

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**OFFICE OF DESIGN POLICY & SUPPORT
INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE**

FILE P.I. # 0009167 **OFFICE** Design Policy & Support
CSSTP-0009-00(167)
DeKalb County
GDOT District 7 - Metro Atlanta **DATE** November 21, 2012
Main Street Pedestrian Facility - Phase II - LCI

FROM  for Brent Story, State Design Policy Engineer

TO SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT APPROVED LOCATION & DESIGN REPORT

Attached is the approved Location and Design Report with Notice of Location & Design Approval for the above subject project.

Attachment

DISTRIBUTION:

Bobby Hilliard, Program Control Administrator
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Merishia Robinson, Project Manager
BOARD MEMBER - 4th Congressional District

Consistency with Approved Planning: The design description as presented herein and submitted for approval is consistent with the approved Concept Report.

Recommendations: It is recommended that the location and design for the subject project be approved and that the attached Notice be approved for advertising.

RECOMMEND: Dee R McManis
Director of Engineering

APPROVE: Dee R McManis 11/19/2012
Chief Engineer Date

DATE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL: November 21, 2012

Attachments:

- Location Sketch Maps
- Cost Estimate
- Notice of Location and Design Approval
- Public Information Documents

Location Sketch

MAIN STREET PEDESTRIAN FACILITY – PHASE II - LCI

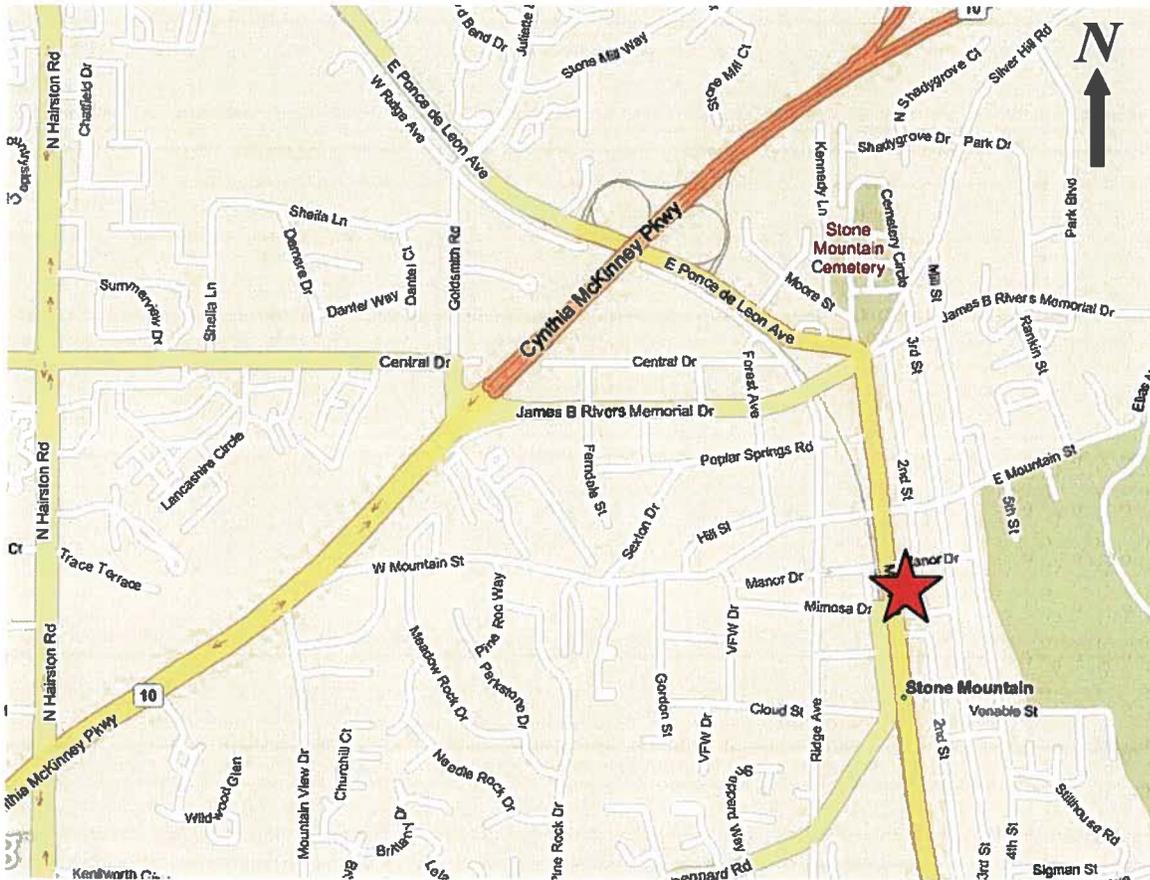


Figure 1: Location Map

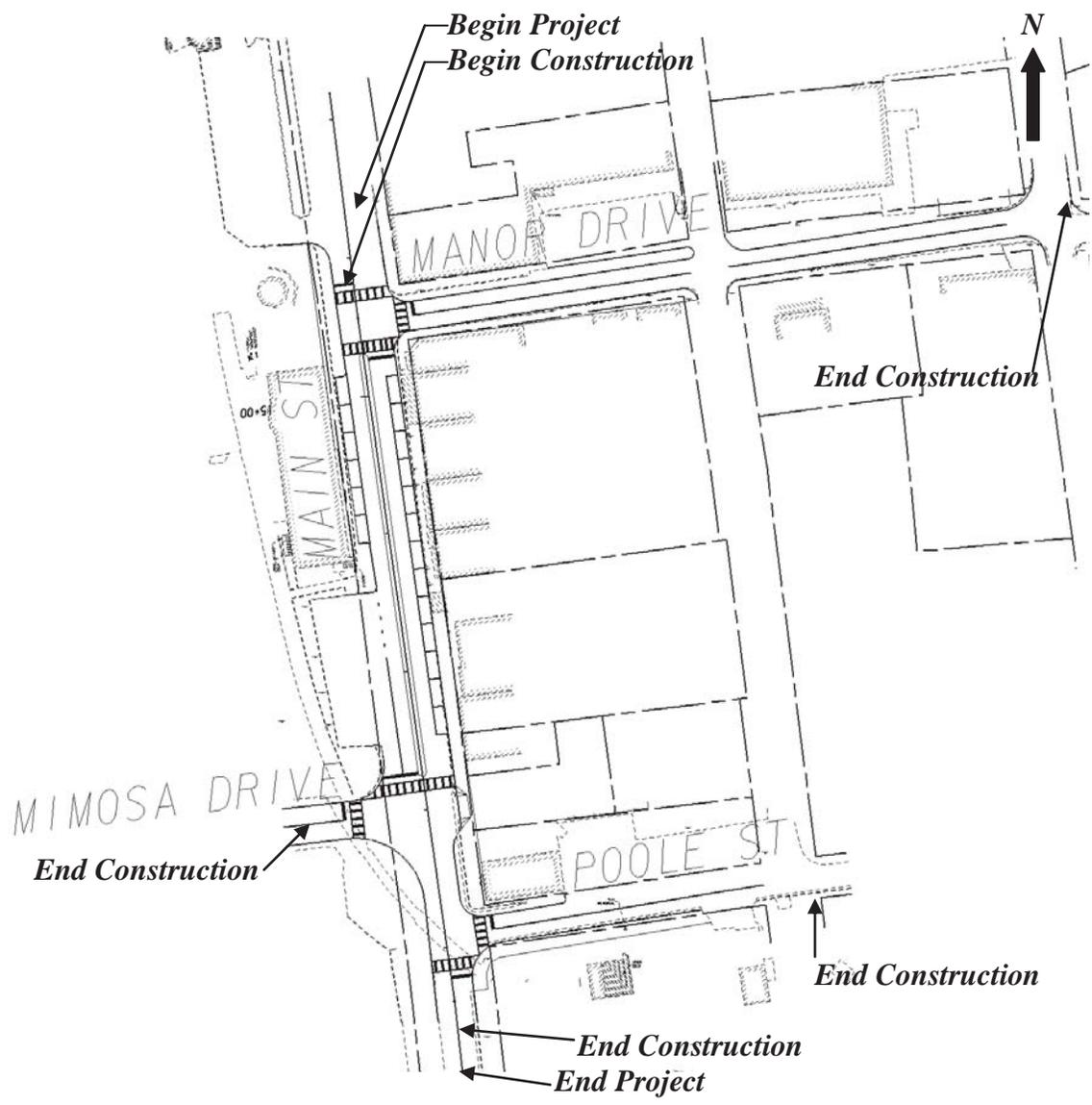


Figure 2: Detailed Location Map

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JOB DETAIL ESTIMATE

JOB NUMBER : 00009167 SPEC YEAR: 01
DESCRIPTION: STONE MOUNTAIN STREETSCAPES PHASE II

ITEMS FOR JOB 00009167

LINE ITEM	ALT	UNITS	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	PRICE	AMOUNT
0005		EA	ADA RAMPS	17.000	300.00	5100.00
0010		LS	TRAFFIC CONTROL - DAILY LANE CLOSURES AND SIGNAL BOARDS	1.000	30000.00	30000.00
0015		LS	EROSION CONTROL, NON-REFUNDABLE DEDUCT	1.000	1000.00	1000.00
0020		AC	TEMPORARY GRASSING	1.000	398.93	398.94
0025		TN	MULCH	1.000	166.34	166.35
0030		EA	CONS & REM INLET SEDIMENT TRAP	6.000	137.79	826.76
0035		LF	MAINT OF TEMP SILT FENCE, TP C	650.000	0.75	490.08
