

# **COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA**

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING** **MINUTES**

Council Chambers  
C. E. "Red" McDaniel City Services Center- Second Floor  
3111 Citizens Way, Columbus, GA 31906

June 17, 2025  
9:00 AM  
Regular Meeting

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### **M A Y O R ' S   A G E N D A**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors John Anker, Travis L. Chambers, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, Byron Hickey (arrived at 9:10), Bruce Huff (arrived at 9:52) and Toyia Tucker. Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore and Deputy Clerk of Council Tameka Colbert.

**ABSENT:** n/a

<b><u>The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet:</u></b> n/a
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<b><u>The following documents were distributed around the Council table:</u></b> (1) CM #11(B) Probate Court FY2025 Budget Overage Explanation
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Presiding

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Pastor Wayne Anthony, St. Peter UMC of Columbus, Georgia

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Skip Henderson

### **MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes for the June 10, 2025 Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Hickey and Huff being absent for the vote.

# **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

## **11. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **B. FY25 Probate Court Update - Judge Marc D'Antonio**

Requested amount pending from Probate Court.

**Judge Marc D' Antonio** approached the rostrum, reporting a projected total operating budget of approximately \$79,594. He explained that the budget overage was primarily attributed to increased expenditure on office supplies and the need to secure additional attorneys and a guardian ad litem.

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*NOTE: Councilor Hickey arrived at 9:10 p.m.*

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**Finance Director Angelica Alexander** advised that Judge D'Antonio is appearing before Council pursuant to Ordinance 13-39, as required if they are expected to exceed their FY25 Budget. The request is for an additional appropriation of \$18,249.

Councilor Hickey made a motion to approve the request for additional appropriation in the FY25 Budget for Probate Court in the amount of \$18,249, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote.

### **A. FY25 Juvenile Court Update - Judge Warner Kennon, Samantha Cannon**

Juvenile Court is requesting an estimated additional \$90,000 to cover FY25 expenses.

**Finance Director Angelica Alexander** advised that the Director of Juvenile Court Samantha Cannon is appearing before the Council pursuant to Ordinance 13-39, as they are expected to exceed their FY25 Budget. The request is for an additional appropriation of \$90,000, attorney's fees.

**Director of Juvenile Court Samantha Cannon** approached the rostrum, stating she is requesting an additional \$90,000 in the budget due to an increase in foster care cases and a significant rise in attorney fees. She noted that while such costs had been manageable in prior years, they have become unsustainable under the current budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the request for additional appropriation in the FY25 Budget for Juvenile Court in the amount of \$90,000, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote.

# **CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA**

## **ORDINANCES**

1. **Ordinance (25-033) - 2nd Reading:** REZN-04-25-0678: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **1012 31st Street** (parcel # 015-008-023) from Residential Multifamily – 2 (RMF2) to Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Chambers and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Huff being absent for the vote.
2. **Ordinance (25-034) - 2nd Reading:** REZN-004-25-0706: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **Schley Road and River Road** (part of parcel # 175-001-001, Lots PS20 and PS30) from Residential Estate – 10 (RE10) Zoning District to Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) Zoning District. (Planning Department and Staff recommend approval) (Councilor Davis) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Huff being absent for the vote.
3. **Ordinance (25-035) - 2nd Reading:** REZN-04-25-0743: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **101 23rd Street** (parcel # 007-026-0145) from Residential Multifamily – 2 (RMF2) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 4 (SFR4) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Cogle) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Huff being absent for the vote.
4. **Ordinance (25-036) - 2nd Reading:** An Ordinance providing for the establishment of taxing districts, including a county-wide general services district and three (3) urban services districts and three (3) Business Improvement Districts (BID); providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes for Columbus, Georgia within such districts for the year 2025 as provided under the Charter of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; providing penalties for violations of the provisions of said ordinance; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor

Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Huff being absent for the vote.

5. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes for the public school system of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

*(NOTE: The floor was then declared open for public comment. No citizens came forward.)*

## **RESOLUTIONS**

6. **Resolution (192-25)** – A Resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding various city issues during fiscal year 2026. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Councilor Tucker made a motion to amend the resolution by adding Ernest Lamont Greer (Greenberg Traurig LLP), Gwyn Newsom (Gwyn Newsom LLC), and Maxine Wallace (Maxine Wallace Law Firm), seconded by Councilor Anker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote.

Councilor Hickey made a motion to approve the resolution as amended, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote.

