



CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA COUNCIL

Agenda Item Summary

COUNCIL MEETING DATE:

02/02/26 Work Session

02/09/26 Public Hearing

Requesting Agency (Initiator): Administration

Sponsor(s): Mayor Donya L. Sartor

Item Title: Council to consider approval of a Residential Lease Agreement for City-Owned Property at 173 Cloud Street, Jonesboro, GA 30236 between the City of Jonesboro and Clifford Thompson.

Requested Action: Recommending Approval

Requirement for Board Action: Recommending Approval

Is this Item Goal Related? Yes

Summary and Background:

The City owns a single-family residential property located at 173 Cloud Street. Council is asked to approve a one-year residential lease of the property to Clifford Thompson, a City of Jonesboro public works employee. The lease allows the City to place an existing City-owned asset into productive use while supporting employee stability and retention.

Key Terms:

Lease Term: 12 months

Monthly Rent: \$1,250

Repair / Improvement Set-Aside: \$300 of each monthly rent payment is set aside by the City for property repairs or, if applicable, applied toward the employee’s closing costs should he purchase the home during the lease term.

Insurance: Tenant must maintain renter’s insurance and name the City as an additional insured.

Employment Condition: Occupancy is expressly conditioned on continued City employment. If employment ends, the lease automatically terminates and the property must be vacated.

Use: Residential use only; no illegal activity permitted.

Occupancy Limits: No additional long-term occupants without City approval.

Legal Review:

The proposed Residential Lease Agreement between the City of Jonesboro and a City employee for the City-owned property at 173 Cloud Street is legally permissible under Georgia law as a standard residential lease of municipal property that serves a legitimate public purpose. The lease is structured as a standard residential lease with an employment-conditioned occupancy provision, consistent with Georgia public-sector practice for City-owned housing. The lease includes insurance, default, and termination protections for the City.

Georgia municipalities have broad authority to lease City-owned real property where the City retains ownership, receives fair consideration, and the lease advances operational or governmental interests.

Fiscal Impact: The lease generates monthly rental revenue, offsets maintenance costs through the repair set-aside, and preserves City ownership of the property.

Exhibits Attached: The Residential Lease Agreement

Staff Recommendation: (Type name, Title, Agency and Phone number.) Dr. Donya L. Sartor, Mayor

Recommending approval of the Residential Lease Agreement between the City of Jonesboro and Clifford Thompson for the property located at 173 Cloud Street.

FOLLOW-UP APPROVAL ACTION (Completed by City Clerk)

Typed Name and Title	Date	
Signature	City Clerk's Office	