0040		EA	MAINT OF INLET SEDIMENT TRAP	6.000	46.26	277.60
0045		LF	TEMPORARY SILT FENCE, TYPE C	650.000	2.84	1850.29
0050		LS	GRADING COMPLETE - GENERAL SITE GRADING	1.000	125000.00	125000.00
0055		TN	GR AGGR BASE CRS, INCL MATL	675.000	20.60	13909.07
0060		TN	REC AC 9.5 MM SP,TPI,GPIORBL1, INCL RM&HL	360.000	82.32	29636.92
0065		GL	BITUM TACK COAT	220.000	3.43	755.39
0070		SY	MILL ASPH CONC PVMT/ 1.50" DEP	4306.000	2.92	12599.27
0075		LF	ST GRANITE CURB,5" X 17",TP A	1920.000	24.00	46080.00
0080		SY	DRIVEWAY CONCRETE, 8 IN TK	91.000	41.98	3820.39
0085		SY	CONC SIDEWALK, 4 IN	327.000	36.26	11857.86
0090		SY	CONC SIDEWALK, 4 IN	463.000	33.84	15668.34
0094		LF	CONC CURB & GUTTER/ 6"X24"TP2 ROLLBACK CURB	375.000	16.68	6257.59
0095		CY	CLASS A CONCRETE	77.000	369.00	28413.61
0100		LF	STM DR PIPE 18",H 1-10	24.000	45.81	1099.60
0105		EA	RECONSTR MISC DRAINAGE STR	3.000	2706.61	8119.84
0110		LF	RESET GRANITE CURB	660.000	15.00	9900.00
0115		EA	ADJUST MANHOLE TO GRADE	3.000	991.66	2974.99
0120		EA	ADJUST WATER METER BX TO GRADE	12.000	288.67	3464.11
0125		EA	ADJUST WATER VALVE BX TO GRADE	10.000	467.40	4674.03
0130		EA	ADJUST WATER VALVE BX TO GRADE GAS VALVES	10.000	467.40	4674.03

