



CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

**CITY OF FOREST PARK  
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING**

Monday, April 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM  
Forest Park City Hall | Council Chambers  
745 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297

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The Honorable Mayor Gwen W. Ellison  
The Honorable Kimberly James  
The Honorable Hector Gutierrez  
The Honorable Allan Mears  
The Honorable Delores A. Gunn  
The Honorable Latresa Akins-Wells  
Latosha Clemons, Interim City Manager  
Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk  
Danielle Matricardi, City Attorney

**AGENDA**

**VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME**
- II. **ROLL CALL - CITY CLERK**
- III. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS**
- IV. **ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS / DELETIONS**
- V. **MINUTES WILL BE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL DURING THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING**
  1. **NO ACTION - Work Session Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2026**  
**NO ACTION - Regular Session Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2026** - Executive  
  
**Background/History:**  
Council Approval of the Work Session Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2026  
Council Approval of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2026
- VI. **PRESENTATIONS**
  2. **The Park at Fort Gillem Update will be presented during the Regular Session Meeting**  
  
- Executive  
  
**Background/History:**  
PRESENTATION DURING THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

**VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3. Council Consideration for approval of the Trade-In Administrative Vehicle to purchase (2) two aging Public Works Vehicles (2003 Ford F250 and 2006 Ford Ranger). - Public Works**

**Background/History:**

As part of the City's aging vehicle replacement initiative, the Public Works Department, in collaboration with the Procurement Division is requesting approval to Trade-in 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe Vin# 1GNS6UED6SR291734, Value of approximately \$43,000.00. This vehicle will facilitate the replacement of 2 vehicles in our Fleet.

Details of the Replacement Vehicles:

2003 Ford F250

2006 Ford Ranger

Total Cost to cover the acquisition: \$80,000

Funding: Capital Vehicles: 301-51-1540-54-2503

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

- 4. Council Consideration to approve a Special Facility Usage Request - Kiwanis Stadium - Recreation and Leisure**

**Background/History:**

The Georgia Mass Band has rented the football stadium every Thursday and Friday from 5:30p-8:30p between the months of May and July since 2024. The Georgia Mass Band was founded in 2016.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- 5. Council Consideration to approve Text Amendment Case #TA-2026-01. - Planning and Community Development**

**Background/History:**

The purpose of this amendment is to revise the membership composition of the Public Arts Review Board while maintaining the intent and function of the board as previously established. The Public Arts Review Board was created to oversee and promote the integration of art into public spaces, support local artists, encourage community engagement, and ensure that public art reflects and enhances the identity and values of the City of Forest Park.

As originally drafted, the composition of the board included one representative from the Downtown Development Authority. Staff is proposing this amendment to remove that requirement and replace it with one additional Forest Park resident. This change is intended to broaden community representation on the board while preserving the overall structure and purpose of the Public Arts Review Board.

The proposed amendment is limited solely to the membership composition provision under Section 8-8-169(1), Composition of Board, and does not alter the duties, authority, review procedures, or overall purpose of the Public Arts Review Board.

The text amendment was reviewed by the Planning Commission on **March 19, 2026**, and is now before Mayor and Council for final consideration and action.

6. **Council Consideration and Approval an Agreement Between COFP and Clayton County Public Schools for a Summer Food Service Program - Recreation and Leisure**

**Background/History:**

The Clayton County Public Schools have provided free breakfast and lunch meals from June through July to children (18 years of age and under) at the Forest Park Community Recreation Center since 2021. The renewal of this agreement will allow children in the community that heavily depended on school breakfast and lunch to eat during the school year the opportunity to receive meals throughout the summer break months.

X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel, Litigation, Real Estate, Cyber Security OCGA § 50-14-1**

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for Council meetings should notify the City Clerk's Office at 404-366-4720 at least 24 hours before the meeting.



# City Council Agenda Item

**Subject:** Council Discussion and Approval of the Trade-in of Administrative Vehicle -

Procurement/Public Works

**Submitted By:** Alton Matthews, Director Public Works Department

**Date Submitted:** March 27, 2026

**Work Session Date:** April 06, 2026

**Council Meeting Date:** April 06, 2026

**Background/History:**

As part of the City's aging vehicle replacement initiative, the Public Works Department, in collaboration with the Procurement Division is requesting approval to Trade-in 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe Vin# 1GNS6UED6SR291734, Value of approximately \$43,000.00. This vehicle will facilitate the replacement of 2 vehicles in our Fleet.

Details of the Replacement Vehicles:

- Vehicle:
  - 2003 Ford F250
  - 2006 Ford Ranger

Total Cost to cover the acquisition: \$80,000

Funding: Capital Vehicles: 301-51-1540-54-2503

**Cost:**

Budgeted for:   X   Yes        No

**Financial Impact:** Reduced repair and maintenance costs, better fuel savings and improved safety features.

**Action Requested from Council:** To Approve and authorize the Trade-in of 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe Vin# 1GNS6UED6SR291734 and replacement of 2 trucks in the Public Works Fleet.

