

COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
Second Floor of City Services Center
311 Citizens Way, Columbus, GA 31906

March 10, 2020
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, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis (arrived at 9:10 a.m.), R. Walker Garrett (arrived at 9:03 a.m.), John M. House, Bruce Huff (arrived at 9:11 a.m.), Judy W. Thomas, Valerie A. Thompson and Evelyn ‘Mimi’ Woodson (arrived at 9:03 a.m.). City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey McLemore.

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) Public Safety Advisory Commission – Consolidation of Marshal’s Office with the Sheriff’s Office Brochure; (2) Criminal Justice Reform Summit Information; (3) Integrated Healthcare- A Collaborative Partnership Packet; (4) Liberty Theatre Operations & Programming Presentation; (5) Dragonfly Trails Update Presentation; (6) Monthly Financial Snapshot (Unaudited) FY2020- February 2020; (7) Streets Division- Asphalt Repair and Vendor Information Presentation; (8) Request from Richard L. Gilbert and Property Assessment for 1919 Garrard Street, Lot 7, Columbus, GA 31906.

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Pastor Maurice Mickles- Greater Beulah Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by students from Mrs. Doerr’s Kindergarten Class.

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the February 25, 2020 Council Meeting and February 11, 2020 Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Huff being absent for the vote.

UPDATE:

2. An update on COVID-19.

Mayor B. H. ‘Skip’ Henderson gave a verbal update on COVID-19 and the resources available for citizens to get up-to-date information.

PUBLIC AGENDA:

Ms. Gloria Strode, representing United States Census Bureau, Re: 2020 Census- April 1, 2020. (*NOTE: This item was called up as the next order of business as listed on the Public Agenda as Item 8).*

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **1st Reading - REZN-01-20-1016:** An ordinance rezoning approximately 0.21 acres of land located at 401 35th Street. The current zoning is RO (Residential Office) zoning district. The proposed zoning is RMF1 (Residential Multifamily 1) zoning district. The proposed use is Residential. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department recommend **approval**. The Applicant is NeighborWorks Columbus. (Councilor Garrett)

Mr. Lance Renfrow, Service Line Manager- Real Estate (NeighborWorks) came forward to give information on the proposed rezoning.

With there being no further comments from the audience, City Attorney Fay concluded that the public hearing has been held.

PUBLIC AGENDA

{Public Comments were provided by the individuals listed below; unless otherwise stated.}

1. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: The connection between poverty and crime and the commitment of "Columbus Organizing Together" to address access to affordable housing and ending the school-to-prison pipeline.

(NOTE: At the request of Ms. El-Amin, this matter was called upon later in the meeting before the conclusion of the Public Agenda.)

2. Mr. Chris Breault, Re: Policing, Law Enforcement and Rule of Law. *(Mr. Breault was not present.)*
3. Mr. Edward Dubose, Re: Marshal's Office realignment.

UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Consolidation of the Marshal's Office under the Sheriff's Office - Reather Hollowell, Human Resources Director. *(NOTE: This presentation was called up as the next order of business as listed on the City Manager's Agenda Item 13 "A")*

Director Reather Hollowell (Human Resources) came forward to give a presentation on the consolidation of the Marshal's Office under the Sheriff's Office.

4. Ms. Andrea Winston, Rev. Lowell Cliatt and Susan Gallagher, representing New Horizon's Behavioral Health, Re: Integrative Health partnership between New Horizon's Behavioral Health and the Tree of Life.
5. Ms. Leslie Jackson, Re: The homes sold without disclosing information pertaining to issues with the structure.
6. Ms. Audrey Holston Palmore, Re: An appeal to the Council to render a motion of approval for a meeting with the Risk Manager of the Columbus Consolidated Government.
7. Mr. Hooper A. Turner, Jr., Re: A city bid on the Spider Web. *(Mr. Turner was not present.)*
8. Ms. Gloria Strode, representing United States Census Bureau, Re: 2020 Census- April 1, 2020.

(NOTE: This item was called upon earlier in the meeting before the conclusion of the Mayor's Agenda.)