7. **Resolution (193-25)** – A Resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees to the Robbins Firm (Atlanta, Ga), in reference to a sheriff's investigation. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and found inconclusive by a four-to-five vote, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle and Garrett voting in favor, Councilors Anker, Crabb, Davis, Hickey and Tucker voting in opposition and Councilor Huff being absent for the vote.

**Councilor R. Walker Garrett** stated that his vote to approve payment of the attorney's fees was not an endorsement of the fee amount, which he characterized as excessive. He expressed concern that the \$45,000 total was unreasonable for a case that did not proceed to trial, noting the difficulty in auditing charges related to emails and phone calls. However, he acknowledged that pursuing an appeal could result in significantly higher costs, potentially exceeding six figures, thereby placing a greater financial burden on taxpayers. Councilor Garrett suggested that the matter be addressed

legislatively, possibly through statutory changes or the development of a pre-approved attorney list, to avoid similar issues in the future.

Councilor Crabb made a motion for reconsideration, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and continued with discussion to the motion.

Councilor Anker made a substitute motion to reimburse Reather Hollowell for a retainer fee paid for legal representation in the amount of \$5,000 and delay the payment of \$37,705, seconded by Councilor Davis and defeated by a five-to-six vote, with Councilors Anker, Crabb, Davis, Hickey and Tucker voting in favor, Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle, Garrett and Huff voting in opposition, and Mayor Henderson breaking the tie by voting in opposition.

The original motion from Councilor Crabb and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to reconsider approving the resolution as presented was called forward for a vote and was carried by a six-to-four vote, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle, Crabb, Garrett and Huff voting in favor and Councilor Anker, Davis, Hickey and Tucker voting in opposition.

#### **REFERRAL(S):**

##### **FOR THE DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY:**

- A request was made for a copy of the final bill detailing the attorney's fees. (*Request of Councilor Crabb*)
- A request was made for the item to be added to the legislative agenda and for the upcoming ACCG Legislative Luncheon in July. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)
- A request was made to reach out to the attorney to discuss whether their fees may be negotiable. (*Request of Councilors Davis & Hickey*)

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

City Attorney Fay announced that the Council is scheduled to enter Executive Session at approximately 11:00 a.m. to discuss matters related to property acquisition and disposal, potential litigation, and personnel.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA**

1. Mr. Robert Nerkowski, Re: Electric Vehicle Infrastructure, Public Transportation and Mental Health Treatment for the Homeless. ***Not Present***
2. Mr. Tony Gaskins, Re: City Government.
3. Mr. Timothy Veals, Re: Columbus Property Conditions.
4. Mr. Seda Eugenio, Re: Delayed Permit for Commercial Roof

*(Note: Mr. Christopher Hardin accompanied applicant and was recognized to speak during allotted time.)*

**Director of Inspections and Code Ryan Pruett** came forward, reporting that unpermitted work was observed at the subject property in mid-May, prompting the issuance of a stop work order. During follow-up, additional ongoing violations were identified, and a citation was subsequently issued. The matter is scheduled for a court hearing to determine the appropriate enforcement action. Director Pruett noted that under state law, certain types of commercial work require a licensed general contractor. He further advised that a contractor has since submitted a permit application on June 6, and the permit is expected to be issued within the next day.

### **REFERRAL(S):**

#### **FOR THE DIRECTOR OF INSPECTIONS AND CODE:**

- Provide a list of requirements of what constitutes a “dwelling” within a business property. *(Request of Councilor Cogle)*
- A request was made for a follow-up on the ongoing issues at Rolston Towers. *(Request of Councilor Hickey)*
- Provide information/timeline on the required repairs and the deadlines for those repairs to be completed at Rolston Towers. *(Request of Councilor Cogle)*

## **CITY MANAGER’S AGENDA**

1. **Property Sale - 1545 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Resolution (194-25)** – A resolution to sell the property located at 1545 14th avenue to the adjoining landowner, Columbus Housing Initiative, Inc., dba NeighborWorks, as outlined by Columbus Charter Section 7-501 paragraph 5, and to authorize the Mayor or his designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Chambers and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

## **2. Risk Management Legal Services**

**Resolution (195-25)** – A resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding Risk Management issues during Fiscal Year 2026. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

## **3. FEMA Fire Prevention & Safety Grant**

**Resolution (196-25)** – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for and accept if awarded a grant for a Comprehensive Risk Analysis of the wildfire threat in Muscogee County and the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan for \$250,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the FEMA Fire Protection & Safety grant program with no matching funds required. The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

*(Note: Deputy City Manager Goodwin stated after Item CM#9, there are matching funds required for Item CM#3, though the document presented listed there was not.)*

