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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Pam Conner
DATE: April 12, 2017
RE: Update

Upcoming Dates:

- April 18 – DAPS Meeting
- April 18 – Comp Plan Workshop at Ford Center 6:30PM (Not a town hall)
- April 20 – Spring Fling After Hours at the Suite 4-6
- April 22 – Pick It Up Clean up day – 8 to 12
- April 29 – Push Rods Car Show on square
- May 6 – Run for Food 5K Lucille at 9AM
- May 6 – PS Business Group community expo Town Square 11AM
- May 16 – Comp Plan Workshop at Ford Center 6:30PM
- May 25 – Employee Picnic – Water Park 5-8
- June 16 – Blood Drive – Courts Auxiliary – 10AM-3PM
- July 4- Independence Day Celebration Town Square 7PM
- July 25-30 Buy Local Promotion
- August 1 – National Night Out Town Square 6PM
- Nov 11 – Veterans Day Parade and Program
- Dec 1 – Tree Lighting Town Square 6PM
- Dec 2 – Reindeer Run 5K Wildhorse at 9AM

Budget Meeting Dates:

- May 4 – budget retreat with M&C
- May 10 – agenda 1st reading
- May 11 – town hall meeting at Ron Anderson 7:30
- May 15 – 1st reading
- May 16, 18 – open house
- May 22 – open house
- May 31 – agenda 2nd reading
- June 5 – 2nd reading

Macedonia Road

The County picked up litter on Macedonia from Barrett Parkway to Wild Horse Park. They picked up 420 pounds of litter on the 1.58 miles of right of way. As of April 3, this

road will be on a 45-day mowing and litter schedule. The contractor will have 45 days from April 3 to mow and pick up litter. It is funded for 5 mowing/litter cycles.

Welcome Sign on Back of Event Station Building

Does the City have any interest in installing this sign on the back of the building for \$2500?



Training Opportunity

May 24, 2017

The Georgia Municipal Association and Georgia Cities Foundation are pleased to announce the 2017 Heart & Soul Downtown Workshop, which will be conducted on Wednesday, May 24th, in downtown Madison about downtown revitalization. "Municipal elected officials, city managers/administrators and assistant city managers will receive six hours of training credit through the Municipal Training Institute for completion of the entire workshop."

Grants:

Bike Share: We are looking at a bike sharing model similar to the program in Chattanooga or at Town Center Mall. Additionally, we are considering whether to submit an application to be a bike friendly community, which is due in August. . "Applicant communities are judged in five categories often referred to as the **Five Es**. These are Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, and Evaluation & Planning. A community must demonstrate achievements in each of the five categories in order to be considered for an award on the Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum level. Communities with more significant achievements in these areas receive higher awards."

CCTV Work

Preliminary assessment: concerns with system in the sample area relate to maintenance issues not structural issues.

Joint City/County staff meeting:

1. Transit operations study – about to get underway in the county. They will include the City in the discussions and understand the desire for enhanced flex bus service and routes. They stated that while the flex bus ridership is strongest in the city as opposed to other areas, the ridership nonetheless is not regarded as successful and the costs to operate do not at this time justify the program.

2. Hopkins Road/Hopkins Court – The County would like to continue dialogue with the City about the City annexing these areas. The city indicated a willingness to continue the discussions but noted the need to address the drainage issues in the area before agreeing to annex.
3. Flood properties – the county will work with the state to properly quitclaim the properties located within the city’s jurisdiction that the county purchased on behalf of the city until the city could repay the county. The city has repaid the county for costs associated with acquisition from the 2009 flood and the county will begin the quitclaim process. Regardless, the city is responsible for maintenance of the area under the agreement per the terms of the intergovernmental agreement with the county.
4. Corridor studies – the County and City are agreeable to working on a joint corridor study of Austell Powder Springs Road and Powder Springs Road. There are grant dollars available through the ARC for the studies with a corresponding match. The County did not commit dollars to the match but did indicate they would consider it especially since the City of Austell is also interested in participating on Austell Powder Springs Road.
5. Powder Springs Road – the County is supportive of working with the City to make changes to land use plans or design standards that would apply to the Powder Springs Road corridor. The initial plan to change the land use recommendations in the Comprehensive Plan does not appear to actually result in the changes both parties were hoping to implement. Staff from both Community Development agencies continues to look for methods to adopt that would positively impact this corridor.
6. Economic Development – the County stated that it would contact the City for information about its BLT program with the intent of implementing something similar in the County. The County also indicated that it planned to resume the monthly Economic Development roundtable meetings between the County and all of the County cities.
7. CDBG – the County indicated an interest in considering a partnership on a boys and girls club. The City noted that it would submit a pre-award application for discussion by both entities.
8. Transportation – the County indicated that it was in the process of acquiring right of way to complete some improvements at Deercreek. The City noted that it had prepared a safety grant application. Both parties indicated that they would jointly approach GDOT and other funding opportunities to complete the intersection improvement at Pinegrove/Flint Hill/Powder Springs Road.