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ITEM	QTY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	EST. PRICE	TOTAL
0135	634	EA	RIGHT OF WAY MARKERS	110.35	1103.50
0140	636	SF	HWY SGN, TP1MAT, REFL SH TP 1	20.00	1000.00
0145	636	LF	GALV STEEL POSTS, TP 7	8.11	779.14
0150	647	LS	TRAF SIGNAL INSTALLATION NO - DECORATIVE MAST ARMS INCLUDED	110000.00	110000.00
0155	653	EA	THERM PVMT MARK, ARROW, TP 2	83.76	167.52
0160	653	LF	THERMO SOLID TRAF ST 5 IN, WHI	0.73	331.66
0165	653	LF	THERMO SOLID TRAF ST, 5 IN YEL	0.60	652.09
0170	653	LF	THERM SOLID TRAF STRIPE, 24", WH	4.66	915.27
0175	653	LF	THERM SOLID TRAF STRIPE, 8", WH	1.90	1411.87
0180	654	EA	RAISED PVMT MARKERS TP 1	4.81	183.12
0185	668	EA	DROP INLET, GP 1	1239.27	2478.54
0189	681	EA	LT STD, 12' MH, POST TOP	9375.00	225000.00
0190	700	AC	PERMANENT GRASSING LANDSCAPE ALLOWANCE	50000.00	50000.00
0194	754	EA	WASTE RECEPTACLE UNIT	750.00	7500.00
0195	754	EA	BENCH	1100.00	16500.00
0200	900	SF	BRICK PAVERS	9.00	75420.00

ITEM TOTAL 862457.77
INFLATED ITEM TOTAL 862457.77

TOTALS FOR JOB 00009167

ESTIMATED COST: 862457.77
CONTINGENCY PERCENT (0.0): 0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL: 862457.77

NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL

CSSTP-0009-00(167) DEKALB COUNTY

P. I. NO. 0009167

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Georgia Code 22-2-109 and 32-3-5 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

The date of location approval is November 21, 2012

The proposed Local Let project is located in the city of Stone Mountain and will provide a connection from the existing sidewalks on both ends of Main St to allow pedestrians to continue travel through the historic downtown district. The project is 100% in DeKalb County and is 100% in the 18th District, Land Lot 89 begins along Main St just north of Manor Drive and ends just south of Poole St. The improvements consist of traffic calming through lane widths and distinctive striping between travel lanes and parking spots as well as widened pedestrian areas, lighting upgrades, additional landscaping, ADA compliant ramps, crosswalks, on-street parallel parking and improved measures for pedestrian circulation. The project has a total project length of 0.292 miles.

Drawings or maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation:

Ira Witherspoon, Area 1 Engineer
Georgia Department of Transportation
805 George Luther Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30032
E-mail: iwitherspoon@dot.ga.gov
Phone: (404) 299-4386

Any interested party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portions thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

Genetha Rice-Singleton, State Program Delivery Engineer
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
E-mail: grice-singleton@dot.ga.gov
Phone: (404) 631-1522

Any written request or communication in reference to this project or notice SHOULD include the Project and P. I. Numbers as noted at the top of this notice.

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE/WORK SESSION
Tuesday, November 15, 2011 @ 6:00 pm
City Hall

Stone Higgins

27 people in attendance
Shop small Nov 26th, spend \$25
get \$25

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE DAY

CITIZEN COMMENTS -- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Planning & Zoning
 - 1. Livable Center Initiative (LCI) Application for the 2040 Plan (December 17th 2011)
- B. Community Affairs
- C. Economic Development
 - 1. Entertainment District
- D. Finance
- E. Community Outreach
- F. Public Safety
 - 1. PATH Connection Update
- G. Public Works
 - 1. Public Information Meeting for Streetscape Phase II
- H. Main Street and Downtown Development Authority
- I. Historic Preservation Commission
- J. Visitor Center

STAFF REPORTS

- A. Code Compliance Officer
- B. Chief of Police
- C. Public Works Director

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Proposal for Cell Tower Development at McCurdy Park -- Ground Lease Agreement with Options Agreement between Municipal Communications, LLC and the City of Stone Mountain
- B. Donation of Two Sidewalk Benches to the Stone Mountain Historic Society