Title of Agenda Item: Council Discussion and Approval for Replacement of Administrative Vehicle –



2003 Ford F250



2006 Ford Ranger

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF FOREST PARK**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR GWENDOLYN ELLISON AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE TRADE-IN OF A 2025 CHEVROLET TAHOE AND THE REPLACEMENT OF TWO PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES FROM THE CITY'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the City maintains a fleet of vehicles necessary for the effective operation of its Public Works Department ("Department"); and

**WHEREAS**, certain vehicles within the Department's fleet, including a 2003 Ford F-250 and a 2006 Ford Ranger, have reached the end of their useful service life and require replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has recommended the trade-in of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN #1GNS6UED6SR291734, with an estimated value of approximately \$43,000.00, to facilitate the replacement of such vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost associated with the acquisition of replacement vehicles is approximately \$80,000.00, which has been budgeted within the Capital Vehicles account (301-51-1540-54-2503); and

**WHEREAS**, the replacement of these vehicles is anticipated to reduce maintenance and repair costs, improve fuel efficiency, and enhance safety for City personnel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**, as follows:

**Section 1. Approval.** The Department's request to approve and authorize the trade-in of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN #1GNS6UED6SR291734, and the replacement of two Public Works vehicles, at a total cost not to exceed \$80,000.00, as presented to the Mayor and Council on April 6, 2026, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. Funding.** Funding for this purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00, shall be paid from the Capital Vehicles account (301-51-1540-54-2503), as approved in the City's current fiscal year budget.

**Section 3. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 4. Authorization of Execution.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

**Section 5. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 6th day of April 2026.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Dr. Gwendolyn Ellison, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*



**City of Forest Park City Council  
Agenda Item Summary  
April 6, 2026**

**Agenda Item #  
VIII4**

CITY OF  
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<b>Requested By</b> Tarik Maxwell, Recreation and Leisure Director	<b>Sponsor(s)</b>
<b>Department</b> Recreation and Leisure	

<b>Requested Action</b> Action Item
<b>Requirement for Board Action</b>
<b>Summary &amp; Background</b> The Georgia Mass Band has rented the football stadium every Thursday and Friday from 5:30p-8:30p between the months of May and July since 2024. The Georgia Mass Band was founded in 2016.
<b>Fiscal Impact</b> N/A
<b>Exhibits Attached</b> Georgia Mass Band, 2026-3-31 - FP Res (Georgia Band)
<b>Staff Recommendation</b> Tarik Maxwell, Director of Recreation & Leisure Services, recommends approval to continue allowing the Georgia Mass Band to rent the football stadium for 2026.



# City Council Agenda Item

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**Subject:** Facility usage request – Recreation and Leisure Services Department

**Submitted By:** Tarik Maxwell

**Date Submitted:** March 10, 2025

**Work Session Date:** March 17, 2025

**Council Meeting Date:** March 17, 2025

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**Background/History:**

The Georgia Mass Band has rented the football stadium every Thursday and Friday from 5:30p-8:30p between the months of May and July since 2024. The Georgia Mass Band was founded in 2016.

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**Cost: \$** **Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

**Financial Impact:**

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**Action Requested from Council:**

We are asking approval to continue allowing the Georgia Mass Band to rent the football stadium for 2026.

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF FOREST PARK**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR GWENDOLYN ELLISON AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CITY FOOTBALL STADIUM BY THE GEORGIA MASS BAND FOR CERTAIN PRACTICE ACTIVITIES DURING THE 2026 SEASON; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A FACILITY USE AGREEMENT SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Mass Band, founded in 2016, has previously rented and utilized the City’s football stadium for band practice activities; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2024 the Georgia Mass Band has utilized the stadium on Thursdays and Fridays between the hours of 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. during the months of May through July; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s Recreation and Leisure Services Department (“Department”) has recommended allowing the Georgia Mass Band to continue using the football stadium during the 2026 season under similar terms and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council find that allowing such use is appropriate provided that the use is governed by a written agreement that protects the interests of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**, as follows:

**Section 1. Authorization of Facility Use.** The Department’s request to authorize the Georgia Mass Band to utilize the City’s football stadium for practice activities on Thursdays and Fridays from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. during the months of May through July 2026, subject to the execution of a facility use agreement with the City, as presented to the Mayor and Council on March 16, 2026, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. Agreement and Legal Review Required.** Such use of the facility shall be governed by a written facility use agreement between the City and the Georgia Mass Band, which shall include appropriate provisions regarding scheduling, fees (if applicable), insurance, indemnification, maintenance responsibilities, and compliance with City policies. Any agreement

related to the use of the City football stadium authorized herein shall be subject to review and approval by the City Attorney, and the City Attorney is authorized to prepare, revise, or approve the final form of such agreement to ensure compliance with applicable law and protection of the City's interests.

