# COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Columbus Convention & Trade Center 801 Front Avenue, South Hall Columbus, Georgia 31901

March 23, 2021 5:30 PM Regular Meeting

#### MAYOR'S AGENDA

**PRESENT:** Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Jerry "Pops" Barnes, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, John M. House, Bruce Huff, Judy W. Thomas and Toyia Tucker. 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:** Councilors Charmaine Crabb and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson were absent.

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) Internal Audit Report for Marshal's Office; (2) Proposed Amendment for City Attorney Agenda Item #1; (3) City Attorney's Add-On Resolution, Re: Special Election Qualifying Fees; (4) Dragonfly Trail Network Presentation; (5) State of Georgia Rental Assistance Program (GRA) Presentation; (6) Monthly Financial Snapshot (Unaudited) FY2021 – February 2021.

**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

# **MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes for the March 9, 2021 Council Meeting. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote, and Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

### **UPDATE:**

2. An update on COVID-19

Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson explained the number of positive cases are improving, despite a brief spike earlier in the week, and the number of hospitalizations have stayed around thirty-five to forty-two. He explained GEMA has set up a mass vaccination site in Columbus, which is one of nine in the State of Georgia, and everyone from the age of sixteen and older will be able to get vaccinated beginning Thursday, March 25, 2021, as directed by the Governor.

<u>VMA Deputy Director Chance Corbitt</u> approached the rostrum and explained the vaccinations are being done in the recreation centers and they will be administered at Peachtree Mall on Saturday, March 27, 2021.

### **PRESENTATION:**

3. Transition Audit of the Marshal's Office. (Presented by John Redmond, Internal Auditor & Compliance Officer)

<u>Internal Auditor John Redmond</u> approached the rostrum to give a presentation on the transition audit conducting on the Marshal's Office during its decommissioning. He explained the department was within budget for the past three years, and he was able to verify the employees, vehicles, other capital assets, weapons, and ammunition. He stated the office was well organized and prepared for the decommissioning of the department.

# **CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA**

# **ORDINANCES**

1. 1st Reading- REZN-07-20-2104- An ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; to rezone certain properties located at the following addresses from SFR1 (Single Family Residential 1) and NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District to GC (General Commercial) Zoning District with conditions: 4947,4951, 4955, 4959,4963, 4967, 4950, 4946, and 4942 Dekalb Drive; 4333,4339,4343,4347,4353,4357, and 4361 Hancock Road; and 8740, 8732, 8724, 8716, and 8708 Veterans Parkway. (Mayor Pro Tem) (continued on 1st Reading from January 26, 2021 with proposed amendments)

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for substitution of proposed ordinance, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

**Realtor Chris Wightman (Flournoy & Calhoun Realtors)** came forward to explain the document provided was agreed upon by the HOA (Home Owners' Association) and the developer involved.

2. 1st Reading: REZN-01-21-0125- An ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at 2925 Manchester Expressway (parcel # 069-008-004 / 022 / 023) from GC (General Commercial) Zoning District to LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial) Zoning District. (Councilor Crabb)

<u>Attorney George Mize</u> approached the rostrum to explain the proposed use of the 7.7 acres of land at 2525 Manchester Expressway, formerly the site of Best Buy. He stated the property will be used for a Last Mile Distribution Center.

**3. 1st Reading:** REZN-01-21-3244- An ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia so as to revise Table 3.1.1 and amend Chapter 13 – Definitions.

<u>Planning Director Rick Jones</u> approached the rostrum to explain the proposed ordinance, amending the Unified Development. He explained there will be six licenses issued by the State of Georgia to manufacture and grow marijuana for medicinal use.

<u>Councilor R. Walker Garrett</u> requested to be recused from the discussion and vote on this item, due to being an investor in one of the companies applying for the licenses.

Councilor Thomas made a motion to allow Councilor Garrett to recuse from the discussion and vote, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilor Garrett recusing, and Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

**4. Resolution** (**076-21**): A resolution authorizing the Columbus Water Works to accept a \$13,300,000 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority and authorizing the City Manager to sign necessary documents to facilitate the transaction. (Mayor Pro-Tem). Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

<u>Senior Vice President Alex Hinton (Columbus Water Works, Division of Financial Services)</u> approached the rostrum to explain the three resolutions authorizing the City Manager to sign documents to facilitate various loan transactions for the Columbus Water Works.

<u>City Manager Isaiah Hugley</u> stated the Columbus Consolidated Government is not guaranteeing the loans. He stated the agreement is payable from revenues and rates of the Columbus Water Works and they are required to maintain a reserve and an 1.25% debt coverage.

- **5. Resolution** (077-21): A resolution authorizing the Columbus Water Works to accept a \$24,705,000 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority and authorizing the City Manager to sign necessary documents to facilitate the transaction. (Mayor Pro-Tem). Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.
- **6. Resolution** (**078-21**): A resolution authorizing the Columbus Water Works to accept a \$22,439,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority and authorizing the City Manager to sign necessary documents to facilitate the transaction. (Mayor Pro-Tem). Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.
- **7. Resolution** (**079-21**): A resolution commending Eleanor White on 65 years of service to Columbus and 30 years of service on the Board of Elections and Registration. (Mayor Pro Tem)

After Mayor Pro Tem Allen read the resolution in its entirety in the presence of family and friends of Ms. Eleanor White, Mayor Pro Tem Allen then made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

#### **ADD-ON RESOLUTION:**

**Resolution (080-21):** A resolution establishing the qualifying fee for the special election to be held on June 15, 2021, and for other purposes. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

# **PUBLIC AGENDA**

- 1. Ms. Pat Frey, representing United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley/Home For Good, Re: 2021 Point in Time Count results.
- 2. Ms. Jennifer Le Denney, Re: Public Safety compression pay, Missing Persons with disabilities and GCAL (Georgia Crisis & Access Line).
- 3. Mr. Timothy Carter, Re: The various activities occurring in Carver Park.

<u>Police Chief Freddie Blackmon</u> approached the rostrum to advise that he would be meeting with Mr. Carter to discuss this matter further.

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

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

- Request for an ordinance prohibiting dirt bikes and other ATVs in public parks. (Request of Councilor Tucker)
- Request for a round-a-bout at the intersection of Edgewood and Clubview from the TPSLOST. (Request of Councilor Garrett)

# **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

#### 1. Hawks Foundation Grants

**Resolution (081-21):** A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, to authorize Parks and Recreation Department to apply for grants available through the Hawks Foundation and Georgia Recreation and Parks Association, to accept any funds if awarded and to amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the award. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

### 2. Georgia Recreation and Parks Association Grant Funding

**Resolution (082-21):** A resolution authorizing the Parks and Recreation Department to apply for and if awarded, accept funds from the Georgia Recreation and Park Association New Initiative Grant. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

#### 3. PURCHASES

A. Columbus Dragonfly Trails - Riverwalk to MLK Connector – RFB No. 21-0017

**Resolution** (083-21): A resolution authorizing the execution of a construction contract with JHC Corporation, Inc. (Peachtree, GA) in the amount of \$2,080,732.09 for a new multiuse trail that will connect the Riverwalk to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Trail. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

<u>Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge</u> came forward to give a presentation on the project, where MLK will be connected to the Riverwalk via the Columbus Dragonfly Trails.

B. Consolidated Plan, Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan, Annual Action Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice – RFP No. 21-0019

**Resolution** (084-21): A resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Mosaic Community Planning, LLC (Atlanta, GA) to assist the staff of the Community Reinvestment Department with the development of the 2021-2026 Consolidated Plan, 2021-2026 Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan, 2021 Annual Action Plan, and the 2021 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, including all narratives, data tables, and other plan elements. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

### C. Laboratory Services for Engineering

**Resolution (085-21):** A resolution authorizing the execution of a five-year contract for laboratory services with Columbus Water Works (Columbus, GA), a Component Unit of Columbus Consolidated Government, for the estimated annual contract amount of \$5,200.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

D. Zero-Turn Mowers for Parks and Recreation – Cooperative Contract

**Resolution (086-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of four (4) Zero-Turn Mowers (John Deere Z915E) from Deere & Company (Cary, NC), at a unit price of \$8,329.86, and a total price of \$33,319.44, by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #062117-DAC. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried

unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

#### E. Employee Service Award Pins

**Resolution** (087-21): A resolution authorizing the annual contract for the purchase of Employee Service Award Pins from J Brandt Recognition, LTD (Fort Worth, TX), on an "as needed" basis for the estimated annual contract value of \$6,615.00. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

F. Speed Limit Feedback Radar Signs (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0003

**Resolution (088-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of speed limit feedback radar signs from All Traffic Solutions (Herndon, VA), Radarsign (Marietta, GA), Temple, Inc. (Decatur, AL), and Transportation Solutions and Lighting (Boca Raton, FL) on an "as needed" basis. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

