



City Council Meeting and Public Hearing Summary

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I. CALL TO ORDER

❖ *Mayor Belle Isle called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.*

II. ROLL CALL

- Council Members
 - Mayor David Belle Isle
 - Chris Owens
 - Jason Binder
 - Ben Burnett
 - Jim Gilvin
 - Dan Merkel
 - Donald Mitchell (Mayor Pro Tem)
- Staff
 - Bob Regus, City Administrator
 - Coty Thigpen, City Clerk
 - Sam Thomas, City Attorney
 - James Drinkard, Asst. City Administrator
 - John Robison, Deputy Director of Public Safety
 - Tom Harris, Director of Finance
 - Morgan Rodgers, Director of Recreation and Parks
 - Kathi Cook, Director of Community Development
 - Michael Woodman, Senior Planner

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. PROCLAMATIONS

- Fulton County Commissioners Liz Hausman and Bob Ellis presented a Proclamation to Mayor Belle Isle on behalf of Fulton County

- Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell presented a Proclamation to Mayor Belle Isle, Council Member Gilvin and Council Member Owens thanking them for their service to the City

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Alcoholic Beverage License Application

PH-18-AB-35
 Mansell Prime LLC
 d/b/a Mansell Shell
 3790 Mansell Road
 Alpharetta, GA 30022
 Retail Package Sales Beer, Wine - Sunday Sales
 Owner: Naushad Keshwani
 Registered Agent: Ziaur Rahman

❖ *Council Member Gilvin offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Owens*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

A. PH-17-37: UDC Changes Downtown Code - Parking

❖ *This item was removed from the agenda and not discussed.*

B. PH-17-16: Northpoint LCI Update

- Director of Community Development, Kathi Cook introduced Eric Bosman to present the LCI update to Mayor and Council
- Staff is seeking consideration of a 10-Year Major Plan Update to the North Point Activity Center LCI. The Atlanta Regional Commission's (ARC) Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) is a grant program that incentivizes local jurisdictions to envision their communities as vibrant, walkable places that offer increased mobility options, encourage healthy lifestyles and provide improved access to jobs and services. The LCI program is funded by federal transportation dollars (FHWA's Surface Transportation Program). In order to remain eligible for LCI project and supplemental study funding, the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) requires Major Plan Updates to LCI's every 10-15 years. The goal of the North Point Activity Center LCI Major Plan Update is to update and clarify the community's vision for the North Point area, identify strategy and policy enhancements to maintain and enhance the district, and prioritize public investments particularly related to maintaining mobility and enhancing walkability in the area.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Resolution aloud

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Merkel offered a motion to approve PH-17-16 Northpoint Livable Centers Initiative update*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Binder*
- *Council Member Burnett requested to add a friendly amendment to include with that the City would like to note this location as a preferred location for transit*
- *Accepted by Merkel and Binder*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Update to Alpharetta Recreation and Parks Master Plan

- Director of Recreation and Parks, Morgan Rodgers, came forward to present this item
- Staff is seeking approval of the Update for the Alpharetta Recreation and Parks Master Plan.
- The Plan was compiled by Jacobs Engineering, in conjunction with Ballard King. Jacobs used information from the 2014 Master Plan, along with other existing plans within the City and meetings with community groups, program focus groups, staff and elected officials to formulate this comprehensive plan.
- The major areas of consideration and recommendations included parks, equestrian center, trails, programs, art & culture and provide a list of short term and long term recommendations.

Public Comment

None

- ❖ *Council Member Binder offered a motion to approve the Alpharetta Recreation and Parks Master Plan update*
 - *The motion was seconded by Council Member Mitchell*
 - *Motion approved (7-0)*

B. Approval Of Fiscal Year 2018 Mid-Year Budget Amendment And Related Financial Matters (Bond Reallocation Resolution)

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2018 Mid-Year Budget and adopt the following: (a) Budget Ordinance (1st reading); and (b) Transportation and Road Improvement Bond Reallocation Resolution.
- The purpose of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Mid-Year Budget Amendment is to amend the base budget as adopted by City Council for targeted initiatives that have already occurred (e.g. during the first seven months of the fiscal year) or are planned to occur before fiscal year-end.
- Initiatives are discussed in detail within the Fiscal Year 2018 Mid-Year Budget Requests and include a reallocation of project funding within the Series 2016 Parks and Transportation Bond Fund. In accordance with State Law, the City is following statutory guidelines relating to the expenditure of bond funds for purposes other than stated in the public bond notice including the approval and advertisement of the attached reallocation resolution.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Budget Ordinance aloud

