

# 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

June 28, 2022  
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 Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, John M. House, Bruce Huff, Judy W. Thomas, Toyia Tucker, and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson (arrived at 5:45 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 Jerry "Pops" Barnes was absent.

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| <p><b><u>The following documents were distributed around the Council table:</u></b> (1) Columbus Fire – EMS Budget Challenges Handout; (2) Waste Collection Update Presentation</p> |
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Presiding

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Pastor Corey Neal - Greater Peace Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia

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

### MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the June 21, 2022, Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote, and Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

### UPDATE:

2. An update on COVID-19

**Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson** gave a brief update on the impact of the COVID-19 on the community. He stated the hospitalization numbers have risen slightly and encouraged citizens to continue taking precautions during gatherings for the upcoming holiday.

## CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

### ORDINANCES

1. **Ordinance (22-034): 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance providing for the establishment of taxing districts, including a county-wide general services district and three (3) urban services districts and three (3) Business Improvement Districts (BID); providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes for Columbus, Georgia within such districts for the year 2022 as provided

under the Charter of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; providing penalties for violations of the provisions of said ordinance; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

2. **Ordinance (22-035) - 2nd Reading** - An Ordinance providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes for the public school system of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Request of the Muscogee County School District) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.
3. **Ordinance (22-036) - 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance amending Chapter 2 and Chapter 11 of the Columbus Code to revise provisions concerning emergency management and homeland security; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem) Councilor Garrett made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.
4. **1st Reading- REZN-05-22-0911:** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **418 5th Avenue** (parcel # 020-009-001) from RMF2 (Residential Multifamily 2) Zoning District to RO (Residential Office) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Woodson) City Attorney Fay recognized the presence of Ms. Laura Johnson representing the applicant- Housing Authority. The Public Hearing was held and concluded with no one coming forward to make comments.
5. **1st Reading- REZN-05-22-0913:** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **8828 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 079-002-002A) from RE1 (Residential Estate 1) Zoning District to PUD (Planned Use Development) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Mayor Pro-Tem) City Attorney Fay recognized the presence of Mr. Erickson representing the applicant- Tiger Creek Development. The Public Hearing was held and concluded with no one coming forward to make comments.
6. **1st Reading- REZN-05-22-0914:** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2313 Manchester Expressway** (parcel # 034-027-002) from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District to GC (General Commercial) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Garrett) City Attorney Fay recognized the presence of the applicant- Mr. David Moore. The Public Hearing was held and concluded with no one coming forward to make comments.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

7. **Resolution (163-22):** A resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding various city issues during fiscal year 2023. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA**

1. Mr. Harry Underwood, representing Fountain City Fairness Coalition, Re: The status of the Non-Discrimination Ordinance, the LGBTQ liaison and LGBT resources on the city's website.
2. Mr. Earl Miller, Re: Terminal Court. *Cancelled*
3. Mrs. Candace Miller, Re: Terminal Court. *Cancelled*
5. Ms. Becky Carter, representing Animal SOS, Re: Spay/Neuter opportunities and Medical care at Columbus Animal Control Center.
4. Mr. Timothy Veals, Re: Neighborhood paper, overgrown grass and run down house.

**Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin** approached the rostrum to provide information on an upcoming effort to get the City of Columbus cleaned up with the help of the citizens identified as "All Hands on Deck" and she announced there would be a press release going out this evening. A list of the neighborhood watch captains and HOA (Home Owner's Association) leaders by district is being provided to the members of Council and stated she would be contacting Councilors, starting with District 1, to assist with prioritizing the order in which we would have them to go into an area to meet with these leaders to get the entire community involved with the cleanup of these areas.

### **REFERRAL(S):**

#### **FOR THE CITY ATTORNEY:**

- Let's check the legality of providing some sort of bounty for persons reporting the littering in our city. (*Request of Councilor Garrett*)

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

### **1. 2021 State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs CDBG-CV Award Budget Adjustment (Feeding the Valley)**

**Resolution (164-22):** A resolution authorizing the modification to Resolutions 413-21 and 414-21. The adjustments will be reduction in budget of the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs CDBG-CV Award from \$3,142,500 to \$2,767,500 and reducing the match liability from \$1,047,500 to \$922,500. 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 Barnes being absent for the meeting.

### **2. 2022 AARP Community Challenge Grant**

**Resolution (165-22):** A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the City Manager to accept and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount awarded up to \$6,820 in funding from the 2022 AARP Community Challenge Grant to produce 2 outdoor metal swinging benches at the METRA Transfer Center. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

### 3. Columbus Fire and EMS FM Global Grant - Add-On

**Resolution (166-22):** A resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant of \$3,072.50, or as otherwise awarded, from Factory Mutual Insurance Company, with no local match required, for the purchase of smoke detectors to distribute to the public and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the award. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

### 4. PURCHASES

#### A. State Mandated Solid Waste Disposal Fees

**Resolution (167-22):** A resolution authorizing the payment to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources for State Mandated Solid Waste Disposal Fees in the amount of \$65,997.01. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

#### B. Inmate Mental Health Services for Muscogee County Jail and Muscogee County Prison per Amendments to the Contract for Comprehensive Inmate Healthcare Services for Muscogee County Jail (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 22-0016

**Resolution (168-22):** A resolution authorizing the negotiation of amendments to the contract awarded to Wellpath, LLC (Nashville, TN) for comprehensive inmate healthcare services for the Muscogee County Jail, to include inmate mental health services for the Muscogee County Jail and Muscogee County Prison. Amendment 1 for Muscogee County Jail has been preliminarily negotiated in the amount of \$71,455.00 per month, for an annual total of \$857,460.00. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office has preliminarily agreed to pay up to \$25,000.00 to Wellpath, LLC for sign-on and retention bonuses for on-site mental health staff. This resolution also authorizes the Muscogee County Prison to negotiate and acquire inmate mental health services from Wellpath, LLC by cooperative purchase, utilizing the same contract. Amendment 1 for the Muscogee County Jail will commence on July 1, 2022. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

#### C. Fire/Intrusion Prevention Equipment, Supplies and Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0038

**Resolution (169-22):** A resolution authorizing the execution of an annual contract with Fuller Fire and Safety (Columbus, GA), to provide fire/intrusion prevention equipment, supplies and service on an "as needed" basis, for the estimated annual contract amount of \$100,941.00. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

#### D. Contract Extension for Security Surveillance Equipment – Public Works & Miscellaneous Locations (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 16-0006

**Resolution (170-22):** A resolution authorizing the extension of the Security Surveillance Equipment – Public Works & Miscellaneous Locations Contract with AdaptToSolve, Inc., (LaGrange, GA) for an additional six-month period. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

E. Street Sweepers for Public Works – State Contract Cooperative Purchase

**Resolution (171-22):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of three (3) street sweepers (2022 Elgin Regen X Street Sweeper), for Public Works, from Environmental Products Group (Apopka, FL) at a unit price of \$264,770.00, and a total price of \$794,310.00; less the buy-back of two (2) older units at \$44,900.00 per unit, and a total of \$89,800.00 for a grand total purchase price to \$704,510.00 (per Resolution #443-16)/ Additionally, it is also requested that Council approve payment of the annual turnkey maintenance in the amount of \$41,400.00 for the three (3) units. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-001-SPD000177. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

F. Add-On - Trailers for Mobile Unit

**Resolution (172-22):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) 8.5' X 16' Tandem Axle Trailers (Forest River Continental Cargo Trailer) from Trax and Trailers (Perry, GA) at the unit price of \$15,975.00, and a total price of \$31,950.00. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE FINANCE DIRECTOR:**

- Look into increasing the millage rate for Districts 2 and 4 during the FY 2024 budget process. *(Request of Councilor Woodson)*

