

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

<u>Transportation, Infrastructure, Parks, SPLOST (TIPS)</u> <u>Committee Meeting</u>

Mayor Pro Tem George Turner Councilmember Terry Fye Councilmember Tara Graves Gia Scruggs, ex-officio Councilmember Tammy Grimes Councilmember Alecia Washington Mayor Jazzmin Cobble, ex-officio

TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, SPLOST MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: In-Person @ City Hall (3120 Stonecrest Blvd Stonecrest)
(meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the Stonecrest YouTube page)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting began at 7:40pm.

II. ROLL CALL

All members were present with Councilmember Graves being absent.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Overall limit in public comments is 20 minutes. Limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Speaker can only speak once in public comments. Public comments are restricted to topics regarding the TIPS Committee.

Public comments were made by the following: Cheryl Moore-Mathis Bernard Knight Dave Marcus

It was noted that ARC & DCA has approved the draft comprehensive plan and confirmed the city has validated what needs to be validated and satisfied requirements. There was confirmation of public hearing dates and confirmed a draft was available to the public as of May 10, 2024.

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V. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Approval of April & May Meeting Minutes

Motion – made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to approve the April TIPS Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Alecia Washington. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion – made by Councilmember Terry Fye to approve the May TIPS Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed 4-0.

b. Stonecrest 2038 Comprehensive Plan Update

Presentation by Randy Gibbs, Project Manager with Sizemore Group, addressing activities associated with the adoption of the plan, upon submitting to DCA in May. The Sycamore Group has been their community engagement co-consultants. The project schedule was included in the presentation, and it was stated they are close to the end. The City of Stonecrest needs to have an update to its comprehensive development plan no later than June 30, 2024, in order to retain its qualified local government status. There was mention of the comprehensive plan requirements and definition of a comprehensive plan, stating it is a requirement of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. It is a requirement to have an update every five years.

There was discussion of the role the community has in engaging the plan, including the creation, report of accomplishments and the amount of transparency associated with community work force items.

There was a review of the comprehensive plan process and factors, the plan adoption timeline and meeting schedule, as well as opportunities for community engagement and community meetings in each district. It was noted there are no additional requirements needed for DCA or ARC before adoption. Per DCA's regulations, the plan has met requirements for a comprehensive plan.

Looking forward to meeting on June 26th for council to act on the plan.

There was a review of the comments from DCA.

- c. 5 Year Update see Stonecrest 2038 Comprehensive Plan Update
- d. Electric Vehicles Charging Station Research

Presentation by Director Shawanna Qawiy, stating research has been done for the electric vehicle alternative parking stations. Staff has reviewed this section in the current ordinance, which states locations of the parking spaces.

There was a review of the different charging levels as well as comparison, that was done with other municipalities. There was further review of final tips and takeaways, including talking to a utility provider, looking for incentives, deciding on charging needs and considering home charging stations as well as cost.

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Planning & Zoning will research current charging stations. There have been inquiries, but no applications have been submitted.

e. Mandated cameras and DeKalb County's policy

Presentation by Councilmember Tammy Grimes inquiring if there is anything the City of Stonecrest can do to help with the efforts of former Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson in regard to mandated high-resolution cameras. Mayor Pro Tem George Turner would like to wait to see the results from DeKalb County and asked the City Manager to task legal to send updates on DeKalb County's efforts. Mayor Cobble added that DeKalb County significantly reduced requirements around cameras.

f. Reflector placement

Presentation by Councilmember Tammy Grimes stating concerns regarding the lack of lighting around the City of Stonecrest. Suggestions were made for reflectors that separate lanes. There were concerns about safety around the city and it was asked that a study is completed to determine how we can get them and what needs to be done. City Engineer Hari Karikaran gave additional comments and stated there are GDOT roads and city roads. There are no county roads. It was noted the state has their own policies in place when referring to street resurfacing.

g. Everett Park parking lot

Presentation by Councilmember Tammy Grimes asking for updates and dates regarding the Everett Park parking lot being completed. City Engineer Hari Karikaran stated that the design is complete and is currently waiting for the permit. He mentioned that he will follow up with the design consultant and that the work at Salem Park is pretty much completed.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:09pm.

[SIGNATURE ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

As approved on the 10th day of July, 2024.

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Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk