**Planning Commission**

**Minutes**

**April 15, 2015**

**Call To Order:** Vice Chairman Deverick Williams called the meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2015.

**Roll Call:** Deverick Williams, Vice-Chairman, Don Wright, Ray Goodman and Gail Brooks, Secretary. Also present were Al Wiggins, Director of Planning, Building & Zoning, Jonathan Jones, Deputy Director of Planning, Building & Zoning, and Garry Felder, Planner of Planning, Building & Zoning.

**Approval of Minutes:** Deverick Williams made a motion to approve the Action Minutes for the August 20, 2014 meeting of the Planning Commission. Ray Goodman seconded the motion. Voting on the motion was unanimous.

**Old Business:** Members were informed the need for ID badges.

**New Business:**

**Item 1**

**Rezoning Request:** Rezoning of a parcel of property which is a 5.17 acre tract, lying and being in Land Lot 83 of 13th District of Clayton County, Forest Park, Georgia, from its current combined zoning of C-1 General Commercial District and R-80  Residential District to the C-1 General Commercial District exclusively.

The attached Staff Report and exhibits provide further details of the current lot and zoning configuration.

Garry Felder presented the information obtained from the application and the staff report with the recommendation to approve the rezoning request.

**Johnny Forest – 343 Pineridge Dr -**  Mr. Forest voiced concerns regarding maintenance of the privacy fence, noise from new business, and of drainage from the lot onto his property.

Ray Goodman made a motion to approve the rezoning request without any conditions. Don Wright seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous to approve.

**Item 2:** Jonathan Jones presented a summary of the proposed Vacant Property Registration Ordinance. The purpose of the ordinance is to improve the social and economic health of the City of Forest Park by returning vacant properties to productive use and ensuring that owners maintain such properties as clean, safe, and secure. Al Wiggins also gave a summation of the ordinance.

 Deverick Williams made a motion to adopt the Vacant Property Registration Ordinance. Don Wright seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous to approve.

**Other Business:** Al Wiggins presented the members with a list of proposed meeting dates. In addition, he discussed the need to fill the vacant seat on the Board with appointment of new Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.