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 10, 2025 9:00 AM Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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, Bruce Huff 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

The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet: n/a

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: n/a

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Presiding

INVOCATION: Offered by Dr. Ralph Huling, St. James Missionary Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Skip Henderson

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the June 03, 2025, Council Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. <u>TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS PUBLIC HEARING</u>: 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.

<u>City Attorney Clifton Fay</u> began the Taxpayer Bill of Rights Hearing by explaining the City Council is required to have a public hearing anytime the projected value of tax digest is expected to increase. He stated though the property values in the county are projected to increase, if a property owner has a Homestead Assessment Freeze, then their property taxes should not be affected.

Finance Director Angelica Alexander approached the rostrum to further explain the projected increase. She stated there are two types of increases that may cause some adjustment to the tax digest, inflationary increases with the reassessment of property values based on sales, and changes to the tax digest when there are new and/or improved properties coming onto the tax rolls. She went on to explain with new and improved properties coming onto the tax digest, the Tax Commissioner is required to calculate what is known as the Rollback Millage Rate, which is a millage that determines what we could assess the property values to collect the same tax revenue as the previous year with those assessed at a lower amount. She explained that the millage rates that were included in the Mayor's Recommended FY2026 Budget are the same as approved for the prior fiscal year, with Urban Service District #1 at 16.07 mills, Urban Service District #2 at 10.09 mills, and Urban Service District #4 at 9.19 mills.

In response to questions raised by councilors and citizens, <u>Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse</u> approached the rostrum and explained the most investor-owned properties are valued using a methodology that capitalizes the income stream into a value. She said when property rent is raised, the property's income increases, which leads to a higher property valuation. She also explained both her role and the methods she uses are determined by the state. She has very limited flexibility, as the state sets the valuation standards, methodologies, and required parameters for assessing properties.

<u>Finance Director Angelica Alexander</u> added that residential property owners who rent out property as a business are not required to pay occupational taxes.

During the discussion, <u>Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen</u> requested Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse and the Chairperson for the Board of Tax Assessors to return for Executive Session scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

<u>Councilor Charmaine Crabb</u> stated for the record, the Georgia Property Tax Freeze is not the cause for the increase in property taxes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Jason Hilton Concerned about the millage rate and significant increase in property taxes
- Kathy Tanner Concerned about increased millage rate and increase in property taxes
- Ricky Cummings Concerned about the increase in property taxes
- Clairmont Barnes Jr. Spoke about affordable homeownership
- *Marvin Broadwater Sr.* Spoke about the Taxpay Bill of Rights Public Hearings and how they are scheduled.
- Glover Gossett Inquired about market data used by the Tax Assessors Office
- Jeremy Hilton Raised concerns about the millage rate, increase in property taxes, capping the annual increase and income approach

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CHIEF APPRAISER:

- Provide the highest, lowest and mid-level assessed property and the criteria or methodology used to increase the assessed value. (*Request of Mayor Pro Tem Allen*)
- Explore and bring some options to help both investors and renters. (Councilor Chambers)

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA:

- A request was made that the subject of cap rates and income approach be added to the legislative agenda for further consideration. (*Request of Councilor Anker*)
- Look at the income and cap rate approach. (*Request of Councilor Anker*)

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance (25-026) - 2nd Reading- An ordinance adopting an operating and capital improvement budget for the Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor

Tucker made a motion to allow Councilors Crabb and Hickey to recuse themselves from voting on this item, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the ten members present. Councilor Tucker made a motion to pull Sections 7 and 19 from the ordinance to be voted on separately, seconded Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the ten members present. Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the operating and capital improvement ordinance for Fiscal Year 2026 omitting Sections 7 and 19, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by eight members of Council, with Councilors Crabb and Hickey being recused. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt Section 7 – Integrated Waste Management Fund Budget proposed in the amount the of \$18,637,447 and Section 19 – Community Development block Grant (CDBG) Budget proposed in the amount of \$1,812,296, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried by a six-to-vote, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle, Garrett, Huff and Tucker voting in favor, Councilors Anker and Davis voting in opposition, and Councilors Crabb and Hickey being recused.

(<u>NOTE</u>: An attachment was added to Ordinance No. 25-026 by the Clerk of Council to accurately reflect the separate votes taken on this item.)

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- Provide a presentation at the next work session to give a detailed explanation of the budget process. (*Request of Councilor Anker*)
- A request was made to include the information request by Councilor Crabb at the June 3, 2025, Council Meeting on vacant positions for a discussion at the next Work Session on the possibility of utilizing salary savings to reduce the rate for Integrated Waste. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)
- 2. Ordinance (25-027) 2nd Reading- An Ordinance adopting non-operating budgets for the fiscal year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Davis made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the ten members present.
- **3.** Ordinance (25-028) 2nd Reading- An Ordinance providing for contributions to the Columbus, Georgia General Government Employees' Pension Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Tucker made a motion to

adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

- **4. Ordinance** (25-029) 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, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.
- **5.** Ordinance (25-030) 2nd Reading- An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Major Disability Income Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.
- **6. Ordinance** (25-031) 2nd **Reading-** An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Death Benefit Escrow for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the ten members present.
- 7. Ordinance (25-032) 2nd Reading- An Ordinance amending Article VII of Chapter 13 of the Columbus Code Solid Waste Collection and Disposal to update the landfill, residential and commercial waste disposal fees, to update the guidelines for an offset to the residential rate for low-income households; and for other purposes (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried eight to two with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle, Crabb Garrett, Hickey, Huff and Tucker voting in favor and Councilors Anker and Davis opposed.
- 8. 1st 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)

(NOTE: The applicant was recognized as present, and the floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from the Council.)

9. 1st 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)

(NOTE: The applicant was not present, but the floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from the Council.)

10. 1st 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)

(NOTE: Ryan Clements, Aaron & Clements, Inc., was present to represent the applicant, and the floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from the Council.)

11. 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 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)

RESOLUTIONS

12. Resolution (184-25) – A resolution approving a special exception to allow an existing building located at 2510 Wynnton Road that are greater than 5,000 square feet under roof in a Neighborhood Commercial (NC) zoning district be granted a special exception to lift the 5,000 square feet use limitation. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Huff) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent for the vote.

Mr. Carson Cummings approached the rostrum as the previous owner of the property located at 2510 Wynnton Road. The current owner is requesting a special exception for a proposed plasma center. He addressed community concerns by sharing information about the center's operations, including employee salaries, business hours, and services. He explained the request is necessary because the zoning regulations require a special exception for single-use buildings over 5,000 square feet.

<u>Ms. Melissa Hugley</u> approached the rostrum and expressed her concerns regarding community meetings and engagement regarding this property. She also asked if there were any buyers that had interest in the building.

<u>Planning Director Will Johnson</u> approached the rostrum and explained that this is a special exception and not a rezoning. He further explained that this is not about the use of the property. He said the plasma center is a medical lab that's already allowed in that zoning classification. The special exception is only regarding the size of the use.

13. Resolution (185-25) — A resolution amending and restating Res. No. 127-25 to provide an additional exception to its requirements for situations where a third-party broker has been awarded a contract under the management of the purchasing Division of the Finance Department and that broker in turn is authorized to procure services for the consolidated government. (Mayor Pro-Tem) Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent for the vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and personnel as requested by City Attorney Fay. Councilor Crabb made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote, and the time being 10:57 a.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 12:31 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and personnel; however, there were no votes taken.

PUBLIC AGENDA

- 1. Ms. Annette Adams, Re: Appreciation and Suggestions for CPD
- 2. Ms. Radiah Mallard, Re: Observations as a Transplant and Community Advocate.
- 3. Mr. Antonio Hardge, representing Primetime Barbershop, LLC, Re: Denial of ARP Grant Application.

Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin explained the Chamber of Commerce and the City had different responsibilities in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) grant approval process. While the Chamber approved the grant, the city denied it based on regulatory requirements.

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge further explained that the business did not meet the requirements for the ARP funding because it did not have an active license before July 1, 2020. It closed on December 31, 2018, and the current license wasn't obtained until July 28, 2021.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- A request was made for the current balance of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund. (Request of Councilor Chambers)
- A request was made to provide the information and guidelines issued by the Governor during COVID-19 related to the opening and closing of businesses. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)
- 4. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, Re: City Manager Firing and Pension Plan.
- 5. Mr. John Michael Watford, Re: Mud Built Up on Roaring Branch Road. Not Present

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- Request for a streetsweeper to clean up the leaves on Roaring Branch Road. (Request of Councilor Chambers)
- 6. Mr. Lucas Melton, Re: Flat Rock Cleanup and City Personnel Changes.

- 7. Rev. Johnny Flakes, III, representing IMA, Re: The IMA's Position on the City Manager's Termination.
- 8. Mr. Mark Lawrence, Re: Working Things Out.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Marathon First Responder Grant

Resolution (186-25) – A resolution to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant for fire and rescue equipment to support Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services operations at the Marathon Petroleum facility and throughout the community in the amount of \$4,652.27, or as otherwise awarded, from the Marathon Community Investment Programs with no matching funds required. the multi-governmental fund will be amended by the amount of the award. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

2. Norfolk Southern Safety-First Grant – Fire/ EMS

Resolution (187-25) – A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant for seed money towards the purchase of a spot robot with public safety payloads for \$15,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, from the Norfolk Southern Safety-First grant program with no matching funds required. the multi-governmental fund will be amended by the amount of the award. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