Comments

- add on to TC cabinet
- granite banding
- look at middle doorway
- light poles toward road
- lane closure question
- Tree at signal pole SW corner
- Tree in back driveway

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NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution 2011-20 – Set Fees and Penalties for the Collection of Solid Waste
- B. Ordinance 2011-12 – Amend Chapter 3 – Alcoholic Beverages, Article III – Beer and Wine, Section 3-9(a), Times for Sale
(1st Reading – November 15, 2011) (2nd Reading – December 6, 2011)
- C. Ordinance 2011-13 – Amend Chapter 2, Article VI, Section 2-142 – 2012 Fiscal Year Budget
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- D. Ordinance 2011-14 – Amend Chapter 19, Article I, Parks and Recreation – Adding a New Sub-Section 19-1.1 – Dog Park Rules and Regulations
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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

CITIZENS COMMENTS/CONCERNS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE/WORK SESSION
Tuesday, November 15, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m.
City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wheeler at 6:00 p.m. Attending were Council Members Nash, Higgins, Sallee, Mailman, Coletti, and Mungal which constituted a quorum.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Council Member Higgins gave the invocation and Council Member Nash led the pledge of allegiance.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Wheeler read a thank you note the city received from Kim Cumbie, Manager of the Visitor Center. Ms. Cumbie thanked everyone who volunteered and gave a warm welcome to the walkers who participated in the 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE DAY

Council Member Sallee made a motion to adopt the agenda of the day, seconded by Council Member Nash. Motion approved 6-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The following citizens spoke in opposition of the proposed installation of a cell tower at McCurdy Park: Erin Bailey, Al Capogrossi, Claus Friese, Matt Turner, Ed Hampson, Jim McCurdy and Barbara Thompson. Some of the concerns included: the adverse effect on property values including damage to the visual appeal of the neighborhood, health risks, damage to the greenspace, incorrect usage of the property that was to be used only as a park, property owners in the area not being made aware of the proposal and the city putting financial rewards ahead of the welfare of the citizens.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

Planning and Zoning

Livable Center Initiative (LCI) Application for the 2040 Plan

Jahnee Prince addressed the council. Ms. Prince explained the state requires the Atlanta region to have a comprehensive plan which is referred to as the 2040 Plan. Most local governments in the region participated in the development of the plan which has five goals: (1) Increase mobility options for people and goods (2) Foster a healthy, educated, well trained, safe, and secure population (3) Promote places to live with easy access to jobs and services (4) Improve energy efficiency while preserving the region's environment. (5) Identify innovative approaches to economic recovery and long-term prosperity. The ARC relies on the local governments to help them implement the 2040 Plan and they are offering LCI funding to help pay for the work cities do on the five tasks in order to achieve the overall goal. The city will be submitting an LCI grant application which will designate the city as a Leader in Regional Sustainability. Ms. Prince explained this designation places the city in the front of the line to receive grant money and when there is a local match it will be lower. Barry Amos, City Manager stated the city is mandated to maintain our qualified local government status so we are obligated to complete all of the required items and 50% of the advanced items. If the city does not maintain our status we are not eligible to receive any state assistance including money to resurface our streets. The council will need to pass a resolution supporting the submittal of the LCI grant application which is due December 17, 2011. Ms. Prince will be instrumental in assisting the city with the LCI application which will help the ARC achieve its goal in completing the 2040 Plan.

Community Affairs

No report.

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Economic Development

Entertainment District

Mayor Wheeler stated there had been some discussion about writing an ordinance prior to having a proposal but she stated the council should instead consider writing an ordinance around what the individuals have in mind for the entertainment district. The council agreed more information is needed before the city can move forward with the implementation of an entertainment zone.

Finance

No report.

Community Outreach

Council Member Nash stated anyone wanting to receive an electronic copy of her monthly newsletter to give her their email address or submit it to City Hall.