Public Comment

None

- ❖ *Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve an Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of Alpharetta, Georgia, to adopt the mid-year fiscal 2018 budget for certain funds of the City of Alpharetta, Georgia appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures, adopting the item of revenue anticipation, prohibiting expenditures to exceed appropriations, and prohibit expenditures to exceed actual funding available*
 - *The motion was seconded by Council Member Binder*
 - *Motion approved (7-0)*
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Bond Resolution aloud

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve the Resolution as read by the City Attorney*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Owens*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

C. Authorization To Release An Indication Of Interest: Solicit Potential Public/Private Partnership For Development Of A Performing Arts Center

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, presented this item on behalf of staff
- Staff requests approval of the release of an Indication of Interest to solicit potential public/private partnership in the development of a Performing Arts Center.
- The City of Alpharetta, with the support of the Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau (ACVB), engaged the firm of Johnson Consulting to study the market and feasibility of developing a Performing Arts Center in Alpharetta. Based on this study the City is considering the establishment of a public/private partnership for the development of a Performing Arts.

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve the release an Indication of Interest to solicit potential public/private partnership in the development of a Performing Arts Center*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Gilvin*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

D. Authorization to Release an Indication of Interest: Solicit Potential Public/Private Partnership for Development of a Parking Deck in Downtown Alpharetta.

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, presented this item on behalf of staff and recommends the release of an Indication of Interest to solicit potential public/private partnership in the development of a parking deck in Downtown Alpharetta.
- Downtown Alpharetta has become one of the City's most popular destinations. With a growing collection of unique restaurants, shops, and office spaces, together with numerous special events, the Downtown has become a major attraction for both residents and visitors alike. With this increasing popularity, the City has been working on providing additional public parking to meet the demand.
- Council Member Owens requested that we revise the IOI before release to make it reference a 24 month period instead of 18 month.

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to release an Indication of Interest to solicit potential public/private partnership in the development of a parking deck in Downtown Alpharetta*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Gilvin*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

E. Public Safety: Body-Worn And In-Vehicle Camera (RFP 18-103)

- Director of Public Safety, John Robison, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff and recommend awarding RFP 18-103 to Utility Associates Inc. for the Body-Worn and In-Vehicle Camera System for Public Safety Officers inclusive of all implementation services, hardware, software licenses, data storage/retrieval, warranty, and support for an initial term of five (5) years and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.

- The Department of Public Safety received funding in the fiscal year 2018 budget for the acquisition and implementation of a body-worn camera system to record interactions with the public, gather video evidence at crime scenes, etc., which increases accountability for both the officers and the public. Also included is the replacement of in-vehicle camera units to maximize integration with the new body-worn camera system.
- It is the preference of the Department to purchase seventy (70) Body-Worn and In-Vehicle Cameras (front and rear) that will work concurrently to offer both officer and vehicle viewpoints of an incident, with GPS locations of officer and vehicle, camera recording triggers including doors, lights, sirens, weapon release mechanisms, and other triggers as appropriate, and software as needed to retrieve, view, redact and present captured footage. Pricing shall be inclusive of all implementation services, hardware, software licenses, data storage/retrieval, warranty, and support for an initial term of five (5) years.
- The Public Safety and Finance Departments prepared a Request for Proposal (RFP) and advertised for proposals in September/October 2017. The City received the following five proposals on October 12, 2017: Axon Enterprises; Digital Ally; PCN Strategies; Utility Associates; and WatchGuard.
- The Body-Worn and In-Vehicle Camera technology provided by Utility Associates Inc. was ranked highest by the Evaluation Committee and was determined to provide the best overall value. The Cost Proposal for the Body-Worn and In-Vehicle Camera technology provided by Utility Associates Inc. was the 2nd lowest at a total-cost-of-ownership price of \$704,550 over 5-years (6 payments). From a cash-flow perspective, \$204,400 is due at contract execution (FY 2018), with the remaining funds due as follows: FY 2019 (\$60,550); FY 2020 (\$109,900); FY 2021 (\$109,900); FY 2022 (\$109,900); and FY 2023 (\$109,900). Sufficient funds are programmed within the FY 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets to fund this initiative. Furthermore, the base draft FY 2019 Budget includes sufficient funding to cover the operational costs moving forward.
- Major Mechler came forward to provide a brief a few further details regarding this item

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Gilvin offered a motion to award RFP 18-103 to Utility Associates Inc. for the Body-Worn and In-Vehicle Camera System for Public Safety Officers inclusive of all implementation services, hardware, software licenses, data storage/retrieval, warranty, and support for an initial term of five (5) years and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Burnett*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

F. Approval of Probation Services Contract

- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, presented this item on behalf of staff
- Companies providing probation services in Georgia are required to undergo periodic audit by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI). The audit of Integrity Supervision Services, LLC, the City's contracted vendor for probation services, was recently completed. The auditor recommended changes to the company's current contract to provide language that better explains the company's responsibilities to our probationers.
- The City Attorney has reviewed the contract and is in agreement with the recommended changes.
- The contract has no fiscal impact to the City and is for a term not to exceed 5 years.