**Section 3. Authorization to Execute.** The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute the facility use agreement and any related documents, in a form approved by the City Attorney, necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

**Section 4. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 5. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 6th day of April 2026.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Dr. Gwendolyn Ellison, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

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*City Clerk* (SEAL)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*



# City of Forest Park City Council Agenda Item Summary April 6, 2026

Agenda Item #  
IX5

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<b>Requested By</b> SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Interim Director	<b>Sponsor(s)</b>
<b>Department</b> Planning and Community Development	

<b>Requested Action</b> Action Item
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<b>Requirement for Board Action</b>
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**Summary & Background**

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The text amendment was reviewed by the Planning Commission on **March 19, 2026**, and is now before Mayor and Council for final consideration and action.

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>
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**Exhibits Attached**  
TA-2026-01 City Council Agenda Item 04.06.2026, FP Zoning Ord. (Public Arts) 1.15.25, TA-2026-01 FINAL STAFF REPORT update 03.30.26, LEGAL AD FINAL 04-16-2026, 2026-3-31 - FP Zoning Ord (Public Arts) (1)

<b>Staff Recommendation</b>
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# City Council Agenda Item

**Subject:** Council Discussion to approve Case #TA-2026-01 Text Amendment for Title 8 – Planning and Development, Chapter 8 – Zoning, Article F – Boards and Commissions, of the City of Forest Park Code of Ordinances to amend Section 8-8-169, Public Arts Review Board, subsection (1) Composition of Board.

**Submitted By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Interim Planning Director/ Principal Planner

**Date Submitted:** March 20, 2026

**Work Session Date:** April 06, 2026

**Council Meeting Date:** April 06, 2026

**Background/History:**

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**Cost:** N/A

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

**Financial Impact:**

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**Action Requested from Council:** To Approve Case #TA-2026-01.

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

**ORDINANCE 2025-\_\_\_\_**

1 AN ORDINANCE BY MAYOR ANGELYNE BUTLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
2 KIMBERLY JAMES, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN  
3 MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO AMEND TITLE 8 (PLANNING  
4 AND DEVELOPMENT), CHAPTER 8 (ZONING), ARTICLE F (BOARDS AND  
5 COMMISSIONS) OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN ADOPTION  
6 DATE; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

7 **WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Forest Park, Georgia  
8 (“City”) is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

9 **WHEREAS**, these changes adhere to all zoning procedures as well as notice and hearing  
10 requirements pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-66-1, *et seq.*; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to establish the Public Arts Review Board which  
12 shall be responsible for administering the City’s public art program “Forest Park Arts”, reviewing  
13 Public Art Displays for installation within public spaces and other designated areas within the city;  
14 and

15 **WHEREAS**, the amendments contained herein would benefit the health, safety, morals,  
16 and welfare of the citizens of the City.

17 **BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Forest  
18 Park, Georgia, and by the authority thereof:

19 **Section 1.** Title 8 (“Planning and Development”), Chapter 8 (“Zoning”), Article F (“Boards  
20 and Commissions”) in the City’s Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to be read and codified  
21 as set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein.

22           **Section 2.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby  
23 incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

24           **Section 3.** This Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the  
25 State of Georgia and the City of Forest Park.

26           **Section 4.** (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all  
27 sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their  
28 enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable, and constitutional.

29           (b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest  
30 extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this  
31 Ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this  
32 Ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the  
33 greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance  
34 is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this  
35 Ordinance.

36           (c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance  
37 shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable  
38 by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of  
39 the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the  
40 greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any  
41 of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance and that, to  
42 the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and  
43 sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and  
44 effect.

45            **Section 5.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly  
46 repealed.

47            **Section 6.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the  
48 Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

49            **Section 7.** The City Clerk, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, authorized to correct  
50 any scrivener’s errors found in this Ordinance, including any exhibits, as enacted.

51            **ORDAINED** this 21st day of January, 2025.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Angelyne Butler, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*

**EXHIBIT A**

52 TITLE 8 – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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54 CHAPTER 8. – ZONING

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56 ARTICLE F. – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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58 Sec. 8-8-169. - Public Arts Review Board.

59           The City of Forest Park, Georgia (“City”) hereby establishes the Public Arts Review Board  
60 which shall conduct business consistent with all requirements of this article.

61 Sec. 8-8-170. – Purpose and Duties.

62           (a) *Purpose.* The Public Arts Review Board shall be responsible for administering the City’s  
63 public art program “Forest Park Arts” which is responsible for reviewing and approving  
64 Public Art Displays submitted for installation within public spaces and other designated  
65 areas within the city. For the purposes of this article, “*Public Art Display*” means artwork,  
66 including murals, statues, and sculptures, that are exhibited in public spaces, for the  
67 enjoyment and engagement of the public.

68           (b) *Duties.* The Public Arts Review Board shall:

69                   (1) Review and render decisions for all Public Art Display proposals submitted by artists,  
70 organizations, or property owners as set forth in Section 8-8-172.

