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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Kimberly Greer, Assistant to the City Manager

Date: January 24, 2010

Subject: Support for Requesting ZIP Code Boundary Realignment

ITEM DESCRIPTION

Staff requests the Council's formal support to request the United States Postal System consider three changes to Dunwoody's ZIP Codes.

BACKGROUND

At the December 13th Special Called Meeting, Council discussed Dunwoody's ZIP Codes and challenges with the current boundary alignments. In particular, the discussion centered on three potential changes:

- Realigning the 30338 ZIP Code to include the portion of 30360 that is within the Dunwoody municipal boundaries
- 2. Realigning the 30338 ZIP Code to include the small pockets of 30350 that are within the Dunwoody municipal boundaries
- 3. Changing the preferred last line city for the 30338 ZIP Code from "Atlanta" as the actual city and "Dunwoody" as an acceptable city to "Dunwoody" as the actual city and "Atlanta" as an acceptable city

DISCUSSION

If Council wishes to request a change to the United States Postal Service, the first step in the process would be to adopt a Resolution of Support and direct staff to send request for the desired changes to the Postal Service. The District Manager will then have sixty days to review the feasibility of the request, identifies all relevant issues and potential solutions, quantifying the specific operational impacts and feasibility of the request. If the request is feasible, the Postal Service proceeds with formal survey of all the customers who would be affected by the proposed change. In order for the change to take effect, a simple majority of the survey respondents is required.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends formally adopting the attached Resolution of Support and authorizes the City Manager and staff to execute all appropriate documents in pursuit thereof.

RESOLUTION 2011-01-XX

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT REALIGNING OF POSTAL ZIP CODE BOUNDARIES 30360, 30350, AND 30338 AND MAKING DUNWOODY THE PREFERRED LAST LINE CITY FOR THE 30338 ZIP CODE

WHEREAS, the City of Dunwoody's incorporated City limits are included in different ZIP Code boundaries including 30338, 30360, and 30350; and WHEREAS, the City has received complaints from citizens concerning the delay in mail service and adverse effects in dealings with those unfamiliar with the geographic area; and it is difficult, if not impossible, to explain that one does not live in Atlanta or Doraville even WHEREAS, though their mail must be so addressed; and WHEREAS, Dunwoody citizens receive different benefits and obligations, including different home insurance premiums, due to the different ZIP Code addresses; and WHEREAS, the City of Dunwoody seeks to realign the boundaries of the 30338 ZIP Code to encompass both the portion of 30360 and the portions of 30350 that fall within the municipal boundaries of Dunwoody; and WHEREAS, the City of Dunwoody also seeks to make "Dunwoody" the preferred last line city for the 30338 ZIP Code changing from "Atlanta" as the actual city and "Dunwoody" as an acceptable city to "Dunwoody" as the actual city and "Atlanta" as an acceptable city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dunwoody that the City hereby formally requests that the United States Postal Service consider the changes to the ZIP Code alignment for the 30338, 30360, and 30350 ZIP Codes and consider changing the preferred last line city for 30338 as detailed above and hereby authorizes the City Manager and staff to execute all appropriate documents in pursuit thereof.

SO RESOVLED AND EFFECTIVE this 24^{th} day of January, 2011.

	Approved:
	Ken Wright, Mayor
Attest:	
Sharon Lowery, City Clerk	Seal

