



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
May 20, 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
Gina Hill, City Clerk
Stephen Quinn, City Attorney
Lynn Thomas, Police Chief

Item No. 1 Meeting Called to Order

Item No. 2 Invocation (Commissioner Laratte)

Item No. 3 Pledge to the Flag

Item No. 4 Adoption of Agenda

- Mayor Pro Tem Fisher makes a motion to move In Memoriam to the top of the agenda. Commissioner Shortell seconds. All ayes.
- Commissioner Laratte moves to adopt the amended agenda. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.

Item No. 5 Approval of Minutes:
April 10th public hearing
April 10th special called meeting
April 17th work session
April 22nd regular meeting
April 30th special called meeting

- Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to engross the minutes. Commissioner Shortell seconds. All ayes.

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

Item No. 7 Citizens' Comments:

"It's another beautiful day in Avondale Estates" – Thomas P. Samford

Item No. 8

Old Business:

Third and Final Reading of Floodplain Management Ordinances

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

- Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to approve. Commissioner Laratte seconds. All ayes.

Third and Final 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.

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

Item No. 9

New Business:

Resolution to Reconcile the 2018 Budget

Every year, the City revisits the previous year's budget and documents actual revenue and expenditures where they varied from budgeted line items.

- Commissioner Laratte moves to adopt. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.

Resolution to Establish Arboretum Board

The Board of Mayor and Commissioners (BOMC) discussed establishing a City of Avondale Estates Arboretum. Residents who proposed this idea would like the BOMC to form an Arboretum Board to establish and manage the project.

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

National Garden Week Proclamation

The City marks this week each year along with the Avondale Estates Garden Club and Avon Garden Club.

In Memoriam

Large plaques in the courtroom say "In Memoriam: To those residents of Avondale Estates who have contributed significantly toward making our City a better place in which to live". The BOMC will honor those we've lost in the past year and announce names to be added to this list.

Item No. 10

Announcements (Commissioner Laratte)

Memorial Day is this weekend and unofficially kicks off the summer season. It's also a time to remember and honor those we've lost while serving in the U.S. armed forces. Please join us for a wreath-laying

ceremony at the Blue Star Marker in front of City Hall this Friday at 10am. City Hall will also be closed in observance of the holiday on Monday, May 27th.

We will also celebrate the addition of Swinks Tattoo Emporium with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, May 31st at 10 a.m. Please join us!

Item No. 11

Adjournment

- Mayor Pro Tem Fisher moves to adjourn. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes.