

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	Membership Dues for Georgia Municipal Association
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	Finance Department

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It is requested that Council approve payment to Georgia Municipal Association (GMA), in the amount of \$41,921.64, for 2022 membership dues for the City of Columbus, Georgia.

Created in 1933, the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) is the only state organization that represents municipal governments in Georgia. Based in Atlanta, GMA is a voluntary, non-profit organization that provides legislative advocacy, educational, employee benefit and technical consulting services to its members. GMA currently represents all 538 cities in Georgia. A 66-member Board of Directors, composed of city officials, governs GMA. Program implementation is charged to the Executive Director and staff of 91 full-time employees.

The annual dues are comprised of a base amount and a per capita amount based on the population of the City. Population figures are based on the most recent decennial census or federal census estimate. Additionally, consolidated governments receive a twenty-five percent (25%) discount on annual dues.

Funds are budgeted in the FY22 Budget: General Fund - Legislative – City Council - Membership Dues and Fees; 0101-100 – 1000 – CNCL - 6657.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION (GMA), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,921.64, FOR 2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.**

**WHEREAS**, created in 1933, the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) is the only state organization that represents municipal governments in Georgia. Based in Atlanta, GMA is a voluntary, non-profit organization that provides legislative advocacy, educational, employee benefit and technical consulting services to its members. GMA currently represents all 538 cities in Georgia. A 66-member Board of Directors, composed of city officials, governs GMA. Program implementation is charged to the Executive Director and staff of 91 full-time employees; and,

**WHEREAS**, the annual dues are comprised of a base amount and a per capita amount based on the population of the City. Population figures are based on the most recent decennial census or federal census estimate. Additionally, consolidated governments receive a twenty-five percent (25%) discount on annual dues.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to make payment to Georgia Municipal Association (GMA), in the amount of \$41,921.64, for 2022 membership dues for the City of Columbus, Georgia. Funds are budgeted in the FY22 Budget: General Fund - Legislative – City Council - Membership Dues and Fees; 0101-100 – 1000 – CNCL - 6657.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Barnes voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Crabb voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Davis voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Garrett voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor House voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Huff voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Thomas voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Tucker voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Woodson voting \_\_\_\_\_.

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor