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### **City Council Meeting of March 16, 2015**

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## **COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

### **II. ROLL CALL**

### **III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

### **IV. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **A. Recognition Of Crime-Free Housing Program**

❖ *This item was removed from the agenda*

1. Amlis Apartments
2. Belmont Apartments
3. Lakes At Windward Apartments

### **V. CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **A. Council Meeting Minutes**

1. Meeting of February 23, 2015
2. Meeting of March 02, 2015

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

- *The motion received a second from Council Member Cross*
- *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

## A. Grants

### 1. FY2013 Metro Atlanta UASI / Citizen Corps Grant

- Grants Administrator, Amanda Day, came forward to present this item
- Staff requests that Council adopt a Resolution providing approval of the submission of the Fiscal Year 13 Metro Atlanta Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Citizen Corps grant application to the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency.
- This grant program funds 100% of the requested cost, so no match is required. The request made by the Alpharetta Department of Public Safety includes equipment and supplies for the following volunteer programs: CERT, CAPS, and Fire Corps. The total request is \$6,929.77 and includes the following:
  - (1) Traffic Cone (6) - \$1,223.94
  - (2) Shelter/Tent (2) - \$1,037.00
  - (3) Safety Helment (21) - \$2,280.39
  - (4) Generator (1) - \$1,360.00
  - (5) Maxpedition Stika Bag (6) - \$782.94
  - (6) Instant Canopy (1) - \$245.50
- Previously, the City of Alpharetta applied for the Citizen Corps Grant through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency. Due to budget cuts within this program, and changes in policy dictated by GEMA in 2012, all jurisdictions within Fulton and DeKalb Counties must now apply for Citizen Corps funding through the Metro Atlanta Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI).
- The new program is set up by UASI in the following manner. The program must follow the federal Citizen Corps guidelines. Each local jurisdiction must submit its application to their respective county's citizen corps council. The Fulton County Citizen Corps Council held its first introductory meeting on June 14, 2012. The membership will include all jurisdictions with a citizen corps program, with the chair being the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency (AFCEMA) Director.
- For this application round, AFCEMA emailed all jurisdictions announcing the available Fiscal Year 2013 funding. Each agency was allocated a dollar amount based on citizen corps programs. Since the City of Alpharetta has three programs (CERT, CAPS, and Fire Corps) the Public Safety Department could request up to \$7,125.00 for Citizen Corps equipment.
- For the CERT program, the following items are requested:
  - (1) One generator to be used for rehab, operations command and control, and public relations functions.
  - (2) Six maxpedition stika bags. These bags will be used by CERT members to carry equipment.
  - (3) One canopy (pop-up tent) to be used for rehab, operations, command and control, and public relations functions.
- For the Fire Corps program, 21 safety helmets (hard hats) are requested for Fire Corps members.

- For the CAPS program, the following items are requested:
  - (1) Six traffic cones for safety and traffic direction purposes.
  - (2) Two shelters/tents to be used for rehab operations, command and control, and public relations functions.
- The City of Alpharetta will not be awarded the funding, but rather UASI will purchase the requested equipment and supply it to Alpharetta.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the Resolution aloud

**Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to approve*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Aiken*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

2. 2014 TIP Project Solicitation

- Grants Administrator, Amanda Day, came forward to present this item
- Staff requests that Council approve a Resolution providing approval of the submission of the 2014 Transportation Improvement Program Project Solicitation to the Atlanta Regional Commission
- There are two projects being considered for submission to the 2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Solicitation. The estimated Preliminary Engineering (PE), Right-of-Way (ROW), and Construction (CON) costs, along with the programmed year, are detailed below. The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) recommends the requested federal funding amount should be a minimum of \$1,000,000. There is no set funding maximum, but they expect projects to be scaleable if funding needs greatly exceed \$5,000,000.
- Windward Parkway Improvements - Georgia 400 to State Route 9  
 PE - FY16 - \$1,000,000  
 ROW - FY17 - \$1,000,000  
 CON - FY18 - \$6,000,000
- Windward Parkway, Phase III - Georgia 400 to Deerfield  
 PE – FY16 - \$300,000  
 ROW – FY17 - \$750,000  
 CON – FY18 - \$1,200,000
- Total cost is \$2,250,000. And 80/20 split of the match will include a request of \$1,800,000 and a city match of \$450,000.
- Construction assumes a 12 foot trail with 5 foot offset between curb and sidewalk for landscape strip. This is why ROW is necessary. The construction will include more walls than in the proposed project. This project will improve the existing federally funded TIP project along this stretch of roadway. The project is in keeping with the proposed trail route that the City of Milton desires

to construct down Windward Parkway to connect their trail system to the City of Alpharetta's Big Creek Greenway.

