



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2022  
5:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore (arrived late)  
Brian Fisher  
Lisa Shortell  
Lionel Laratte (virtually)  
Dee Merriam

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant  
Shannon Powell  
Ellen Powell  
Stephen Quinn  
Gina Hill  
Don Huff  
Marcel Jackson  
Adrian Langston  
Harry Hess

Item #1 Meeting Called to Order

Item #2 Adoption of Agenda  
Commissioner Shortell moved to adopt. Commissioner Merriam seconded. All ayes.

Item #3 **Commissioner Comments**  
Commissioner Shortell urged members of the public to voice their opinions about surrounding developments during the public comment periods through meetings, surveys, etc. She added that it's more difficult to influence changes after the public participation period. City Manager Bryant promoted upcoming AvondALE Days and urged the public to vote for Avondale Estates in the USA Today best small town beer scene contest and for Little Cottage in the best new brewery category.

Item #4 **Recognition of Moricle Family's Record-Breaking Sticker Ball**  
City Manager Bryant gave background on the sticker ball and Moricle family. Wade Morical addressed attendees and then measured and weighed the sticker ball. It weighed 625.2 pounds, more than double the current record holder.

Item #5 **Approval of Minutes**  
September 14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting  
September 14<sup>th</sup> work session

Commissioner Shortell moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Merriam seconded. All ayes.

Item #6

**Consider Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with DeKalb County to Acquire the Park/Greenspace Known as Lanier Gardens**

Commissioner Merriam moved to approve. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher seconded. All ayes.

City Manager Bryant gave background on this intergovernmental agreement (IGA), a process that has been underway for several years. Mayor Elmore arrived. Commissioner Merriam explained the history of the park. Commissioner Shortell told the group about a plaque in the park. Other BOMC members were supportive of adding the greenspace to the city. Bill Hover asked if the property now had to be annexed into the city. Mr. Bryant said no. Mr. Hover added that the space will be an odd panhandle on the city's map. Don Connelly thanked Ms. Merriam for her efforts to make this happen over the years.

Item #7

Public Comment: None

Item #8

Adjournment

Commissioner Merriam moved to adjourn. Commissioner Shortell seconded. All ayes.

APPROVED OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

  
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Gina Hill, City Clerk