

COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
C. E. "Red" McDaniel City Services Center- Second Floor
311 Citizens Way, Columbus, GA 31906

September 24, 2024
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Travis L. Chambers, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, R. Walker Garrett, Byron Hickey, Bruce Huff (arrived at 5:45 p.m.), Judy W. Thomas and Toyia Tucker. City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore and Deputy Clerk Pro Tem Tameka Colbert.

ABSENT: Councilor Glenn Davis and Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis were absent.

The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet: (1) Community Care Program Project Overview Presentation; (2) United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley – Poverty Reduction Presentation

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) Documents Submitted by PA#5 Allie Johnson

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Col Scott Koeman – Senior Command Chaplain of Ft. Moore

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the September 10, 2024 Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote, and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS:

3. **Proclamation:** Diaper Need Awareness

Receiving: Junior League of Columbus Organization

Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming the week of September 23-29, 2024, as *National Diaper Needs Awareness Week*, recognizing the Junior League of Columbus Organization for bring awareness to the need faced by many families in the community for diapers and collecting donated diapers at multiple locations.

NOTE: Councilor Huff arrived at 5:45 p.m.

2. **Proclamation:** Tuskegee - Morehouse Football Classic

Receiving: Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin

Councilor Travis Chambers read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming October 1-6, 2024, as *85th Annual Tuskegee-Morehouse Football Classic Week*, recognizing Tuskegee-Morehouse Classic Board for planning this annual event that has become a tradition in the community.

4. **Proclamation:** Melanie Anne Anderson Day

Receiving: Melanie Anne Anderson

Councilor R. Walker Garrett read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Tuesday, October 1, 2024, as *Melanie Anne Anderson Day*, recognizing Melanie Anne Anderson for her hard work, dedication and sportsmanship that earned her the title of Shooter of the Year for 2024 by the International Bowhunting Organization (IBO) and many other accomplishments in archery.

5. **Proclamation:** Jonathan and Christopher Falls Day

Receiving: Jonathan and Christopher Falls

Councilor Byron Hickey read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Tuesday, September 24, 2024, as *Jonathan and Christopher Falls Day*, recognizing Christopher Falls, who is an employee of the Columbus Consolidated Government Public Works Department, and his son, Jonathan Falls, for going above and beyond in attempt to save an injured dog.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- See what can be done to reimburse Mr. Christopher Falls the \$285.35 he expended for the medical care of the dog. (*Request of Councilor Hickey*)

6. **Proclamation:** Daisy Pearson Day

Receiving: Daisy Pearson

Councilor Toyia Tucker read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Tuesday, September 24, 2024, as *Daisy Pearson Day*, recognizing Daisy Pearson for her forty years of community service to the Holiday Park Community, serving as the Neighborhood Watch Program President, and working closely with law enforcement to reduce crime and bring awareness to the community.

7. **Proclamation:** Communities in Motion

Receiving: Director of Transportation, Rosa Evans

Councilor Judy W. Thomas read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Thursday, October 3, 2024, as *Communities in Motion Day*, recognizing the Metra Transit Department for providing vital transportation services to the community and their annual event held to educate the community on public transportation.

PRESENTATION:

8. Underserved and Inmate Healthcare Program Update (Presented by Bob Paskowski, Principal, PYA, P.C. and Jane Jerzack, Principal, PYA, P.C.)

Mr. Bob Paskowski, Healthcare Consulting Principal, PYA, approached the rostrum to provide the Community Care Program Project Overview Presentation, sharing information on the healthcare service program for the underserved and inmates.

Ms. Jane Jerzack, Healthcare Consulting Principal, PYA, came forward to provide information on the project approach and workstream structure to include developing a provider network, contracting and reimbursement models, measuring the program's effectiveness, and assessing the need for establishing actuarial reserves for fund maintenance.

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance (24-054) - 2nd Reading- REZN-07-24-1562: An ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **5710 Warm Springs Road** (parcel # 101-031-003) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend conditional approval) (Mayor Pro-Tem) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote, and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

2. Ordinance (24-055) - 2nd Reading- An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:

- 1) 1119 37th Street (168 ADELIN AVE LLC, Owner)
- 2) 1821 St. Elmo Drive (AMY M OURSO & ROBERT BRADFORD BICKERSTAFF II, Owner)
- 3) 2734 Mimosa Street (WILLIE J. PASSMORE, Owner)
- 4) 2935 Schaul Street (GLEN E. HEINZELMAN, Owner)
- 5) 4207 Bellamy Street (GREEN PRIOR LEWIS, JR., Owner)
- 6) 4245 Meritas Drive (JERAQUIS CHANEY, Owner)
- 7) 4703 Connor Road (YAUNITA ARRINGTON, Owner)
- 8) 245 Robert E. Lee Drive (CORTEZ TAYLOR, JR., Owner)

and for demolition services for the Inspections and Code Department in accordance with the attached Tabulation of Bid sheet. (Mayor Pro-Tem) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote, and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

3. Ordinance (24-056) - 2nd Reading- An ordinance amending the procurement ordinance, Section 2-3.03 of the Columbus Code, to revise procurement purchasing limits; and for other purposes. (as amended) (Councilor Tucker) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote, and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

4. Ordinance (24-057) - 2nd Reading- An ordinance amending Section 2-298(b) of the Columbus Code to allow members of the Liberty Theatre & Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board to serve

on more than one Council appointed board; and for other purposes. (Councilor Thomas) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote, and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

5. **1st Reading-** An ordinance amending Section 5-42 of the Columbus Code, to amend certain restrictions on the keeping of fowl; and for other purposes. (Councilor Crabb) **(Public Hearing Held)**

Ms. Elizabeth Gallagher approached the rostrum to speak in favor of the proposed ordinance and shared the benefits of allowing citizens to keep chickens on their property.

6. **1st Reading-** An ordinance adding a new Section 2-3.08 of the Columbus Code, to establish a uniform policy for the acceptance of donations made to the consolidated government, and for other purposes. (Councilor Tucker) **(Public Hearing Held)**

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Miss Brooke Mobley, Re: Columbus Animal Care & Control.
2. Mr. Marvin Broadwater, Sr., Re: Hostility towards private citizens from Councilors.
3. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, Re: Treatment of citizens.
4. Ms. Desiree Kennison, Re: Trash Pickup Policy Change. **Not Present**
5. Ms. Allie Johnson, representing Columbus Animal Allies, Re: The presentation on CACC at the last Council Meeting.
6. Mrs. Sandy Gunnels, Re: Defense of the Bill of Rights.
7. Mrs. Debbie Wooten, representing Columbus Animal Allies, Re: Reform Plan & Transition at Columbus Animal Care & Control Center.
8. Ms. Nancy Anderson, Re: Columbus Animal Care and Control.
9. Mr. Nathan Smith, Re: Ethics.
10. Ms. Jennifer LeDenney, Re: Request for Rigdon Park hours to be changed from closing at 11:00 to closing at dusk unless permit obtained.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Get with Police Chief Mathis for guidance on an appropriate time to close the parks to deter unlawful activities, but still accommodate youth sports. *(Request of Councilor Cogle)*
- Bring direction from the Police Chief and City Manager on what time and which parks to the October 8, 2024, meeting. *(Request of Councilor Thomas)*
- Look at reopening Carver Park Recreation Center on Saturdays. *(Request of Councilor Tucker)*

11. Ms. Carol Jameson, Re: Perspectives on Public Agenda.

Public Works Director Drale Short approached the rostrum to respond to a question from Councilor Tucker. She explained that Animal Care & Control buys dog food by the pallet, but if a dog comes in with special dietary needs, an employee goes to the store to purchase food to meet the needs of that animal.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Synovus Park Ingress/Egress Lighting Upgrade

Resolution (375-24): A resolution authorizing execution of a lighting service agreement with Georgia Power for the Synovus Park ingress/egress lighting upgrade. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Chambers and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

Councilor Joanne Cogle stated for the record that she has received calls from Uptown and residents of the Historic District concerning whether the city plans to extend the lighting from Synovus Park to Broadway, particularly on the westside of the walkway where incidents have occurred.