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Uptown Tax Allocation District Fund Grant – Riverfront Place

Resolution (049-20): A resolution authorizing a grant from the Uptown Tax Allocation District Fund to the W.C. Bradley Company Real Estate and Riverfront Place, LLC, to support the construction of certain public infrastructure improvements to include construction of a shared public underground parking facility to support the development known as Riverfront Place in an amount not to exceed thirty-eight million dollars (\$38,000,000) over a 19 year period; authorizing the negotiation, execution, and delivery of a development agreement and ancillary documents in connection with such allocation; and for other purposes. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested for an Uptown Tax Allocation District (TAD) grant to W.C. Bradley Company Real Estate to support the construction of a shared underground parking facility and certain public infrastructure improvements for the Riverfront Place development.

Mr. Pace Halter, President & CEO, W.C. Bradley Real Estate came forward to show gratitude for the Council's approval.

2. Uptown Tax Allocation District Fund Grant – Uptown Connection

Resolution (050-20): A resolution authorizing a grant from the Uptown Tax Allocation District Fund to the RAM Broadway Hospitality, LLC., to support the construction of certain public infrastructure improvements to include construction of a walkway to connect Broadway to Front Avenue for the development known as the AC Marriot Hotel in an amount not to exceed one million seven hundred sixty-four thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,764,100); authorizing the negotiation, execution, and delivery of a development agreement and ancillary documents in connection with such allocation; and for other purposes. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested for an Uptown Tax Allocation District (TAD) grant to RAM Broadway Hospitality, LLC to support the conversion of an existing alleyway adjacent to the new AC Marriott hotel into an interactive space for pedestrian traffic between Broadway and Front Avenue.

Planning Director Rick Jones came forward to respond to questions asked by those members of Council present.

3. Liberty Theater

Approval is requested to accept the Liberty Theater. The revitalization of the Liberty Theater will preserve this historic structure in the Liberty District. There will be minimal cost to accept the donation of the Liberty Theater. The annual operating budget is anticipated to be \$150,000 for direct expenditures plus additional pass thru expenditures with the expectation for programming to offset the expenditures after the facility is revitalized. The facility will be programmed and managed by the existing staff of the Civic Center. Councilor Barnes made a motion to approve.

City Manager Isaiah Hugley stated after all the calls he received, he is requesting that this item be tabled. He then called upon Deputy City Manager Goodwin to provide more details.

Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin came forward to give a presentation on the Liberty Theatre proposed operation costs and programming if the City were to take over ownership of the property.

City Manager Hugley explained the critical timing to include the \$3 million needed to repair and renovate the building as part of the SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax). If the city doesn't own the building, it would not be a SPLOST project.

Councilor Huff advised of an interest in putting together an independent group to discuss the finances, a new board and operation of the Liberty Theatre. Therefore, his request is for a delay for this new group to be able to put together a plan and come back to present it to the Council.

Councilor House suggested April 28, 2020 as the deadline date for the group to come before Council to tell us the plan; since, May is when the Administration would go out with the SPLOST project list.

City Manager Isaiah Hugley reiterated that he would not bring this matter forward; unless, a member of Council or another entity wishes to bring it back.

Councilor Barnes' motion for approval dies for the lack of a second.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Provide information on the deadline to accept ownership of the property. (*Request of Councilor Woodson*)
- Consider a public/private partnership for the renovation project of the Liberty Theatre. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)

4. Housing Authority of Columbus for Redevelopment of Chase Homes - Memorandum of Agreement

Resolution (051-20): A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Booker T. Washington Redevelopment with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and a new Memorandum of Agreement for the Chase Homes Redevelopment for \$1 million with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia, and execute required HUD documents. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement for the Redevelopment of Chase Homes with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia d.b.a. Mill District I, L.P. and enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Redevelopment of the Booker T. Washington Apartments with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and execute other documents as required by HUD.

