

Duluth



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**WORK SESSION AGENDA
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF DULUTH, GA
3167 Main Street
Duluth, GA 30096**

FEBRUARY 25, 2019

CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM

5:30 pm

*The leaders and staff of the City of Duluth are dedicated to ensuring that Duluth is:
an Attractive Destination, a Quality Community, a World Class Government,
and promotes a Sustainable Economic Environment.*

5:30 - PM CALL TO ORDER

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Five minutes per person, maximum 6 speakers. *Sign-up sheet available.*

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE JUDGES

SUMMARY:

The Duluth City Charter provides for the appointment municipal court judges, by ordinance. State law mandates that appointed municipal court judges be appointed for a term of not less than one year. OCGA 36-32-2. Such term is to be memorialized by agreement, ordinance, or a charter provision. Accordingly, the Municipal Court offers to reappoint the Court's currently serving associate judges. The following Associate Judges are recommended for appointment or reappointment on March 11, 2019 - Margaret Gettle Washburn, Claude Mason, and Chung Hun Lee.

IMPACT TO BUDGET: N/A

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2. APPOINTMENT OF URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

SUMMARY:

Sec. 2-49 Term Limits for Boards and Commissions was established in 2012. Service on each board, authority, commission or committee of the City of Duluth shall be limited to three consecutive full four-year terms. Four year terms to begin at the time of term expiration after 2012. In no event shall a member serve over fourteen (14) consecutive years after 2012.

Pursuant to Article 1, Section 1 of the Urban Redevelopment Agency by laws establish that the Urban Redevelopment Agency shall consist of three Commissioners appointed by the City Council. URA Chair Steve Gaultney term will expire in March 2019.

The City received three applications from individuals (see attached) who expressed an interest in serving on the Urban Redevelopment Agency. (URA). Interviews were conducted by current Chair Steve Gaultney along with the City Clerk Teresa Lynn and recommends the appointment of Theo Sowah to the Urban Redevelopment Agency, term ending March 31, 2023. Mr. Sowah is a 2018 Graduate of the LEADS program, Citizens Budget as well as the Police Academy.

IMPACT TO BUDGET: N/A

3. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSION

SUMMARY:

Staff is recommending the re-appointment of Manfred Graeder to Planning Commission. This is a four year appointment expiring in April 2023. Staff is also recommending the re-appointment of Bernard Robertson as the alternate commissioner. This is a four year appointment expiring in April 2023.

IMPACT TO BUDGET: N/A

4. APPOINTMENT OF ZBA MEMBERS

SUMMARY:

Staff is recommending the re-appointment of Carey Fisher to the Zoning Board of Appeals in the role of Chairman. Due to Chairman Fisher reaching the maximum number of years served, this is a one-year appointment expiring in April 2020. Staff is also recommending the re-appointment of Verdi Avila as the alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. This is a four year appointment expiring in April 2023.

IMPACT TO BUDGET: N/A

5. SOLID WASTE RFP RESULTS

SUMMARY:

The current solid waste contract with Republic Services is set to expire in April of this year. Accordingly, staff published a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking proposals for solid waste services. In response to the RFP, staff received two proposals and conducted an evaluation based on the following criteria: cost of services, experience of the proposer in the market, the quality and number of references provided by the proposer, the City's own experience with various proposers, the ability of the proposer to perform the services, customer response time, and the proposer's financial viability and stability.

Staff will provide a presentation on the RFP evaluation and a recommendation for the contract negotiation at the work session.

IMPACT TO BUDGET: N/A

III. PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES

1. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Staff will provide a presentation on the status of the City's transportation capital improvement projects.

2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Staff will provide a presentation updating Council on details relating to citywide economic development.

3. CITIZEN BUDGET COMMITTEE UPDATE

Staff will provide a brief presentation of topics planned for discussion with the 2019 Citizens Budget Committee.

IV. MATTERS FROM COUNCIL

V. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council is March 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.