

Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held on July 29, 2025 1:40 PM (Following PFA), Mayor Rusty Paul presiding.

I. **Call to Order**

Mayor Rusty Paul called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

II. **Roll Call**

Members Present: Mayor Rusty Paul, Councilmember John Paulson, Councilmember Melissa Mular, Councilmember Jody Reichel, Councilmember Tibby DeJulio, Councilmember Andrew Bauman (attended by Zoom)

Members Absent: Councilmember Melody Kelley

III. **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

Motion and vote. A motion was made by **Councilmember Tibby DeJulio**, seconded by **Councilmember John Paulson**, to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

IV. **New Business**

- A. **2025-150** Request for Mayor and City Council Consideration of a Resolution to Abandon that Certain Permanent Construction and Maintenance Easement Executed February 18, 2018, by and between Sandy Springs United Methodist Church, Inc. and City of Sandy Springs on that Certain Land Parcel at 6150 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs, Georgia

Chris Burnett, Director of Economic Development, presented a recommendation to Abandon PC and ME Executed February 18, 2018, by & btwn Sandy Springs United Methodist Church Inc. & COSS at 6150 Sandy Springs Circle.

Trammell Crow Company, through its subsidiary, 6150 Sandy Springs Owner, LLC (collectively referred to as "TC"), has contracted with Sandy Springs Methodist Church ("SSUMC") to acquire an 8.1 acre land parcel at 6150 Sandy Springs Circle. TC plans to develop a mixed-use development known as Hillcrest, containing multi-family housing, restaurant and retail space, and a parking garage for residents and patrons. Since the City's completion of City Springs, it has maintained a parking usage agreement with SSUMC for the 105 surface parking spaces currently on the property. With SSUMC's pending sale of the property to TC, unless the City is able to structure an agreement, it will lose access to future parking on this site. As such, the City has negotiated with TC to acquire 111 parking spaces within the new parking garage that TC will build.

The property located at 6150 Sandy Springs Circle contains a permanent slope easement, owned by the City of Sandy Springs. This 23,322 sf easement was acquired from SSUMC in 2018 as part of the City Springs Roadway Improvement Project.



The proposed development will replace the existing slope with the mixed-use development, and therefore the City's easement will no longer be required for the Sandy Springs Circle Streetscape. As a component of the mixed-use development, TC has requested that the City terminate and release its easement.

Motion and second. A motion was made by **Councilmember Melissa Mular**, seconded by **Councilmember John Paulson**, to Abandon that Certain Permanent Construction and Maintenance Easement Executed February 18, 2018, by and between Sandy Springs United Methodist Church, Inc. and City of Sandy Springs on that Certain Land Parcel at 6150 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs, Georgia.

Councilmember Tibby DeJulio said there was discussion to consider any remuneration to the City for this property, and the possibility the church would build a sidewalk for the gap between the church and cemetery. Is this a part of the agreement?

Director of Economic Development Burnett said yes. The City is not going through the normal process of leading the project and getting bids. The City will not fund that sidewalk project and this will be a shared expense between the church and Trammell Crow.

Vote on the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 2025-07-101

V. Adjournment

Motion and vote. A motion was made by **Councilmember Tibby DeJulio**, seconded by **Councilmember John Paulson**, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

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The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Approved: August 5, 2025

Russell K. Paul, Mayor

Raquel D. González, City Clerk