

# **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

August 24, 2021  
5:30 PM  
Regular Meeting

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### **MAYOR'S AGENDA**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Jerry "Pops" Barnes, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, John M. House, Bruce Huff, Toyia Tucker, and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson (arrived at 5:43 p.m.). City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis, and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore were present.

**ABSENT:** Councilor Judy W. Thomas was absent.

**The following documents were distributed around the Council table:** (1) Proposed Text Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance; (2) SPICE Event Flyer- Parents Summit; (3) United We Play – Columbus Urban Hockey Program Presentation; (4) American Rescue Plan Update Presentation

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

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Rev. Jimmy Elder at First Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Henderson

**UPDATE:**

2. An update on COVID-19

**Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson** provided a brief update on the COVID-19 Pandemic and its impact on the community. He explained as the number of positive cases continue to rise and with one hundred fifty-nine hospitalizations, he encourages those who are not vaccinated to do so.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

3. **PROCLAMATION:** Public Safety Week  
**RECEIVING:** Wayne Anthony

**Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen** read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming the week of September 5, 2021 through September 11, 2021, as *Public Safety Week*, recognizing the dedication of public safety employees to the communities they serve.

## MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the August 10, 2021 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

## PROCLAMATIONS (continued):

4. **PROCLAMATION:** New Black Business and Black Philanthropy Month  
**RECEIVING:** River Valley Black Chamber of Commerce

**Councilor Toyia Tucker** read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming the month of August 2021 as *New Black Business and Black Philanthropy Month*, recognizing the River Valley Black Chamber of Commerce for their induction into the newly formed Georgia Coalition of Black Chambers.

## PRESENTATION:

5. Equal Justice Project (Presented by Norman Hardman- Chair of Mayor's Commission on Unity, Diversity, & Prosperity)

Chairman Norman Hardman came forward to give an update on the Mayor's Commission on Unity, Diversity, & Prosperity. He explained the commission is currently working on a Community Remembrance Project with the aid of the Confederate Monument Task Force.

## CRIME PREVENTION GRANTS

**Crime Prevention Director Seth Brown** came forward to present the Crime Prevention Grants for FY 2022. He explained the application process for these grants and went through each one to briefly explain their mission and the amount of funding being granted.

6. **Resolution (260-21):** 100 Black Men - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with 100 Black Men for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
7. **Resolution (261-21):** Boyz 2 Men - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Boyz 2 Men for \$30,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
8. **Resolution (262-21):** Changing Faces Within - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Changing Faces Within for \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

9. **Resolution (263-21):** Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry, Inc. (CVJM) - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with CVJM for \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
10. **Resolution (264-21):** Children 1st - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Children 1st for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
11. **Resolution (265-21):** Columbus Community Center - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Columbus Community Center for \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
12. **Resolution (266-21):** Columbus Scholars - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Columbus Scholars for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
13. **Resolution (267-21):** Columbus Regional Tennis Association (CORTA)- TennisWorks - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with CORTA for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
14. **Resolution (268-21):** East Carver/Boxwood - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with East Carver/Boxwood for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
15. **Resolution (269-21):** Easter Seals - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Easter Seals for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
16. **Resolution (270-21):** Flourishing Ladies - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Flourishing Ladies \$40,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

17. **Resolution (271-21):** Fountain City Slam - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Fountain City Slam for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
18. **Resolution (272-21):** Girls Inc. - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Girls Inc. for \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
19. **Resolution (273-21):** Liberty Theatre - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Liberty Theatre for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
20. **Resolution (274-21):** MCSD - REACH - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with MCSD for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
21. **Resolution (275-21):** MCSD 180 Degree - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with MCSD for \$10,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
22. **Resolution (276-21):** Micah's Promise - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Micah's Promise for \$30,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
23. **Resolution (277-21):** Neighborhoods Focused on African American Youth, Inc. (NFOAAY) - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with NFOAAY for \$35,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
24. **Resolution (278-21):** Office of Dispute Resolution - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Office of Dispute Resolution \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

25. **Resolution (279-21):** Open Door - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Open Door for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
26. **Resolution (280-21):** Overflow - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Overflow for \$25,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
27. **Resolution (281-21):** Protege Project - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Protege Project for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
28. **Resolution (282-21):** Right from the Start - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Right from the Start for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
29. **Resolution (283-21):** Southern Anti-Racism Network (SARN) - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with SARN for \$15,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
30. **Resolution (284-21):** Second Chance Works - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Second Chance Works for \$65,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
31. **Resolution (285-21):** Springer Academy - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Springer Academy for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
32. **Resolution (286-21):** Teen Advisers - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Teen Advisers for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

