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**FORESTPARK**

## City Council Agenda Item

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**Subject:** One Light Initiative (Executive Offices)

**Submitted By:** Ricky L. Clark, Jr., City Manager

**Date Submitted:** August 17, 2023

**Work Session Date:** August 21, 2023

**Council Meeting Date:** August 21, 2023

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### Background/History:

In reviewing lighting conditions throughout our community, we have noticed many areas that are either underlit or not lit at all regarding power. In an effort to mitigate this for both safety and pedestrian purposes, we are launching an initiative in partnership with Georgia Power entitled "One Light!" This initiative will repair and upgrade nearly 1900 light fixtures throughout the City to increase the City's street lighting footprint over time.

This holistic effort will improve safety and visibility and reduce crime and traffic crashes in Forest Park's high-needed areas. In addition, the upgraded LED lights will significantly reduce the City's energy usage and lower our annual carbon footprint.

In an effort to jumpstart this initiative, members of the Executive Cabinet, along with representatives from Georgia Power conducted a streetlight inventory to assess current conditions around the City. As this is a multi-year process, contingent upon funding availability, we are recommending to proceed with the first improvement, our Senior Center located at 5087 Park Avenue. As our seniors are highly active at the Senior Center, we are seeking to place 7 of the older lights with new LED lights. This endeavor will remove the HID fixtures and replace them with new LED features to ensure that the center is always properly lit for our most prized residents.

Due to our partnership, we have been able to secure this upgrade at no up-front cost to the City.

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**Cost: \$ Variable**

**Budgeted for:**  Yes  No

**Financial Impact:**

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