

City of Fairburn Mayor and Council Special Called Meeting- Zoom September 23, 2020 6:00 pm

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the Honorable Mayor Carr-Hurst.
- II. Roll Call was taken by City Clerk, Arika Birdsong-Miller with the following members present:

Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tem Ulysses J. Smallwood The Honorable Linda J. Davis The Honorable Alex Heath The Honorable Pat Pallend The Honorable Hattie Portis-Jones The Honorable James Whitmore

The attendance of Council constituted a quorum and the meeting proceeded.

City Attorney Randy Turner was also present.

III. Agenda Item:

1. For Mayor and Council to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County to accept COVID-19 CARES Act funding. Mayor Carr-Hurst explained that an agreement has been reached with Fulton County and the 14 municipalities in Fulton County regarding the CARES Act funding. Fulton County is offering \$25 million dollars to split amongst the 14 municipalities, and it will be divided based on population. Mayor Carr-Hurst stated that the City of Fairburn's share of the \$25 million was based on the 2010 Census population total of 16,768 and equates to \$699,575. Once the Intergovernmental Agreement is signed the City of Fairburn will receive a 30% advance in the amount of \$209,872. In addition to the \$699,575 that will be dispersed from Fulton County, the City of Fairburn will also receive about \$200,000 in Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Mayor Carr-Hurst further explained that all CARES Act expenditures must be submitted to Fulton County for approval by December 15, 2020. The expenditures must be incurred between May 15, 2020-December 15, 2020 to be eligible for reimbursement. Mayor Carr-Hurst explained that some of the things that will be purchased with the funds are Facial Recognition Thermometers for City buildings, laptops for telework, and things that are needed in the community. Mayor Carr-Hurst described to Council that the Mayor's of the 14 municipalities negotiated as much as they could, but Fulton County's Chairman Robb Pitts was not in agreement with dispersing more funds. Mayor Carr-Hurst explained that the Federal Government gave Fulton County about \$174 per citizen, but Fulton County is only giving the municipalities about \$41 per citizen. Since the language for dispersing the CARES Act funds was not clear, Fulton County decided how much they would give the municipalities. Councilwoman Portis-Jones asked if the other 13 cities do not accept the offer does that impact the offer made to the City of Fairburn. Mayor Carr-Hurst stated that the IGA is specific to each municipality, so there is no impact if the other municipalities do not accept Fulton County's offer. Councilman Whitmore stated that he is happy that the City of Fairburn is receiving something from Fulton County. Attorney Turner stated that the terms in the agreement sent out to Council will be extended from November 15, 2020 to December 15, 2020. Motion to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County to accept COVID-19

CARES Act funding was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

IV. Adjournment: At 6:30 pm, with no further business of the City of Fairburn, the Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

Arika Birdsong-Miller, City Clerk

Elizabeth Carr-Hurst, Mayor