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## **Regular Meeting February 9, 2021** 6:00 P.M. Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Agenda Approval
- 5. Citizen Comments
- 6. Downtown Development Authority Michele Celani, Executive Director
- 7. Chamber of Commerce Brandi McMichael, Visitor's Center Manager
- 8. Historic Preservation Commission David Thompson, Chairman
- 9. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council January 12, 2021
- 10. Second reading to consider the adoption of an Amendment of an Ordinance to the City Code, Section 42.1 – Construction and Yard Refuse.

## **Agenda Items**

1. Consider DDA request to add plants to the Government Complex garden.

**Background and Summary:** The DDA Art Alley project has been approved for the Rosalyn Carter's Butterfly Trail project. The trail is a collection of gardens across the state that feature butterfly art and/or butterfly gardens. The DDA is requesting permission to add plants to the courtyard behind the Monticello Government Complex that would attract butterflies. The Monticello Garden Club will consult on the project and make recommendations as to the type and number of plants as well as the placement. The DDA Youth Advisory Council will assist the Garden Club and other volunteers to install the plants. The DDA will be responsible for raising the funds for the plants and signage. DDA will not remove any of the existing landscaping.

The link to obtain additional information on the Rosalyn Carter Butterfly Trail project is https://rosalynncarterbutterflytrail.org/

2. Consider MEAG Off-System Sales and Voluntary Deposits.

**Background and Summary:** Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG) Power Participants have the annual opportunity to designate the disposition of offsystem energy sales margins. Participants can elect to have margins applied as a credit to their MEAG Power bill or deposited into their Municipal Competitive Trust (MCT) account(s).

3. Consider a Resolution by Mayor and City Council of Monticello, Georgia pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 Authorizing Adoption of the Jasper County Hazard Mitigation Plan

**Background and Summary**: The Jasper County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA pending adoption by Jasper County, the City of Monticello, and the City of Shady Dale. (Due to the number of pages, a copy is available at City Hall).

4. Consider a Resolution by the City Council of Monticello authorizing the Mayor to Execute a License Agreement with Piedmont Academy for the use of the tennis courts at Funderburg Park from February 1, 2021 – April 16, 2021 for practices and home games. Practices are Monday through Friday from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM with two home games on March 11, 2021 and April 12, 2021; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

**Background and Summary**: Piedmont Academy has requested use of the tennis courts at Funderburg Park for practice and home games.

5. Consider the Request to Voluntarily Provide Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) Leave to Eligible Employees until December 31. 2021

**Background and Summary**: The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) requires certain employers to provide their employees with paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave for specified reasons related to COVID-19. The obligation to provide FFCRA leave applies from the law's effective date of April 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. After December 31, 2020, the employer is not required to provide an employee with FFCRA leave but may voluntarily decide to provide such leave. Due to the continued pandemic, Mayor Standifer is proposing to provide FFCRA leave to employees until December 31, 2021 who were eligible under the FFCRA in 2020 but did not use any leave. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 extended employer tax credits for FFCRA voluntarily provided to employees until March 31, 2021.

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- 6. Discussion of Blue Ruin Street
- 7. Discussion of Code Enforcement Options
- 8. City Manager's Report
- 11. Executive Session for Personnel, Litigation, Real Estate, and Legal Matters
- 12. Comments by the Governing Body
- 13. Adjournment