

**A RESOLUTION BY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, TO ACCEPT THE 2008 SOUTHSIDE PARK MASTER PLAN PREPARED BY THE FIRM OF TUNNEL, SPANGLER-WALSH AND ASSOCIATES ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Southside Park is a City-owned park comprised of approximately 211 acres, located in the Jonesboro Road Corridor of Southeast Atlanta, Georgia, at 3460 Jonesboro Road, S.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30354 (the "Park"); and

WHEREAS, developing a Master Plan for Southside Park that is situated in the middle of residential, commercial and tourist area is complex and required special expertise; and

WHEREAS, prior to developing a Southside Park Master Plan, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs developed the methodology for the proposed master plan and worked closely with Neighborhood Planning Unit-Z (NPU-Z Approval letter is attached) and continued to retain the consulting services of Tunnel, Spangler-Walsh and Associates, private consultants to prepare said master plan that would help capture the Park's unique potential; and

WHEREAS, Tunnel, Spangler-Walsh and Associates has created a master plan that enhances upon the Park's strengths, and has plans for remedying the Park's deficiencies, including but not limited to making necessary repairs and redesigning existing Park structures, making it a multi-age active district, a revenue generating active district in the airport noise contour, a programmable events district, a passive woodlands and meadow district and a floodplain, natural district around the Poole Creek area; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs presented the Southside Master Plan to the Urban Design Commission on July 9, 2008 for their review and approval and a copy of the signed approval letter from that meeting is attached to this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the Mayor is authorized to accept, on behalf of the City of Atlanta, the 2008 Southside Park Master Plan created by the consulting firm of Tunnel-Spangler-Walsh and Associates, where such Southside Park Master Plan is set forth as Exhibit "A" as attached hereto, for the purpose of guiding the future development and management of the Southside Park.