- Funding is not currently budgeted for either project. Funding needs will be spread over a three year (plus) time frame. It is expected that 80% of each phase will be covered by federal funding.
- For the Windward Parkway Improvements, total project cost is \$8,000,000. 80% of the project is \$6,400,000. Alpharetta will request the full 80% match, with the understanding that the full request may not be funded if the ARC decides to stick with a \$5,000,000 funding cap. This leaves \$1,600,000 in match requirements (at a minimum). The City of Alpharetta has the opportunity to provide the matching through future capital dollars.
- The Windward Parkway, Phase III, project will also be a 80/20 split.
- The Atlanta Regional Commission is currently accepting applications for federal funding to projects under the Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for fiscal years 2016-2019. The focus areas for the solicitation are:
  - (1) New Infrastructure projects that are consistent with the LCI program;
  - (2) Existing federally funded TIP projects requiring additional federal funds;
  - (3) Transportation planning or project feasibility studies; and
  - (4) New infrastructure projects or initiatives that support PLAN 2040 objectives and the decision-making framework.
- All project proposals recommended for funding will be incorporated into a subsequent TIP amendment, to be adopted later in 2015.
- The ARC is looking to fund small operational improvements. The TIP has \$22 million - \$32 million to program each year (2016-2019) under the Surface Transportation Program (of which this project falls).
- The City of Alpharetta staff from the Community Development, Public Works, and Administration departments meet to discuss project feasibility. While the two recommended projects are located along Windward Parkway, it was suggested they be split into 2 project applications.
- The Windward Parkway from the Georgia 400 interchange to State Route 9 is a new infrastructure project application. This includes operations, pedestrian, and bicycle improvements. It also includes widening the road from 2 to 3 lanes in each direction. The wide sidewalks planned for this section will not only provide pedestrian access to the many businesses located along this stretch of roadway, it will also help provide future connectivity to the Big Creek Greenway when it is expanded north and crosses Windward Parkway.
- The Windward Parkway, Phase III, project is an existing federally funded TIP project requiring additional federal funds. The North Fulton Community Improvement District is funding Windward Parkway, Phase II, which includes design and construction improvements to the intersection of Georgia 400 at Windward Parkway. The completed project will change the two left turn lanes from the GA 400 Northbound exit ramp to a triple left turn lane onto Windward Parkway. It will add an additional through lane from this intersection to Deerfield Parkway, ending as a right turn lane onto Deerfield Parkway. The

current funding for Windward Parkway, Phase II, includes a bike lane and sidewalks along this stretch. This request through the TIP will be a modification to include funding for phase III, to include wider sidewalks (8-12 feet depending on available space), landscaping, and lighting along the northern side of Windward from the GA 400 interchange to Deerfield Parkway. The goal is to continue the look and feel of the "gateway entrance" created at the Georgia 400/Windward Parkway interchange.

- City Attorney read the Resolution aloud

#### **Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Owens offered a motion to approve the Resolution (Windward – 400 to 9) as read into the record by City Attorney*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Cross*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

- City Attorney read the Resolution aloud

#### **Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Owens offered a motion to approve the Resolution 2 (Windward Phase 3) as read into the record by City Attorney*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Kennedy*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

### **B. Public Safety**

#### **1. Purchase: Public Safety Vehicles**

- Director of Public Safety, Gary George, came forward to present this item
- Staff requests that Council approve the purchase of eleven vehicles for Public Safety at a total cost of \$289,035.98:

One Chevrolet Impala PPV from Hardy Chevrolet for \$20,286.98  
Seven Ford Interceptor SUV's from Wade Ford for \$193,049.00  
Two Chevrolet Silverado Pick-up trucks and one Chevrolet Traverse from AutoNation Chevrolet for \$75,700.00

- The recommended vehicles will replace existing vehicles being retired due to mileage-related safety concerns and/or mechanical problems that are not cost-effective to repair.

