



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
April 22, 2019
6:30 p.m.**

ACTION MINUTES

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor
Brian Fisher, Mayor Pro Tem
Adela Yelton, Commissioner
Lionel Laratte, Commissioner
Lisa Shortell, Commissioner

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant, City Manager
Keri Stevens, Assistant City Manager
Paul Hanebuth, Finance Director
Stephen Quinn, City Attorney
Lynn Thomas, Police Chief
Gina Hill, City Clerk

Item No. 1 Meeting Called to Order

Item No. 2 Invocation (Commissioner Yelton)

Item No. 3 Pledge to the Flag

Item No. 4 Adoption of Agenda
Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to adopt. Commissioner Laratte seconds.
All ayes.

Item No. 5 Approval of Minutes:
March 20th work session
March 25th regular meeting
Commissioner Laratte moves to approve. Commissioner Yelton seconds.
All ayes.

Item No. 6 Commissioner Updates – Subject of General Interest and Concern

Item No. 7 Monthly Report by the City Manager Concerning the Status of Matters in Progress and Upcoming Issues and Events

Item No. 8 Citizens' Comments:
"It's another beautiful day in Avondale Estates" – Thomas P. Samford

Item No. 9 Old Business:

Second Reading of Floodplain Management Ordinances

The City's ordinance needs to be updated, per FEMA requirements.

Item No. 10

New Business:

Conditional Use Permit for 106 N. Clarendon Avenue

Dustin Swinks applied for a conditional use permit for private tattoo studio. This use falls under Section 820 (Services, Personal) which requires review by the Board of Mayor and Commissioners. The property is included in a section of the Comprehensive Plan which envisions a range of retail, employment and open space options.

Commissioner Shortell motioned to approve. Commissioner Laratte seconds. All ayes.

Resolution to Appoint a New Member to the Downtown Development Authority (DDA)

The DDA has a vacancy for a member with economic interest in the central business district. The opening was advertised and five people applied. After reviewing applications and interviewing candidates, the DDA recommends that Stacia Familo-Hopek, owner of The Lost Druid Brewery soon to open on Washington Street, be appointed to the post.

Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to adopt. Commissioner Shortell seconds. All ayes.

Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Enter Into Contract to Rewrite Zoning Ordinance

The City received two responses to the RFP for the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite. Both firms were qualified. City staff has recommended to contract with Clark Patterson Lee (CPL) to conduct the rewrite for an amount not to exceed \$135,000.

Commissioner Yelton motions to adopt. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher seconds. Four ayes, one nay (Laratte)

Resolution to Authorize City Manager to Enter Into Contract to Repair Lake Avondale Path Flooding

The Avondale Community Club approached the City with a proposal to correct the standing water along the lake path in front of the Club. City staff has also received quotes to fix the issue.

Commissioner Laratte moves to adopt. Commissioner Shortell seconds. All ayes.

First Reading of Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS) Retirement Approval

Every six years, the City is required to reexamine the City's Defined Benefit Retirement Plan to ensure that it remains in compliance with IRS

regulations. This can result in minor revisions to the plan which must be adopted by ordinance.

Historic Preservation Month Proclamation

National Building Safety Month Proclamation

Item No. 11 Announcements (Commissioner Yelton)

The Avondale Estates Farmers Market is getting into full swing since opening a couple of weeks ago. There are more vendors this year and the market is expanding their footprint as well. They are open every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot of My Parents' Basement. Please support our local market!

Item No. 12 Adjournment
Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to adjourn. Commissioner Shortell seconds.
All ayes.