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Have the contracted towing company to make sure they are removing all debris from automobile accident scenes. *(Request of Councilor Woodson)*
- Research purchasing equipment to clean up right-of-ways. *(Request of Councilor Davis)*
- Encourage Keep Columbus Beautiful to establish relationships with local businesses in an effort to help clean up the community. *(Request of Councilor Davis)*
- Look at installing welcome signage coming into Columbus. *(Request of Councilor Davis)*
- Contact Georgia Department of Transportation regarding the overpass heading into Phenix City, AL on J.R. Allen. *(Request of Councilor Davis)*
- See about putting signage up at other entries into Columbus to promote white water, restaurants, etc. *(Request of Councilor Thomas)*
- Erect signage letting people know that Mildred L. Terry Library is on Veterans Parkway. *(Request of Councilor Tucker)*
- Check sign placement on Heritage Trail. *(Request of Councilor Tucker)*
- Talk to Uptown Columbus about installing a photo-op scene to promote Columbus, GA. *(Request of Councilor Woodson)*

## **5. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

### A. Fire/EMS Update – Sal Scarpa, Fire/EMS Chief

**Finance Director Angelica Alexander** approached the rostrum to explain the Fire/EMS Chief is appearing before Council pursuant to Ordinance 13-39, requesting an additional \$2.3 million for the Fire/EMS Department FY 2022 Budget for public safety retention bonuses and costs associated with the maintenance of the fire trucks.

**Fire & EMS Chief Sal Scarpa** approached the rostrum to provide information on the challenges faced by the Columbus Fire & EMS Department with their FY 2022 Budget. At the request of Councilor Thomas, he also provided information on the smoke detector program for the citizens of Columbus.

Councilor Thomas made a motion to approve the request for an additional \$2.3 million for the Fire/EMS Department FY 2022 Budget, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.

### B. Valley Healthcare Department of Defense Innovation Readiness - Lieutenant Colonel Raymond Martin, Officer in Charge, Valley Healthcare 22 IRT

**Lieutenant Colonel Raymond Martin** approached the rostrum to provide information on the Valley Healthcare IRT Program. He explained this program would provide dental, optometry, medical, and veterinary services to the members of the community at no cost in August 2022. He asked for the Columbus Consolidated Government's help to publicize the program to get the information out to the community.

**Valley Healthcare CEO Sarah Lang** approached the rostrum to express her appreciation and excitement for the US Department of Defense to be bringing over two hundred medical professionals to the community to complete their training.

#### **REFERRAL(S):**

##### **FOR THE VALLEY HEALTHCARE CEO:**

- Have the information flyer translated in Spanish. (*Request of Councilor Woodson*)

### C. Waste Collection Update - Drale Short, Public Works Director

**Public Works Director Drale Short** approached the rostrum to provide an update on waste collection. She provided information on the vacant positions in the Waste Collection Division and delays that are still being experienced with waste collection in the community.

#### **REFERRAL(S):**

##### **FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:**

- Provide information to Council on what it would take for the waste collection services to get back on schedule if money were not an issue. (*Request of Councilor Thomas*)

## **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

**June 29, 2022**

### **1. Removal of Residual Ground Material & Removal and Disposal/Reuse of Large Tree Trunks (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0037**

Scope of Bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (City) invites qualified contractors to submit bids to provide the following services on an “as needed” basis:

Option 1: Residual waste removal on an “as needed” basis, for either Pine Grove or Granite Bluff Landfill. Such ground material could be used as fuel, mulch, or some other recyclable commodity.

Option 2: Removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks on an “as needed” basis. The contract would be awarded to the vendor that can provide the greatest economic benefit to the City for each option.

The contract term shall be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods. The renewal shall be contingent upon the mutual agreement of the City and the contractor.

**2. Side Loader 31-Yard Refuse Truck Bodies (Re-Bid) – RFB No. 22-0042**  
Scope of Bid

Provide a minimum of thirty (30), but not to exceed forty (40), side loader 31-yard refuse truck bodies. *Bodies will need to be manufactured to fit Peterbilt 520 Dual Steer cab and chassis.*

**July 6, 2022**

**1. Roofing Services at Metra Lower Maintenance Shop – RFB No. 22-0041**  
Scope of Bid

Provide all labor, equipment, and materials to remove and replace the existing roofing at the Metra Lower Maintenance Shop in full compliance with the project documents.

**2. Welding/Metal Fabrication Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0043**  
Scope of Bid

Provide welding and fabrication services for various facilities and equipment owned by the City. 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.

