it expires. Please notify the Board if you have a change of address.

Wall certificates suitable for framing are available at cost, see board fee schedule. To order a wall certificate, please order from the web site – [www.sos.state.ga.us/plb](http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb).

Please refer to Board Rules for any continuing education requirements your profession may require.

Georgia State Board of Professional Licensing  
237 Coliseum Drive  
Macon GA 31217  
Phone: (404) 424-9966  
[www.sos.ga.gov/plb](http://www.sos.ga.gov/plb)

<p>Affix your 2"x2" photo, taken within the last two years.</p>	
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Control Number : 24209352

# STATE OF GEORGIA

## Secretary of State

Corporations Division

313 West Tower

2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.

Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

### CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

I, **Brad Raffensperger**, the Secretary of State and the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that

**Serenity In Every Touch LLC**  
a Domestic Limited Liability Company

has been duly organized under the laws of the State of Georgia on **11/06/2024** by the filing of articles of organization in the Office of the Secretary of State and by the paying of fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta  
and the State of Georgia on **11/14/2024**.



*Brad Raffensperger*

Brad Raffensperger  
Secretary of State

**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION**

\*Electronically Filed\*

Secretary of State

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**BUSINESS INFORMATION**

<b>CONTROL NUMBER</b>	24209352
<b>BUSINESS NAME</b>	Serenity In Every Touch LLC
<b>BUSINESS TYPE</b>	Domestic Limited Liability Company
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	11/06/2024

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS**

<b>ADDRESS</b>	1105 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA, 30297, USA
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**REGISTERED AGENT**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>
Catherine Lindsey	1105 forest Parkway, Forest park, GA, 30294, USA	Fulton

**ORGANIZER(S)**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>
Catherine Lindsey	ORGANIZER	1105 Forest Parkway, Forest park, GA, 30297, USA

**OPTIONAL PROVISIONS**

N/A

**AUTHORIZER INFORMATION**

<b>AUTHORIZER SIGNATURE</b>	Catherine Lindsey
<b>AUTHORIZER TITLE</b>	Organizer



STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR ANGELYNE BUTLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO APPROVE THE OCCUPATION TAX CERTIFICATE APPLICATION FROM SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC FOR A MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT FROM THE CITY'S PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2025, the City's Planning and Community Development Department ("Department") received occupation tax certificate application number 17115061630 ("Application"), more particularly described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein, from Serenity In Every Touch LLC ("Applicant") to operate a massage establishment; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 9-7-4 of the City's Code of Ordinances ("Code"), the applicable departments and the City Manager have reviewed the Application and recommend approval to the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body has determined that the Application adheres to all requirements of Section 9-7-4(d) of the City's Code and hereby approves the Application.

**THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1. Approval.** The Department's request to approve the occupation tax certificate application for Serenity In Touch LLC to operate a massage establishment as presented to the Mayor and Council on September 2, 2025, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk ("Clerk") and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 3. Authorization of Execution.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

**Section 4. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 2nd day of September 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Clerk*

(SEAL)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*

## EXHIBIT A



17115061630

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Department of Finance  
745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297  
Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344  
www.forestparkga.gov

## NEW APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL OCCUPATIONAL/BUSINESS TAX CERTIFICATE

Business License are valid for one calendar year, January 1 through December 31, and must be renewed by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year  
Failure to renew on/or before November 15<sup>th</sup>, will result in a 10% penalty Ord. Sec. 3-3-18

Ownership: ☐ Sole Proprietor ☒ Limited Liability Company ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Non-Profit ☐ Other

ESTIMATED GROSS RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR OR REMAINDER OF YEAR: \$ 49,700 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: 1

E-Verify#: \_\_\_\_\_ FEIN# \_\_\_\_\_ SSN#(Owner): \_\_\_\_\_ GA SALES TAX ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Corporations and Partnerships must provide the Names of all Officers and Partners, their Titles, Mailing Addresses, and SSN# on a separate sheet of paper

Have you registered your Trade Name? (optional) ☐ Yes ☒ No (Trade Names are registering through Clayton County Clerk of Superior Court)

Will your Business operate as an Adult Entertainment Establishment or offer and form of Adult Entertainment? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will your Business operate as a Night Club or Late-Night Entertainment? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is this Business required by the State of Georgia to have a Professional License, a Clayton County Health/Food Permit or Approved Inspection Report, or any other Regulatory Approval Documentation? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Copy is required)

Detailed Description of Business: Client-focused body work to release pain and stress

Corporation Name: Serenity In Every Touch LLC

D/B/A (doing business as): Serenity In Every Touch

Business Address: 1105 Forest Parkway City: Forest Park State: GA Zip: 30297

Business Phone: 404-735-9633 Business Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Email: SerenityInEveryTouch@gmail.com

Owner 1: CATHERINE LINDSEY Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: SerenityInEveryTouch@gmail.com

Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway City: Forest Park State: GA Zip: 30297

Owner 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: Catherine Lindsey Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I (Name): Catherine Lindsey being the (Title): owner do hereby certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, completion of this form does not guarantee or grant issuance of an occupational tax certificate/business license. The City of Forest Park reserves the right to not issue or renew a certificate in cases which there are documented violations of the city code and/or ordinances, other taxes or fees are owed to the city by the business or its owners, or in which the business fails to meet the requirements set forth by the City of Forest Park. I understand all occupational taxes and corresponding fees shall be due October 1 and not later than November 15 to avoid a 10% penalty plus monthly 1.5% accrued interest city ordinance code SEC. 9-1-1(A). All city taxes (real & personal), sanitation fees and any other assessments must be paid before payment of license will be accepted. If paying by check you must pay all fees with SEPARATE CHECKS! All delinquent businesses are subject to fines imposed by the city. The business tax division will mail you a renewal application in August each year. In the event that you do not receive a renewal notice, remember that it is YOUR responsibility to pay your fee by November 15 of the following year to avoid a 10% penalty. ORD SEC. 3-3-18 Any certificate issued without payment of all such assessments shall be revoked if the outstanding assessments are not paid within 30 days of the business owner being notified by the department of finance. For purposes of determining the demand date or the notification date, the date shall be 3 days after the mailing date, excluding, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Please notify us of any changes with your business. All changes should be submitted in writing. Applicants must comply with all applicable state regulations of the proposed business activity.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS/BUSINESS OWNERS:

- 1) All required licenses/certificates must be obtained prior to the issuance of the occupational tax certificate.
- 2) Non-Profit organizations are required to register with the city before operations may begin, copies of state and federal registration documents need to be submitted with the application
- 3) Licenses are not transferable. If you sell your business, it is your responsibility to notify the city so that your license can be closed. The new owner must apply for a license. If you move your business, you must complete a new application for a business license
- 4) You may check the status of your application at [www.egovlink.com/forestpark/action.asp](http://www.egovlink.com/forestpark/action.asp).
- 5) All trash receptacles will be provided by the city.
- 6) A license contractor must obtain all applicable permits prior to any new construction, renovation, demolition, or signage.

Signature of Owner 1/Agent: Catherine Lindsey Signature of Owner 2/Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: 7/1/25

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11-06-2024 SERE O [REDACTED] SS-4

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- \* Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records. This notice is issued only one time and the IRS will not be able to generate a duplicate copy for you. You may give a copy of this document to anyone asking for proof of your EIN.
- \* Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear at the top of this notice on all your federal tax forms.
- \* Refer to this EIN on your tax-related correspondence and documents.
- \* Provide future officers of your organization with a copy of this notice.

Your name control associated with this EIN is SERE. You will need to provide this information along with your EIN, if you file your returns electronically.

Safeguard your EIN by referring to Publication 4557, Safeguarding Taxpayer Data: A Guide for Your Business.

You can get any of the forms or publications mentioned in this letter by visiting our website at [www.irs.gov/forms-pubs](http://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs) or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions about your EIN, you can contact us at the phone number or address listed at the top of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the bottom of this notice and include it with your letter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Keep this part for your records.

CP 575 G (Rev. 7-2007)

Return this part with any correspondence so we may identify your account. Please correct any errors in your name or address.

CP 575 G

Your Telephone Number Best Time to Call  
( ) -

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: 11-06-2024  
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: [REDACTED]  
FORM: SS-4 NOBOD

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
CINCINNATI OH 45999-0023  
[REDACTED]

SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC  
CATHERINE LINDSEY SOLE MBR  
[REDACTED]





Department of Finance  
745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297  
Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344

### Affidavit Verifying Status for City of Forest Park Business License Application

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a loan, grant, tax credit and/or other public benefit, as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1, administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, the undersigned applicant verifies one of the following with respect to my application for a public benefit:

- 1) ☒ I am a United States Citizen.
- 2) ☐ I am a legal permanent resident of the United States.
- 3) ☐ I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency.

My alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency is: \_\_\_\_\_.

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(1), with this affidavit. The secure and verifiable document provided with this affidavit can best be classified as: GA Driver's License

### Private Employer of Compliance Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6 (d)

- (A) **More than 10:** By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation employs more than 10 employees and has registered with and utilizes the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-90. Furthermore, the undersigned private employer hereby attests that its federal work authorization
- (B) **Less than 10:** By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies that it is exempt from compliance with O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation employs 10 or fewer employees and is not required to register with and/or utilize the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6. user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:



More Than 10 Employees



Less Than 10 Employees

\_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Authorization

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully make a false fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation O.C.G.A. 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such statute.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

CATHERINE LINDSEY  
Printed Name of Applicant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME

Executed on 1st day of July, 2025 (city), Forest Park State GA

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature/Seal)

4/9/2027  
My Commission Expires

FATIMA FERNANDEZ OCHOA  
Notary Public - State of Georgia  
Clayton County



Department of Finance - Business License Division

745 Forest Parkway Forest Park, GA 30297

Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344

## APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL SANITATION

**\*\*Please fill out this form completely\*\***

**\*In accordance with City Ordinance 5-2-2-(11)**

### 1. BUSINESS INFORMATION:

(a) Date Applied: 7/1/2025 Telephone #: 404-735-9633  
 (b) BUSINESS/CORPORATION/ORGANIZATION NAME: Serenity In Every Touch LLC

(b) DBA name: Serenity In Every Touch LLC  
 (c) Business Location: 1105 Forest Parkway  
Address(Suite/Unit#) (NO P.O. BOX OR VIRTUAL OFFICE)  
Forest Park GA 30297 (404)-735-9633  
City State Zip Code Business Phone

(d) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
Address(Suite/Unit#)  
Forest Park GA 30297 (404) 735-9633  
City State Zip Code Business Phone

(e) Type of Business: Massage Therapy

### 2. BUSINESS OWNER INFORMATION

(a) FULL NAME: Catherine Lindsey Title: Owner

(b) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
Address(Suite/Unit#)  
Forest Park GA 30297 404 735-9633  
City State Zip Code Business Phone

Email: Serenityineverytouch@gmail.com Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: Catherine Lindsey Date: 7/1/25

#### Account Changes Request

Type of Changes:

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Name
- ☐ Service Change
- ☐ Discontinue Service

Reason for Request \_\_\_\_\_

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Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTERED IN COMPUTER: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



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**M.A.R.C.**  
**Merchant Awareness Reduces Crime**

Please print, read, and fill out this form completely.