At this time, **Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge** approached the rostrum and explained this item as a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Chase Homes Project for \$1,000,000, paid out over 4 years, at 250,000 per year. She also stated there is a correction needed to be made to the staff report, the MOA is not with Mill District I, L.P. but with the Housing Authority.

5. Abandonment of a 10' Drainage and Utility Easement - 519 Wilder Drive

Resolution (052-20): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the City Manager to execute a quit claim deed to Brenda M. and Alvin Day for the existing drainage and utility easement as shown located at 519 Wilder Drive as shown on Exhibit A, Parcel "F" Survey of Parcel D, E, and F of Tract 1 on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to execute a Quit Claim Deed in order to Abandon the 10' Drainage and Utility Easement located on the rear portion running along the entire length of the western property line of Parcel "F" also known as 519 Wilder Drive. Homeowners of 519 Wilder Drive is requesting to have the entire 10' drainage and utility easement be abandoned in order to construct an addition to the rear of their home. The Engineering Department has found no present or future use of existing easement.

6. Abandonment of a 10' Drainage and Utility Easement – 516 Parkwood Drive

Resolution (053-20): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the City Manager to execute a quit claim deed to Brenda M. Day for the Existing drainage and utility easement as shown located at 516 Parkwood Drive as shown on Exhibit A, Lot 3, Block F located in Section One, Parkwood Subdivision on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to execute a Quit Claim Deed in order to Abandon the 10' Drainage and Utility Easement located on the rear portion running along the entire length of the eastern property line of Lot 3 Block F located in Section One, Parkwood Subdivision also known as 516 Parkwood Drive. The homeowner of 516 Parkwood Drive is requesting to have the entire 10' drainage and utility easement be abandoned in order to construct an addition to the rear of the home. The Engineering Department has found no present or future use of existing easement.

7. Street Acceptance – Mountain Ivy Court, Wilson Ivy Court and that portion of Mountain Ivy Drive located in Section One, Phase Two, North Ivy Park

Resolution (054-20): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the acceptance of a deed Mountain Ivy Court, Wilson Ivy Court and that portion of Mountain Ivy Drive located in Section One, Phase Two, North Ivy Park on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. 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 Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Mountain Ivy Court, Wilson Ivy Court and that portion of Mountain Ivy Drive located in Section One, Phase Two, North Ivy Park. The Engineering Department has inspected said streets and recommends acceptance.

8. Family Drug Court Accountability Court State Grant Request

Resolution (055-20): A resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for a grant to fund the Muscogee County Family Drug Court in an amount up to \$300,000.00 and if awarded, amended the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the grant award. There is a 10% local match requirement and the grant period is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Family Drug Court up to \$300,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The City is required to provide a 10% cash match to participate in this grant program. Cash match is available through public defender and guardian ad litem allocations in the Juvenile Court departmental budget.

9. Juvenile Drug Court Accountability Court State Grant Request

Resolution (056-20): A resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for a grant to fund the Muscogee County Juvenile Drug Court in an amount up to \$300,000.00 and if awarded, amended the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the grant award. There is a 10% local match requirement and the grant period is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Juvenile Drug Court up to \$300,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The City is required to provide a 10% cash match to participate in this grant program. Cash match is available through case manager salary allocations in the Juvenile Court departmental budget.

10. Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Request

Resolution (057-20): A resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for a grant to fund the Muscogee County Juvenile Court and if awarded accept the grant and amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the grant award for the grant period is from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. 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 Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds up to \$750,000 from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Juvenile Court and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2020 to July 30, 2021. The City is not required to provide matching funds to participate in this grant program.

11. Donation of Scoreboards – Double Churches Ballfields

Resolution (058-20): A resolution authorizing the City to approve and accept the donation of two (2) scoreboards from American Little League for Double Churches Park Fields. Councilor Huff

made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

Approval is requested to accept a donation of two (2) scoreboards, valued at \$12,756.80, from American Little League for Double Churches Fields.