G. Maintenance, Repair & Operation (MRO), Industrial Supplies and Tools - Cooperative Contract

**Resolution (089-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of maintenance, repair & operations (MRO) industrial supplies and tools from Acuity Specialty d/b/a Zep Manufacturing Company, Inc., Fastenal Company, W.W. Grainger, Inc., MSC Industrial Supply Company, HD Supply, Home Depot, Lowe Electric, Kipper Tool and Miller Hardward via the Georgia Statewide Contract SWC 99999-001-SPD0000181 on an "as needed" basis. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

H. Furniture for the Columbus Fire & Ems Office of Emergency Management & Homeland Security – Cooperative Purchase

**Resolution (090-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of furniture from Office Depot – Workspace Interiors (Austin, TX), in the amount of \$36,465.38, by Cooperative Purchase, via Omnia Partners Contract #R191812. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

I. Recycling Containers for Public Works – Cooperative Purchase

**Resolution (091-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of recycling containers from Wastequip (Statesville, NC), in the amount of \$40,423.00, by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041217-WQI. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

J. Repair of a CAT D7R Dozer for Public Works

**Resolution (092-21):** A resolution authorizing the payment to Tractor & Equipment Company (Birmingham, AL), in the amount of \$34,457.79, for the repair of a CAT D7R Dozer, V#10822. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

K. Maintenance Extension for Netapp Network Storage – Cooperative Purchase

**Resolution (093-21):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of maintenance extension for the Netapp Network Storage, in the amount of \$42,374.93, from CPAK Technology Solutions (LaGrange, GA). The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Federal GSA Contract #GS-35F-0511T, awarded to EC America, for whom CPAK is an authorized participating dealer. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

# 4. <u>UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS</u>

A. State of Georgia Rental Assistance Program Update - Robert Scott, Community Reinvestment Director

<u>Community Reinvestment Director Robert Scott</u> approached the rostrum to give a presentation on the State of Georgia Rental Assistance Program (GRA), which is being administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. He explained this program would help renters with past due rent and utilities, and both tenants and landlords must apply in order to be considered. He stated the payments include arrearages and future payments of up to three months, up to \$15,000 per household, and may not exceed twelve months.

B. Monthly Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

<u>Finance Director Angelica Alexander</u> came forward to give the monthly finance update for the month of February 2021.

C. Video Update on Distressed/Dilapidated Properties

<u>City Manager Isaiah Hugley</u> introduced the eight minutes video on distressed and dilapidated properties, with will be played on CCG-TV, uploaded to YouTube, and shared on Facebook. He explained the video is to encourage those property owners to bring those properties up to code or remove them by demolition, and if they do not, the City of Columbus will demolish the structures on the property and place a lien on the property to recoup taxpayer dollars.

# **REFERRAL(S):**

# FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Provide a list of the properties to the members of Council. (*Request of Councilor Garrett*)

#### **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

# March 31, 2021

### 1. Tennis Court Supplies (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 21-0026

Scope of Bid

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is requesting bids from qualified vendors to provide tennis court supplies on an "as needed" basis to be utilized by the Parks and Recreation Department.

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

### 2. Steel Trash Receptacles (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 21-0028

Scope of Bid

Provide steel, 32-gallon trash receptacles to METRA Transit System on an as-needed basis.

The contract term shall be three (3) years.

#### 3. Landfill Scales Maintenance Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 21-0024

Scope of Bid

Provide maintenance services and quarterly calibration on stationary motor truck scales in Columbus, Georgia on an "as required" basis. The locations of the scales are Pine Grove MSW Landfill, The Recycling Center MRF, and Granite Bluff Landfill.

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

# **April 2, 2021**

# 1. Paratransit Mobility Passenger Boarding Systems – RFP No. 21-0032

Scope of Proposal

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) invites qualified vendors to submit proposals for the provision and installation of Mobility Passenger Boarding Systems. These system(s) will be used daily by the City's public transit agency, METRA Transit System, for the benefit of Passengers in wheelchairs using METRA Transit System's paratransit service.

# **April 7, 2021**

# 1. Bus Route Signs & Poles – Rebid (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 21-0029

Scope of Bid

Provide bus route signs and poles to METRA Transit System on an as-needed basis.

The contract term shall be three (3) years.

# 2. Pool Chemicals (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 21-0025

Scope of Bid

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is requesting bids from qualified vendors to provide water treatment chemicals to be used in the City's swimming pools on an "as needed" basis to be utilized by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The contract term will be for two years with the option to renew for three additional twelvemonth periods.

