# EAST COBB CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

May 31, 2023 Fullers Park Recreation Center 3499 Robinson Road Marietta, GA 30068

#### **Membership Meeting Minutes**

Ric Grome brought the meeting to order at 7pm and introduced Lisa Cupid, Chairwoman of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners. She briefly shared her background and path to public service, then turning to updates about the county, highlights are below:

- She thanked ECCA for their leadership and activism
- Chairwoman Cupid acknowledged several guests including
- Categorized the time as a "year of heavy lifting."
  - COVID-19
  - Formation of the city of Mableton
  - Workforce turnover
- Cobb completed a diversity assessment
  - There are some areas for improvement, like contract awards
  - The county is in the process of hiring a DEI officer
- Shifting to a Unified Commercial Code merging development and zoning codes
- Undergoing a housing study focused on affordability
- Reviewing wastewater billing to ensure equity based on burden on stormwater facilities
- Waste pickup is also being reviewed, not in terms of assuming control of the service rather reinvigorating the Association of Haulers
- Elections process improvements to efficiency and effectiveness in South Cobb
- Discussed Capital Improvements, Maintenance and SPLOST utilization, and much more.

Chairwoman Cupid requested the members visit the county website to review and comment on the 5-Year Strategic Plan. She closed by answering questions from the audience.

## <u>Minutes</u> – Ric Grome

April meeting minutes were approved.

## Treasurer's Report – Marvin Shams

ECCA has 83 members of which 28 are individual. We have approximately \$3,600 in positive cash flow. There are some large bills coming up. Even so, Marvin believes we will still have a positive cash flow position.

#### <u>Membership</u> – Jill Flamm

Jill shared that we had one renewal and one new member. There is an additional prospect she is still trying to reach.

# Program – Ric Grome (for Roger Phelps)

ECCA traditional summer break, there will be no speakers in June or July.

# Zonings, Variances and OBIs – Jill Flamm (for Chris Lindstrom)

- Z-55 Recommendation: Withdrawn by applicant
- OB-18 Recommendation: Withdrawn by applicant
- Z-67 Recommendation: Continued till July
- V-63 Recommendation: No action
- Z-22 Recommendation: Hold for additional information
- V-71 Recommendation: Hold for additional information
- V-77 Recommendation: Hold for additional information

## **Other Business** -

The next General Membership meeting will be held at 7pm on June 28th at Fullers Park Recreation Center; it will be a business-only meeting. There being no additional business or announcements, the meeting adjourned at 8:41pm.

Respectfully, Chris Ensley Secretary