

# BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

## October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Immediately Following Public Hearings

### **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

Gina Hill, City Clerk

Stephen Quinn, City Attorney

Item No. 1

Meeting Called to Order

Item No. 2

Invocation (Mayor Pro Tem Fisher)

Item No. 3

Pledge to the Flag

Item No. 4

Adoption of Agenda

Commissioner Laratte moves to adopt. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All

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Item No. 5

Approval of Minutes:

September 27th work session

October 4th special called work session

October 4th regular meeting

October 8<sup>th</sup> special called work session October 8<sup>th</sup> special called meeting

Commissioner Shortell moves to engross. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher seconds.

All ayes.

Item No. 6

Commissioner Updates – Subject of General Interest and Concern

Commissioner Laratte says it was great to see people out at the Pig Roast over the weekend. Commissioner Yelton mentions the upcoming election and urges everyone to vote. Commissioner Shortell thanks the Avondale Community Club for hosting the pig roast. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher reminds everyone that Halloween is soon. Mayor Elmore wishes Commissioner Yelton a happy birthday. He adds that there will be meetings in the coming months about the US 278 redesign project.

#### Item No. 7

Monthly Report by the City Manager Concerning the Status of Matters in Progress and Upcoming Issues and Events

City Manager Bryant says he also attended the Pig Roast and comments that he met lots of people and had a great time. He also says that City staff is moving forward on projects that will help the Board of Mayor and Commissioners (BOMC) realize their goals for the City.

#### Item No. 8

Citizens' Comments:

"It's another beautiful day in Avondale Estates" – Thomas P. Samford No comments.

#### Item No. 9

Old Business:

## Third and Final Reading of a Residential & Commercial Tree Ordinance

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

### Third and Final Reading of an Ordinance Amendment Regarding Erosion, Sedimentation and Pollution Control

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

### Third and Final Reading an Amendment to Floodplain Management and Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

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

#### Item No. 10

**New Business:** 

## Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Contract for the Phase One Street Grid Improvement Project

The City received four (4) responses to the RFP for Phase one of this project. Staff -- along with identified members of the Board of Mayor and Commissioners (BOMC) and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) -- have reviewed the submitted RFPs and interviewed applicants. Staff recommends POND to receive the contract.

Commissioner Shortell says this is a big step and it's exciting. Mayor Elmore thanks Ms. Shortell and Mayor Pro Tem Fisher for all their hard work on this project. Resident Joe Anziano also gives his thanks.

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

Mayor Elmore asks for motions to amend the agenda to go back to the ordinance readings to vote on them. Commissioner Laratte makes the

motion. Commissioner Yelton seconds. All ayes. Motions and votes on those are above.

## Resolution for the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract to Conduct an Annexation Feasibility Study

In previous meetings, the BOMC expressed interest in exploring the pros and cons of annexing certain areas adjacent to the City. Staff has updated a draft annexation map to include those parcels. The City will move forward with having the Carl Vinson Institute of Government at the University of Georgia conduct a feasibility study of those areas.

Commissioner Yelton asks what the final cost will be. City Manager Bryant says the quote is \$15,000. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher says this is an important first step and will provide needed information. Paul Dorrah asks a question about the annexation map which was answered by City Manager Bryant. In response to a question by Joe Anziano, Mr. Bryant says that previously studied areas on the annexation map will have their information updated. Melissa O'Shields says she is interested in the cleared area behind Wal-Mart. Mayor Elmore tells her that is included in this study.

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

## Item No. 11 Announcements (Mayor Pro Tem Fisher)

One of the biggest events in the City is coming up, Halloween! The 31<sup>st</sup> falls on a Wednesday this year. Trick or Treating begins at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 8 p.m. You can check the City website for the traffic plan and safety tips. Have a happy and safe Halloween!

### Item No. 12 Adjournment

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

APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF DECEMBER 2018

Jonathan Elmore, Mayor

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Gina Hill, City Clerk