# **CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA**

# **ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

- 1. **RESOLUTION (094-21):** A Resolution excusing Councilor Charmaine Crabb from the March 23, 2021 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.
- 2. **RESOLUTION** (095-12): A Resolution cancelling the April 6 and May 2, 2021 Proclamation Sessions. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.
- 3. **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMMITTEE:** Memorandum from the Human Resources Director submitting the result of a survey for the Public Safety Representative where Mr. Lance Deaton was selected to serve another term. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion o confirm the reappointment of Lance Deaton to serve as the Public Safety Representative on the Employee Benefits Committee, seconded by Councilor Thomas and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

### 4. Minutes of the following boards:

Airport Commission, January 27, 2021

Animal Control Advisory Board, February 8, 2021

Board of Tax Assessors, #07-21 and #08-21

Board of Water Commissioners, January 11, 2021

Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners, February 17, 2021

Development Authority of Columbus, February 4, 2021

Mayor's Commission on Reentry, February 15, 2021

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

# **ADD-ON RESOLUTION:**

**Resolution (096-21):** A resolution excusing Councilor Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson from the March 23, 2021 Council Meeting. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

#### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED**

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

# A. HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

A nominee for the seat of Larry Cardin (*Eligible to serve another term*) on the Housing Authority of Columbus for a term expiring on April 30, 2021 (*Mayor's Appointment*). Mayor Henderson renominated Larry Cardin to serve another term. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting.

# 5. <u>COUNCIL'S DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:</u>

#### A. <u>CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:</u>

A nominee for the seat of David Cripe (*Eligible to succeed; Does not desire reappointment*) as the District 6 Representative for a term that expired on March 1, 2020 on the Civic Center Advisory Board (*Council District 6- Allen*). There were none.

#### B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of L. K. Pendleton (*Eligible to succeed; Does not desire reappointment*) as the District 7 Representative for a term that expired on March 27, 2020 on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Council District 7- Woodson*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Michael Porter (<u>Not eligible to succeed</u>) as the District 9 Representative for a term that expired on March 27, 2020 on the Community Development Advisory Council (Council District 9- Thomas). There were none.

# C. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Warren Wagner (*Resigned*) as the District 5 Representative for a term that expires on June 30, 2021 on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council District 5-Crabb*). There were none.

# D. RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of John Lawson (*Resigned*) as the District 6 Representative for a term that expired on December 31, 2019 on the Recreation Advisory Board (*Council District 6- Allen*). There were none.

# 6. <u>COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:</u>

#### A. BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION:

A nominee for the seat of Eleanor White (*Resigned*) on the Board of Elections & Registration for a term that expires on December 31, 2023 (*Council's Appointment*). Mayor Pro Tem Allen nominated Dr. Edwin Roldan to fill the unexpired term of Eleanor White.

# B. <u>COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):</u>

A nominee for the seat of Rose Spencer (<u>Not</u> eligible to serve another term) on the Commission on International Relations & Cultural Liaison Encounters (CIRCLE) for a term expiring on March 1, 2021 (Council's Appointment). Clerk of Council Davis stated Councilor Woodson has submitted Marva Barritow to succeed Rose Spencer on CIRCLE.

### C. <u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMMITTEE:</u>

A nominee for the seat of Bill Rawn (*Withdrew from consideration*) serving as the Sworn Officer on the Employee Benefits Committee for a term that expires on April 30, 2021 (*Council's Appointment*). Mayor Pro Tem Allen nominated Jonathan Kevin Lott to succeed Bill Rawn, as recommended by the Human Resources Department.

### D. TREE BOARD:

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

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

A nominee for the seat of Beverly Kinner (*Not eligible to succeed*) on the Tree Board for a term that expired on December 31, 2020 (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Tucker nominated Farah Dewsbury to succeed Beverly Kinner on the Tree Board.

# **PUBLIC AGENDA (continued):**

2. Ms. Jennifer Le Denney, Re: Public Safety compression pay, Missing Persons with disabilities and GCAL (Georgia Crisis & Access Line).

# **DEDICATION CEREMONY:**

Councilor Thomas commended Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin and all who were involved with the dedication ceremony for the C. E. "Red" McDaniel City Services Center that was held on March 19, 2021.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Garrett to adjourn the March 23, 2021 Regular Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Crabb and Woodson being absent for the meeting, and the time being 7:37 p.m.

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