

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 20, 2023
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Jerry "Pops" Barnes, Tyson Begly, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, Bruce Huff, Judy W. Thomas, and Toyia Tucker. City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis, and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore were present.

ABSENT: Councilors Joanne Cogle and R. Walker Garrett were absent from the meeting.

<u>The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet:</u> (1) Columbus City Hall Update Presentation

<u>The following documents were distributed around the Council table:</u> (1) Muscogee County Prison Information
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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Presiding

INVOCATION: Offered by Pastor Charles Enfinger - Narrow Way Executive Director and Pastor, of Columbus, Georgia

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. **TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS PUBLIC HEARING:** 9:00 a.m. The budget tentatively adopted by the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate. Therefore, before the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia Law requires that three public hearings be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on this increase.

City Attorney Clifton Fay began the Taxpayer Bill of Rights Public Hearing by stating the word "increase" is referring to the tax digest for all of Muscogee County. He stated the property values are expected to go up and as a result, three public hearings are required; but if a citizen has a homestead exemption, they will not see an increase.

Finance Director Angelica Alexander approached the rostrum to explain that each year the Board of Tax Assessors are required to assess the value of the taxable property in the county, which includes residential and commercial properties. She stated the State of Georgia requires the county to compute a rollback millage rate that would afford the county the same total revenue in taxes as the previous year had there been no reassessments. She stated for Urban Service District 1, the rollback millage is 17.53 mills, Urban Service District 2 is 11.53, and Urban Service District 4 is 10.63; which are the same rates that were in FY 2023 and are being proposed for FY 2024.

Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse approached the rostrum to respond to questions from the members of Council regarding the reassessment process and what is required of the Tax Assessor by the State of Georgia.

Mr. John Anker (477 Champions Way, Columbus, GA 31909) approached the rostrum to speak on the impact of increases on property taxes for business owners. He explained that business owners can only increase their prices so much before customers choose to go elsewhere.

Mr. Donald Hicks (5235 Gettysburg Way, Columbus, GA 31904) approached the rostrum to express his grievances regarding the property tax increases he has received for his various properties.

Ms. Yolanda Hunter (651 Southern Pines Drive, Columbus, GA 31907) approached the rostrum to speak on the topic she applied to speak on the Public Agenda, which is the vacant overgrown property. During her comments she expressed her concerns regarding her increase in property taxes with the poor condition of the properties surrounding her home.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Request for staff to speak with Mr. Donald Hicks regarding his concerns. (*Request of Councilor Huff*)
- Reserve a section on the August 29th Work Session Agenda for Councilors to list discussion topics that they want to address. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)
- Councilors send the Clerk of Council the topics they wish to discuss at the August 29th Work Session so the topics can be listed on the agenda. (*Request of Councilor Thomas*)
- Narrow down the discussion topics to three. (*Request of Councilor Barnes*)

MINUTES

2. Approval of minutes for the June 13, 2023 Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilors Begly and Thomas being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **Ordinance (23-028) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-03-23-0515: An Ordinance amending a condition of Ordinance No. 11-13 as it pertains to property located at **6395 Psalmond Road** (parcel # 120-001-034). (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (As amended 6-13-23.) (Mayor Pro Tem.) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilors Begly and Thomas being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
2. **Ordinance (23-029) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-03-24-0544: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **5335 Miller Road** (parcel # 099-008-024) from SFR1 (Single Family Residential 1) Zoning District to RO (Residential Office) Zoning District. (Planning Department

and PAC recommend approval) (1st Reading delayed 5-23-23) (Councilor Crabb) Councilor Crabb made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilors Begly and Thomas being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

3. **Ordinance (23-030) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-04-23-0630: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **910 Talbotton Road** (parcel # 016-027-001/002/003/016/022) from Residential Office (RO) Zoning District to Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Cogle) Councilor Barnes made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Begly being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
4. **Ordinance (23-031) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-04-23-0714: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **6700 & 6708 Green Island Drive** (parcel # 180-006-002 / 180-006-003) from Single Family Residential 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential 2 (SFR2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Davis) Councilor Davis made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Begly being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
5. **Ordinance (23-032) - 2nd Reading-** REZN CUVA: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain portions of a district known as the Conservation Use Valuation Assessment, from RE1 (Residential Estate 1) Zoning District to RE5 (Residential Estate 5) / RE10 (Residential Estate 10) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Mayor Pro-Tem and Councilor Davis) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Begly being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
6. **2nd Reading and Public Hearing-** An Ordinance adopting an operating and capital improvement budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget; and for other purposes. (as amended 6-13-23) (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion died for lack of a second.
7. **2nd Reading-** An Ordinance adopting non-operating budgets for the fiscal year 2024 beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion died for lack of a second.
8. **Ordinance (23-033) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance providing for contributions to the Columbus, Georgia General Government Employees' Pension Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to

adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

- 9. Ordinance (23-034) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance providing for the governmental contributions to the Columbus, Georgia Pension Plan for employees of the Department of Public Safety for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- 10. Ordinance (23-035) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Major Disability Income Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- 11. Ordinance (23-036) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Death Benefit Escrow for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- 12. Ordinance (23-037) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance amending Article VII of Chapter 13 of the Columbus Code Solid Waste Collection and Disposal by updating the guidelines for an offset to the residential rate for low-income households; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- 13. 2nd Reading-**An Ordinance to amend Section 20-21.1 of the Columbus Code to expand the authorized routes which may be used by Personal Transportation Vehicles (PTV's) which comply with all other conditions of the code section; and for other purposes. (as amended) (Councilor Cogle) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to delay, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- 14. 1st 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 2023 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)
- 15. 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. (Request of Muscogee County School District)

16. 1st Reading- An Ordinance adopting changes to the Evergreen Solutions recommended classification and pay plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Provide information on cost associated with the pay plan from FY 2023 to FY 2024. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)

17. 1st Reading- An Ordinance amending Section 3-15.2 of the Columbus Code to establish an entertainment district subject to the requirements of Columbus Code Section 3-15.1 at Midland Commons; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen stated for the record, he has not heard of anyone being in opposition to this amendment.

**At this point in the meeting, City Attorney Fay called forward items 6 and 7 from his agenda for a second time.*

6. 2nd Reading and Public Hearing- An Ordinance adopting an operating and capital improvement budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget; and for other purposes. (as amended 6-13-23) (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion died for lack of a second.

Finance Director Angelica Alexander explained if Council does not adopt a budget, the budget set for the previous fiscal year will go into effect on a month-to-month basis.

7. 2nd Reading- An Ordinance adopting non-operating budgets for the fiscal year 2024 beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget. (Budget Review Committee) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion died for lack of a second.

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Yolanda Hunter, Re: Vacant overgrown property. *Not Present; Note: Applicant came before Council during MA#1.*

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Street Acceptance –That portion of Omaha Drive and that portion of Yellow Pine Road, located in Addition to Section Five, Midland Downs & Adjoining Property.

Resolution (206-23): A resolution authorizing the acceptance of a deed to that portion of Omaha Drive and that portion of Yellow Pine Road located in addition to Section Five, Midland Downs &

adjoining property, on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Davis being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting. *(Upon returning to his respective seat, Councilor Huff requested that his vote be cast in the affirmative.)*

2. Agreement Regarding Parking Lot at 5601 Veteran’s Parkway

Resolution (207-23): A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement for the repair of the parking lot located at 5601 Veteran’s Parkway, Department of Public Health. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting. *(Upon returning to his respective seat, Councilor Huff requested that his vote be cast in the affirmative.)*

3. Integrated Waste Recycling Grant

Resolution (208-23): A resolution authorizing the application for grant funding to implement an educational and outreach program to enhance and grow our Community Residential Curbside Recycling Program. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting. *(Upon returning to his respective seat, Councilor Huff requested that his vote be cast in the affirmative.)*

4. Integrated Waste SERDC Infrastructure Recycling Grant

Resolution (209-23): A resolution authorizing the application and acceptance, if awarded, a grant from the Southeast Recycling Development Council in the amount of \$25,540.75, or as otherwise awarded, with no local match requirement, for the purchasing of recycling carts and to assist with education and outreach. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting. *(Upon returning to his respective seat, Councilor Huff requested that his vote be cast in the affirmative.)*

5 PURCHASES

- A. Assessment Entity for Promotional Testing Services for CPD (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 23-0025

Resolution (210-23): A resolution authorizing an agreement with the Mark Foster Company (Athens, GA) to provide an assessment center for promotional testing services for the Police Department for a period of five (5) years, with an option to renew for an additional five (5) twelve-month periods. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

- B. ArcGIS Installation and Migration Planning Support Services for Information Technology – Georgia State Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (211-23): A resolution authorizing the purchase of ArcGIS Enterprise Installation and Migration Planning Support Services from ESRI (Environmental Systems Research Institute), Inc. (Redlands, CA) in the amount of \$28,724.00. This purchase will be accomplished via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-AWP02242017-001. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve

the resolution, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

C. **Aerial Imagery Services and Related Planimetric Data for the Information Technology Department / GIS – Georgia Department of Community Affairs Cooperative Contract**

