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I. CALL TO ORDER

- ♦ Mayor Belle Isle called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Mayor David Belle Isle, Council Member Donald Mitchell, Council Member Chris Owens, Council Member Jim Gilvin, Council Member Mike Kennedy, Council Member Jason Binder, Council Member Dan Merkel

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

City Administrator Bob Regus, City Attorney Sam Thomas, Assistant City Administrator James Drinkard, City Clerk Coty Thigpen, Director of Community Development Kathi Cook, Finance Director Tom Harris, Director of Recreation and Parks Morgan Rodgers, Director of Information Technology Randy Bundy, Director of Public Works Pete Sewczwicz, Senior Planner Michael Woodman, Senior Engineer Eric Graves

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Natural Resource Commission - National Wildlife Habitat Community Certification
- B. Eagle Scout Recognition

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Council Meeting Minutes (Meeting of 10/02/2017)
- B. Financial Management Report: Month Ending August 31, 2017

- ◆ Council Member Donald Mitchell offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda
- The motion was seconded by Council Member Mike Kennedy
- Motion approved (6 - 0); Merkel abstained

VI. PROJECT UPDATES

A. Project Update: Alpharetta Conference Center

- City Administrator Bob Regus introduced Jim Stormont to provide a brief update to Council on the progress of the Alpharetta Conference Center

B. Fulton County Schools: STEM Campus

- Fulton County School Board Member Katie Reeves introduced representatives from the STEM Campus project to present the concept and renderings of the newly proposed campus to Mayor and Council

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. PH-17-31 69 North Main Street/Addition to Contributing Historic Building Addition

NOTE: This item has been deferred at the request of the applicant and will be neither heard nor discussed at this meeting. The item has been rescheduled to the October 23 City Council Agenda.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. PH-17-13 Design Review Board Ordinance and Design Guidelines Amendments (2nd Reading)

Consideration of amendments to the Design Review Board Ordinance and Design Guidelines with regard to sign regulations.

- Senior Planner, Michael Woodman, came forward to outline the proposed amendments including:
 - Signs would be reviewed by Design Review Board within the Downtown Overlay District
 - Require 'Master Sign Plans' for multi-tenant commercial developments
 - Adds additional approved color pallets
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Ordinance aloud

- ◆ Council Member Mike Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Ordinance and also to include the change suggested by Council Member Mitchell to remove the prohibition of wooden shakes and singles
- The motion was seconded by Jason Binder
- Motion approved (7 - 0)

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration Of Request For Impact Fee Waiver: Alpharetta First United Methodist Church

- Director of Community Development, Kathi Cook, came forward to present this request
- The applicant, Alpharetta First United Methodist Church is requesting approval of waiving impact fees assessed in the amount of \$16,241.94 since their 40,000 square foot addition is to improve existing classrooms and add teen/media room spaces for their congregation and not a sanctuary/seat addition.
- The Church is replacing an approximate 10,000 square foot section of the church with a 40,000 addition that will include classrooms, music/media and other church service needs. There will not be an expansion of the sanctuary. The Church is requesting a waiver of the \$16,421.94 impact fees assessed for the addition because they state there will not be an impact to City services for the addition. There will not be an increase in sanctuary seats which creates more vehicular trips, they are creating more green space along the front with outdoor seating and impacts to the Parks and Recreation system, and lastly they have existing buildings on the site which are already served by Public Safety.
- In 2009, the City approved a waiver of impact fees for Lionheart School in the amount of \$23,360 .

Public Comment None

- ♦ Council Member Mike Kennedy offered a motion to approve Alpharetta First United Methodist Church's request for an individual assessment of zero impact fees
 - The motion was seconded by Council Member Chris Owens
 - Motion approved (7 - 0)

B. PH-17-26 Capital Improvement Element

- Senior Engineer, Eric Graves, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- The City of Alpharetta is required to transmit its annual update of the Capital Improvement Element to the Atlanta Regional Commission for review prior to Council Adoption. The CIE and annual report was transmitted to the Atlanta Regional Commission via Council Resolution on August 28, 2017. The City received notice of approval on September 21, 2017, and can now formally adopt the document to complete the required process.
- The Georgia Planning Act of 1989 (The Act) requires that local governments keep their Comprehensive Plans current as a pre-requisite for maintaining Qualified Local Government status, a requirement for eligibility for receipt of State of Georgia funds. The Act requires that local governments provide annual updates to their Capital Improvement Element (CIE), prepared in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures and the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements.

- The CIE is designed to provide insight into key infrastructure and public improvement projects being undertaken and completed by local jurisdictions. The Annual Report details on an annualized basis the collection and use of funds derived from impact fees. Together these documents provide a means of tracking local government performance and serve as a tool for measuring progress with respect to achieving community goals as outlined in the Comprehensive Plan.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Resolution aloud
- ♦ Council Member Mike Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Resolution
 - The motion was seconded by Council Member Jason Binder
 - Motion approved (7 - 0)

C. Annual Technology Refresh 2018

- Director of Information Technology, Randy Bundy, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- As approved in the FY 2018 capital budget, this project provides for the annual replacement of technology for all City departments. The current City standards for technology replacement are as follows: servers (5-years); SANS storage (5-years); desktop PCs (4-years); laptop PCs (3-years); iPad tablets (2-years); large scale multi-function printers (5-7 years); small scale multi-function printers (3-years); desktop UPS (3-years); network UPS (4-years); network routers/switches/firewalls (5-years); telephony gateways (7-years). The City standards are based on best practice and standards in the information technology industry that provide for the best balance of efficiency, reliability, cost, and modernization of equipment.
- The City currently has 181 iPhones and 159 iPad tablets. About 50% of the phones and 35% of the tablets will be refreshed in FY2018 for approximately \$78,800.
- The City currently has 468 PC systems (223 desktop and 245 laptop systems) with 98 PC systems (50 Laptops/48 desktops) prioritized to be refreshed in FY 2018 for approximately \$184,400.
- The balance of funding (estimated at \$36,800) will be used for replacement of the other pieces of technology equipment listed above (e.g. servers, SANS storage, UPS, etc.).
- Technology will be procured through multiple sources including State Contracts (Dell and Apple products) and the City quote process. The largest portion of this funding will be utilized for Dell computers which is the standard personal computer platform for the City and is purchased from the State of Georgia technology contract. This provides a consistency of platform for management and operations/maintenance for City services. The City has also

standardized on the iOS platform for tablets and smart phones in order to provide consistency and the best level of integration and security with City systems.