Date: 7/1/25 Type of Business: Massage Therapy

Business Name: SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC

Business Address: 1105 FOREST PARKWAY, FOREST PARK, GA

Email address (if available): serenityineverytouch@gmail.com

Business Phone#: 404-35-9633 Alternate#: [REDACTED] Fax#: [REDACTED]

Owner's Name: CATHERINE LINDSEY Owner's Home Phone#: [REDACTED]

Owner's Home Address: [REDACTED]

Alarm Type(s) (circle all that apply): Burglar Fire Panic Hold-up Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Alarm Company: N/A Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any security concerns? If so, please explain:  
N/A

Have you noticed any problems in the area of your business? If so, what are they:  
N/A

What can we the police do to help maintain a safe working environment? N/A

Emergency contact person: Valene Farrell Phone#: [REDACTED] Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

Back-up person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

Back-up person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

**CITY HALL:** Please route this completed form to the police department upon license approval.

**COMMUNICATIONS USE ONLY:**

Keyword: \_\_\_\_\_

Rolodex date: \_\_\_\_\_

CAD Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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 Phone: (404)366-4720 Fax: (404)608-2344  
 www.forestaprkga.gov

### PROFESSIONAL PRACTITIONER

Have you ever obtained a Professional Business License in the City of Forest Park? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

I, CATHERINE D LINDSEY, hereby register my  
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Profession as Massage Therapist; and further certify that I  
 am duly licensed by the State of Georgia.

### PRINCIPAL OFFICE NAME AND LOCATION

(a) Firm/Company Name: Serenity In Every Touch LLC  
 d/b/a Serenity In Every touch

(c) Business Location: 1105 Forest Parkway, 2nd Floor  
Address (Suite/Unit#) (NO P.O. BOX OR VIRTUAL OFFICE) 9633  
Forest Park, GA 30297 404-735-9633  
 City State Zip Code Business Phone

(d) Mailing Address: 1105 Forest Parkway  
Address (Suite/Unit#) 9633  
Forest Park, GA 30297 404 735 9633  
 City State Zip Code Business Phone

(e) Telephone: 404-735-9633 (f) Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Under penalty of law, I hereby certify and declare that the above information to the best of my knowledge and belief is true and complete. I agree to notify the Office of Occupational Tax should any of the information change.*

Signature Catherine Lindsey Date: 7/1/25

I. New applicants must attach a copy of their State of Georgia license for application can be processed.

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Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_



# SUBLEASE AGREEMENT

## PARTIES

- This Sublease Contract Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "**Agreement**") is entered into on 23RD day of May 2025 (the "**Effective Date**"), by and between Catherine Lindsey, (hereinafter referred to as the "**Subtenant**") and Valerie Farrell (Innovative Hub), (hereinafter referred to as the "**Sublessors**") (collectively referred to as the "**Parties**").

Subtenant: Catherine Lindsey  
Trade Name: Serenity In Every Touch

## PREMISES

- The premises that are to be subleased are located at (address)  
1105 Forest Parkway (upstairs)  
Forest Park, GA 30297

## TERM

- This Agreement shall be effective on the date of signing this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "**Effective Date**") and will end on July 1, 2026.

## PAYMENT AND COSTS

- The monthly rent to be paid is \$750. It is to be paid on or before the first day of every month, so that the first rent payment is due on June 1, 2025. The method of payment preferred by both parties is Zelle or Cash.

## UTILITIES

- Hereby, both parties agree that the Subtenant is responsible for paying a portion of the Electric bill. Also Water and Gas are the only utilities that are included within the rent payment.



**DEPOSIT**

- Prior to taking the occupancy of the premises, the Subtenant will pay the Sublessor an amount of \_\_\_\_\$0\_\_\_\_ as a security deposit to cover the cost of any damages suffered by the premises and cleaning.

**INSURANCE**

- The Subtenant is to arrange renter's insurance that meets the minimum standards required under the Sublessor's original lease.

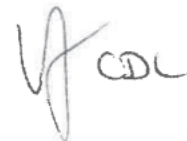
- In the event the structure of the Premises is damaged as a result of any neglect or negligence of Subtenant, their employees, agents, business invitees, or any independent contractors serving the Subtenant or in any way as a result of Subtenant's use and occupancy of the Premises, then the Subtenant shall be primarily responsible for seeing that the proper claims are placed with the Subtenant's insurance company, or the damaging party's insurance company, and shall furthermore be responsible for seeing that the building is safeguarded with respect to said damage and that all proper notices with respect to said damage are made in a timely fashion, including notice to the Tenant and the party or parties causing said damage. Any damage that is not covered by an insurance company will be the liability of the Subtenant.