Resolution (212-23): A resolution authorizing the purchase of aerial imagery services and related planimetric data, to be used in the City’s Geographic Information System (GIS), from the Sanborn Map Company, Inc. (Colorado Springs, CO) in the amount of \$117,798.98. This price includes three (3) years of streaming imagery. This purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchasing via Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA), RFP Number 42800-DCA0000021. This resolution also authorizes payment for future annual maintenance and license renewals which will be budgeted in the appropriate fiscal years. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

IT Assistant Director John Broom approached the rostrum to respond to questions from Councilor Begly. He explained this resolution is for imagery services for public safety departments, Engineering, and other various departments throughout the city.

INFORMATION ONLY: EXIGENT “OFF THE LOT” VEHICLE PURCHASE – RESOLUTION NO. 067-23

ONE (1) MISCELLANEOUS MILITARY GATOR™ FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

On June 7, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) miscellaneous military Gator™ (International Automated) for the Parks and Recreation Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from SunSouth LLC (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$28,500.00. The vehicle will be used by the Athletics Division staff during tournaments to transport injured participants during events and to transport supplies to playing fields. This is a new vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Parks and Recreation – Athletics – Other Equipment; 0101-270-3410-ATHL-7762.

ONE (1) 2024 GMC SIERRA 2500HD PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On June 13, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 GMC Sierra 2500HD pickup truck for the Public Works Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from Glenn Smith Chevrolet, Inc. (Opelika, AL) at a unit price of \$56,378.00. The vehicle will be used by Rainwater Division staff as they check and perform maintenance on City sewer lines and watersheds. This is a new vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: Sewer (Stormwater) Fund – Public Works – Sewer Maintenance – Light Trucks; 0202-260-3210-SWRM-7722.

6 UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

A. City Hall Update - Ryan Pruett, Director, Inspections and Code

Inspections and Code Director Ryan Pruett approached the rostrum to provide an update on the Columbus City Hall Project. He explained that departments are beginning to transition to the new building starting this week. He also provided a timeline of moving dates for various departments.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Once departments have relocated from the City Services Center to the new City Hall, assign parking for the members of Council. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

B. MCP Update - Herbert Walker, Warden, Muscogee County Prison

Finance Director Angelica Alexander approached the rostrum to explain the Muscogee County Prison Warden is coming before Council pursuant to Ordinance 13-39, stating when a department anticipates exceeding their budgeted appropriations they must come before Council to request additional funds. She stated the prison is experiencing increases in the cost of inmate clothing, bedding, and healthcare.

Councilor Thomas made a motion to approve the addition of \$700,000 to the Muscogee County Prison's FY 2023 Budget, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

Warden Herbert Walker approached the rostrum to speak on the increase in the cost of food and how it has affected the budget.

Deputy Warden Daniel King approached the rostrum to provide information on the Muscogee County Prison and the budget.

BID ADVERTISEMENT

June 23, 2023

1. **Demolition Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 23-0024**

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting proposals for qualified vendors to provide all necessary equipment, materials, transportation, and labor for residential and commercial demolition services.

The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.

July 12, 2023

1. **Removal of Residual Ground Material & Removal and Disposal/Reuse of Large Tree Trunks (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 23-0043**

Scope of bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (City) invites qualified contractors to submit bids to provide the following services on an "as needed" basis:

Option 1: Residual waste removal on an "as needed" basis, for either Pine Grove or Granite Bluff Landfill. Such ground material could be used as fuel, mulch, or some other recyclable commodity.

Option 2: Removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks on an “as needed” basis.

The contract would be awarded to the vendor that can provide the greatest economic benefit to the City for each option.

The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.

July 14, 2023

2. Automated Speed Detection for School Zone Safety Enforcement (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 23-0036

Scope of RFP

The Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting proposals for automated speed detection for school zone safety enforcement systems and services, specifically LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) with ALPR (Automated License Plate Readers) functions to integrate with the existing Flock Safety system for the Columbus Police Department.

The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.