Public Safety

PATH Connection Update

Barry Amos, City Manager stated he and Council Member Mailman have been working with property owners that would be affected by this project and have received some positive feedback. There may be a CSX issue with one of the parcels but the city is interested in moving forward and has alerted the county and the PATH Foundation of our intentions.

Public Works

Public Information Meeting for Streetscape Phase II

Dustin Oakwynn with LAI Engineering (Design Team Project) stated he wanted the citizens to be aware of the upcoming project and invited everyone to review the plans and drawings and provide input to him after the meeting. Mr. Oakwynn stated construction is to begin the summer of 2012 and conclude by November or December if all the deadlines are met on time.

Main Street and Downtown Development Authority

Kim Delaney, Director stated the next Main Street event will be the Christmas celebration on November 25th from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. which will include live and taped music, a parade with Santa, fireworks, an expanded children's area and candlelight shopping. The merchants will participate in candlelight shopping every Thursday in December with promotions, refreshments and live music will be offered by Main Street. The first event of 2012 will be the Bluegrass Music and Art Festival on March 31st and MSSM will be partnering with Atlanta Foundation for Public Spaces to help with the art portion of the festival. Ms. Delaney requested permission to install permanent black wrought iron posts at the five way intersection so banners could be displayed for each event and to hang a banner across the street on East Ponce de Leon to advertise the MSSM events. Barry Amos stated the current sign ordinance limits signs to six feet in height and banners are supposed to be placed on buildings so the sign ordinance would have to be amended. Ms. Delaney reported on the new businesses opening in the downtown area which include: Sassy's Jewelry and Gifts, Hatties's, Kolonji's, Trinity Studios, Sweet Potato Café, Clothesline Art and Fine Art Treasures, and One Stop Tax Preparation and Document Specialists.

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Historic Preservation Commission

Marla Bexley-Lovell, Chair of the HPC reported the commission approved one COA application at the November meeting which was an awning for the Artisan Restaurant. Ms. Bexley-Lovell stated the commission still needs to fill two vacancies for a three year term.

Visitor Center

Kim Cumbie, Manager reported the center had 2,892 visitors in October representing 9 countries and 31 states which 2,500 were walkers in the 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk and who received a warm welcome from our city officials, town leadership and community. Ms. Cumbie offered a special thank you to Jim Tavenner and the entire Public Works staff, Council Members Susan Coletti and Richard Mailman for their help with the walk. The Visitor Center volunteer of the month was Ruth Siler and she received a gift certificate to The Village Corner Restaurant. The Visitor Center will now close at 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays due to the change in time but will be open during the candlelight shopping. The holiday/volunteer appreciation party is scheduled for Wednesday, December 21st at the Wells Brown House.

STAFF REPORTS

Code Compliance Officer

Officer TD Johnson distributed a monthly status report for October 18th – November 15th and reviewed the updates with council. Officer Johnson gave an update on the proposed demolitions and explained the forms have been signed by the CEO of DeKalb County which allows the city to receive the funding but Mr. Morris, the department head, still needs to sign them. The foreclosure property registry is now in place so the owners can now register their properties. Council Member Mungal expressed concern over the number of vehicles in residential areas that apparently are not registered or are inoperable and asked assistance from Officer Johnson. Officer Johnson stated he can address the issue when he receives a complaint but needs permission from the council or city manager to access property without a complaint.

Chief of Police

Chief Troutman reported on the October 2011 crime statistics and stated the city had received 315 calls, issued 373 citations, and made 53 arrests. Chief Troutman stated 41 citations were issued for trucks entering our jurisdiction that are over the weight limit. Chief Troutman announced arrests have been made in connection with multiple burglaries in the city which led to a burglary ring of 20 people that has been active for over one year. These arrests cleared 22 burglaries, 10 entering autos and 5 stolen vehicles. Chief Troutman stated the department has cleared 37 felony cases this year and an individual who robbed an elderly citizen has also been arrested.

Public Works Director

Jim Tavenner, Director stated the Christmas lights are being installed and he spoke in opposition to allowing banners strung across the streets. Director Tavenner stated these can be hazardous and in the past there have been problems with the banners falling down during the night.

