

Presented at March 21, 2016 Council Meeting

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

A RESOLUTION CREATING THE MAYOR'S
BLIGHTED PROPERTY AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT
COMMITTEE

WHEREAS blighted, abandoned and vacant properties affect the health, safety, and welfare of a community; and

WHEREAS blighted, abandoned and vacant properties are an impediment to public safety, sustainable development, and have adverse impact on quality of life; and

WHEREAS municipal governments are challenged because of limited resources and uncooperative property owners to fully address blighted, abandoned, and vacant properties in their communities.

WHEREAS the Committee will research, analyze and recommend solutions to address issues surrounding blight, remediating blight and other related community improvements.

WHEREAS the committee's initial objectives include the following:

1. Pictures and data on blighted property city wide to create a map defining the scope of the problem.
2. Research on best practices regarding nuisance and other related ordinances and initiatives to address blighted, abandoned and vacant property.

3. Research best practices and program specifics for a potential Volunteer Code Enforcement Officer Program.

WHEREAS the Committee shall consist of an odd number of members: The mayor; three (3) council members, recommended by the Mayor and approved by council; and a community representative appointed by the Mayor. Up to two (2) additional community representatives may be appointed as determined by a resolution of the committee and approved by council. Volunteers shall participate as needed and deemed appropriate.

WHEREAS the committee shall meet to adopt bylaws to address meeting structure, term limits and other particulars regarding committee membership and future objectives.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF EAST POINT that the MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON BLIGHTED PROPERTY AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT shall be formed and will work with the council, city manager and staff to recommend methods to address this important community economic development issue on a multidisciplinary level.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON BLIGHTED PROPERTY AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT will help further efforts to mitigate blight with the goal of community improvement, redevelopment, rehabilitation, and long-term neighborhood stability and positive growth.

SO RESOLVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

CITY OF EAST POINT, GEORGIA

JANNQUELL PETERS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

S. DIANE WHITE, CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BRAD BOWMAN, CITY ATTORNEY