## **4. FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants - Officer Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention Grant Application**

**Resolution (197-25)** – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for, accept, and expend any awarded funds as per the grant guidelines and City regulations, if awarded, a grant of \$175,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants - officer recruitment, hiring and retention grant application, with no local match requirement, and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount awarded. Funds will be utilized to attract and retain the best law enforcement candidates who represent a variety of backgrounds, knowledge, and

experiences using novel or creative methods for recruitment and retention. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**5. FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants – Homelessness and Squatting grant application**

**Resolution (198-25)** – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for, accept, and expend any awarded funds as per the grant guidelines and city regulations, if awarded, a grant of \$175,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the U.S. Department Of Justice Office Of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants – homelessness and squatting grant application, with no local match requirement, and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount awarded. Funds will be utilized to assist MCSO with the implementation of innovative and collaborative programs for addressing the negative impacts of homelessness and squatting, with an emphasis on enforcement, prevention, and community collaboration. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**6. FY25 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Grant Application**

**Resolution (199-25)** – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for, accept, and expend any awarded funds as per the grant guidelines and city regulations, if awarded, a grant of \$200,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the U.S. Department Of Justice Office Of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY25 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) implementation projects, with no local match requirement, and to amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount awarded. Funds will aid in improving the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for MCSO sworn and civilian staff through the implementation of peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, and other promising practices for wellness programs. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**7. FY25 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement – Support for Law Enforcement Agencies Grant**

**Resolution (200-25)** – a resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for, accept, and expend any awarded funds as per the grant guidelines and city regulations, if awarded, a grant of \$500,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the U.S. Department Of Justice Office Of Community



Oriented Policing Services, FY25 safer outcomes: enhancing de-escalation and crisis response training for law enforcement – support for law enforcement agencies grant, with no local match requirement, and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount awarded. Funds will be utilized to promote safe outcomes during police encounters with persons in crisis through relevant training. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

#### **8. FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants – Violent Crime Prevention Grant Application**

**Resolution (201-25)** – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for, accept, and expend any awarded funds as per the grant guidelines and city regulations, if awarded, a grant of \$175,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the U.S. Department Of Justice Office Of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrants - violent crime prevention grant application, with no local match requirement, and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount awarded. Funds will be utilized to combat pressing issues such as street gang violence, gun violence, enforcement of gun laws, federal law enforcement engagement, child trafficking, and other serious criminal activities. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

#### **9. Risk Management Donations for Risk and Safety Day Community Event**

**Resolution (202-25)** – A resolution authorizing the acceptance of financial donations from external organizations and businesses to offset the costs of hosting a free risk and safety community event. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

In response to a question raised by Councilor Anker, **Finance Director Angelica Alexander** explained that individual departments are responsible for the management and oversight of grants, ensuring compliance with all outlined criteria. The Finance Department supports this process through a grant accountant, who assists with reconciliation and appropriate fund usage. Departments must also submit a checklist detailing specific information about the grant. She noted that the authority to apply for and accept grant funding rests with the Council and offered to provide Councilor Anker with the City's grants management policy. Additionally, she shared that the City recently closed an RFP for grant writing services. A committee is being assembled to review proposals, as part of efforts to strengthen oversight and administration of the grant process. The City is looking to secure a

contractor to support grant writing, in addition to the existing support provided by the Finance Department.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR DEPUTY CITY MANAGER GOODWIN:**

- In future instances when the City considers repurchasing property that was previously owned by Columbus Consolidated Government (CCG), it should be a requirement that CCG is granted the *first right of refusal*. Additionally, *the repurchase price should not exceed the original sale price*. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

**FOR THE FINANCE DIRECTOR:**

- A request was made for an update on the status of collections, including outstanding amounts that have not been collected, as well as a report on the status and operations of the Occupational Tax Revenue Department. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)
- Provide an update on the status of the RFP in the Business License Office and on the American Rescue Plan. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

**10. PURCHASES**

A. Bus Refurbishment Services for METRA – Washington State Transit Bus Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Resolution (203-25)** – A resolution authorizing bus refurbishment services for METRA from Complete Coach Works (Riverside, CA) in the total amount of \$1,231,530.00 (3 buses at \$410,510.00 each). The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via the Washington State Transit Bus Cooperative Contract #06719-05. Additionally, approval is requested to execute the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement required by the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

B. Bid Tabulation for: Hot Asphalt, Micro Surfacing & General Road Repair Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 25-0004