**July 15, 2022**

**1. Naming Rights Consulting Services – RFP No. 22-0031**  
Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government invites qualified consultants to submit proposals to provide a valuation study and assist or in whole find a sponsor for naming rights at the Columbus Civic Center and Ice Rink.

**CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA**

**ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

1. **RESOLUTION (173-22)** - A Resolution cancelling the July 5, 2022, and August 2, 2022, Proclamation Sessions. 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 Barnes being absent from the meeting.

2. **RESOLUTION (174-22)** - A Resolution excusing Councilor Jerry “Pops” Barnes from the June 21, 2022 Special Called Meeting and June 28, 2022 Council Meeting. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.
3. **RESOLUTION (175-22)** - A Resolution excusing Councilor R. Walker Garrett from the June 21, 2022, Special Called Meeting. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.
4. **RESOLUTION (176-22)** - A Resolution excusing Councilor Evelyn “Mimi” Woodson from the June 21, 2022, Special Called Meeting. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting.
5. Email Correspondence from Mr. Chris Wightman resigning from his seat on the Development Authority of Columbus. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the resignation with regrets, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent from the meeting.

**Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis** informed the members of Council that Councilor Garrett will be nominating Mr. Travis Chambers for this seat at the next meeting.

6. **Minutes of the following boards:**

Community Development Advisory Council, March 17, 2022

Housing Authority of Columbus, May 25, 2022

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

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED**

7. **MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

A. **CONVENTION & VISITORS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

A nominee for the seat of Donna S. Hix (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on December 31, 2022, on the Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners (*Mayor’s Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment due to the Mayor not being present in the Council Chambers.

8. **COUNCIL’S DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENT- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

A. **KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:**

A nominee for the seat of Sheila Mitchell (*Not eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as the District 3 Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*District 3- Huff*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.



A nominee for the seat of Susan Gallagher (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as the District 7 Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*District 7- Woodson*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Dominique Williamson (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, as the District 9 Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*District 9- Thomas*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

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

**A. COLUMBUS AQUATICS COMMISSION:**

A nominee for the seat of Janet Bussey (*Eligible to succeed – Interested in serving another term*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of John P. Steed (*Eligible to succeed – Interested in serving another term*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Richard Leary (*Eligible to succeed – Interested in serving another term*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, as the Columbus Hurricanes Representative on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Barbara Cummings (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of David Helmick (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Bruce Samuels (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

**B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:**

A nominee for the seat of Larry Derby (*Did not desire reappointment*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Kenneth Leuer (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Sharon Baker (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2022, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of David Goldberg (*Moving out of county*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Arsburn "Oz" Roberts (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Dr. William Kendall (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Fran Fluker (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Orlean Baulkmon (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2021, as an At-Large Representative on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council Davis deferred this appointment until there is a review of the board recommendations made at the last meeting.

**C. TREE BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Chris Henson (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term that expires on July 1, 2022, as the Environmental Advocacy Representative on the Tree Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Troy Keller (*Not eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2020, as the Educator Representative on the Tree Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Frank Tommey (*Not eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2020, as the Residential Development Representative on the Tree Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**D. VALLEY PARTNERSHIP JOINT DEVELOPMENT:**

A nominee for the seat of Gary Jones (*passed away*) for a term that expires on June 30, 2023, on the Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Provide an update to Mr. Timothy Carter on closing of the back gate at Carver Park. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

**PUBLIC AGENDA (continued)**

1. Mr. Harry Underwood, representing Fountain City Fairness Coalition, Re: The status of the Non-Discrimination Ordinance, the LGBTQ liaison and LGBT resources on the city's website.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Let Council know when the ARP Grant portal is open for applications. (*Request of Councilor Woodson*)
- Provide information on the website explaining the reason for the pause in accepting applications and allow small business owners to enter their email address to get a notification when the portal reopens. (*Request of Councilor Crabb*)

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the June 28, 2022, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Barnes being absent for the meeting, and the time being 7:40 p.m.

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Sandra T. Davis, CMC  
Clerk of Council  
Council of Columbus, Georgia