- The Chevrolet Impala PPV (Police Pursuit Vehicle) is the police version of the standard Impala, distinguished by heavy-duty components, pursuit-rated tires and brakes, and pre-wiring for the installation of emergency equipment. This is still the least expensive pursuit-rated vehicle on the market and remains the mainstay of Public Safety's fleet. Ford's Interceptor SUV is the police version of the Explorer with upgrades similar to the Impala, plus standard all-wheel-drive and a rear-view camera. For needs best met by an SUV (SWAT officers who carry a lot of extra equipment and Field Training Officers who need room for two officers and their combined gear) the V-6 Interceptor is the most cost-effective option.
- The pick-up trucks are intended for the Fire Training Officer, who needs to carry more and heavier gear than even an SUV will accommodate, and a task force officer who works under circumstances for which a truck is appropriate.
- The Traverse is a non-police V-6 Chevrolet SUV intended for another task force officer. He is a K-9 handler who requires an SUV for the dog but not a pursuit-rated vehicle. For this application a standard Traverse will work well.
- The Council approved the purchase of ten Impalas and eight Interceptors at its October 6, 2014 meeting. With that approval the Department purchased six Impalas and five Interceptors, intending to buy the remaining units now. Since then the Department's needs have changed slightly, and the current request supercedes the remainder of the previous approval.
- The Impala is on state contract for \$20,286.98, which includes a 2% prompt pay discount.
- The Interceptors are also on state contract. Five of the seven are intended for patrol service and will cost \$27,429.00. Two will be used in Admin/CID and will cost \$27,952.00.
- The pick-ups were selected through competitive quotes, as follows (per vehicle):

AutoNation Chevrolet	\$24,900.00
Hendricks Chevrolet	\$24,947.00
Hardy Chevrolet	\$25,017.00

- The Traverse was also selected through competitive quotes, as follows:

AutoNation Chevrolet	\$25,900.00
Hendricks Chevrolet	\$26,566.00
Hardy Chevrolet	\$27,287.00

**Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Aiken offered a motion to approve the purchase eleven vehicles for Public Safety at a total cost not to exceed \$289,035.98 as detailed by Director George*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

### **C. Information Technology**

#### **1. Purchase: HP And Dell Equipment For Public Safety / 911**

- Director of Information Technology, Randy Bundy, came forward to present this item
- Staff is requesting that Council award VeriStor Systems, Inc. as the vendor to provide for the purchase of HP blade server equipment for the server and storage facility at Public Safety in the amount of \$132,643.47, and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The fiscal impact to the City will be \$132,643.47 which is available within the Capital Project Fund
- As approved in the FY 2015 capital budget, this project provides for the refresh and updating the server equipment and updating the primary storage at the City's Public Safety E-911 location. This includes servers and storage that require replacement every 5-6 years (the current equipment is over 5-years old). These server components are the principle platforms for our virtual environment supporting OSSI and other critical public safety systems.
- VeriStor is the current vendor used by the City for these services and is the City's single source provider for virtualization/data center components and services. Pricing is consistent with competitively procured rates established within the Hewlett Packard Server and Storage contract with the State of Georgia and (the Finance Department has obtained letters from both Dell and HP Representatives attesting to Veristor's pricing).

#### **Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Cross offered a motion to award VeriStor Systems, Inc. as the vendor to provide for the purchase of HP blade server equipment for the server and storage facility at Public Safety in the amount of \$132,643.47, and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Gilvin*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

#### **2. Purchase: Cisco Components For Public Safety**

- Director of Information Technology, Randy Bundy, came forward to present this item
- Staff is requesting that Council award Presidio Networked Solutions, Inc. as the vendor to provide for the purchase of CISCO equipment for the server and storage facility at Public Safety in the amount of \$75,084.66, and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The fiscal impact to the City will be \$75,084.66.
- As approved in the FY 2015 budget, this project provides for the refresh and updating the Cisco server at the City's Public Safety / E911 location. This includes servers and storage for the Data Center that require replacement every 5-6 years (the current equipment is over 5-years old). These network components integrate our virtual environment supporting OSSI and other critical public safety systems.
- Seven quotes were secured and Presidio was the lowest.