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NEW BUSINESS

Proposal for Cell Tower Development at McCurdy Park – Ground Lease Agreement with Options Agreement between Municipal Communications, LLC and the City of Stone Mountain

Brantley Basinger, VP with Municipal Communications addressed the council. Mr. Basinger stated he visited the site with their engineers in order to choose a suitable site location. Aerial and photosims, site drawings and a lease agreement had been distributed to council prior to the meeting which reflected the site chosen and changes to the development. The lease area was decreased to 60 x 60 square feet or 1/10 of an acre and will be located 944 feet from the playground. Mr. Basinger stated his company would be available to meet with the citizens if necessary.

Donation of Two Sidewalk Benches to the Stone Mountain Historic Society

Mayor Wheeler stated these are two dilapidated benches removed from Main Street. Barry Amos, City Manager stated the council will pass a resolution to surplus and donate these two benches to the Historic Society.

NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2011-20 – Set Fees and Penalties for the Collection of Solid Waste

Barry Amos, City Manager stated the only change in the fees will be with the residential solid waste, recyclables and yard waste collection which will increase from \$183.00 to \$195.00 per year per household. Mr. Amos explained the increase is in response to a price adjustment for CPI-U Less Food and Energy of 1.8% and an annual fuel surcharge adjustment for residential service.

Ordinance 2011-12 – Amend Chapter 3 – Alcoholic Beverages, Article III – Beer and Wine, Section 3-9(a), Times for Sale

(1st Reading – November 15, 2011) (2nd Reading – December 6, 2011)

Council Member Sallee completed the first reading. This ordinance is required because of the recent referendum that passed on 11/8/11 allowing the sale of packaged beer and wine on Sundays. This will go into effect on Sunday, December 11th.

Ordinance 2011-13 – Amend Chapter 2, Article VI, Section 2-142 – 2012 Fiscal Year Budget

(1st Reading – November 15, 2011) (2nd Reading – December 6, 2011)

Council Member Sallee completed the first reading. No further discussion.

Ordinance 2011-14 – Amend Chapter 19, Article I, Parks and Recreation – Adding a New Sub-Section 19-1.1 Dog Park Rules and Regulations

(1st Reading – November 15, 2011) (2nd Reading – December 6, 2011)

Council Member Sallee completed the first reading. No further discussion.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Barry Amos, City Manager stated progress is being made at the new City Hall with primer going on the walls, light fixtures, windows and HVAC diffusers being installed. Tile work should begin next week. Mr. Amos stated we should be able to move in by the end of the year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Wheeler wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

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CITIZENS COMMENTS/CONCERNS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Wes Autry addressed the council on the dog park and stated there are individuals still not abiding by the park rules and he encouraged council to relocate the park.

Jim Piera addressed the council on the dog park. Mr. Piera stated he was never notified of the installation of the dog park and his rental property, located next to the park, has been an economic disaster for him because he is unable to keep the property rented. Mr. Piera reminded the council the LCI plan placed the dog park at another location.

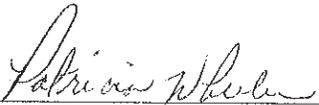
Barbara Thompson, 5222 Poplar Springs Road – Ms. Thompson stated she supports the property owners living near and around who oppose the dog park.

Allen Autry 5384 Third Street – Mr. Autry stated the dog park has been an inconvenience to him and his family and he has observed individuals trespassing and he has been verbally abused by certain individuals.

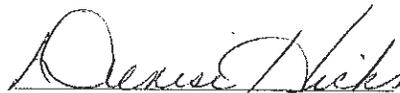
Council Member Higgins announced the old fruit stand on north Main Street will be demolished with the help of volunteers and elected officials. Council Member Higgins wanted the citizens to know the city was not financing the demolition of this building.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Sallee made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Mailman. Motion approved 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Patricia Wheeler, Mayor



Denise Hicks, City Clerk