33. **Resolution (287-21):** Turn Around Columbus - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Turn Around Columbus for \$40,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
34. **Resolution (288-21):** Urban League - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Urban League for \$40,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
35. **Resolution (289-21):** Whole Person - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Whole Person for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
36. **Resolution (290-21):** YMCA - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with YMCA for \$25,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
37. **Resolution (291-21):** Young Life - A resolution and contract authorizing a request to enter into a Local Assistance grant agreement with Young Life for \$20,000 in Crime Prevention Grant funds. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA**

### **ORDINANCES**

1. **1st Reading-** REZN-06-21-1200: An ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia so as to revise Table 3.1.1, amend Section 3.2.76, amend Section 12.5.3, amend Section 1.2.7 and amend Chapter 13 – Definitions; and for other purposes. Planning Department and PAC recommend approval. (Mayor Pro Tem)

**Planning Director Rick Jones** approached the rostrum to give a presentation on the three proposed text amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). He explained these text amendments are in reference to solid waste transfer stations, fines for the violation of soil erosion or sedimentation provisions, and zoning classification for public property sold to private individuals.

**Councilor Glenn Davis** made remarks relative to the recommendation to allow a text amendment for solid waste transfer stations as a special exception in LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial) and HMI (Heavy Manufacturing / Industrial) zones.

**Councilor Glenn Davis** then made a motion to amend the HMI zoning category along with the Special Exception Use and to continue to work on the checklist as we move forward.

**Carson Cummings, Coldwell Banker Commercial**, came forward to explain that Advanced Disposal is working to relocate waste management. He explained that originally, we put a piece of property under contract consisting of 12.26 acres; since that time, they wanted to get more of a buffer and has added the parcel to the north of it for 5.86 acres, which totals 18 acres to provide a buffer between its solid waste transfer station facility and its surroundings. He then responded to questions from the members of Council.

**Attorney Tyler Pritchard** came forward to express the similarities of the proposed text amendments to what is already allowable in the UDO. He also answered questions asked by councilors.

After some additional discussion, Mayor Henderson reiterated the motion on the floor, which would be to limit this use to Heavy Manufacturing. The motion was then seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen.

**Mayor Henderson** further maintained the text amendment is just to determine if we would want to consider being able to locate a solid waste transfer station in HMI and LMI as a special exception and the motion on the floor is to try to remove the light manufacturing option.

After some further discussion, Mayor Henderson called attention to the motion, which resulted in an inconclusive vote of five to four, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Crabb, Davis, Garrett and House voting in favor and Councilors Barnes, Huff, Tucker and Woodson voting against the amendment with Councilor Thomas being absent for the vote.

Referring back to the slide referencing the fines for violations of soil erosion or sedimentation provisions, Mayor Pro Tem Allen expressed his concerns with the raw sewage, and the fines imposed on the violators is less expensive than the cleanup. He then requested that the Council's Recorder's Court Committee set up another meeting with Recorder's Court Chief Judge Hunter to discuss the issues. Also, let's have the City Manager, Planning Director Jones and Engineering Director Donna Newman to be a part of this meeting.

2. **1st Reading-** REZN-06-21-1222: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; to change certain boundaries of a district located at **4006 / 4018 / 4026 Buena Vista Road & 3913 / 3923 / 3925 North Linden Drive** (parcel # 87-028-004 / 002 / 001 / 016 / 017 / 018) from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District to GC (General Commercial) Zoning District. Planning Department and PAC recommend approval. (Councilor Barnes)

## **RESOLUTIONS**

3. **Resolution (292-21):** A resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding Risk Management Issues during fiscal year 2022. (Mayor Pro Tem) 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 Thomas being absent for the meeting.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA**

1. Mr. Paul Olson, Re: Government Center elevators, TSPLOST Projects, referendum and River Valley Regio
2. Ms. Diann Coleman, Re: Non-Pickup Of Neatly Bagged Green Yard Waste. *Not Present*
3. Ms. Laodecea Seay, Re: To share a proposal for the 78 million dollars the city and county will receive from the American Rescue Plan.
4. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: The Public Agenda and solvency of pension plans.

### **PUBLIC AGENDA (Events):**

1. Mr. Christian Ortiz, representing Mod Atlas Media, Re: To announce the Tri-City Latino Festival on September 18, 2021. *\*Called forward at the request of Councilor Woodson.*

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

### **1. Encroachment Agreement - Creekside Drive and Trillium Court**

**Resolution (293-21):** A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia authorizing an encroachment on the right of way of Creekside Drive and Trillium Court; authorizing the execution of an encroachment agreement with owner, Sudhir Patel for construction, maintenance, and repair of such improvements. 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 Thomas being absent for the meeting.

### **2. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Columbus Consolidated Government and the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)**

**Resolution (294-21):** A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), to demolish 2610 16th Avenue, which contributes to the National Register of Historic Places – eligible expansion of the NRHP - Listed Weracoba – St. Elmo Historic District. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

### **3. Lease Agreement – 1023 1st Avenue (Rankin Square) Parcel ID# 004 017 003**

**Resolution (295-21):** A resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents related to the lease agreement on the property located at 1023 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue (Rankin Square) with Barcelona, LLC. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.



#### 4. PURCHASES

##### A. Service Truck – Cooperative Purchase

**Resolution (296-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) Service Truck (2022 Ford F350 Regular Cab, V8 Long Bed 4x2) from Allan Vigil Ford (Morrow, GA) at a unit price of \$40,286.58. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase, via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-ES40199373-002. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

##### B. Inmate Food Service Management for Muscogee County Jail (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0036

**Resolution (297-21):** A resolution authoring the execution of an annual contract with Skillet Kitchen (LaGrange, GA) for Inmate Food Service Management at Muscogee County Jail. The recommended vendor's cost proposal is within budget. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

##### C. 457 Deferred Compensation Plan – Recordkeeping, Administration, and Participant Education (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0029

**Resolution (298-21):** A resolution authorizing the execution of an annual contract with AIG Retirement Services d/b/a Valic Retirement Services Company (Houston, TX) for recordkeeping, administration, and participant education services for the City Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plan. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

##### D. Add-On - Change Order 4 for Muscogee County Jail Shower Repairs and Stockade Improvements

**Resolution (299-21):** A resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order 4 with C. T. Bone, Inc., (Warner Robins, GA) in the amount of \$98,168.07 for infrastructure repairs required at the South Tower of the Jail. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

#### 5. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

##### A. Columbus Ice Rink Update - Rob Landers, Civic Center Director

**Civic Center Director Rob Landers** approached the rostrum to give an update on the Columbus Ice Rink. He provided information on the Columbus Urban Hockey Program, which teaches children to ice skate and eventually develop the skills to play hockey. He stated this program would expose children to a new sport who would otherwise not have the opportunity to do so.

##### B. American Rescue Plan Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

**Finance Director Angelica Alexander** came forward to provide an update on the American Rescue Plan (ARP). She provided information on the priority list and requests of departments for the ARP Funds.

## **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

### **August 25, 2021**

**1. Service Contract for Various Types of Engines for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0001**

**Scope of Bid**

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia is requesting bids to repair/rebuild various types of engines for METRA Transit System. The services will be procured on an as-needed basis.

The contract term shall be for three years.

### **August 27, 2021**

**1. Asbestos Abatement for Former Georgia State Farmers Market – RFP No. 22-0001**

**Scope of RFP**

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is requesting proposals from qualified asbestos abatement contractors to provide all labor, materials, equipment, permits, and incidentals necessary to complete all tasks associated with remediating asbestos-containing building materials identified in structures located at the former Georgia State Farmers Market.

### **September 3, 2021**

**1. Engineering Services for Military Drive P. I. #0017138 – RFP No. 22-0005**

**Scope of RFP**

The Columbus Consolidated Government is accepting proposals from qualified firms to provide professional engineering plans and drawings to be used in the construction of the new Military Drive, which will begin at Infantry Road (this road is not yet built) and end at the Hampton Inn located on South Lumpkin Road in Columbus, Georgia.

**2. Treatment Providers for Mental Health Court and Veterans Treatment Court (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0031**

**Scope of RFP**

Columbus Consolidated Government, on behalf of the Mental Health Court and Veterans Treatment Court, is soliciting proposals to provide treatment to participants in PTSD Counseling and Psychological Assessment. *Offerors may submit proposals to provide either or both areas of treatment. The services will be procured on an as-needed basis.*

*The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.*

### **September 10, 2021**

**1. Property Damage Recovery Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 22-0008**

**Scope of RFP**

Columbus Consolidated Government is seeking proposals for a qualified firm to identify damaged property; investigate, through various means, the individuals or party responsible for the damage; and collect on property damage claims on City highways.

*The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.*

# **CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA**

## **ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

1. **RESOLUTION (300-21)** - A Resolution changing the August 31, 2021, Consent Agenda / Work Session to a Regular Meeting / Work Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present.
2. Travel Authorization Request for Councilor Toyia Tucker to attend ACCG's Central Region Policy Committee Meeting. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
3. Travel Authorization Request for Councilor Toyia Tucker to attend ACCG's Fall Regional Training. Councilor Woodson made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
4. The Land Bank Authority has selected and approved three members with an executed resolution to serve in the expired terms: John Tuggle to succeed Steve Anthony; Michelle Williams to succeed Anne Hanna Merritt and Sherrie Aaron to succeed Melinda Tolbert. *(The Land Bank Authority nominates three of the seven members to this authority with confirmation from the Council.)* Councilor Woodson made a motion to confirm the appointment of John Tuggle, Michelle Williams, and Sherrie Aaron to the Land Bank Authority, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
5. Letter of Resignation from Ms. Shannon Smallman from her seat on the Historic & Architectural Review Board. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the resignation with regrets, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.
6. **Minutes of the following boards:**
  - Board of Tax Assessors, #26-21 and #27-21
  - Columbus Board of Health, June 23, 2021
  - Columbus Golf Authority, July 27, 2021
  - Historic & Architectural Review Board, July 12, 2021
  - Mayor's Commission on Reentry, June 21, 2021
  - Planning Advisory Commission, June 2 and 16, 2021
  - Planning Advisory Commission, July 17, 2021
  - Public Safety Advisory Commission, July 15, 2021
  - River Valley Regional Commission, June 23, 2021

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

## **BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED**

### **6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:**

**A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Jayne Dunn was nominated to serve another term of office. (*Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee*) Term expires: October 15, 2023. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

**B. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Lindsay Ellis was nominated to serve another term of office. (*Councilor Huff's nominee*) Term expires: October 15, 2023. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

**C. BOARD OF FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:** Ms. Darlene Small was nominated to succeed Dr. Deepali Argawal to fill the "*Appropriate school personnel (active or retired)*" category. (*Councilor Huff's nominee*) Term expires: June 30, 2026. Councilor Woodson made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

**D. BOARD OF HONOR:** Ms. Norma "Beth" Harris was nominated to serve another term of office. (*Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee*) Term expires: October 31, 2025. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

### **7. COUNCIL'S DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENT- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

#### **A. DISTRICTING COMMISSION:**

A nominee for the Districting Commission for the District 2 Representative. (*Council District 2-Davis*). Councilor Davis nominated U.D. Roberts. Councilor Woodson made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting.

#### **B. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 1 Representative. (*Council District 1-Barnes*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 2 Representative. (*Council District 2-Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 3 Representative. (*Council District 3-Huff*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 4 Representative. (*Council District 4-Tucker*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 5 Representative. (*Council District 5-Crabb*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 6 Representative. (*Council District 6-Allen*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 7 Representative. (*Council District 7-Woodson*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 8 Representative. (*Council District 8-Garrett*). There were none.

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council for the District 10 Representative. (*Council District 10-House*). There were none.

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

**A. BOARD OF FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:**

A nominee for the seat of Charonda Huff (*Resigned*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022 on the Board of Family and Children Services (*Council's Appointments*). Mayor Pro Tem Allen nominated Pastor Johnny H. Flakes, III to fill the unexpired term of Charonda Huff, as recommended by the Department of Family & Children Services.

**B. BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS:**

A nominee for the seat of Sanders Griffith, III (*Resigned- Effective 12-31-2021*) for a term that expires on December 31, 2022 on the Board of Water Commissioners (*Council's Appointments*). Clerk of Council Davis stated Councilor Thomas is nominating Ret. Colonel Clint W. Cox. Councilor Barnes nominated Sharon Bunn.

**C. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (C.I.R.C.L.E):**

A nominee for the seat of SarahAnn Arcila (*Resigned*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2024 on the Commission on International Relations & Cultural Liaison Encounters (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

#### UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- A. Hospital Authority of Columbus
- B. Housing Authority of Columbus
- C. The Medical Center Hospital Authority

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At the request of Mayor Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss matters of property acquisition and litigation, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting, and the time being 9:07 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:18 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in executive session to discuss matters of property acquisition and litigation; however, there were no votes taken.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Woodson to adjourn the August 24, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent for the meeting, and the time being 9:18 p.m.

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