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I. CALL TO ORDER

❖ *Mayor Belle Isle called the meeting to order at 11:36 a.m.*

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Mayor Belle Isle, Mayor Pro Tem Owens, Council Members Gilvin, Merkel, Kennedy, Mitchell and Binder

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

City Administrator Bob Regus, Assistant City Administrator James Drinkard, City Attorney Sam Thomas, City Clerk Coty Thigpen, Director of Community Development Kathi Cook, Director of Finance Tom Harris, Director of Public Safety Gary George, Director of Recreation and Parks Mike Perry, Senior Engineer Eric Graves

III. WORKSHOP

A. Discussion Of Capital Projects And Proposed GO Bond

- Mayor and Council discussed potential capital projects for a proposed Bond. The Mayor presented a recommended list to Council in the amount of \$48 million.
- Mayor and Council also discussed possible other projects to add to the list.
- Additionally, Mayor and Council discussed their willingness to increase the millage rate in order to add additional projects to the Bond, with some being for and others against.
- No action was taken on this item and further discussion will be held at a later meeting to be determined.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. TSPLOST Project List Development

- Mayor Pro Tem Owens updated the group on his meeting with Sandy Springs Mayor and City Manager in regard to the North Fulton community working with a team to present a unified TSPLOST project list.
- The following were the key tenants of that meeting:
 - Both cities were in agreement that they would require all cities to be on board with a Memorandum of Understanding that presented a consolidated project list
 - Cities would prefer that rather than starting from scratch as presented by the consultants, it would be better to use the North Fulton Comprehensive Transportation Plan List as a starting point. Consultants would look at a streamlined scope using the Comprehensive Plan as a baseline. This would cut back on City staff time and put the bulk of the work on the consultants

in addition to being less meeting intensive.

- Sandy Springs agreed to take MARTA out of the plans
- Going to engage Georgia Department of Transportation to see how they can be best leveraged
- The City is interested in participating with several conditions including unanimous consent, streamline scope and giving City Administrator and Senior Engineer the authority to meet on the City's behalf. The Scope must stay like it is and continue to not include MARTA or GRTA.
- ❖ *Mayor Pro Tem Owens offered a motion to approve with conditions as discussed above including that all 5 North Fulton cities participate and City Administrator and Senior engineer negotiate scope down further if within Alpharetta's interest. Approve up to \$35,000 for the project.*
 - *The motion was seconded by Council Member Gilvin*
 - *Motion approved (7-0)*

V. REPORTS

- Mayor Pro Tem Owens reported that Sandy Springs believes that there is traction to bring MARTA and GDOT together to discuss managed lane potential and how to utilize bus rapid transit instead of heavy rail north of Northridge. Assuming Council consensus, Mayor Pro Tem would like to engage MARTA to see if there is indeed interest.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- ❖ *Hearing no further business, Mayor Belle Isle adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.*