

Work Session Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, at 6:02 p.m., Mayor Pro tem John Paulson presiding.

Council Members present: Mayor Pro tem John Paulson, Council Member Steve Soteres, Council Member Chris Burnett, Council Member Jody Reichel, Council Member Tibby DeJulio, and Council Member Andy Bauman.

INVOCATION

Rabbi Joshua Heller, Congregation B'nai Torah, offered the invocation.

STAFF DISCUSSION ITEMS

Recreation & Parks

1. 18-375 River Shore Estates Green Space

Director of Recreation & Parks Michael Perry gave the River Shore Estate Green Space/Pocket Park Initiative PowerPoint presentation dated November 20, 2018.

Council Member Chris Burnett stated the estimated cost for this project is \$100,000. He asked how those expenses will be split between the City and neighborhood resources.

Director of Recreation & Parks Perry stated there are no funds assigned to this project from the City budget. If this project is something Council would like to consider during the budget process, it will be brought back to Council at a future meeting. The purpose of this presentation is to receive feedback from Council before moving further along with this. The HOA is asking that the City fund the majority of this project, or possibly all of it.

Council Member Burnett asked if this item would be discussed during the City budget meetings this spring.

City Manager John McDonough stated this item can be discussed at that time, if that is the desire of Council. This item would likely be on the discretionary budget ballot as one of the community type projects that Council reviews on an annual basis. If Council supports the decision, this item would be placed on the ballot for ranking.

Council Member Burnett stated he is in no way biased about the project, because it is in his neighborhood. One of the unique things about his neighborhood, unlike some of the other larger neighborhoods, is that it does not have a swim/tennis facility. They historically have not had a gathering place. When they hold HOA meetings, they are held in someone's backyard. He would really like to see this project take place. He appreciates staff working with the neighborhood residents to keep this moving forward.

Council Member Tibby DeJulio asked what the time frame on this project is.

Director of Recreation & Parks Perry stated this would be part of the budget process. The funds would be available July 1, 2019. Some preliminary design work has already been done. Staff would likely bid this out about a year from now.

Council Member Andy Bauman stated this is a great project and he is very supportive. He thinks this project should be ranked during the budget process. Like other City capital improvement projects, greenspace projects should be ranked based on factors. The factors for ranking would include constructability, cost, access and use.

City Manager McDonough stated this project is following the Council's process. The City Council has adopted a policy that guides us on the redevelopment of the floodplain projects. There is no funding mechanism without Council's approval at some point in the process. Director of Recreation & Parks Perry is letting Council know this project will follow that process and it will be up to Council on how they would like to deal with it.

Council Member Burnett stated the process for this project has been going on for about eighteen months.

There was a consensus of Council for this item to move forward.

Public Works

2. 18-376 Recently Completed Public Works Projects

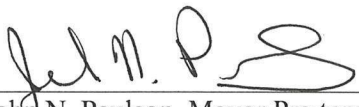
Director of Public Works Marty Martin gave the Recently Completed Public Works Projects PowerPoint presentation dated November 20, 2018.

Mayor Pro tem John Paulson stated the new resurfacing on Roswell Road is fantastic, which he assumes is part of the resurfacing project.

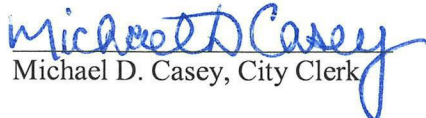
Director of Public Works Martin stated in the case of Roswell Road, the resurfacing is a GDOT project. GDOT maintains and conducts the contract work to repave Roswell Road. After the first of the year, the south end of Roswell Road, south of I-285, is scheduled for repaving.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Date Approved: December 4, 2018



John N. Paulson, Mayor Pro tem



Michael D. Casey, City Clerk