#### **Public Comment**

None

❖ *Council Member Cross offered a motion to award Presidio Networked Solutions, Inc. as the vendor to provide for the purchase of CISCO equipment for the server and storage facility at Public Safety in the amount of \$75,084.66, and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents*

- *The motion received a second from Council Member Mitchell*
- *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

#### **D. Public Works**

##### 1. Westside Parkway Street Lighting

- Director of Public Works, Pete Sewczwicz, came forward to present this item
- Staff requests that Council award Bid 15-009 to Capital City Electrical Services, Inc. for the design and installation of the Westside Parkway Street Lighting - Old Milton Parkway to Webb Bridge Road in the amount of \$255,200.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.
- The award of this bid is for the design and installation of Westside Parkway Street Lighting. This project will consist of the installation of LED street (roadway) lights along Westside Parkway between Old Milton Parkway and Webb Bridge Road.
- The Department of Public Works prepared specifications for the project and advertised for competitive bids during December 2014 and January 2015. Bids for the project were received on January 15, 2015 and the City received a total of two bids from the following:



Capital City Electrical Services, Inc.	\$247,200.00
Peachtree Telecommunications International, LLC	\$542,000.00

- The apparent low bidder, Capital City Electrical Services, Inc. (Capital City), is an experienced contractor and has worked on numerous projects with similar scopes of work in Georgia for several agencies including City of Atlanta and City of Sandy Springs. The contacted references stated that Capital City provided reliable work on time and within budget and would utilize their services again.
- Capital City's proposed plan includes the installation of forty-four (44) GE Evolve LED Roadway Fixtures on mounted on Shakespeare Composite Structures Composite Tuff-Poles. All poles and fixtures will be black. This will provide lighting levels along this stretch of Westside Parkway consistent with existing lighting levels immediately north and south of the project limits.
- Of note, the proposed fixtures will provide light with a correlated color temperature (CCT) of 4000K (natural white). This will vary from the existing high-pressure sodium lights which provide light with a CCT in the range of 2200K (yellowish). The standard CCT for LED roadway lighting ranges from 4000K to 5700K. This provides a better light quality which improves safety by enhancing depth of field and peripheral vision with distorting color.
- Staff met with Capital City on February 13, 2015 and again on February 24, 2015 to review the scope of work and the City's expectations. Capital City assured Staff that they could complete the project for the bid amount and within the allocated time frame. Thus, Staff determined Capital City Electrical Services, Inc. to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- After meeting with representatives of Capital City, Staff identified two additional items which would benefit the project. First, given a multiple-week lead time for ordering replacement poles and fixtures, Staff believes it good practice to store two (2) spare poles and fixtures. The cost for both spare poles and fixtures would be \$6,500.00. Second, Staff believes the inclusion of a fuse for each light assembly to provide lightning protection would be beneficial to maintaining the City's investment in the lights. The cost for providing fuses for all 44 fixtures would be \$1,500.00. Together, these items would increase Capital City's bid total from by \$8,000.00 from \$247,200.00 to \$255,200.00.
- As these are roadway lights, the fixtures will be mounted at a height of approximately 35' and will not resemble the pedestrian lighting along Old Milton Parkway. Additionally, these fixtures will be maintained by the City. The City will only be paying a usage bill and meter bill to Georgia Power.
- In order to minimize the number of replacement poles and fixtures to be stored by Staff, if approved, the GE Evolve LED Roadway Fixture and Shakespeare Composite Structures Composite Tuff-Pole will become the standard LED roadway light fixture and pole for areas of the City outside of Downtown.

- Once a contract with Capital City Electrical Services, Inc. has been finalized and executed, construction may begin immediately. The anticipated completion date is no more than 45 days from delivery of materials.

**Public Comment**

None

- ❖ *Council Member Owens offered a motion to award Bid 15-009 to Capital City Electrical Services, Inc. for the design and installation of the Westside Parkway Street Lighting from Old Milton Parkway to Webb Bridge Road in the amount not to exceed \$255,200.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents.*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Kennedy*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No member of the public came forward

**VIII. WORKSHOP**

**A. Draft Policies Governing Non-City Special Events**

- Assistant City Administrator, James Drinkard, came forward to present this item
- Council posed questions that were responded to by Staff
- Council indicated general consensus in support of the draft
- The policies will be brought forward in April for consideration of adoption

**B. Historic Preservation Ordinance / Transfer Of Development Rights**

- Scott Hasty of the City Attorney's office came forward to provide an overview of the draft ordinances as written
- Council posed questions that were responded to by Mr. Hasty and Michael Woodman of the City's Community Development Department

**IX. REPORTS**

None

**X. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- ❖ *Council Member Kennedy offered a motion to adjourn to Executive Session*
  - *The motion received a second from Council Member Cross*
  - *The motion passed by unanimous vote (7-0-0)*