REFERRALS:

City Manager's Office Referrals 6.13.23

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. A resolution excusing Councilor Tyson Begly from the June 20, 2023 Council Meeting. Clerk of Council Davis withdrew this resolution.
2. **RESOLUTION (213-23)** - A resolution excusing Councilor Joanne Cogle from the June 20, 2023 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilors Begly and Thomas being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
3. **RESOLUTION (214-23)** - A resolution excusing Councilor R. Walker Garrett from the June 20, 2023 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilors Begly and Thomas being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
4. Email Correspondence from Mr. Stephen Waters resigning from his seat on the Animal Control Advisory Board. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Begly being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
5. **Minutes of the following boards:**

Animal Control Advisory Board, March 14, 2023

Board of Tax Assessors, #20-23

Crime Prevention Board, May 13, May 20, and June 3, 2020; February 16, April 14, April 28, May 12, May 26, and November 17, 2021

Employee Benefits Committee, August 24 and October 26, 2022; February 22, 2023

Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities, March 21, 2023

New Horizons Behavioral Health- Mental Health, Addictive Diseases and Developmental Disabilities- Community Service Board, January 10, February 14, March 14, May 9, June 13, August 15, September 12, October 10, and December 12, 2022

Retirees Health Benefits Committee, February 15, 2023

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Begly being absent for the vote, and Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

- A. BOARD OF FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:** Dr. Chandler Padgett was nominated to serve in the *Pediatric healthcare provider's seat* to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Tolua Puailoa. (*Councilor Barnes' nominee*) Term expires: June 30, 2025. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- B. BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS:** Ms. Jennifer S. Upshaw was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Rebecca Rumer and to serve a full term. (*Councilor Thomas' nominee*) Term expires: December 31, 2027. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- C. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:** Mr. Tyler Martindill was nominated to succeed Mr. Vincent Allen. (*Councilor Begly's nominee*) Term expires: March 24, 2025. Councilor Huff made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- D. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:** Ms. Dorris Bishop was nominated to succeed Mr. Matt Hornes as the *SD-15 Representative*. (*Councilor Begly's nominee*) Term expires: June 30, 2026. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.
- E. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:** Mr. David Houser was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Doug McLeod, Jr. as the *SD-15 Representative*. (*Councilor Thomas' nominee*) Term expires: June 30, 2024. Councilor Crabb made a motion for

confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

F. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION: Ms. Kimberly Wright was nominated to succeed Mr. William Bandy as the *SD-29 Representative*. (Councilor Thomas' nominee) Term expires: June 30, 2026. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

G. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION: Ms. Pamela Green Thomas was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Alyssa Williams as the *At-Large Representative*. (Councilor Thomas' nominee) Term expires: June 30, 2024. Councilor Huff made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

H. PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION: Mr. Rick Stallings was nominated to succeed Ms. Sheila Brown. (Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee) Term expires: August 31, 2026. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

I. REGION 6 REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES: Dr. Janet Bussey was nominated to succeed Ms. Cynthia Smith. (Councilor Barnes' nominee) Term expires: June 30, 2026. Councilor Barnes made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

J. RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE: Mr. John D. Hawk was nominated to succeed Mr. Mike Massey. (Councilor Thomas' nominee) Term expires: June 30, 2026. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Cogle and Garrett being absent from the meeting.

7. COUNCIL'S DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of Sendreka Lakes (*Seat declared vacant*) for a term that expires on March 27, 2024, as the District 9 Representative on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Council District 9- Thomas*). There were none.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Pamela Williams (*Seat declared vacant*) for a term that expires on October 31, 2023, as the District 2 Representative on the Public Safety Advisory Commission (*Council District 2- Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Jennifer S. Upshaw (*Resigned*) for a term that expires on October 31, 2023, as the District 5 Representative on the Public Safety Advisory Commission (*Council District 5- Crabb*). There were none.

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term that expires on October 31, 2023, as the District 6 Representative on the Public Safety Advisory Commission (*Council District 6- Allen*). There were none.

8. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

A. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

A nominee for the seat of Leila Carr (*Eligible to succeed – Not seeking reappointment*) for a term that expired on March 24, 2023, on the Building Authority of Columbus (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

B. COLUMBUS AQUATICS COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Bruce Samuels (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

C. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Lee Jordan (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2023, as a SD-29 Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Dr. Kar’retta Venable (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2023, as an At-Large Member on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

D. PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Gloria Thomas (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on August 31, 2023, on the Planning Advisory Commission (*Council’s Appointment*). Councilor Huff renominated Gloria Thomas to serve another term on the Planning Advisory Commission.

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

A. Audit Committee

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Huff to adjourn the June 20, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Cogle and Garrett being absent for the meeting, and the time being 12:18 p.m.

Sandra T. Davis, CMC
Clerk of Council
Council of Columbus, Georgia