



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Commissioners Present: Pace Halter, Chair; Sherricka Day, Vice Chair; Dan Gilbert, Secretary/Treasurer; Pete Jones, Miller Robinson, Michelle Spivey, and Mayor Skip Henderson (Outgoing Commissioners Present: Lauren Becker and Miles Greathouse)

Commissioners Absent: Amy Bryan and Alex Naik

Staff Present: Ashley Woitena, Danielle Ackerman, and Kim Gonzalez

Special Invitees Present: Craig Howard; Columbus Sports Council and Steve Morse: Uptown Columbus, Inc.

Call to OrderAshley Woitena

- The January 2026 meeting was called to order by Ashley Woitena at 8:30 am for the annual election of officers. Ms. Woitena presented the slate of officers to remain the same as the prior year with Pace Halter as Chair, Sherricka Day as Vice Chair, and Dan Gilbert as Secretary/Treasurer. She then asked for nominations from the floor and there being none, a motion was made by Michelle Spivey and seconded by Pete Jones to accept the slate of officers as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion was passed. Ms. Woitena then adjourned the meeting and turned it over to Pace Halter.

Call to OrderPace Halter

- The meeting was reconvened by Pace Halter at 8:32am.

Secretary Treasurer Report.....Dan Gilbert

- Dan Gilbert presented the consent agenda that included minutes for the November 2025 meeting and financials for November & December 2025. He asked if there were any questions or discussion. There being none, a motion was made by Michelle Spivey to approve the minutes and financials, seconded by Pete Jones. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

Chair Report.....Pace Halter

- Mr. Halter welcomed new Board Member Miller Robinson. He noted that one Board seat remains vacant and that the Mayor's office is engaged in a final candidate for appointment.
- He then thanked outgoing Board Members, Lauren Becker and Miles Greathouse, for their dedicated years of service on the VisitColumbusGA Board.

- Pace Halter asked the Board to review and sign the Conflict-of-interest, and the Board Agreement documents before leaving the meeting.

President’s Report.....Ashley Woitena

- Ashley Woitena turned the meeting over to Danielle Ackerman to present the FY 2025 End of Year Analysis.
- Ms. Woitena discussed the upcoming Board Retreat, February 17th-18th, and Strategic Plan Update.
- She then informed the Board of the **new** Delinquency report received from the City each month. This report shows hotels and vacation rentals that are delinquent in filing their monthly tax reports.
- Next, Ashley presented recent VisitColumbusGA accolades and awards.

Adjournment.....Pace Halter

- With no further business, Mr. Halter adjourned the meeting at 9:36am.