Inspections & Code Director Ryan Pruett came forward to respond to Councilor Cogle and share information on the construction plans for the area.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Uptown and Historic District residents are requesting the city to extend the lighting from Synovus Park to Broadway, particularly the westside of the walkway. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- Check on the condition of the stairs going from the Riverwalk to Golden Park. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- Get with Georgia Power on the approximately 75 lights that are out along the Riverwalk. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)

2. FY25 HUD Annual Action Plan

Resolution (376-24): A resolution authorizing the filing of the FY25 HUD Annual Action Plan, substantially amended Consolidated Plan and amended Citizen Participation Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Councilor Huff 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 from the meeting.

3. Transit Trust Fund Program (TTFP) Grant

Resolution (377-24): A resolution authorizing the City to submit an application to the Transit Trust Fund Program (TTFP) in an amount of \$297,057 awarded to be used for the procurement and installation of 360 metal compact seat at Metra bus stop locations as needed. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

4. 2023 Brownfield Multipurpose Grant

Resolution (378-24): A resolution authorizing the acceptance and amendment of the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount awarded from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The grant funding will be utilized to conduct Brownfield Assessments of properties and cleanup activities within Bibb Mill and South Columbus. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

5. PURCHASES

A. Language Services (Annual Contract) – Georgia Statewide Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (379-24): A resolution authorizing an annual contract for the provision of language services for various departments from the following suppliers: Language Line Services, Inc. (Montrey, CA), Homeland Language Services, LLC (Oxnard, CA), Propio LS, LLC (Overland Park, KS), PGLS, LLC (Arlington, VA), Ad Astra, Inc. (Silver Spring, MD), Lionbridge Technologies, LLC (Waltham, MA), Masterword Services, Inc. (Houston, TX), Translation Station, Inc. (Atlanta, GA), SOS Agency (Woodstock, GA), Latin American Translators Network (Atlanta, GA) and Interpreters Unlimited (San Diego, CA), via the Georgia Statewide Contract Numbers 99999-001-SPD0000204-01-0001 thru 99999-001-SPD0000204-0011. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

B. Flood Abatement Project 19th Street System – RFB No. 24-0016

Resolution (380-24): A resolution authorizing the execution of a construction contract with Southeastern Site Development, Inc. (Newnan, GA) in the amount of \$13,590.61 for the Flood Abatement Project 19th Street System. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

C. Storm Drain Rehabilitation Through Internal Pipe Lining Priority 1 Pipes (Annual Contract) – RFQ No. 24-0002

Resolution (381-24): A resolution authorizing the execution of the annual contract for storm drain rehabilitation through internal pipelining priority 1 pipes with Gulf Coast Underground, LLC (Theodore, AL), Inliner Solutions, LLC (Stone Mountain, GA), Instituform Technologies, LLC (Chesterfield, MO), SAK Construction, LLC (O’Fallon, MO), Southeast Pipe Survey, Inc. (Patterson, GA), Utility Asset Management, Inc. (Perry, GA) and Vortex Services, LLC (Greenville, SC). Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

D. Replacement Fire Hose for Fire & EMS – GSA Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (382-24): A resolution authorizing the replacement fire hose from North America Fire Equipment Company, Inc./NAFECO (Decatur, AL), in the amount of \$51,900.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase, via Federal GSA Contract #GS-07F-0304W. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

- E. Redundant Communications Equipment and Services for Homeland Security/Emergency Management (Annual Contract) – State of Georgia Technology Authority and Federal GSA Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (383-24): A resolution authorizing the annual contract for the purchase of redundant communications equipment and services from AT&T Mobility National Accounts LLC/AT&T Firstnet (Hanover, MD) and Space Exploration Technologies Corporation/Starlink (Hawthorne, CA). Purchases of equipment and services will be made at the current established rates at the time of purchase. Purchases will be accomplished by cooperative purchase, via State of Georgia Technology Authority Contract #GTA0000794/9800-GTA794 and Federal GSA Contract #47QRAA21D007N. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

