



MAYOR AND COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

This meeting is IN person

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Friday, November 3rd, 2023, 6:30 P.M

City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, GA 30083

CALL TO ORDER

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE DAY

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of the Veteran's Day Brunch- Reallocation of funding for the Veteran's Day Bunch scheduled for Saturday, November 4th
- B. Discussion on the GORA (Georgia Open Records Act) request submitted by Mayor Pro Tem Freeman

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL, LEGAL, AND/OR REAL ESTATE (if needed)

- A. Real Estate
- B. Legal
- C. Personnel

ADJOURNMENT



VETERANS BRUNCH

Honoring All Who Served

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER

04

10AM-3PM

COME & ENJOY THIS SPECIAL EVENT

Dynamic Speakers | Live entertainment | Special Vendors

VETERANS FREE - NON VETERANS \$10.00

Champion Theme Middle School
5265 Mimosa Drive Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083



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Monday, October 16, 2023

Mr. Shawn Edmonson
Asst. City Manager/ City Clerk
City of Stone Mountain
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RE: Downtown Development Authority and City Commissions

Dear Mr. Edmonson,

Pursuant to the Georgia Open Records Law (O.C.G.A. Section 50-18-70 et seq.) (the "Law"), you are hereby requested to make available for review and copying the following public records of the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Stone Mountain, hereinafter DDA, in the above matter:

- ◆ Please provide any and all documentary evidence, written and/or oral, reflecting **communications between the past/current/interim City Managers, past/current/interim City Clerks, past/current/interim members of the DDA** (from January 2021 through today's date) **and Richard Edwards, Rebecca Keefer** and/or any other employee, agent, attorney or representative of any kind for CPL.
- ◆ Please provide any and all documentary evidence, written and/or oral, reflecting **communications between the City Manager, City Clerk(s), past/current/interim members of the DDA** and **any employee, agent, attorney or representative** of any kind for POND during the period of January 2019 through January 2021.
- ◆ Please also provide any and all documentation of **communications**, written and/or oral, **between members of any and all city commissions**, regarding any of the following topics: real estate development, protecting historical property, discussions of demographics in Stone Mountain, and matters of an ethical nature.
- ◆ Please provide any and all records of **grants** applied for and/or received January 2021 through today's date.
- ◆ Please provide any and all records indicating **the recusal** of any member, any seat holder, and/or any chairperson of the DDA, from discussions, petitions and/or voting for a proposal in which that member, or that member's immediate family member, has or had a financial interest.
- ◆ Please provide the **meeting minutes for DDA** meetings for the past two (2) years from the date of this request, along with any and all handwritten notes and recorded statements (written or oral) pertaining to Shermantown, and/or any "experiment" or "idea" involving Shermantown.
- ◆ Any and all documentary evidence containing information regarding any **audits or expressions of concerns of an ethical nature**, conducted by any City of Stone Mountain official, DeKalb County official, State of Georgia official, or any federal commission, as well as any "whistleblower" documents, which contain evidence of suspicion of ethics violations.
- ◆ In the above request, please include **notices and/or letters the DDA has sent** by any and all means of distribution to individuals, businesses, and organizations and/or residents of the City of Stone Mountain, since January 1, 2022 – including those addressing citizens of Shermantown who own and/or occupy an older home.
- ◆ Bank records for the DDA indicating all deposits and withdrawals since January of 2020.
- ◆ Any and all documentary evidence that contains information regarding campaign contributions and/or disclosures from any and all city officials and/or any and all individuals who sit on any committee or commission of the City of

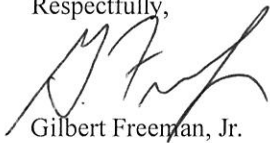
Stone Mountain for this coming election in November of 2023, and the election immediately prior to this coming November's.

- ◆ Members of the DDA should include but are not limited to Cimone Husbands-Marianos, Jelani Linder, Eileen Smith, Michelle Dunbar, Jenna Trump, Thom DeLoach, Carl Wright, Denise Phillips, others not named, and any agent, representative or attorney.
- ◆ Please provide each and every communication document reflecting communications between the City Manager, Darnetta Tyus, the Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, Shawn Edmonson, and any other person, representative, agent or attorney regarding the previous Georgia Open Records Request concerning the Historic Preservation Commission from September 21, 2023 through the date of this request.
- ◆ For purposes of this request, "communication document" and/or "documentary evidence" should include but is not limited to- notices, letters, email, text message, memorandum of telephone call, any record of correspondence or discussions in whatever tangible medium.

If this request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you cite in writing the specific statutory exemption upon which you have relied, as required by law. I also ask that you release all separate portions of otherwise exempt material. Please waive any costs associated with this request, or first inform me about such costs as required by Georgia law.

As you are aware, the Law requires a response by you within three (3) business days of your receipt of this letter and provides sanctions for non-compliance. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at your leisure.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Freeman, Jr.', written over a horizontal line.

Gilbert Freeman, Jr.