



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF
COUNCIL MEETING
ON MARCH 20, 2017

CITY HALL – 2 PARK PLAZA
6:30PM

Official Minutes

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I. CALL TO ORDER

❖ *Mayor Belle Isle called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.*

II. ROLL CALL

- Council Members
 - Mayor David Belle Isle
 - Chris Owens (Mayor Pro Tem) *arrived at 6:35p.m.
 - Jason Binder
 - Jim Gilvin
 - Mike Kennedy
 - Dan Merkel
 - Donald Mitchell
- Staff
 - Bob Regus, City Administrator
 - Coty Thigpen, City Clerk
 - Sam Thomas, City Attorney

- Kathi Cook, Director of Community Development
- James Drinkard, Asst. City Administrator
- John Robison, Director of Public Safety
- Pete Sewczwicz, Director of Public Works
- Tom Harris, Director of Finance
- Shawn Mitchell, Budget Manager

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Council Meeting Minutes (Meeting of 03/06/2017)

- ❖ Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Mitchell
 - The motion was approved 6-0

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. PH-17-08: 2012 IPMC Adoption / Update to Property Maintenance Code (2nd Reading)

- City Staff is proposing to update the current City of Alpharetta Property Maintenance Code (PMC). Alpharetta adopted its first Property Maintenance Code in December of 2003. The PMC is based on a document that the ICC (International Code Council) drafted and distributed for local adoption if Municipalities want to use it.
- The City of Alpharetta has made some amendments to the PMC, since the initial adoption, including the following:
 - Grass height (12 inches)
 - Inactive Construction Sites
 - "Fences" was added to section 304.10 in order to clarify this section includes maintenance of fences. A resident requested Staff add language to the Code requiring fence construction specifics such as depth required for posts in order to avoid fences leaning onto adjacent properties. However, Staff is recommending that the word "Fence" be added to the existing code, which can be used to address fence maintenance such as leaning.
- The Appeals process is written in the International Property Maintenance Code as being heard by a Board of Appeals and in Alpharetta, Code violations are heard by the Code Enforcement Board.

- However, since 2003 the newer versions of the ICC Property Maintenance Code were not adopted.
- As required by state regulations, the City transmitted the update and Alpharetta's changes to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for review. They act as the State of Georgia's governing body for Building Codes, Life Safety Code, Fire Code and Property Maintenance Code. The City received approval from DCA for the proposed update and changes.
- Therefore, City Staff is proposing to adopt the International Property Maintenance Code, 2012 Edition, with Georgia Amendments (2015) edition of the Property Maintenance Code with Alpharetta's specifics.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read a summary of the Ordinance aloud constituting a 2nd reading

❖ *Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Ordinance*

- *The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin*
- *The motion was approved 6-0*

B. PH-17-05: Unified Development Code Text Amendments - Signs & Downtown Parking
(2nd reading)

❖ *Mayor Pro Tem Owens joined the meeting*

- Consideration of amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) Section 2.6.12 (C)(2) to increase the maximum wall sign area permitted in industrial and office parks from 156 square feet to 240 square feet and UDC Appendix A, Section 2.4 (C)(3) Downtown Parking Code to delete a provision that allows required parking to be met off-site within 500'.

UDC Section 2.6.12 (C)(2):

The Sign Code allows industrial and office parks to have a maximum wall sign area of 20 square feet per floor or story above road grade, not to exceed 156 square feet. The regulation, as currently written, allows for a proportionately larger wall sign area for buildings up to eight (8) stories. The maximum wall sign area of 156 square feet does not allow for larger wall signs on buildings over eight (8) stories. There are several office properties in the City that have entitled building heights greater than eight (8) stories, including at Avalon, Northwinds, North Point Parkway, and Preston Ridge, to name a few. These heights are now being realized in Alpharetta although zoning has allowed these heights for many years. Therefore, staff recommends a change to allow 20 square feet of sign area per floor or story above road grade for buildings up to 12 stories with a maximum wall sign area not to exceed 240 square

feet. The City of Dunwoody allows a maximum sign area of up to 300 square feet.

UDC Appendix A, Section 2.4 (C)(3):

The City has experienced parking shortages in the Downtown and as a result has a consultant under contract to prepare a parking study and parking management plan. The Alpharetta Downtown Code currently allows required non-residential parking to be met off-site, if the parking is located within 500 feet of the use it serves. However, this regulation does not consider the capacity available in off-site parking areas. Therefore, staff believes that the following provision should be deleted in its entirety until a solution is identified.

“Parking in the following locations may be used to satisfy the minimum requirements of the Vehicular Parking Requirements Table: 3. Off-site parking within 500 feet of the use it serves (as measured along a pedestrian walkway from the door of the use the parking serves).”

- It should also be noted that parking requirements are reduced within the Downtown Overlay.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read a summary of the Ordinance aloud constituting a 2nd reading

❖ **Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Ordinance**

- The motion received a second from Council Member Mitchell
- The motion was approved 7-0

C. Fiscal Year 2017 Mid-Year Budget Amendment (2nd Reading)

- Director of Finance, Tom Harris, came forward to provide a brief overview of the budget amendment that includes one addition of \$30,000 for underground fiber
- The purpose of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 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 eight months of the fiscal year) or are planned to occur before fiscal year-end.
- Initiatives are discussed in detail within the attached Fiscal Year 2017 Mid-Year Budget
Requests and have been adjusted for the amendments requested as part of the first reading approval.
- The initiative for demolition of structures on recently acquired park parcels has been removed as those activities will be funded directly through the existing Park Bond Land account.

- The only new initiative is the relocation of city fiber within the City Center area
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read a summary of the Budget Amendment Ordinance constituting a 2nd reading

- ❖ Council Member Mitchell offered a motion to approve the FY2017 Mid-Year Budget
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Kennedy
 - The motion was approved 7-0

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Agreement For The Purchase And Sale Of Real Estate: Teasley Street

- ❖ *Mayor Belle Isle recused himself and Mayor Pro Tem Owens assumed the Chair for this item*
- City Administrator, Bob Regus, provided a summary of this item
- Staff recommends adoption of a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of that certain agreement for purchase and sale of real estate by and among the Fulton County Board of Education, the City of Alpharetta, River Rock Development LLC, and West Canton LLC; authorizing the execution and delivery of other documents required in connection therewith, including standard and customary closing documents; and authorizing all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transaction contemplated by this resolution.
- The Agreement before you is a four party agreement between the Fulton County Board of Education (the "School Board"), the City of Alpharetta (the "City"), River Rock Development and West Canton LLC, a subsidiary of River Rock Development (collectively the "Developer").
- The real estate involved is .268 acres owned by the School Board currently serving as one of the private drives off Milton Avenue into Milton Center. Although this private drive does not meet the dimensions or other standards for a city street, it is, in fact, being used as a city street, including providing an unsafe cutthrough from Canton Street to Milton Avenue. The City cannot improve the drive or add calming devices unless it owns the road. Under the terms of the Agreement, the Developer will pay the School Board \$100,000.00 for the real estate which will be conveyed and dedicated to the City for a public road. The City will then improve the street to City standards by adding curb and gutter, sidewalks, street lights and traffic calming measures where necessary.
- Curb, gutter, sidewalks and street lights to the east of the street will be constructed by the Developer. The remaining curb, gutter, sidewalks and street lights, as well as traffic calming and repaving will be the responsibility of the City. Costs to the City should not exceed \$75,000.00 and efforts will be made to lower these costs if possible by using the Developer's contractor to install our improvements while installing improvements for River Rock.

- In addition to providing access to the Developer's condominium project, the road will improve vehicular and pedestrian access to visitors to the school and to downtown businesses, and benefit public safety in general.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Resolution aloud

Public Comment

None

- ❖ Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve the Resolution
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Mitchell
 - The motion was approved 6-0

B. Construction Of Temporary Parking In Downtown Alpharetta

- ❖ *Mayor Belle Isle returned to the meeting and resumed as Chair*
 - Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item
 - Staff requests approval of an agreement between the City of Alpharetta and Old Roswell St, LLC for the use and development of certain property for the purpose of providing temporary public parking; approval to allocate funds in the amount of \$94,488 to cover the cost to construct the temporary parking lot; and authorization for the mayor to execute all necessary documents between the two parties.
 - With development of the outparcels of City Center now underway, all of the parallel parking spaces within the development have been fenced off to permit the contractor to work in the four quadrants of City Center. Maintaining all of the parking on the City Center streets would cause a safety hazard due to all of the construction equipment/vehicles working. In preparation of the losing the parking spaces, City staff has been working with neighboring properties to acquire an easement/permission to construct a temporary parking lot on the west side of Main Street.
 - The proposed temporary parking lot is located adjacent to the Liberty Hall Development. The parking lot will serve two purposes, public parking and a staging area for Liberty Hall Development. Both the City and Liberty needed space and the partnership between the two resulted in a win-win relationship. Approximately 75

spaces will be built. The developer has the right to designate 10 spaces for exclusive use, leaving the balance open for public use.

- As stipulated in an agreement, Old Roswell St. LLC (Developer of Liberty Hall), the lessee of the subject property owned by Carlos L. Bagwell, will construct the parking lot and the City will pay for the parking lot at a cost of \$94,488. Additionally, the City will be responsible for any management company (if hired by the developer with the consent of the City) as well as any utilities and repairs and maintenance during the term. The City will be obligated to pay 50% of the cost at time of issuance of the permits for the parking lot construction with the balance due upon satisfactory completion. The term of the agreement which grants the City a license to use the property for public parking remains for so long as the underlying lease agreement (between Carlos L. Bagwell and Old Roswell St. LLC) remains but not to exceed 6 years. If for any reason the lease is terminated prior to three years, the developer shall reimburse the City for the cost of the parking improvements on a pro-rated basis.
- Once approved the City will work with Liberty Hall Development to expedite the construction of the parking lot to minimize any possible downtime related to the loss of parallel parking spaces within City Center.

Public Comment

None

- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Owens offered a motion to approve an agreement between the City of Alpharetta and Old Roswell St, LLC for the use and development of certain property for the purpose of providing temporary public parking, approve the allocation of funds in an amount not to exceed \$94,488 to cover the cost to construct the temporary parking lot; and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents between the two parties.
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Merkel
 - The motion was approved 7-0

C. Protecting and Restoring Urban Tree Canopy for Stormwater Management Grant

- City Arborist, David Shostak, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- Staff requests approval of the 'Protecting and Restoring Urban Tree Canopy for Stormwater Management' grant opportunity with the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Green Infrastructure Center and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The City of Alpharetta has been chosen by the Georgia Forestry Commission (GFC) and the Green Infrastructure Center (GIC) to participate in this grant opportunity: Protecting and Restoring Urban Tree Canopy for Stormwater Management. Seven

states within the Southern Region of the USDA Forest Service have been awarded this grant and only 1-2 cities per state can participate in this project. Alpharetta has been chosen as one of these cities since we continue to show a willingness to innovate in the way we protect trees and manage our stormwater. This grant program will assist us in bringing these two together in a more efficient and effective way.

- This is a technical assistance program where the GIC provides 1,000 hours of service and the City will need to commit to in-kind matching funds in the form of staff time, time from the public who attend any presentations, fees for meeting rooms, printing, copies, etc. There will be no fiscal impact to the City since all matching funds can be in-kind. Technical support and project management will be provided by the GIC as well as the preparation of all deliverables. This project is expected to take 14-18 months.
- When the project is completed the City of Alpharetta should expect to receive:
 - Updated tree canopy and impervious land cover map used to map current canopy and analyze runoff, stormwater benefits and potential for mitigating stormwater (map and in GIS digital format) + metadata.
 - Potential planting areas map (digital GIS) used for strategic planning to set future canopy goals.
 - Codes and Ordinance Audit for urban trees to facilitate better management and care.
 - Workshops with local committees to provide education and solicit input.
 - Model ordinance language or other program/policy documents for using trees to meet stormwater regulations.
 - Written step-by-step- strategy and methodology for linking urban forest systems to urban MS4 requirements for each of the specific partner city(s).
 - Case study of the project suitable for sharing at workshops, with elected and appointed officials and other agencies and stakeholders.
- In addition to the outcomes listed above, by better evaluating and planning for its trees, cities will also realize other 'ecosystem services' of the urban forest such as cleaner water, air, aesthetic values, open space, walkable and bikeable streets, safer pathways, improved climate for businesses and better real estate values. These other values can also be calculated as part of the project.
- The outcomes of this grant program will assist City staff in their decision making processes to evaluate more sustainable private and public development in relation to trees and stormwater. The City of Alpharetta Department of Community Development along with the City of Alpharetta Department of Public Works, along with other City departments will benefit from cooperating with this grant project.

Public Comment
None

- ❖ Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve the city's participation in the Protecting and Restoring Urban Tree Canopy for Stormwater Management's grant opportunity and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Owens
 - The motion was approved 7-0

D. Landscape Maintenance Services: SR 400 at Five Interchanges

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- Staff requests that ITB No. 17-005 be awarded to Russell Landscape for Landscape Maintenance Services – SR 400 at Five Interchanges in the amount of \$159,410.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The award of ITB No. 17-005 is for the Landscape Maintenance Services – SR 400 at Five Interchanges contract ("SR400 Landscaping Contract"). The scope of the SR400 Landscaping Contract includes, but is not limited to, turf mowing, tree and shrub pruning, pine straw and hardwood mulch installation, litter pick up, leaf removal, weed and pest control, and other landscape maintenance activities within the specified interchange locations.
- Selection of the landscape contractor was administered as a two-part process. First, a Request for Qualifications was advertised by the City on November 17, 2016, which resulted in shortlisting three qualified contractors, Russell Landscape, TriScapes, Inc., and Yellowstone Landscape. The City then issued an Invitation to Bid to the shortlisted contractors on January 12, 2017. Responses were due to the City from the selected contractors on January 26, 2017.
- TriScapes, Inc. failed to submit a bid and was not considered further.
- The remaining bids from Russell Landscape and Yellowstone Landscape company are as follows:

• Russell Landscape	\$159,410.00
• Yellowstone Landscape	\$227,004.00
- Russell Landscape is the current contractor for the SR400 Landscaping Contract (expires 3/31/2017), which includes four of the five interchanges within the proposed contract. The new contract will include the newly constructed Encore Parkway overpass as the fifth interchange location.
- As the current contractor for the SR400 Landscaping Contract, Russell Landscape has demonstrated that they are fully qualified to perform the work required within the new contract.

- Staff met with Russell Landscape on February 8, 2017 to review the scope of work and the City's expectations. Russell Landscape assured Staff they can perform the work as specified within the City's Invitation to Bid. Staff recommends award of ITB No. 17-005 to Russell Landscape. The duration of the contract will be for five (5) years, beginning on April 1, 2017.
- On March 7, 2017, the North Fulton Community Improvement District (NFCID) voted and approved to match 50-50 regarding the cost of the maintenance with the City of Alpharetta. The 50-50 match will last 3 years, this is due to current 'expiration date' of the NFCID. The NFCID Board may elect to extend the date and thus the City can approach the Board to request the match continue for another 2 years to line up with the contract.

Public Comment

- Don Nahser, 305 Karen Drive, Alpharetta, GA, came forward to speak on this item
- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Owens offered a motion to approve a contract with Russell Landscape Services for landscape maintenance at the 4 GA 400 Interchanges plus Encore Parkway Bridge over GA 400 in an amount not to exceed \$159,410.00 per year with the understanding that we have a Memorandum of Understanding with the North Fulton Community Improvement District to share in that expense at 50/50 for 3 years with 2 option years based upon their contract life expectancy and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin
 - The motion was approved 7-0

E. FY 17 Multimodal Safety And Access Program Proposal Application

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- Staff requests approval to submit an application to GDOT for funding for the FY 2017 Multimodal Safety & Access Program for the mid-block crosswalk at Marietta Street and Main Street improvement project and authorization of the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- GDOT is soliciting project proposals for small bike or ped safety or accessibility projects through the Regional Commissions. The program is targeted towards "quick fixes" that can be under construction by the end of 2017, such as sidewalk gaps, crosswalks, refuge islands, bike lanes, pedestrian signals, etc. GDOT will pay up to 70% of the construction cost.

- Proposed projects must be on the state route system and either connect or improve a connection in existing facilities for biking, walking, or connecting by biking or walking to transit. Any state route is eligible, the program is not specific to state or local bicycle or pedestrian corridors.
- Projects should demonstrate improve safety for people walking and/or biking and not adversely impact the safety of people driving. Projects should have public support. Additional consideration will be given to projects that will improve health outcomes and generate economic impact in the community.
- The Department of Public Works is requesting permission to submit an application on the City's behalf in regards to the mid-block crosswalk at Marietta Street and Main Street improvement project.
- This project has been designed by Pond & Company.

Public Comment

None

- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Owens offered a motion to approve the submittal of an application to GDOT for funding for the FY 2017 Multimodal Safety & Access Program to be applied to the mid-block crosswalk at Marietta Street and Main Street improvement project and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin
 - The motion was approved 7-0

F. Multiple Sidewalk Improvements, ITB 17-006

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- Staff recommends that Bid No. 17-006 be awarded to Excellere Construction, LLC in the amount of \$706,703.63 for the Multiple Sidewalk Improvements Project and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The award of this bid is for the construction of nine sidewalk segments throughout the City of Alpharetta. Of these nine projects, seven were identified as part of the 2016 Bond and the other two were funded as part of the capital budget of prior fiscal years. The scope of work at each location is as follows:

- Canton Street (Capital) - Construction of approximately 430 linear feet of sidewalk along the east side of Canton Street in the vicinity of the intersection of Canton Street and Pebble Trail. Completion of this gap will provide contiguous sidewalk along the east side of Canton Street from Mayfield Road north to the City Limits.
- Cotton Creek Entry (Bond) - Construction of approximately 570 linear feet of sidewalk along the east side of Cotton Creek Entry from Cotton Mill Place north to the cul-de-sac. Project will also include the replanting of nine trees. Completion of this gap will provide contiguous sidewalk along the east side of Cotton Creek Entry from Old Milton Parkway north to the cul-de-sac.
- Crabapple Road / S.R. 372 (Bond) - Construction of approximately 470 linear feet of sidewalk along the north side of Crabapple Road from Green Road west to existing sidewalk. Project scope will also include installation and modification of storm drainage. Completion of this gap will provide contiguous sidewalk along the north side of Crabapple Road within the City Limits.
- Hembree Road (Bond) - Construction of approximately 275 linear feet of sidewalk along the south side of Hembree Road from North Fulton Industrial Boulevard east to existing sidewalk. Project scope also includes roadway repair of Hembree Road and North Fulton Industrial Boulevard made necessary by the high volume of large trucks in the area (cement trucks, tractor trailers, etc.). Completion of this sidewalk gap will provide contiguous sidewalk along the south side of Hembree Road from the City Limits east to Maxwell Road.
- North Point Parkway (Bond) - Construction of approximately 950 linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of North Point Parkway between Old Milton Parkway and the northern end of Great Oaks Way. Completion of this gap will provide contiguous sidewalk along the west side of North Point Parkway from Morris Road south to the northern end of Great Oaks Way.
- Pointe Place Northern Gap (Bond) - Construction of approximately 245 linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of Pointe Place from Upper Hembree Road south to existing sidewalk. Project also includes the construction of approximately 65 linear feet of sidewalk along the south side of Upper Hembree Road from Pointe Place east to existing sidewalk.
- Pointe Place Southern Gap (Bond) - Construction of approximately 215 linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of Pointe Place from approximately 650 feet south of Hembree Road south to the cul-de-sac. Construction of this gap, in conjunction with the Pointe Place Northern Gap, will provide contiguous sidewalk along the west side of Pointe Place from Upper Hembree Road south to the cul-de-sac.
- Upper Hembree Road (Bond) - Construction of approximately 340 linear feet of sidewalk along the south side of Upper Hembree Road between Taylor Oaks Drive and Pointe Place. Construction of this gap, in conjunction with the Pointe Place Northern Gap, will provide contiguous sidewalk along the south side of Upper Hembree Road within the City Limits.
- Waters Road (Capital) - Construction of approximately 525 linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of Waters Road from just north of Waters Mill Drive to Shiraz Lane / Waters Chase Subdivision (private development, under construction). Project scope also includes the installation of curb and gutter and storm drainage. Completion of this gap will complete the City's portion of sidewalk construction necessary to provide contiguous sidewalk along the west side of Waters Road from Kimball Bridge Road south to Jones

Bridge Road. Sidewalk improvements across the frontage of the Waters Chase Subdivision, including a pedestrian bridge across Long Indian River, are the responsibility of the private developer.

- The Department of Public Works prepared plans and specifications for the sidewalk projects and advertised for competitive bids during January and February 2017. Bids for the project were received on February 16, 2017 and the City received a total of eleven bids.
- On February 28, 2017, the CMEC bid was withdrawn due to multiple errors and omissions. Thus, Excellere Construction LLC (Excellere) became the apparent low bidder. Excellere is an experienced contractor which has worked on several projects with similar scopes for several Georgia agencies including the City of Milton, City of Royston, and Georgia Gwinnett College. The contacted references stated that Excellere provided reliable work on time and within budget and would utilize their services again. Further, the president of Excellere, Mr. Luigi Hernandez, has previous experience working on City sidewalk projects as project manager while employed by Lewallen Construction. This experience includes Mid Broadwell Road Sidewalk Improvements Phases 3, 4, and 5, and the Big Creek Greenway Connection from Fire Station 6.
- Staff met with representatives of Excellere on March 2, 2017 to review the scope of work and the City's expectations. When asked about the large gap between their submitted bid price and the next lowest bidder, Excellere offered three potential reasons. First, Excellere will be self-performing a large amount of the work including demolition and erosion control, where others may be utilizing subcontractors. Second, Excellere owns all of the necessary signs, barrels, arrow boards, and other devices necessary to provide traffic control and will not have to rent these devices. Third, Excellere personnel spent extensive time reviewing the plans and visiting all the sites prior to preparing their bid to ensure they understood the project scope and the existing conditions in which they would be working. Excellere assured Staff that they could complete the project for the submitted bid amount and within the allocated time frame. Thus, Staff determined Excellere Construction LLC to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- Once a contract with Excellere Construction LLC has been finalized and executed, construction may begin immediately. The anticipated completion date for work at all locations is no more than 270 days from notice to proceed. The work along Canton Street is anticipated to be complete no more than 30 days from start of construction. The work along Cotton Creek Entry Location is anticipated to be complete no more than 30 days from start of construction. The work along Crabapple Road is anticipated to be complete no more than 30 days from start of construction. The work along Hembree Road is anticipated to be complete no more than 30 days from start of construction. The work along North Point Parkway is anticipated to be complete no more than 45 days from start of construction. The work along Pointe Place and Upper Hembree is anticipated to be complete no more than 60 days from start of construction. The work along Waters Road is anticipated to be complete no more than 45 days from start of construction.