71                   (2) Ensure that all Public Art Displays comply with the guidelines set forth in this article;

72                   (3) Ensure that all Public Art Displays reflect the aesthetic and cultural values of the City;

73                   (4) Provide feedback to applicants regarding necessary revisions, if applicable;

74                   (5) Maintain a record of all Public Art Displays approved and their locations within the  
75 City;

76 (6) Elect officers consisting of a Chairperson (“Chair”), a Vice-Chairperson (“Vice-  
77 Chair”), a Secretary, and a Treasurer, and shall adopt rules and guidelines for review  
78 of applications; and

79 (7) Ensure all Public Arts Review Board meetings are open to the public and held at such  
80 times as the board may determine on an as-needed basis.

81 Sec. 8-8-171. – Membership and Term.

82 (a) *Membership.* The Public Arts Review Board shall consist of a total of five (5) directors,  
83 which shall consist of one (1) director from the City’s Downtown Development Authority,  
84 one (1) director from Arts Clayton, Inc., two (2) local artists, and one (1) member of the  
85 Forest Park community. All directors must be eighteen (18) years or older and must be  
86 residents within the City. A director shall not be a member of the City’s governing  
87 authority.

88 (b) *Term.* Directors shall serve for a term of two (2) years and may be reappointed. Any  
89 vacancy in the Public Arts Review Board shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same  
90 manner as the initial appointment.

91 Sec. 8-8-172. – Rules and Procedures.

92 (a) *Eligibility.*

93 (1) The following criteria will be used by the Public Arts Review Board to evaluate Public  
94 Art Display proposals: (i) the Public Art Display should be of high artistic quality and  
95 demonstrate a thoughtful design approach; or (ii) the Public Art Display should reflect  
96 the values, history, and culture of the City and contribute positively to the City’s visual  
97 environment.

98 (2) The following Public Art Displays are eligible for review: (i) Public Art Displays on  
99 private property visible from a public space or right-of-way; and (ii) Public Art  
100 Displays on public property. The location for all Public Art Displays shall be approved  
101 by the Public Arts Review Board, ensuring it is consistent with the urban fabric and  
102 existing architecture.

103 (3) The following Public Art Displays are not eligible for review: (i) Public Art Displays  
104 that contain offensive, obscene, or discriminatory imagery or language; (ii) Public Art  
105 Displays that advocate or appear to advocate for violence, illegal activities, or political  
106 campaigns; (iii) Public Art Displays that do not comply with local, state, and federal  
107 laws; (iv) Public Art Displays that are not designed with materials durable and suitable  
108 for the environmental conditions of the installation location; (v) Public Art Displays

109 that pose any safety hazards to pedestrians, drivers, or the surrounding environment;  
110 and (vi) Public Art Displays that obstruct traffic visibility, signage, or other essential  
111 City infrastructure.

112 (b) *Process and Requirements for Public Art Display Applications.*

113 (1) *Pre-application meeting.* Prior to applying for approval of a design plan, the applicant  
114 may meet with the Planning and Community Development Director or a member of  
115 the Public Arts Review Board. The purpose of this informal meeting is to ensure the  
116 applicant understands all eligibility standards, application requirements, policies and  
117 standards, and to provide an opportunity for review of any preliminary artwork and site  
118 plans.

119 (2) *Application requirements.* The specific administrative requirements for any  
120 application for design plan approval shall be established by the City. Applicants  
121 wishing to install a Public Art Display must submit a complete application to the Public  
122 Arts Review Board, including: (i) the title of the proposed Public Art Display; (ii) a site  
123 map or plan detailing the proposed location of the Public Art Display; (iii) a detailed  
124 rendering of the proposed Public Art Display in color with all dimensions; (iv) a  
125 description of the Public Art Display's meaning, theme, or cultural significance; (v)  
126 information regarding the Public Art Display's materials; and (vi) a general timeline  
127 for installation and maintenance plans. All applications must be submitted in triplicate  
128 to the Planning and Community Development Director for review to ensure compliance  
129 with provisions of this article. Additionally, two (2) copies of the application must be  
130 submitted to the Public Arts Review Board for review and final action. The application  
131 must be submitted in completion by the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Wednesday of each month by  
132 close of business to be reviewed on the following calendar month.

133 (3) *Decisions.* Within three (3) business days after the date of the formal review meeting,  
134 the Public Arts Review Board shall take final action on the application. If the Public  
135 Arts Review Board fails to take final action upon the application within the time  
136 allotted, the application shall be deemed to be approved. However, the Public Arts  
137 Review Board may extend the deadline to the next open meeting by a majority vote of  
138 those members present. The Public Arts Review Board shall take final action by  
139 rendering one of the following decisions on the Public Art Display design plan: (i) the  
140 application is approved and authorized to file for appropriate building permits in  
141 accordance with the approved design plan; (ii) the applicant is authorized to file for  
142 appropriate building permits subject to adhering to all approved conditions or  
143 modifications to the design plan (conditional approval); or (iii) the application has been  
144 denied and shall not be granted a building permit. If the application is denied, the Public

145 Arts Review Board shall specify in writing to the applicant and to the governing body  
146 the reasons for denial.

147 (4) *Design Approval.* Upon approval or conditional approval of the application, the Chair  
148 shall notify both the applicant and the Planning and Community Development Director  
149 of the approval or conditional approval and transmit a copy of the application, with any  
150 conditions noted. Please note that approval for a design plan submitted under provisions  
151 of this section shall expire or be extended subject to provisions in section 8-8-235,  
152 building permit process.

153 (5) *Administrative waiver.* The Public Arts Review Board may waive any and all  
154 administrative requirements of this article as needed to facilitate the review process,  
155 where such requirements are inappropriate or unnecessary.

156 Sec. 8-8-173. – Enforcement and Preservation.

157 (a) All exterior design, landscaping, and other on-site improvements shall be completed in  
158 accordance with the approved design plan. The building inspector and/or code compliance  
159 department shall make periodic field inspections as required. If a violation is found to exist,  
160 the code compliance department shall take immediate appropriate action.

161 (b) The Public Art Display applicant is responsible for all expenses in maintaining the Public  
162 Art Display in good condition for a minimum of five (5) years after installation.

163 (c) The Public Arts Review Board reserves the right to review and recommend repairs or  
164 removals if the Public Art Display becomes damaged, deteriorates, or becomes inconsistent  
165 with city standards. If the Public Art Display becomes a public safety issue, the Public Arts  
166 Review Board has the authority to recommend immediate remediation or removal to the  
167 City’s governing body.

168 Sec. 8-8-174. - Fees and Funding.

169 (a) *Funding Sources.* The City may allocate funds for Public Art Display projects or seek  
170 sponsorships, grants, or private donations to support Public Art Display installations. The  
171 City may also provide partial funding or matching funds for eligible Public Art Display  
172 projects.

173 (b) *Permit Fees.* Applicants may be required to pay a reasonable permit fee to cover the cost  
174 of processing the Public Art Display application and review.

175 Sec. 8-8-175. – Appeals.

176 Any party aggrieved by the decision of the Public Arts Review Board shall be entitled to  
177 file an appeal with the mayor and city council.

178 (1) Said appeal must be submitted in writing and addressed to the mayor and city council of the City  
179 of Forest Park.

180 (2) Said appeal shall set forth each and every basis upon which the application was denied and shall  
181 set forth each and every reason that the said denial should be overruled.

182 (3) The governing body shall then set a time and date at the next regular meeting of the governing body  
183 whereby the aggrieved party may come before it and submit proof to said governing body that the  
184 denial is improper.

185 (4) The governing body shall afford the applicant sufficient time in which the applicant may address  
186 each reason that said contends the Public Arts Review Board was in error. The governing  
187 body shall then hear from the director and/or a member of the Public Arts Review Board  
188 as to why said application was originally denied, and what negative impact said Public Art  
189 Display would have on the City.

190 (5) The governing body may question either the applicant, the Public Arts Review Board member, or  
191 all, in order to clarify or expand upon the position taken by either the applicant or the board.

192 (6) Thereafter, the mayor and city council shall vote and decide whether to overrule the initial decision  
193 of the Public Arts Review Board or whether to permit the decision of same to stand.

194 Secs. 8-8-176—8-8-184. – Reserved.

STAFF REPORT – Text Amendments  
Public Hearing Date: March 19, 2026  
City Council Meeting: April 6, 2026

Case: TA-2026-01

**Proposed Request:** Text Amendments to The City of Forest Park Zoning Code of Ordinance

**Staff Report Compiled By:** SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner/Interim Planning Director

**Staff Recommendation:** Approval to amend Zoning Ordinance

**PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS**

The Planning & Community Development Department is proposing a text amendment to the Code of Ordinances. Case # **TA-2026-01** includes an amendment to **Title 8 – Planning and Development, Chapter 8 – Zoning, Article F – Boards and Commissions, Section 8-8-171 – Membership and Term**, of the City of Forest Park Code of Ordinances. The amendment would modify the membership requirements of the Public Arts Review Board by removing the requirement for one (1) Downtown Development Authority representative and replacing that position with one (1) additional Forest Park resident and revising terminology from ‘director’ to ‘member’ for consistency and clarity.

**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this amendment is to revise the membership of the Public Arts Review Board while maintaining the intent and function of the board as previously established. The Public Arts Review Board was created to oversee and promote the integration of art into public spaces, support local artists, encourage community engagement, and ensure that public art reflects and enhances the identity and values of the City of Forest Park.

As currently adopted, the membership of the board includes one (1) representative from the Downtown Development Authority. Staff is proposing this amendment to remove that requirement and replace it with one (1) additional Forest Park resident. This change is intended to broaden community representation on the board while preserving the overall structure and purpose of the Public Arts Review Board.

The proposed amendment is limited solely to the membership provision under **Section 8-8-171 – Membership and Term** and does not alter the duties, authority, review procedures, or overall purpose of the Public Arts Review Board.

