



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
April 10, 2019
*Immediately Following Public Hearing***

MINUTES

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor
Adela Yelton, Commissioner
Lionel Laratte, Commissioner
Lisa Shortell, Commissioner

Member Absent: Brian Fisher, Mayor Pro Tem

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant, City Manager
Paul Hanebuth, Finance Director
Keri Stevens, Assistant City Manager
Gina Hill, City Clerk

Item No. 1 Meeting Called to Order

Item No. 2 Adoption of Agenda
Commissioner Shortell moves to adopt. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.

Item No. 3 **Third and Final Reading of the Sign Ordinance Amendment**
The Sign Ordinance requires any monument sign to be setback 10' from the right of way (Section 5-368 (c)). The right of way (ROW), in many cases, substantially exceeds the width of the pavement. This regulation is causing sign visibility problems for new and existing businesses. This would change the ordinance to address this issue while keeping City-owned ROW clear of signage for the purpose of redevelopment later.

Resident Joe Anziano is in favor. Commissioner Shortell moves to adopt. Commissioner Laratte seconds. All ayes.

Item No. 4 **North Clarendon/US 278 Project Change Order**
Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) changed the North Clarendon/US 278 Off-System Safety Project from a City-let bid to a GDOT-led project. This will necessitate additional requirements not anticipated in the original scope. POND has submitted a \$10,000 change order to complete the needed work. In addition, unanticipated costs associated with milling and paving will also be discussed. GDOT expects the project to get underway this summer.

Assistant City Manager Keri Stevens explains how this change order has come about. It's primarily due to GDOT changing oversight of the project which will require extra drawings. Ms. Stevens says GDOT hopes to bid the project out on May 24th. Commissioner Shortell asks for confirmation that most of this project is covered under a grant. Ms. Stevens confirms. Mayor Elmore asks why the change in who leads the project and it's due to a bigger reorganization within the GDOT organization, according to Ms. Stevens. In response to a question from Commissioner Yelton, Ms. Stevens says she does not believe this change will affect any other planned projects.

Commissioner Shortell moves to approve. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.

Item No. 5 Public Comment

City Manager Bryant gives an update on repair of the Lake Avondale path due to flooding issues. He said City staff will solicit an engineer to design the project. A draft RFP (request for proposals) has been prepared and is ready for release. It will probably cost \$7-\$10 thousand extra. Mr. Bryant feels this will address the cause instead of just the symptoms. The water issue is the responsibility, feels Mr. Bryant. However, there are areas that are on the Avondale Community Club's property and that will be their responsibility. The RFP will be released and the BOMC can be updated at the next regular meeting, hopefully with a resolution on the agenda so the project can move forward.

Joe Anziano says the situation is not dire but making the repairs sooner rather than later would be wonderful.

Item No. 6 Adjournment

Commissioner Laratte moves to adjourn. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.

APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF MAY 2019



Jonathan Elmore, Mayor

ATTEST:



Gina Hill, City Clerk