RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS KIMBERLY JAMES, DELORES A. GUNN, HECTOR GUTIERREZ, LATRESA AKINS-WELLS, AND ALLAN MEARS TO ESTABLISH AN IMPACT FEE PROGRAM, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, AND THE DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FROM THE CITY'S PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Forest Park ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, in response to continued growth and increased demand on public infrastructure, the City is exploring the potential creation of a Development Impact Fee Program ("Program") in accordance with the Georgia Development Impact Fee Act ("Act"), O.C.G.A. § 36-71-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, this Program would provide a structured and legally supported method for funding capital improvements necessitated by new development, helping to ensure that growth pays for growth; and

WHEREAS, as part of this Program initiative, the City must prepare a Capital Improvements Element ("CIE"), which outlines anticipated public facility needs over a defined planning period and identifies eligible capital projects and associated costs; and

WHEREAS, the CIE must be adopted as an amendment to the City's Comprehensive Plan and approved by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs hereafter; and

WHEREAS, additionally, the Act requires the establishment of a Development Impact Fee Advisory Committee ("Committee") consisting of stakeholders including representatives from the development community and the public; and

WHEREAS, the Committee shall play an advisory role in the development and implementation of the Program, review annual reports, and make recommendations on updates to the fee schedule and project lists; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Community Development Department ("Department") requests the City to establish the Program, commence CIE preparations, and consider appointments to the required Committee; and

WHEREAS, the approval of the Department's request is necessary to protect the welfare, health, and safety of City citizens.

THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

<u>Section 1.</u> Approval. The Department's request to establish the Program, commence CIE preparations, and consider appointments to the required Committee as presented to the Mayor and City Council on August 4, 2025 is hereby approved; and

Section 2. *Public Record.* This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk ("Clerk") and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City.

<u>Section 3.</u> Authorization of Execution. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

<u>Section 4.</u> Attestation. The Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

<u>Section 5.</u> *Effective Date.* This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

SO RESOLVED this 4th day of August, 2025.

	CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA
	Angelyne Butler, Mayor
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	(SEAL)
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	