



MINUTES

Attendance: Gilbert, Lambert, Land, Scott, Tuell
Staff – Callahan

The January 25, 2020 regular meeting of the GCC was held at 5:30 p.m. at 118 N. Main Street, Economic Development, Conference Room). Chair Land confirmed a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm. Minutes were postponed.

Topic

Discussion/Action

COMMITTEE REPORTS

With no action items, the meeting consisted of committee reports and discussion.

Greenway & Trails	Scott reported the Committee met with staff to outline next steps for measured progress on Horse Branch East trail by the end of June. Scott reviewed the current draft map for the main route as well as potential alternatives and/or additional paths. Callahan summarized the conceptual presentation to the Board of Education and current disposition of Woodard’s support. Scott and Land discussed route preferences, potential offshoots, bridge crossings, trail amenities, and connectivity. <i>Scott indicated that the Committee would fine tune the map with Bryce prior to the next meeting.</i>
Parks & Public Spaces	Lambert noted that she had made direct contact with Koons regarding public art. Callahan updated the board on scope and expenditures for Lambert Park and the Martin Tot Lot. <i>The Committee will meet prior to the next meeting to compile current and proposed expenditures from SPLOST, as well as fundraising opportunities to accelerate/advance current construction projects.</i>
Plantings & Beautification	Callahan noted that Crown had sent his regrets. She reviewed planting lists provided by Erin Tewksbury (via Crown). She noted the tree grate order was belated due to staff change and would be placed asap, and she reported the City Manager relayed that he had determined the last two large trees on S. Main Street in Downtown would be removed this year. Also, Callahan reported that the Cemetery Commission was reviewing the tree trimming and removal recommendations by the GFC’s arborist and would be making recommendations on the most perilous of those to the City Manager.
Public Awareness & Outreach	Gilbert noted article assignments. Land noted that Shandon Land had offered to assist with Arbor Day given that some special tree dedications were planned at the site. Callahan indicated that the proclamation was prepared and on the Council’s February docket and that she had reached out to the Conservancy for a reader (Feb 10, 5:30 PM, Mayor & Council Meeting). <i>Gilbert noted that the Committee meet asap to coordinate the Arbor Day Ceremony (Feb 21, 11:00 AM, Central of GA Depot).</i>
Policy & Planning	Callahan apologized on the lack of progress on the test drive samples for the ordinance and noted that Bryce would make headway asap. <i>Land distributed a revised acquisition list for the board’s contemplation prior to the next meeting.</i>

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Scott; second by Tuell; vote to adjourn unanimous at 7:15 PM.