12. PURCHASES

- A. Concession Food Items, Supplies/Equipment for the Civic Center – Sourcewell (NJPA) Cooperative Contract

Resolution (059-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase of concession food items, supplies and equipment from US Foods (Rosemont, IL), by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell (NJP) Contract Number 112917-USF. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- B. Transmissions & Transmission Services for Public Works (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0011

Resolution (060-20): A resolution authorizing an annual service contract for various types of transmissions with AAMCO of Columbus (Columbus, GA). The Public Works Department anticipates an annual contract value of \$127,000.00 based on prior years' usage and inflation. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- C. Wheel Alignment and Balance Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0002

Resolution (061-20): A resolution authorizing an annual service contract for wheel alignment and balance services with Columbus Spring Service, Inc. (Columbus, GA). The Public Works Department anticipates an annual contract value of \$29,400.00 based on prior years' usage and inflation. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- D. Bucket Truck with Aerial Device – RFB No. 20-0044

Resolution (062-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) Bucket Truck Cab and Chassis (2020 FCA/RAM/4500 DP4L63) from Alan Jay Automotive Management (Sebring, FL) in the amount of \$41,078.00; and one (1) Bucket Truck Aerial Device (Versalift SST-37EIH) from Versalift Southeast (Knoxville, TN) in the amount of \$58,594.00, for a grand total price of \$99,672.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- E. Service Truck – RFB No. 20-0043

Resolution (063-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) Service Truck (2020 Ford F350/Reading) from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$40,518.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- F. Miscellaneous Equipment, Option 6: Asphalt Hotbox with Infrared Recycler – RFB No. 20-0021

Resolution (064-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) Asphalt Hot Box with Infrared Recycler (2020 Spaulding 4-Ton Road Saver) from Wastebuilt Environmental Solutions (Austell, GA) at a unit price of \$39,485.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- G. PI 0011436 - Muscogee County Buena Vista Road Improvements at Spiderweb - Phase I – RFB No. 20-0035

Resolution (065-20): A resolution authorizing the execution of a construction contract with Robinson Paving Company (Columbus, GA) in the amount of \$5,285,605.85 for Phase I of the Buena Vista Road Improvements at the Spiderweb. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- H. Miscellaneous Equipment, Option 4: Zero-Turn Mowers w/Metal Collection Unit – RFB No. 20-0021

Resolution (066-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) Zero-Turn Mowers with metal collection units (2020 John Deere Z970R ZTrak w/ John Deere 14 Bushel 3-Bag MCS) from Deere & Company (Cary, NC), delivering Dealer SunSouth, LLC (Columbus, GA), via Sourcewell (formally NJPA) per Cooperative Contract #062117-DAC, at a unit price \$15, 209.77, for a total price of \$30,419.54 for two (2) units. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- I. Contract Extension for Inmate Food Service Management for Muscogee County Jail (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 13-0032

Resolution (067-20): A resolution authorizing the extension of an annual contract with Trinity Services Group, Inc. (Oldsmar, GA) for Inmate Food Service Management for the Muscogee County Jail. The extension will be until June 30, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- J. Tire Leasing Services for City Buses (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0028

Resolution (068-20): A resolution authorizing the annual contract for Tire Leasing Services from Michelin North America, Inc. (Greenville, SC), for the estimated contract value of \$31,750.92 for the first year, \$33,359.47 for the second year, \$35,030.45 for the third year, and the total estimated three-year contract value of \$100,140.84. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

- K. Cleaning Services for Architectural Facades and Monuments at Ft Benning Gateway – RFP No. 20-0010

Resolution (069-20): A resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with the Business Transformation Company (Columbus, GA) to provide cleaning services for two architectural facades and monuments located at the Ft. Benning Gateway (I 185/Ft. Benning & Columbus). The vendor's cost proposal is within budget for this project. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to

approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

L. Electronic Validating Fare Boxes for METRA

Resolution (070-20): A resolution authorizing the purchase authorizing the purchase of two (2) Odyssey Electronic Validating Fareboxes from Genfare – A Division of SPX Corporation (Elk Grove Village, IL), in the amount of \$30,944.00 (\$15,367.00 each, plus \$210.00 freight), to be installed on two (2) Metra Dial-A-Ride Buses. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

M. Repair Services for Al Jon Compactor for Public Works

Resolution (071-20): A resolution authorizing the payment to Flint Equipment Company (Columbus, GA Location), in the estimated amount of \$39,856.59, for repairs required for an AL Jon Compactor, Vehicle #10916. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

N. Repair Services for the Natatorium PoolPak® System

Resolution (072-20): A resolution authorizing the repair services from HESCO HVAC Equipment Services Company (Roswell, GA), in the estimated amount of \$125,787.00, for the Natatorium PoolPak® System. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Garrett being absent for the vote.

13. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Consolidation of the Marshal's Office under the Sheriff's Office - Reather Hollowell, Human Resources Director.

(NOTE: This presentation, as provided by City Manager Hugley, was called upon earlier in the meeting before the conclusion of the Public Agenda.)

- B. Dragonfly Trail Update - Becca Zajac, Executive Director.

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge came forward to introduce the Dragonfly Trail Update, given by Ms. Becca Zajac.

Ms. Becca Zajac, Executive Director came forward to give an update on the Dragonfly Project.

- C. Monthly Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director.

Finance Director Angelica Alexander approached the rostrum to give a monthly finance update and go over the information provided in the Monthly Financial Snapshot for February 2020.

GOVERNMENT CENTER, GROUND FLOOR RESTROOMS:

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- A complaint was received regarding the restrooms utilized by the jury pool on the Ground Floor of the Government Center being coed. Request for appropriate signage to be placed outside of these restrooms, informing the public they are coed restrooms. (*Request of Mayor Pro Tem Allen*)

- D. Asphalt Repair and Vendor Information – Kyle McGee, Public Works Deputy Director of External Operations (ADD-ON).

Public Works Deputy Director Kyle McGee came forward to give a presentation on various means of asphalt repair and vendor information.

BID ADVERTISEMENT

March 11, 2020

1. Oil & Lubricants for Public Works (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0027

Scope of RFB

Provide various types of oil & lubricants on an “as needed” basis to the Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) to be utilized by Public Works Department. The term of this contract shall be for two (2) years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

2. Dumpster/Roll Off Container Rental and Servicing (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0053

Scope of Bid

Provide dumpsters/roll off containers on a rental basis, to include servicing the equipment as needed. The contract term will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

3. Sports/Uniform Active Apparel (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0006

Scope of Bid

Provide sports/uniform active apparel to include: Tee shirts, sweatshirts, polo shirts, hats, caps, jackets, etc. to the Public Works Department, Columbus Fire & EMS Department, Parks & Recreation Department, METRA Transportation Department and other Departments. The items will be purchased on an “as needed” basis. The term of the contract shall be for two (2) years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

4. Portable Toilet & Rental Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0054

Scope of Bid

The Columbus Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) is seeking vendors to provide portable toilets, hand washing stations and grey water collection containers at various City location sites. The contract term will be for two (2) years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

March 13, 2020

1. Integrated Transit System (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 20-0015

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government invites qualified vendors to submit proposals to provide and support an Integrated Transit System (ITS) for the fixed-route fleet of Metra Transit System.

Option: Columbus Consolidated Government reserves the option of including on-board, passenger Wi-Fi for *all* fleet vehicles, including vehicles in its demand response/paratransit fleet.

The term of this contract shall be for three (3) years.

March 18, 2020

1. Heating & Refrigeration Supplies (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0047

Scope of RFB

Provide heating and refrigeration supplies on an “as needed basis” to be picked up or delivered to Columbus Consolidated Government. The contract term will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

March 25, 2020

1. Tree Removal & Stump Grinding/Removal Services (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0051

Scope of RFB

Provide Columbus Consolidated Government with professional services on as “as needed basis” for the following options:

Option 1) Remove trees (and all related debris) throughout the City on an “as needed” basis.

Option 2) Provide stump grinding/removal services throughout the City on an “as needed” basis.

Vendors may bid on either or both options. The contract term will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. **RESOLUTION (073-20)**: A resolution excusing Councilor Evelyn “Mimi” Woodson from the February 25, 2020 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.
2. **Minutes of the Following Board:**
 - Airport Commission, November 11 and December 19, 2019 and January 24, 2020.
 - Board of Historic & Architectural Review, November 12 and December 9, 2019.
 - Board of Tax Assessors, #05-20 & #06-20.
 - Board of Zoning Appeals, January 8, 2020.
 - Columbus Iron Works Convention & Trade Center Authority, January 23, 2020.
 - Development Authority, February 6, 2020.
 - Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission, February 19, 2020.
 - Planning Advisory Commission, December 18, 2019.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the minutes, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

3. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

Ms. Christy Noullet was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Councilor Garrett’s nominee)*
New Term expires: April 11, 2022. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment,

seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

B. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

Ms. Patricia Montgomery was nominated to serve another term of office as the PAWS Humane Representative. *(Councilor Garrett's nominee)* New Term expires: April 11, 2022. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

C. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

Ms. Sabine Stull was nominated to serve another term of office as the Animal Rescue Shelter Representative. *(Councilor Garrett's nominee)* New Term expires: April 11, 2022. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

D. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Mr. Russ Carreker was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee)* New Term expires: April 30, 2024. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

E. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Mr. Chris Wightman was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee)* New Term expires: April 30, 2024. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

F. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Mr. Heath Schondelmayer was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee)* New Term expires: April 30, 2024. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

G. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Mr. Selvin Hollingsworth was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee)* New Term expires: April 30, 2024. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

H. REGION SIX REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:

Ms. Marianne Young was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Edward Barnwell. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2021. Councilor Crabb made a motion to confirm the appointment, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of Angela Wagenti (*Not eligible to succeed*) on the Community Development Advisory Council for a term that expires on March 27, 2020 (*Council District 2-Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Valerie Thompson (*Not eligible to succeed*) on the Community Development Advisory Council for a term that expires on March 27, 2020 (*Council District 4-Thompson*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of L.K. Pendleton (*Eligible to succeed*) on the Community Development Advisory Council for a term that expires on March 27, 2020 (*Council District 7- Woodson*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Michael Porter (*Not eligible to succeed*) on the Community Development Advisory Council for a term that expires on March 27, 2020 (*Council District 9- Thomas*). There were none.

5. **COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS- VOTE TABULATION:**

A. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Mr. John Anker was nominated by Councilor Thomas and Ms. Lisa Smith was nominated by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to succeed Mr. James Yancy on the Development Authority. A vote tabulation was conducted on the two nominees.

Councilors Crabb and Thomas voted in favor of Mr. John Anker. Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Barnes, Davis, House, Huff and Thompson voting in favor of Ms. Lisa Smith. Councilor Davis made a motion to confirm the appointment of Ms. Lisa Smith, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

6. **COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Carol Bassett (*Resigned*) on the Animal Control Advisory Board for a term that expires on October 15, 2020. There were none.

B. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Tyler Allen (*Eligible to succeed; does not desire reappointment*) on the Historic & Architectural Review Board as an Uptown Business Association Representative for a term that expired on January 31, 2019. The Uptown Business Association recommended Ms. Emily Flournoy. Councilor Thomas nominated Ms. Emily Flournoy to succeed Mr. Tyler Allen.

PUBLIC AGENDA:

1. Mr. Rich Gilbert, Re: Property assessment.

Mr. Rich Gilbert, came forward to request a refund on his property taxes due to the property assessment.

Tax Assessor Suzanne Widenhouse approached the rostrum to give information on the timeline of the property assessment, purchase of the property, and when the documents were provided to the homeowner.

Note: See Below for final action on this matter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Allen, Councilor Thomas made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote, and the time being 1:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 1:48 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in executive session to discuss a matter of potential litigation; however, there were no votes taken.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to deny the request to refund 50% of the property taxes paid on the property located at 1919 Garrard Street, Lot 7, Columbus, Georgia 31906, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the March 10, 2020 Regular Meeting, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote, and the time being 1:53 p.m.

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