**Resolution (204-25)** – A resolution authorizing the execution of an annual contract for the provision of hot asphalt, micro surfacing and general road repair services on an “as needed” basis from The

Scruggs Company dba Robinson Paving Company (Columbus, GA) and Allen Asphalt Services, Inc (Smiths Station, AL). Public Works and the Engineering Department expended approximately \$2,759,532.00, per year, during the last 5-year contract for street repairs. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**C. Traffic Incident Management Services and Towing Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 25-0001**

A resolution authorizing Council to amend Resolution No. 182-25 to authorize the award for Traffic Incident Management Services and Towing Services (Annual Contract) to Griffin and Griffin Towing, Inc. (Columbus, GA) and Cole Towing & Recovery, Inc. (Columbus, GA). The vendors will provide Traffic Incident Management Services (TIMS), which are overseen by Public Safety Departments, and Towing Services for City-owned vehicles and equipment, on an “as needed” rotation basis which aligns with the intended award specified in the RFP. Negotiation is required to ensure pricing to citizens and the City are the same from both vendors per the RFP specifications. Councilor Tucker made a motion to deny approval of the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried by an eight-to-one vote, with Councilors Anker, Chambers, Cogle, Crabb, Garrett, Hickey, Huff and Tucker voting in favor and Mayor Pro Tem Allen voting in opposition, and Councilor Davis being absent for the vote.

**12. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. FY25 Juvenile Court Update - Judge Warner Kennon, Samantha Cannon**

Juvenile Court is requesting an estimated additional \$90,000 to cover FY25 expenses.

*(NOTE: This item was called upon earlier in the meeting during the Mayor’s Agenda.)*

**B. FY25 Probate Court Update - Judge Marc D'Antonio**

Requested amount pending from Probate Court.

*(NOTE: This item was called upon earlier in the meeting during the Mayor’s Agenda.)*

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition and disposal, potential litigation and personnel as requested by City Attorney Fay. Councilor Cogle made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent for the vote, and the time being 11:07 a.m.

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 11:39 a.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in Executive Session to discuss property acquisition and disposal, potential litigation and personnel; however, there were no votes taken.

## **CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA**

### **ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

#### **1. Minutes of the following boards:**

Development Authority of Columbus, Georgia 04.03.25

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Councilor Tucker made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**ADD-ON:** Resignation of Robert L. Wadkins, Jr. from his seat on the Civic Center Advisory Board to accept his appointment as the Corporate/Employment Attorney on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the resignation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED**

#### **2. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

##### **A. COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:**

A nominee for a new seat as a Certified Public Accountant, on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for a new seat as a Law Enforcement Representative, on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

**B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES' BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

A nominee for a vacant seat with a term expiring on June 30, 2025, as a representative of the Business Community on the Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

**3. COUNCIL DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

**A. CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Johnson Trawick (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term that expired on March 1, 2025, as the District 8 Representative on the Civic Center Advisory Board (*District 8 – Garrett*). There were none.

**B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

A nominee for the vacant seat of the District 1 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 1 – Hickey*). There were none.

**C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

A nominee for the District 2 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 2 – Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 3 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 3 – Huff*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 5 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 5 – Crabb*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 7 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 7 – Cogle*). Councilor Cogle nominated Ava McPherson, St. Luke. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

A nominee for the District 9 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 9 – Anker*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 10 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 10 – Chambers*). There were none.

**4. APPOINTMENTS – NOMINATIONS ARE CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:**

**A. COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:**

A nominee for a new seat as a Fort Benning Representative, on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority (*Confirmed by Council*). Clerk of Council McLemore stated Councilor Cogle is submitting the nomination of Charles Auer on behalf of the Fort Benning Garrison Command. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

**5. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

**A. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:**

A nominee for a vacant seat with an expired term as of August 15, 2023, on the Downtown Development Authority (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:**

A nominee for a vacant seat with the term expiring on June 30, 2027, as a Senatorial District 15 Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**C. NEW HORIZONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – MENTAL HEALTH, ADDICTIVE DISEASES AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES- COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Judge David Ranieri (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term expiring on June 30, 2025, on the New Horizons Behavioral Health – Mental Health, Addictive Diseases and Developmental Disabilities – Community Service Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**D. RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE:**

A nominee for the seat of Thomas Barron (*Not Eligible to serve another term*) for a term expiring on June 30, 2025, on the Retirees' Health Benefits Committee (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Garrett to adjourn the June 17, 2025, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the ten members present, with the time being 1:46 p.m.

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Lindsey G. McLemore  
Clerk of Council  
Council of Columbus, Georgia