- F. Storage Facility Rental Payment for the Sheriff's Office

Resolution (384-24): A resolution authorizing payment to Family Holdings Sub (Columbus, GA) for the annual storage facility rental fee, in the amount of \$63,159.96, for the Sheriff's Office, payment is further authorized for subsequent annual rental fees. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

- G. Computer Equipment and Computer Services for Information Technology (Annual Contract) – Various Cooperative Contracts Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (385-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of computer equipment and computer services from CDW-G (Vernon Hills, IL) on an as needed basis, for the Information Technology Department. Purchases will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #081419-CDW, Sourcewell Contract #121923-CDW; Omnia Partners Contract #23-6692-02; and Omnia Partners Contract #2024056-01. The department will obtain quotes from the vendor as goods and services are needed. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

- H. Replacement MSA Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (386-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of six (6) replacement self-contained breathing apparatus from Ten-8 Fire and Safety (Bradenton, FL), in the amount of \$38,907.78. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase, via Sourcewell Contract #011824-MSS. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

6. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. ARP - Poverty Reduction Initiative, United Way - Ben Moser, President and Chief Executive Officer, United Way, and Jennifer St. John, Senior Vice President of Impact, United Way

President/CEO Ben Moser, United Way, approached the rostrum to provide a presentation on United Way's initiative to reduce poverty in the community. He shared in the Chattahoochee Valley

one in five people are living in poverty and 56% of people struggle to make ends meet. He stated it is the mission of the initiative to reduce poverty in our community by 50% in ten years, which would reduce crime, domestic violence, and generational poverty in the area.

HOMETOWN CONNECTION:

City Manager Isaiah Hugley stated that the Mayor and Council should have received an email with information on the date change for the annual Hometown Connection, as requested by the Local Delegation due to another obligation. He explained the new date is October 29, 2024.

BID ADVERTISEMENT

DATE: September 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Advertised Bids/RFPs/RFQs

September 27, 2024

1. **Residential General Contractor Services and Housing Inspection Services for the Community Reinvestment Department II (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 25-0008**

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) invites qualified vendors to provide residential general contractor services (Option A) and housing inspection services (Option B) for rehabilitative single-family housing located throughout Columbus-Muscogee County. The Community Reinvestment Department will procure the services on an as-needed basis. Vendors may submit proposals for one, both or all options. Some activities could be a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded project which utilizes Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Contracts utilizing CDBG funding are subject to state and local laws, as well as federal regulations found in §2 CFR 200.317 through §2 CFR 300.327 and §24 CFR 570.611. Potential bidders must assure that all project activities will be administered in compliance with labor and civil rights laws and regulations for CDBG funded projects.

October 4, 2024

1. **Forcible Entry Door Simulator – PQ No. 25-0002**

Scope of PQ

The Columbus Consolidated Government (“the City”) is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide one (1) forcible entry door simulator, to be used by the Columbus Fire and EMS Department.

2. **Consultant Services for Comprehensive Transit Study for METRA – RFP No. 25-0011**

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the “City”) is soliciting proposals for acquiring the services of a Transit Consultant (the “Consultant”) to conduct a comprehensive study on METRA’s behalf. The Consultant will be responsible for conducting a full assessment of METRA’s fixed route bus service, including potential route service to Brookstone Centre, and an assessment of METRA’s Dial-A-Ride ADA complementary paratransit service. In addition, a comprehensive study determining the costs, materials, personnel, and other resources needed for METRA to implement a micro-transit and or on-demand service within

the boundaries of Muscogee County, Georgia shall be performed.

3. Single Stream Recycling Materials Processing (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 25-0012
Scope of RFP

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) invites qualified and interested parties to receive recycling materials delivered by Public Works collection vehicles and serve as a processor as well as an end market for recycling materials. This contract is needed while the City prepares its facility to receive recycling materials, which may take approximately 2 years.

Please Note: The receiving of this material must be on the property of the proposer. The City's current facility, 8001 Pinegrove Way, will not be available for this purpose. The Public Works Department will be working with a consultant to purchase and install recycling equipment for the City's recycling facility in preparation for future processing.

On Hold

1. Comprehensive Inmate Healthcare Services for Muscogee County Jail (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 25-0005
Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government, on behalf of the Muscogee County Sheriff's Office, is seeking proposals for the provision of healthcare services for offenders incarcerated at the Muscogee County Jail. The requested services consist of medical, dental, and mental health, as well as healthcare personnel. Medical services include but are not limited to x-ray, laboratory, and prescription drug services for a rated capacity of 1069 inmates.

The term of this contract will be for two (2) years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

REFERRALS:

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY

1. Letter from Suzanne Goddard, Solicitor General- Muscogee County placing the employees of the State Court Solicitor General Office under the merit system.

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

2. **RESOLUTION (387-24)** - A resolution cancelling the October 29, 2024 Consent Agenda / Work Session. Councilor Tucker 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 from the meeting.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Request for the presentations that may have been planned for the Work Session that was cancelled not be added to the October 8th or 22nd meetings. (*Request of Councilor Thomas*)

FOR THE CITY ATTORNEY:

- Request for the law regarding employees of elected officials being put under the merit system.
(*Request of Councilor Hickey*)

- 3. **RESOLUTION (388-24)** - A resolution ratifying the appointment of Mr. John Anker to fill the unexpired term of late Mr. Todd Hammonds on the Board of Tax Assessors. Councilor Crabb 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 from the meeting.

- 4. Email Correspondence from Chatt Hall, Board Secretary of the Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority, requesting that the seat of Mr. Craig Burgess be declared vacant due to a lack of attendance. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to declare the seat of Craig Burgess as vacant, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

- 5. Email Correspondence from Kristin Youngquist, Chairperson of the Tree Board, requesting that the seats of Mr. Robert Hecht (*Commercial or Industrial Development seat*), Ms. Farah Dewsbury (*At-Large seat*) and Beautie Moore (*At-Large seat*) to be declared vacant due to a lack of attendance. Councilor Crabb made a motion to declare the seats of Robert Hecht, Farah Dewsbury and Beautie Moore as vacant, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

6. Minutes of the following boards:

Audit Committee, July 18, 2024

Board of Elections and Registration, February 8, 2024

Board of Tax Assessors, #30-24

Board of Water Commissioners, September 9, 2024

Development Authority of Columbus, August 1, 2024

New Horizons Behavioral Health- MH, AD & DD- Community Service Board, February 12, March 11, May 13, June 17, & August 12, 2024

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

7. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of Armando Fernandez (*Seat declared vacant*) for a term expiring on March 27, 2025, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Tamika McKenzie (*Seat declared vacant*) for a term expiring on March 27, 2025, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

B. COLUMBUS IRONWORKS CONVENTION & TRADE CENTER AUTHORITY:

A nominee for the seat of S. Carson Cummings (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on October 24, 2024, on the Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority (*Mayor's Appointment*). Mayor Henderson nominated Brittany Perkins to succeed S. Carson Cummings. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of Virginia Dickerson (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on March 27, 2024, as the District 3 Representative on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 3 Appointment – Huff*). Councilor Huff nominated Elessa Price to succeed Virginia Dickerson. Councilor Garrett made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

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

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Sabine Stull (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on April 11, 2024, as the Animal Rescue Representative on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Nancy Anderson (*Resigned*) for a term expiring on October 15, 2025, on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

B. TREE BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Jeremy Cummings (*Resigned*) for a term expiring on July 1, 2025, as the Public Utility Representative on the Tree Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Frank Tommey (*Residential Development Seat*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2020, as the Residential Development Representative on the Tree Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Hospital Authority of Columbus (Council's Nomination/Confirmation)
- B. Housing Authority of Columbus (Mayor's Appointment)

PUBLIC AGENDA (continued):

6. Mrs. Sandy Gunnels, Re: Defense of the Bill of Rights.
7. Mrs. Debbie Wooten, representing Columbus Animal Allies, Re: Reform Plan & Transition at Columbus Animal Care & Control Center.
1. Miss Brooke Mobley, Re: Columbus Animal Care & Control.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into executive session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel as requested by City Attorney Fay earlier in the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting, and the time being 8:56 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:34 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in executive session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel; however, there were no votes taken.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the September 24, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members of Council, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting, and the time being 9:34 p.m.

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