Public Comment

None

- ♦ Council Member Dan Merkel offered a motion to approve the annual replacement of technology for all City Department in FY 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 using vendors presented by Staff and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The motion was seconded by Council Member Jim Gilvin
- Motion approved (7 - 0)

D. FY 2018 F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert Replacement

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- The Public Works Department received funding totaling \$110,000 within the FY 2018 Capital Budget for a Ford F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert to replace a 1988 Ford F-800 Dump Truck with Spreader.
- The Ford F-800 Dump Truck with Spreader warrants replacement based on age and increasing repair costs. Due to its age (29 years), the expense of maintaining this F-800 Dump Truck is rapidly increasing and the repair parts are becoming increasingly harder to locate. The Ford F800 Dump truck currently needs engine repairs and a new or rebuilt fuel injector unit at an estimated cost of \$2,000-\$5,000 depending on part availability.
- The recommended Ford F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert will be dual purpose so it may be used as a dump truck during the spring and summer months and have the spreader insert installed for use during winter months to handle snow and ice events.
- The Ford F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert will be purchased from Wade Ford Government Sales (State Contract # 99999-SPD-SPD000039). The cost of the 2017 Ford F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert is \$109,975.00. Approximate delivery time is 90-120 days after receipt of Purchase Order. Per policy, the equipment being replaced will be surplus by the Finance Department.

Public Comment

None

- ♦ Council Member Chris Owens offered a motion to approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford F-750 Dump Truck with Spreader Insert in an amount not to exceed \$109,975.00 from Wade Ford Government Sales on State Contract
- The motion was seconded by Council Member Donald Mitchell
- Motion approved (7 - 0)

E. FY 2018 F-350 Crew Cab Service Truck Replacement

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- The Public Works Department received funding totaling \$55,000 within the FY 2018 Capital Budget for a Ford F-350 Crew Cab Service Truck to replace a 1995 Ford F-800 Canopy Bed Service Truck.
- The Ford F-800 Canopy Bed Service Truck warrants replacement based on age (22 years), and the fact that the City purchased the 1995 F-800 as a Water Department Service Truck prior to selling the water system to Fulton County. Staff researched the benefits of downsizing to a Ford F-350 Service Bed Truck to replace the larger F-800 Service Truck and determined that the smaller F-350 Service Truck would be more beneficial to the Public Works fleet. The smaller F-350 Crew Cab Service Truck does not require a Commercial Driver's License as the F-800 Canopy Bed Service Truck does, allowing all Public Works staff to be able to operate the truck at any time. This is an additional benefit to the downsizing of the vehicle. This vehicle will be assigned to the Public Works Facilities crew.
- The 2017 Ford F-350 Crew Cab Service Truck will be purchased from Wade Ford Government Sales. On State Contract # 99999-SPD-SPD000039, the cost of the 2017 Ford F-350 Service Truck is \$52,234.00. Approximate delivery time is 90-120 days after receipt of Purchase Order. Per policy, the equipment being replaced will be surplus by the Finance Department.

Public Comment

None

- ♦ Council Member Chris Owens offered a motion to authorize the purchase of a 2017 Ford F-350 Crew Cab Service Truck in an amount not to exceed \$52,234.00 from Wade Ford Government Sales on State Contract
- The motion was seconded by Dan Merkel
- Motion approved (7 - 0)

X. WORKSHOP

A. Miscellany: An Open Air Public Art Exhibition

- Director of Recreation and Parks, Morgan Rodgers, came forward to present this item for discussion
- Mr. Rodgers provided details for a proposal for accomplishing the Phase II public art program that was included in the FY2018 budget. This proposal involves partnering with Arts Alpharetta on what they have coined "Miscellany: An Open Air Gallery".

- Volunteers with Arts Alpharetta have dedicated numerous hours and considerable effort to compose a program that would advance the City's public art goals while laying a foundation for a sustainable annual rotating public art exhibition.
- This item will come back before Council at a later meeting date for formal consideration

B. Response To City Council Questions: Rental Housing Study

- Director of Community Development Kathi Cook introduced Ken Bleakly to provide answers to questions previously posed by Mayor and Council regarding his recently presented Rental Housing Study

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

XII. REPORTS

- Council Member Binder announced that Recreation and Parks will be unveiling their 1st 'Play Me Again' piano painted by Recreation Commission Member Wendi Schutt on October 29th at 3pm at Cogburn Park
- Council Member Mitchell congratulated the Alpharetta Historical Society on a successful move of the Old Log Cabin to its new permanent home
- Council Member Owens provided a few transportation updates:
 - o GDOT is working on managed lane project on 400 and there is a potential for a managed lane exit in Alpharetta. Working with them on the right place
 - o Project at Devore Road and Highway 9 – City is working with GDOT on a preliminary plan to increase safety at that intersection
- Council Member Kennedy announced a Public Input session for the Northpoint Mall Study on Thursday, October 19th at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall study

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

❖ *Mayor Belle Isle adjourned the meeting at 8:21 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted,



Coty Thigpen

City Clerk