**Condition of Premises/Inspection by Subtenant**

- The Subtenant has had the opportunity to inspect the Premises and acknowledges with its signature on this Agreement that the Premises are given in "as is" condition and comply in all respects with the requirements of this Agreement. Furthermore, the Tenant makes no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the Premises or its fitness or availability for any particular use, and the Tenant shall not be liable for any latent or patent defect therein. Furthermore, the Subtenant represents that Subtenant has inspected the Premises and is leasing and will take possession of the Premises with all current fixtures present in their "as is" condition as of the date hereof.

**TERMINATION**

- This Agreement may be terminated in the event that any of the following occurs: 1. At any given time by providing written notice to the other party \_60\_\_\_\_ days prior to terminating the Agreement.



### **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

- This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the Parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof.

### **Landlord Info**

- Landlord has given consent for subletting office space at  
1105 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297


Landlord's Mailing Address:  
RSDC GROUP LLC  
660 Ripple Water Run  
Lilburn, GA 30047  
Attn: Jay Gill

### **AMENDMENTS**

- The Parties agree that any amendments made to this Agreement must be in writing, where they must be signed by both Parties to this Agreement. Accordingly, any amendments made by the Parties will be applied to this Agreement.

### **SIGNATURE AND DATE**

- The Parties hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and such is demonstrated by their signatures below:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Gill' or similar, with a stylized flourish.

Witness the following signatures:

SUBLESSOR: INNOVATIVE HUB

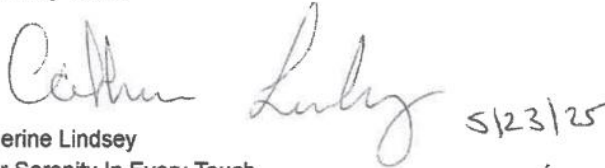
Registered Tenant:- Valerie Farrell

Signature:  5/23/25

Name: Valerie Farrell

Title: Tenant of 1105 Forest Parkway, Forest Park GA 30297  
Innovative Hub

SUBTENANT: Serenity In Every Touch

Signature:  5/23/25

Name: Catherine Lindsey

Title: Owner Serenity In Every Touch



## COMMERCIAL LEASE ADDENDUM

1. **THE PARTIES.** This Lease Addendum ("Addendum"), made effective as of 05/15/2025, is by and between:

**Landlord:** RSDC GROUP / JASDEV GILL ("Landlord") and

**Tenant:** VALERIE FARRELL ("Tenant").

The Landlord and Tenant are each referred to herein as a "Party" and, collectively, as the "Parties."

2. **ORIGINAL LEASE.** This Addendum is being added to the lease agreement between the Parties, dated 07/01/2024, for the property located at 1105 FOREST PARKWAY, FOREST PARK GA 30297 ("Original Lease").

3. **ADDITIONAL TERMS.** The following terms and conditions shall be added to the Original Lease:

TENANT WILL TAKE ON LEASING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE UPSTAIRS UNIT AT MENTIONED PROPERTY. THE RENT WILL INCREASE TO \$1500 MONTHLY STARTING JUNE 1, 2025. ALSO SUBLEASING IF NOT MENTIONED IN THE ORIGINAL LEASE IS ALLOWED AND TENANT WILL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUBTENANT. ORIGINAL LEASE TERMS STILL APPLY

Except as specifically mentioned in this Addendum, all other terms and conditions of the Original Lease shall remain in full force and effect.

4. **EXECUTION.** This Addendum may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**Landlord Signature:** 

**Date:** 5/1/2025

**Print Name:** JASDEV GILL

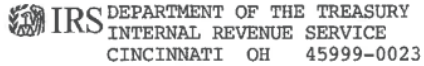
(678) 778-4125

**Tenant Signature:** 

**Date:** 5/15/25

**Print Name:** VALERIE FARRELL

(646) 538-5405



Date of this notice: 11-06-2024

Employer Identification Number:  
[REDACTED]

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 G

For assistance you may call us at:  
1-800-829-4933

SERENITY IN EVERY TOUCH LLC  
CATHERINE LINDSEY SOLE MBR  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE  
STUB AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN [REDACTED]. This EIN will identify you, your business accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

Taxpayers request an EIN for their business. Some taxpayers receive CP575 notices when another person has stolen their identity and are opening a business using their information. If you did **not** apply for this EIN, please contact us at the phone number or address listed on the top of this notice.

When filing tax documents, making payments, or replying to any related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear-off stub and return it to us.

A limited liability company (LLC) may file Form 8832, *Entity Classification Election*, and elect to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation. If the LLC is eligible to be treated as a corporation that meets certain tests and it will be electing S corporation status, it must timely file Form 2553, *Election by a Small Business Corporation*. The LLC will be treated as a corporation as of the effective date of the S corporation election and does not need to file Form 8832.

To obtain tax forms and publications, including those referenced in this notice, visit our Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). If you do not have access to the Internet, call 1-800-829-3676 (TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059) or visit your local IRS office.



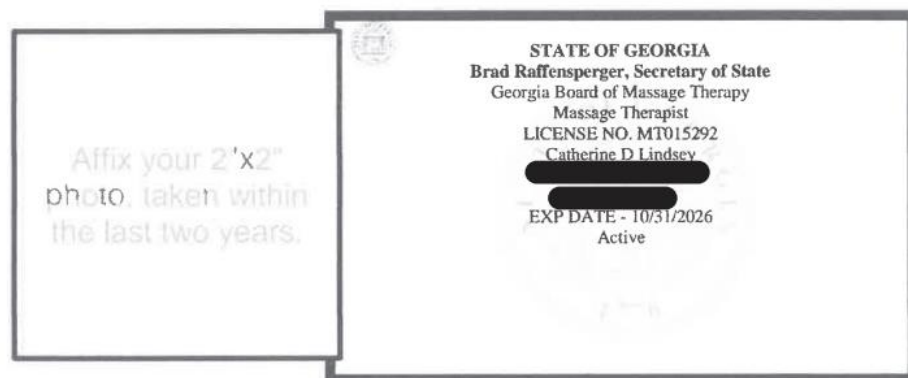
A pocket-sized license card is below. Above is an enlarged copy of your pocket card.

Please make note of the expiration date on your license. It is your responsibility to renew your license before it expires. Please notify the Board if you have a change of address.

Wall certificates suitable for framing are available at cost, see board fee schedule. To order a wall certificate, please order from the web site – [www.sos.state.ga.us/plb](http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb).

Please refer to Board Rules for any continuing education requirements your profession may require.

Georgia State Board of Professional Licensing  
 237 Coliseum Drive  
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## CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

I, **Brad Raffensperger**, the Secretary of State and the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that

**Serenity In Every Touch LLC**  
a Domestic Limited Liability Company

has been duly organized under the laws of the State of Georgia on **11/06/2024** by the filing of articles of organization in the Office of the Secretary of State and by the paying of fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta  
and the State of Georgia on **11/14/2024**.



*Brad Raffensperger*

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Secretary of State



## ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

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**BUSINESS INFORMATION**

**CONTROL NUMBER** 24209352  
**BUSINESS NAME** Serenity In Every Touch LLC  
**BUSINESS TYPE** Domestic Limited Liability Company  
**EFFECTIVE DATE** 11/06/2024

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS**

**ADDRESS** 1105 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA, 30297, USA

**REGISTERED AGENT**

NAME	ADDRESS	COUNTY
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**ORGANIZER(S)**

NAME	TITLE	ADDRESS
Catherine Lindsey	ORGANIZER	1105 Forest Parkway, Forest park, GA, 30297, USA

**OPTIONAL PROVISIONS**

N/A

**AUTHORIZER INFORMATION**

**AUTHORIZER SIGNATURE** Catherine Lindsey  
**AUTHORIZER TITLE** Organizer