Public Comment

None

- ❖ Mayor Pro Tem Owens offered a motion to award Bid No. 17-006 to Excellere Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$706,703.63 for the Multiple Sidewalk Improvements Project as listed in the staff presentation and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin
 - The motion was approved 7-0

G. Purchase of Back-Up Pistols for Police Department Officers.

- Director of Public Safety, John Robison, came forward to present this item on behalf of staff
- The Alpharetta Department of Public Safety is requesting approval to use Department of Justice seized funds to purchase back-up pistols for all Sworn Officers. Back-up pistols are carried in the event of a catastrophic failure or the loss of a primary pistol during an active, rapidly evolving deadly force situation. Currently, Sworn Officers are authorized to carry a back-up pistol of their choice which they purchase. This leads to different types of pistols and different calibers of ammunition that our Officers are currently carrying. A uniform back-up weapon streamlines our qualification, maintenance, inspection and reporting processes. This also ensures common weapons training and weapons familiarization for all officers while supporting them with a common weapon. Issuing back-up weapons helps ensure Officer Safety and enhances our ability to protect the public.
- Seized funds in an amount totaling \$69,058.94 are recommended to be utilized as follows:
 - Purchase one-hundred thirty five (135) Glock 9mm, G43 pistols which are a compact design and can be easily concealed making it an ideal weapon for the intended purpose. The Glock weapon design is known to us and we already have several police officers who are trained as armorers with the weapon system. This will enable us to absorb the weapons with no additional armorer training needed. The pistols would be purchased through State Contract (#9999-SPD-ES40199379-0003) from Ed's Public Safety in an amount totaling \$43,267.50. Multiple vendors provide these pistols through State Contract but the Department has worked with Ed's Public Safety in the past and has found their customer service to be exceptional. Also, they have the weapons in stock and will expedite the order.
 - Purchase ammunition for the officers. This includes the initial training, qualification and their initial duty issue. The ammunition would be purchased through State Contract (#9999-SPD-ES40199379-0005) from Gulf States Distributors in an amount totaling \$12,291.44.

- Authorization to reimburse officers for the purchase of their preferred back-up holster - not to exceed \$100.00 per officer. The holsters would be turned in as Department property if the officer leaves the Agency. The cost for holster reimbursements is estimated at \$13,500.00.

Public Comment

- Alexander Williamson, 12535 Wexcroft Lane, Alpharetta, GA, came forward to speak on this item
- ❖ Council Member Gilvin offered a motion to approve the use of up to \$69,058.94 of Department of Justice seized funds for the purchase of 135 Glock 9mm, G43 pistols in the amount up to \$43,267.50 from Ed's Public Safety, an ammunition in an amount up to \$12,291.44 from Gulf States Distributors and reimbursement up to \$13,500 for holsters for those weapons as well.
- The motion received a second from Council Member Binder
- The motion was approved 7-0

VII. WORKSHOP

A. Discussion of Alpha Loop

- Director of Community Development, Kathi Cook, came forward to present an overview of the status of this project
- The City has presented the concept plan to the North Fulton CID and it was very well received. Mayor Belle Isle and Ms. Cook will be attending the next Board meeting to ask if there is an interest in a monetary partnership on this project.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Beverly Iffland, 320 Jayne Ellen Way, Alpharetta, GA, came forward to speak on the proposed changes to the property maintenance code specifically in regard to fencing
- Don Nahser, 305 Karen Drive, Alpharetta, GA came forward to discuss the City's recent glass recycling survey

IX. REPORTS

- Council Member Mitchell announced that the Alpharetta Symphony Orchestra had a successful first performance this past weekend at Alpharetta United Methodist Church. Council Member Mitchell encouraged the public to support the this organization as well as the City Band and Alpharetta Community Choir.
- Mayor Belle Isle announced that the City will be having a Groundbreaking Ceremony for the private development of City Center this Thursday at 3:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- ❖ Council Member Binder offered a motion to adjourn into Executive Session
 - The motion received a second from Council Member Kennedy
 - The motion was approved 7-0

Respectfully Submitted,


Coty Thigpen, City Clerk