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Stonecrest Approves Upgrades at Everett Park

The recommendations include parking improvements and kayak ramp access to the South River.

Stonecrest, GA – The Stonecrest City Council approved recommendations for the design of a formal kayak launch ramp and parking lot improvements at Everett Park during its January 31 Special Called Meeting.

Stonecrest officials allocated \$125,000 in funds from the Capital Improvement Plan at Tuesday's meeting to support the design and construction of the project. The City previously accepted a \$190,663 grant obtained by the South River Watershed Alliance to facilitate park upgrades at its June 29, 2022 Council meeting.

"Everett Park is a small gem that offers kayakers and other paddlers a huge opportunity to explore the riverside beauty of Stonecrest," said Mayor Jazzmin Cobble. "The City Council and I believe this combined investment will make Everett Park a popular outdoor destination that connects the community through nature trails and recreational access to South River."

The project is designed to enhance the overall quality of life in Stonecrest. The upgrades will maintain visitors' access to the river near Klondike Road's bridge crossing and improve drainage at Everett Park's parking lot. The parking lot's dimensions will not increase with the buildout.

Everett Park is owned by the City of Stonecrest and encompasses 6.4 acres of land along the east bank of the South River. The park is located at 5106 Klondike Road in Stonecrest.

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About the City of Stonecrest

Stonecrest is located in DeKalb County, Georgia. The City of Stonecrest operates under a Council-Manager form of government. Stonecrest is minutes from downtown Atlanta and Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, and it offers residents a live-work-play community. The City is known for shopping and restaurants in The Mall at Stonecrest area. Residents and visitors can explore nature or hiking trails and cycling opportunities in the area. For more information, visit: <u>www.stonecrestga.gov</u>.