3. Columbus Police Department: K-9 Ballistic Vests Donation

Resolution (188-25) – A resolution to accept generous donation from Dr. David Horiuchi and Dr. David Taylor for two (2) new ballistic vests. These vests are intended for two of the newly acquired k-9s recently added to the department. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Chambers and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

4. PURCHASES

A. Amendment 8 for Space Planning and Programming and Design Professional Services for Columbus Consolidated Government Center Project – RFQ No. 20-0001

Resolution (**189-25**) – A resolution authoring Council rescind Resolution No. 070-25 for Amendment 8 with The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Inc., (Orlando, FL), which is formerly CBRE/Heery, Inc., and reapprove Amendment 8 with The S/L/A/M Collaborative in the amount of \$294,000.00 for additional design costs related to floor plan changes in Judicial Center and City Hall projects. The amount will be divided as follows: \$194,000 is allotted for Judicial Center costs and \$100,000 is allotted for City Hall costs. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

B. Contract Extension for Concessionaire Services for Government Center Complex – RFP No. 19-0013

Resolution (190-25) – A resolution authorizing the extension of the annual contract with Chester's Barbecue (Columbus, GA) to provide Concessionaire Services for the Government Center Complex, until such time as the building closes tentatively in August 2026. A new RFP will be issued at the appropriate time. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

C. IPlanTables Workstations for the Engineering Department

Resolution (191-25) – A resolution authorizing the purchase of five (5) IPlanTables Workstations for the Engineering Department, from IProject Solutions, LLC, (Saint Joseph, MO), in the amount of \$62,615.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the ten members present.

After Councilor Hickey expressed concerns about the maintenance of a specific apartment complex, **Inspections and Code Director Ryan Pruett** explained that under Chapter 8 of the Columbus Code of Ordinances, a full inspection is conducted when a property maintenance issue arises between a landlord and tenant. Any code violations are documented, and the landlord is notified and given a reasonable time to make corrections. If the landlord fails to comply, they can be issued a citation.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- It was requested for staff to investigate and provide an update on a developing sinkhole on the block of Wells Drive between 17th Street and Macon Road. (*Request of Councilor Huff*)
- A request was made for data on the number of complaints received regarding Patriot Place Apartments. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY:

- A request was made for staff to confirm whether an ordinance was created in possibly May 2023 waiving fees to exhume veterans from pauper burials at East Porterdale Cemetery. (Request of Councilor Tucker)

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. Minutes of the following boards:

Board of Tax Assessors, #18-25

Columbus Board of Health, 02.26.25

Columbus Board of Health, 03.26.25

Columbus Board of Health, 04.23.25

Crime Prevention 05.14.25

Hospital Authority of Columbus, Georgia, 04.29.25

Personnel Review Board 05.21.25

Councilor Tucker made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

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.

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council (*Mayor's Nominee*). Mayor Henderson nominated Katie Dodson, Columbus High School, to serve on the Youth Advisory Council. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

3. APPOINTMENTS – NOMINATIONS ARE CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. <u>COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:</u>

A nominee for the new seat of the Trade Center Representative on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority (*Confirmed by Council*). Councilor Cogle nominated Morgan Moore as the Columbus Convention & Trade Center Representative. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

A nominee for the new seat of the Fort Benning Representative on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority (Fort Benning Garrison Command's Nomination – Confirmed by Council). There were none.

4. <u>COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – READY FOR CONFIRMATION:</u>

- **A. DOWNTOWN DEVELOMENT AUTHORITY:** Bruce McPherson was nominated to succeed Ernest Smallman, IV. (*Councilor Cogle's nominee*) Term expires: August 15, 2025. *Note: In accordance with established term dates, Mr. McPherson will be listed as eligible for reappointment in July. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.
- **B.** <u>RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE:</u> Cheryl Tate was renominated to serve another term. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee*) Term expires: June 30, 2029. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

5. <u>COUNCIL DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:</u>

A. 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.

B. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the District 1 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council ($District\ 1 - Hickey$). Councilor Hickey nominated Meagan Hatcher, Pacelli High School. Councilor Hickey made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

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 4 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 4 – Tucker*). Councilor Tucker nominated Javi Moore, Shaw High School. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote.

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). There were none.

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.

6. <u>COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:</u>

A. <u>COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:</u>

A nominee for a new seat as a Promotional Entity-Professional Hockey Representative, on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. (Council's Appointment). There were none.

B. <u>DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:</u>

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

C. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

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

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

A nominee for the seat 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.

E. RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE:

A nominee for the 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.

PUBLIC AGENDA (continued):

2. Ms. Radiah Mallard, Re: Observations as a Transplant and Community Advocate.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Garrett to adjourn the June 10, 2025, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being for the vote, with the time being 1:46 p.m.

Linday C. Malaman

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