The following text amendments have been proposed:

1. An amendment to **Title 8 – Planning and Development, Chapter 8 – Zoning, Article F – Boards and Commissions, Section 8-8-171 – Membership and Term**, of the City of Forest Park Code of Ordinances to amend the membership requirements of the Public Arts Review Board by removing the requirement for one (1) Downtown

Development Authority representative and replacing that position with one (1) additional Forest Park resident and revising terminology from ‘director’ to ‘member’ for consistency and clarity.

## **ARTICLE F. BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

### **Section. 8-8-171. – Membership and Term..**

*The City of Forest Park hereby establishes the Public Arts Review Board (PARB) which shall be responsible for administering the city public arts program “Forest Park Arts.” The PARB is responsible for reviewing and approving public art proposals submitted for installation within public spaces and other designated areas within the city and shall conduct business consistent with all requirements of this chapter:*

#### ***Current Language – Membership and Term.***

*(a) Membership. The Public Arts Review Board shall consist of a total of five (5) directors, which shall consist of one (1) director from the Downtown Development Authority, one (1) director from Arts Clayton, Inc., two (2) local artists, and one (1) member of the Forest Park community. All directors must be eighteen (18) years or older and must be residents within the City. A director shall not be a member of the City’s governing authority.*

#### ***Proposed Language – Membership***

*(a) Membership. The Public Arts Review Board shall consist of a total of five (5) members, which shall consist of one (1) member from Arts Clayton, Inc., two (2) local artists, and two (2) members of the Forest Park community. All members must be eighteen (18) years or older and must be residents within the City. A participant shall not be a member of the City’s governing authority.*

March 24, 2026

Clayton News Daily  
P.O. Box 368  
Jonesboro, GA 30253

Please run the following Public Hearings Section of the April 01, April 08, and April 15, 2026, Editions.

**TO THE CITIZENS OF FOREST PARK, CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: The City of Forest Park Planning Commission will conduct a meeting on a series of Public Hearings for the purpose of considering the matters listed below. The Public Hearings will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers located at 745 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297. The Mayor and City Council will conduct a meeting of Public Hearings for the listed Conditional Use Permit at Forest Park City Hall Council Chambers, 745 Forest Parkway, on Monday May 04, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

- **Case #CUP-2026-02** – Conditional Use Permit for 4959 West Street, Parcel ID # **13051D A067** and 4965 West Street, Parcel # **13051D A066**. The applicant, Lauren Davis, is requesting a conditional use permit to establish a childcare center within the Single-Family Residential District (RS) in Ward 2.
- **Case# VAR-2026-01** -Variance Request for 0 Stillwood Cove, Parcel # **13046C A016**. The applicant, Jesus Gonzalez, is requesting a variance to allow an increase in the number of permitted dwelling units and reductions to the required setbacks, including a decrease in the minimum rear yard setback from thirty (30) feet to twenty-five (25) feet and a reduction in the minimum front yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to nineteen (19) feet. The request is to permit the construction of two (2) duplex structures, totaling four (4) dwelling units, within the Two-Family Residential (RT) District in Ward 1.

SaVaughn Irons-Kumassah, Principal Planner  
Planning & Community Development Department  
404-366-4720

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF FOREST PARK**

**ORDINANCE 2026-\_\_\_\_\_**

1 AN ORDINANCE BY MAYOR GWENDOLYN ELLISON AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
2 KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-  
3 WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO AMEND  
4 TITLE 8 (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT), CHAPTER 8 (ZONING), ARTICLE F  
5 (BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), SECTION 8-8-171 (MEMBERSHIP AND TERM) OF THE  
6 CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER  
7 LAWFUL PURPOSES.

8 **WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Forest Park, Georgia  
9 (“City”) is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the City desires to clarify and refine the membership composition of the  
11 Public Arts Review Board to ensure appropriate representation from relevant stakeholders and the  
12 community; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments to Section 8-8-171 shall promote transparency,  
14 consistency, and effective governance of the Public Arts Review Board in furtherance of the City’s  
15 cultural and artistic initiatives; and

16 **WHEREAS**, these changes adhere to all zoning procedures as well as notice and hearing  
17 requirements pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-66-1, *et seq.*; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the amendments contained herein would benefit the health, safety, morals,  
19 and welfare of the citizens of the City.

20 **BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Forest  
21 Park, Georgia, and by the authority thereof:

22            **Section 1.** The City’s Code of Ordinances, Title 8 (“Planning and Development”), Chapter  
23 8 (“Zoning”), Article F (“Boards and Commissions”), Section 8-8-171 (“Membership and Term”)  
24 is hereby amended with permanent additions in **bold** font and permanent deletions in ~~strikethrough~~  
25 font to be read and codified as set forth below:

26            “Sec. 8-8-171. – Membership and Term.

27            (a) *Membership.* The Public Arts Review Board shall consist of a total of five (5)  
28 ~~directors~~ **members**, which shall consist of ~~one (1) director from the City’s~~  
29 ~~Downtown Development Authority~~, one (1) ~~director~~ **member** from Arts Clayton,  
30 Inc., two (2) local artists, and ~~one (1) member~~ **two (2) members** of the Forest Park  
31 community. All ~~directors~~ **members** must be eighteen (18) years or older and must  
32 be residents within the City. A ~~director~~ **member** shall not be **an elected official**  
33 **of the City** ~~a member of the City’s governing authority.~~

34            (b) *Term.* ~~Directors~~ **Members** shall serve for a term of two (2) years and may be  
35 reappointed. Any vacancy in the Public Arts Review Board shall be filled for the  
36 unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment.”

37            **Section 2.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby  
38 incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

39            **Section 3.** This Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the  
40 State of Georgia and the City of Forest Park.

41            **Section 4.** (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all  
42 sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their  
43 enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable, and constitutional.

44            (b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest  
45 extent allowed by law, every section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is  
46 severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance. It is  
47 hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent  
48 allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is mutually  
49 dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance.

50 (c) In the event any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall,  
51 for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the  
52 valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the  
53 Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the  
54 greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any  
55 of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance and that, to  
56 the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and  
57 sections of the Ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full effect.

58 **Section 5.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly  
59 repealed.

60 **Section 6.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the  
61 Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

62 **Section 7.** The City Clerk, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, authorized to correct  
63 any scrivener’s errors found in this Ordinance, including any exhibits, as enacted.

64 **ORDAINED** this 6th day of April, 2026.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

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Dr. Gwendolyn Ellison, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Clerk* (SEAL)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*



**City of Forest Park City Council  
Agenda Item Summary  
April 6, 2026**

**Agenda Item #  
IX6**

CITY OF  
**FORESTPARK**

<b>Requested By</b> Tarik Maxwell, Recreation and Leisure Director	<b>Sponsor(s)</b>
<b>Department</b> Recreation and Leisure	

<b>Requested Action</b> Action Item
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<b>Requirement for Board Action</b>
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<b>Summary &amp; Background</b> The Clayton County Public Schools have provided free breakfast and lunch meals from June through July to children (18 years of age and under) at the Forest Park Community Recreation Center since 2021. The renewal of this agreement will allow children in the community that heavily depended on school breakfast and lunch to eat during the school year the opportunity to receive meals throughout the summer break months.
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<b>Fiscal Impact</b> N/A
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<b>Exhibits Attached</b> Summer Food Program 2, Summer Food Service Program_City of Forest Park Agreement, 2026-3-31 - FP Res (Summer Food Program)
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<b>Staff Recommendation</b> Director Tarik Maxwell with the Recreation & Leisure Services Department recommends that council approve and sign the agreement between the Clayton County Public Schools and the City of Forest Park.
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# City Council Agenda Item

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**Subject:** Council Discussion and Approval on an Agreement Between COFP and Clayton County Public Schools for a Summer Food Service Program– Recreation and Leisure Services Department

**Submitted By:** Tarik Maxwell

**Date Submitted:** 3/30/26

**Work Session Date:** April 6, 2026

**Council Meeting Date:** April 6, 2026

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**Background/History:**

The Clayton County Public Schools have provided free breakfast and lunch meals from June through July to children (18 years of age and under) at the Forest Park Community Recreation Center since 2021. The renewal of this agreement will allow children in the community that heavily depended on school breakfast and lunch to eat during the school year the opportunity to receive meals throughout the summer break months.

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**Cost: \$**

**Budgeted for:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

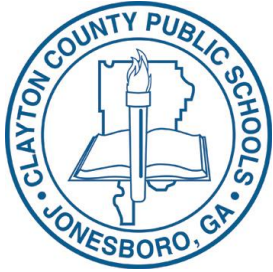
**Financial Impact:**

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**Action Requested from Council:**

Requesting the Council to approve and sign an agreement between Clayton County Public Schools and the City of Forest Park.



# CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Nutrition Services

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**Dr. Douglas Hendrix**  
*Superintendent of Schools &  
CEO*

**Audrey A. Hamilton**  
*Executive Director Nutrition  
Services*

### Partnership Agreement

between

**City of Forest Park  
and  
Clayton County Public Schools**

for the

### SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

This Partnership Agreement (hereinafter the “Agreement”) is entered into between **CITY OF FOREST PARK**, (the “City”), and **CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**, through its Nutrition Services Department (“CCPS”).

The purpose of this Agreement is to memorialize a partnership between the entities noted above in connection with the Summer Food Service Program (the “Program”), in which children (18 years of age and under) in the summer camp and community are provided free breakfast and lunch meals from June 1, 2026 through July 17, 2026 at the Forest Park Community Recreation Center.

