

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>GMA Hub Cities Conference Donations</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to accept donations in support of the Georgia Municipal Association’s Hub Cities Conference that Columbus, in partnership with Georgia Power, will host beginning September 29 - 30, 2021. Mayors and City Managers from 13 participating metropolitan areas meet regularly to discuss various topics and/or challenges impacting their communities.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>City Manager’s Office</b>

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to accept donations in support of the GMA Hub Cities Conference.

**Background:** The Georgia Municipal Association’s Hub Cities Initiative was established in 2013 as a result of collaborative innovation relative to GMA’s Annual Mayor’s Day Conference. Mayors and City Managers from 13 participating metropolitan areas meet regularly to discuss various topics and/or challenges impacting their communities including but not limited to transportation, education, taxes, job creation and homelessness.

**Analysis:** Columbus, in partnership with Georgia Power, will host the next Hub Cities Conference beginning September 29 - 30, 2021.

**Financial Considerations:** Donations will be accepted and expended to cover meeting room and food expenses to host the conference.

**Legal Considerations:** Council’s approval is required to accept donations and expend funds for said expenses.

**Recommendations/Actions:** Approve a resolution to accept donations in support of the GMA Hub Cities Conference.

**A RESOLUTION**  
**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION’S HUB CITIES CONFERENCE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Municipal Association (“GMA”) Hub Cities Initiative was established in 2013 as a result of collaborative innovation relative to GMA’s Annual Mayor’s Day Conference; and,

**WHEREAS**, Mayors and City Managers from 13 participating metropolitan areas meet regularly to discuss various topics and/or challenges impacting their communities including but not to transportation, education, taxes, job creation and homelessness; and,

**WHEREAS**, Columbus, in partnership with Georgia Power, will host the next Hub Cities Conference beginning September 29 - 30, 2021; and,

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

That the Mayor, City Manager and Finance Director are hereby authorized to accept donations in support of the GMA Hub Cities Initiative, and to expend such monies to cover said expenses relative to the cost of hosting the Conference, with the City Manager’s approval, for the following expenses:

Meeting Room and Food Expenses to include food and beverages during reception and dinner.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 14th day of September, 2021, adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.
Councilor Woodson voting	_____.