

Monday, October 5, 2020	6:00 PM	Council Chambers
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- 1. Public Hearing to receive comments on the adoption of the proposed Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. This is the second of three public hearings scheduled to receive public comments. See memorandum dated September 28, 2020 from Director of Finance & Accounting Althea Philord-Bradley. Also, see attached background information.
- 2. Update on Fulton County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds originally awarded to Kathleen Mitchell School demolition reallocated to the Splash Pad at Charles E. Phillips Park. See memorandum dated September 28, 2020 from Director of Recreation & Cultural Arts Michelle Johnson. Also, see attached supporting documentation.



# CITY OF COLLEGE PARK

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### WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM

DOC ID: 8347

DATE:	September 28, 2020
TO:	The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
THROUGH:	Terrence R. Moore, City Manager
FROM:	Althea Philord-Bradley, Director of Finance & Accounting
RE:	Millage Rate Hearing

PURPOSE: Second Public Hearing to discuss the Millage Rate with the general public.

**REASON:** To provide the second of three Public Hearings on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:00pm, for public comment concerning the adoption of the current year millage rate of 12.619 mills. The City of College Park has received the complete Tax Digests from the Tax Assessors of Fulton and Clayton County.

Pursuant to Georgia Code, Section 48-5-32, the city needs to advertise 3 times in the local South Fulton Neighbor newspaper that the Millage Rate will be set by the Mayor and City Council on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:30 pm at the College Park City Hall Council Chambers. The public hearing dates are September 21<sup>st</sup>, October 5<sup>th</sup>, and October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 respectively. Georgia Code requires three advertisements when the City's proposed Millage Rate of 12.619 mills exceeds the County's rollback Millage Rate of 12.483 mills.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Pursuant to Georgia Code, Section 48-5-32 the City of College Park is recommended to schedule a public hearing for the final adoption at the convenient time of 7:30 p.m. and the convenient place of the College Park City Hall Council Chambers to afford the public an opportunity to respond to the notice of change in the millage rate to 12.619 mills. The City began advertising in the local South Fulton Neighbor newspaper on September 9, 2020 that the millage rate will be set by the Mayor and City Council on October 19, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the College Park City Hall Council Chambers. The City is advertising the five (5) year history of the City's Tax Digest, along with the digest for 2020, per Georgia Code, Section 48-5-32. The City of College Park's proposed millage rate of 12.619 is .136 mils above the current rollback millage rate. Likewise, the proposed Special District Tax rate of 20.00 mills and GICC Special District Tax rate of 20.00 mills as well.

**BACKGROUND:** Pursuant to Georgia Code, Section 48-5-32 the City needs to advertise in the local South Fulton Neighbor newspaper on September 9, 2020 that the millage rate will be set by the Mayor and City Council on October 19, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the College Park City Hall

Council Chambers. The millage rate of 12.619 mills is .136 mills above rollback rate of 12.483 mills.

#### **COST TO CITY:** \$1,000 - \$2,000

#### BUDGETED ITEM: Yes.

**REVENUE TO CITY:** \$13,739,844 General Fund, \$3,028,043 Special District, \$412,699 GICC Special District

#### CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: October 5, 2020

#### CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES: None.

#### AFFECTED AGENCIES: Finance And Accounting

#### RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION: None.

#### **REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAMS:** None.

**STAFF:** Finance and Accounting staff.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 2020 Five Year History (PDF)
- NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS (PDF)
- 2020-21 Millage Rate Press Release (PDF)

#### **Review:**

- Althea Philord-Bradley Completed 09/23/2020 10:02 AM
- Rosyline Robinson Completed 09/23/2020 3:50 PM
- Terrence R. Moore Completed 09/30/2020 5:34 PM
- Mayor & City Council Pending 10/05/2020 6:00 PM

#### NOTICE

The Mayor and City Council of the City of College Park announce the millage rate will be set at a Mayor and City Council remote meeting on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 7:30pm via video conferencing, Zoom platform. Instructions on how to participate are on the College Park website at www.collegeparkga.com and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A 48-5-32 do hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

#### City of College Park 2020 Tax Digest and Five Year History of Levy

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Real and Personal	746,466,410	702,030,774	745,220,327	782,496,082	873,393,070	916,512,932
Motor Vehicles	32,186,670	10,706,900	7,851,790	5,782,330	4,615,690	3,651,500
Public Utility	108,605,586	123,798,843	130,482,253	159,758,023	212,994,332	222,114,207
Gross Digest	887,258,666	836,536,517	883,554,370	948,036,435	1,091,003,092	1,142,278,639
Less : M & O Exemptions	88,004,166	56,377,048	38,096,203	71,745,882	70,545,514	53,456,656
Net M & O Digest	\$799,254,500	\$780,159,469	\$845,458,167	\$876,290,553	\$1,020,457,578	\$1,088,821,983
Gross M & O Millage	16.974	17.264	17.128	17.124	16.645	15.452
Less : Rollbacks	3.818	4.645	4.509	4.505	4.026	2.833
Net M & O Millage	12.619	12.619	12.619	12.619	12.619	12.619
Net Taxes Levied	10,085,793	9,844,832	10,668,837	11,057,910	12,877,154	13,739,845
Net Tax Dollar Increase/(Decrease)	(1,554,601)	(240,960)	824,004	389,074	1,819,244	862,690
Net Tax Percent Increase/(Decrease)	-13.36%	-2.39%	8.37%	3.65%	16.45%	6.70%
Special District Tax						
Special District Digest	99,503,086	108,166,382	118,514,547	117,342,091	140,231,528	151,402,138
Special District Millage Rate	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	20.00
Net Taxes Levied	1,442,795	1,568,413	1,718,461	1,701,460	2,033,357	3,028,043
Net Tax Dollar Increase/(Decrease)	98,258	125,618	150,048	(17,001)	331,897	994,686
Net Tax Dollar Increase/(Decrease)	7.31%	8.71%	9.57%	-0.99%	19.51%	48.92%
GICC Special District Tax						
GICC District Digest	13,226,877	13,150,771	17,749,495	15,728,775	15,440,061	20,634,955
GICC District Millage Rate	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	20.00
Net Taxes Levied	99,202	98,631	133,121	117,966	115,800	412,699
Net Tax Dollar Increase/(Decrease)	(892)	(571)	34,490	(15,155)	(2,165)	296,899
Net Tax Dollar Increase/(Decrease)	-0.89%	-0.58%	34.97%	-11.38%	-1.84%	256.39%

Net Levy reflects the total amount billed, not collected.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

**The Mayor and Council of the City of College Park** will hold three (3) Public Hearings to discuss the proposed FY21 Tax Millage of 12.619.

The Public Hearings will be held remotely via video conferencing (Zoom Platform) on the following dates and times: Instructions on how to participate will be available on the College Park website at <u>www.collegeparkga.com</u>

Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00p.m.

Monday, October 5, 2020 at 6:00p.m.

Monday, October 19, 2020 at 7:30p.m.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Phase 3 Media, LLC. Phone: (404) 767-1537 x1703 September 9, 2020

#### College Park to Maintain Same Property Tax Millage Rate for 2020

**College Park** – The Mayor and Council of the City of College Park announced today its intention to maintain the same ad valorem property tax millage rate of 12.619 mills. From 2012-2019 College Park has maintained this rate – 12.619. This represents a 0.136 mils above the most recent rollback rate of 12.483.

The proposal by the Mayor and City Council is to continue with the 2012-2019 millage rate. Furthermore, the *Net Tax Digest* (equal to the millage rate, multiplied by the taxable assessed value of property, minus deductions) for calendar year 2020 is \$68.4 million more, when compared to the Net Tax Digest for calendar year 2019. Additionally, the net tax levied for 2020-2021 is \$862,690 greater than the previous year.

The Mayor and City Council invite all concerned citizens to three public hearings regarding the setting of the 2020 millage rate - to be held Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00pm; Monday, October 5, 2020 at 6:00pm; and Monday, October 19, 2019 at 7:30pm. Each meeting will be held virtually via remote video conferencing, Zoom Platform.

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#### WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM

DOC ID: 8343

DATE:	September 28, 2020
TO:	The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
THROUGH:	Terrence R. Moore, City Manager
FROM:	Michelle Johnson, Director of Recreation & Cultural Arts
RE:	Status Report of Fulton County Reallocation of CDBG Funds

**PURPOSE:** To give status report on CDBG funds that were awarded from Fulton County for demolition of the Kathleen Mitchell School approved to reallocate to the Splash Pad for the Recreation & Cultural Arts Department.

**REASON:** To give status report and update on Fulton County CDBG funds originally awarded to Kathleen Mitchell School demolition reallocation to the Splash Pad.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Status report opportunity to Mayor and Council in which to formally request to proceed with securing a contractor selection process, to also include working with Fulton County to proceed with necessary environmental site assessment.

**BACKGROUND:** As the Fulton County Board of Directors approved the City of College Park request to reallocate prior approved CDBG grant resources originally awarded for the Kathleen Mitchell School demolition to development and construction of a splash pad and environmental, the purpose is to give update on the CDBG grant reallocation to the change of priority to the Splash Pad for Department of Recreation and Cultural Arts. Guidance to this is necessary as staff is currently in position to proceed with necessary environmental site assessment, as well as contractor selection processes.

**COST TO CITY:** Yearly upkeep and maintenance cost of the Splash Pad along with seasonal staffing to be determined.

#### **BUDGETED ITEM:** No

**REVENUE TO CITY:** Consideration and possibility of admission fee once built to create revenue if approved by Mayor and Council

CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: October 5, 2020

#### CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES: None

#### AFFECTED AGENCIES: None

### **RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION:** None **REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAMS:** None

#### STAFF: Seasonal staff to be determined

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- College Park -CDBG Award Notification-Charles E Phillips Splash Pad 9.10.20 (PDF)
- park\_print(2) Park Map with Open Field (Proposed Splash Pad Site) (PDF)
- Concept09292020-S1 (1) (PDF)

#### **Review:**

- Michelle Johnson Completed 09/24/2020 10:40 AM
- Rosyline Robinson Completed 09/28/2020 10:23 AM
- Jackson MyersCompleted 09/28/2020 11:17 AM
- Althea Philord-Bradley Completed 09/30/2020 10:15 PM
- Terrence R. Moore Completed 10/01/2020 11:19 AM
- Mayor & City Council Pending 10/05/2020 6:00 PM







September 10, 2020

The Honorable Mayor Bianca Motley Broom College Park- City Hall 3667 Main Street College Park, Georgia 30337

#### RE: City of College Park- CDBG Award Notification \$584,000.00 Project: Charles E. Phillips, Sr. Esquire Park- Splash Pad

Dear Mayor Motley Broom:

On September 2, 2020, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, by and through its Department of Community Development, has approved an award to the City of College Park for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of *\$584,000.00 for the construction, rehabilitation and installation of the Charles E. Phillips, Sr. Esquire Park Splash Pad*; and rescinds its previous CDBG award for the Kathleen Mitchell School demolition project as requested by the City of College Park.

In addition, the County will begin the environmental review process in accordance with requirements from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Please respond to accept this award notification in writing by Wednesday, September 18, 2020 to include a project timeline for project implementation.

Should you have any CDBG program and or project timeline related questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Benjamin at (404) 612-8077 or via email at <u>kim.benjamin@fultoncountyga.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

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Pamela Roshell Deputy Chief Operating Officer

 cc: Robb L. Pitts, Chairman, Fulton County Board of Commissioners Richard Dick Anderson, County Manager Anna Roach, Chief Operating Officer Mia Redd, Deputy Director Herschel Rd

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Charles E **Phillips Sr** Esquire Park

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