**Whereas**, CCPS will be utilizing the ‘Seamless Summer Option’ (SSO) for its summer feeding program, which is funded and regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) through the Georgia Department of Education; and

**Whereas**, the SSO allows CCPS to provide free summer meals in low-income areas during the traditional summer vacation periods; and

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**Whereas**, under the SSO, CCPS is required to follow meal patterns described in 7 CFR 210.10 and 7 CFR 220.8; and

**Whereas**, CCPS can sponsor non-school sites operated by other non-profit organizations and sites may include parks, recreation centers, libraries, mobile feeding sites and other indoor and outdoor locations; and

**Whereas**, the Nutrition Services Department of CCPS has agreed to serve as a sponsor for the City of Forest Park, whereby the Nutrition Services Department will utilize the Forest Park Community Recreation Center as a feeding site for the SSO, and the City has agreed to allow CCPS to serve its constituents in such capacity.

Listed below are the roles and responsibilities as agreed upon by each of the named entities:

**Clayton County Public Schools agrees to:**

- Serve as a sponsor for the City of Forest Park whereby the Nutrition Services Department, whereby the Nutrition Services Department will utilize the Forest Park Community Recreation Center as a feeding site for the SSO
- Serve meals to all needy children 18 years of age and under (or persons 19 and over who are mentally or physically disabled and participating in a public or private nonprofit school program for the mentally or physically disabled).
- Serve meals that meet the minimum meal pattern requirements in accordance with the following:
  - Breakfast will be served at the Recreation Center from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
  - Lunch will be served in the Recreation Center from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
  - The proposed menu will be provided to the City of Forest Park Recreation & Leisure Services Department two weeks prior to the commencement of the Program
- Provide adequate supervision of the actual meal service
- Ensure program compliance with all district, state and federal regulations.

**City of Forest Park agrees to:**

- Pick up breakfast and lunch meals from designated CCPS sites within 30 mins of meals service
- Allow children 18 years of age and under, as well as those persons 19 years of age and over who meet the State of Georgia agency's definition of mentally or physically disabled, from the community to participate in the Program during the time periods indicated above.
- Provide adequate supervision of the facility during the meal service
- Ensure all meals are served and consumed onsite at recreation center or field trip location
- Maintain and submit such reports and records that CCPS requires
- Report any other problems regarding the meal services

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**Amendment of Agreement**

This agreement cannot be changed or modified except by a written instrument executed and signed by all parties hereto.

**Assignment/Subcontracting Clause**

Each of the parties hereto shall ensure that all of its assignees or subcontractors, if any, comply with the terms of this Agreement.

**Entire Agreement**

This Agreement represents the entire understanding of the parties regarding the Program and it supersedes any previous documents, correspondence, conversations or other oral or written understanding of the parties.

**Choice of Law and Jurisdiction for Disputes**

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Georgia without regard to its choice of law rules.

**Independent Parties**

The parties hereto are independent, contracting entities, and neither is authorized to act as an agent, employee, or legal representative of the other. Neither party nor its respective employees shall be considered employees of the other. The method and manner of performance of the food service shall be under the exclusive control of CCPS.

*Audrey Hamilton*

3/17/2026 | 9:46:42 AM EDT

Mrs. Audrey Hamilton  
Executive Director of Nutrition Services  
Clayton County Public Schools

Date

*Dr. Douglas Hendrix Sr.*

3/21/2026 | 10:52:27 PM EDT

Dr. Douglas Hendrix  
Superintendent of Schools & CEO  
Clayton County Public Schools

Date

Gwendolyn Webb Ellison  
Mayor  
City of Forest Park

Date

Latosha Clemons  
Interim City Manager  
City of Forest Park

Date

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**STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF FOREST PARK**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR GWENDOLYN ELLISON AND COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Forest Park, Georgia (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to partner with Clayton County Public Schools to provide free breakfast and lunch meals to children in the community during the summer months; and

**WHEREAS**, Clayton County Public Schools, through its Nutrition Services Department, shall sponsor and administer the Summer Food Service Program utilizing the Forest Park Community Recreation Center as a feeding site from June 1, 2026 through July 17, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Program is funded and regulated through the United States Department of Agriculture and administered through the Georgia Department of Education to serve eligible children in low-income areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council find that entering into this Agreement serves the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City by providing access to nutritious meals for children during the summer break.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**, as follows:

**Section 1. Approval.** The Recreation and Leisure Services Department’s request for approval of an Agreement between the City and Clayton County Public Schools for the Summer Food Service Program, as presented to the Mayor and Council on April 6, 2026, is hereby approved.

**Section 2. No Cost to City.** The Program is administered and funded through Clayton County Public Schools and applicable federal and state programs, and no direct cost to the City is anticipated, except for in-kind services and operational support as outlined in the Agreement.

**Section 3.** The Mayor and/or City Manager are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement, and any related documents, and to take any actions necessary to implement the Summer Food Service Program consistent with this Resolution.

**Section 4. Public Record.** This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

**Section 5. Attestation.** The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

**SO RESOLVED** this 6th day of April 2026.

**CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Gwendolyn Ellison, *Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)  
*City Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City Attorney*