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Gilvin offered a motion to approve the contract with Integrity Supervision Services, LLC for probation services and authorization of the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Merkel*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

G. Title VI Policy Update

- Assistant City Administrator, James Drinkard, came forward to present this item
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes prohibiting discrimination in federally-assisted programs require that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal assistance. The City of Alpharetta is committed to ensuring compliance with The Act as amended and all related regulations and directives.
- As a recipient of federal funds administered by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), the City of Alpharetta is required to periodically readopt certain statements and assurances related to Title VI. Failure to readopt these statements and assurances would make the City ineligible for GDOT funding programs.
- The Title VI statements and assurances as required by GDOT are consistent with the existing policies of the City of Alpharetta.

Public Comment

None

❖ *Council Member Owens offered a motion to approve the Title VI policy update.*

- *The motion was seconded by Council Member Burnett*
- *Motion approved (7-0)*

H. History Room Construction Services (Storyteller Station and Song Station Additions)

- Director of Recreation and Parks, Morgan Rodgers, came forward to present this item
- Staff recommends approval of the following: (i) an amendment in the amount of \$21,815 to the professional services contract with Malone Design/Fabrication for the addition of a Video Storyteller Station and Song Station to the Alpharetta History Room; and (ii) \$2,000 for contingency to cover material and equipment needs through project completion; and (iii) authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- As the Alpharetta History Room nears completion, the project team identified the following two changes to the design plans that will provide a more impactful user experience: Alpharetta Storyteller Station; and Alpharetta Song Station.
- Alpharetta Storyteller Station – kiosk that allows visitors to sit and comfortably watch longer video clips;
- Alpharetta Song Station– kiosk modification that provides audio capabilities to highlight the historical “Song of Alpharetta”.
- The cost for these changes is \$21,815 and will be added to the Malone Design/Fabrication contract resulting in a revised contract value of \$343,870. The contract detail is as follows:
 - \$53,000 for Design Services;
 - \$244,780 for Construction Services;
 - \$9,475 for Exhibit Changes (change order #1);
 - \$14,800 for Monitor Collage Wall (change order #2); and
 - \$21,815 for the Alpharetta Storyteller Station and Song Station (change order #3).
- An additional \$2,000 is being requested for contingency to cover material and equipment needs through project completion.
- Funding for these changes is coming from Non-Allocated within the Capital Project Fund (balance of \$2,978,399 after accounting for these costs in addition to the Mid-Year Budget Amendment).

Public Comment

- Connie Mashburn of the Alpharetta Historical Society spoke in favor of the item
- ❖ *Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve the History Room Construction Services (Storyteller Station and Song Station Additions)*
 - *The motion was seconded by Council Member Burnett*
 - *Motion approved (7-0)*

VIII. ELECTIONS

A. Announcements

- Mayor Belle Isle offered his resignation from the Office of Mayor in order to pursue the Office of Georgia Secretary of State
- ❖ *Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell assumed the Chair*
 - Council Member Chris Owens offered his resignation from City Council Post 3 in order to pursue the vacated Mayoral seat
 - Council Member Jim Gilvin offered his resignation from City Council Post 4 in order to pursue the vacated Mayor seat

B. Resolution and Ordinance Calling For 2018 City Of Alpharetta Municipal Special Election (1st reading)

A RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCE TO REGULATE AND PROVIDE FOR THE CALLING OF A CITY OF ALPHARETTA SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE-WIDE GENERAL PRIMARY ON MAY 22, 2018; TO PROVIDE FOR AND RATIFY THE PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; TO ESTABLISH A CANDIDATE QUALIFICATION PERIOD; TO ESTABLISH CANDIDATE QUALIFICATION FEES; TO ESTABLISH A VOTER REGISTRATION CUT-OFF DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Resolution and Ordinance aloud

Public Comment

None

- ❖ *Council Member Merkel offered a motion to approve the Resolution and Ordinance Calling for 2018 City of Alpharetta Municipal Special Election*
 - *The motion was seconded by Council Member Binder*
 - *Motion approved (4-0)*

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

X. REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell announced revised liaisons to City Departments:

- Council Member Merkel to Community Development
- Council Member Binder to Recreation and Parks
- Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell to Finance and Public Safety
- Council Member Burnett to Public Works, Information Technology and Human Resources

XI. ADJOURNMENT

❖ *Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.*