

# 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

February 11, 2025  
9:00 AM  
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 Travis L. Chambers, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, Byron Hickey, Bruce Huff (arrived at 9:10 a.m.) and Toyia Tucker (arrived at 9:30 a.m.). City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore.

**ABSENT:** Councilor Judy W. Thomas and Deputy Clerk Pro Tem Tameka Colbert were absent.

**The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet:** (1) Board of Tax Assessors HB 581 Presentation; (2) FY24 Financial & Compliance Audit Presentation; (3) Community Care Program Presentation; (4) Accountability Court Presentation; (5) Inspection & Codes Internal Audit Presentation; (6) Internal Audit Report of Inspection & Codes Department; (7) South Lumpkin Road Streetscape Presentation; (8) Liberty District Presentation; (9) Integrated Waste Presentation

**The following documents were distributed around the Council table:** (1) MA#2 Add-On Resolution; (2) Inspection & Codes Internal Audit Presentation; (3) Internal Audit Report of Inspection & Codes Department; (4) Integrated Waste Presentation; (5) Pinegrove Landfill Capacity Timelines

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

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

**Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson** recognized the recent passing of Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis and asked for a moment of silence in her honor.

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Pastor Wayne Anthony, St. Peter UMC of Columbus, Georgia

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

### **MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes for the January 28, 2025, Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Huff and Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING: HB581 – Intent to Opt-Out of Homestead Exemption. 9:00 a.m.**

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*NOTE: Councilor Huff arrived at 9:10 a.m.*

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**Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse** approached the rostrum to provide a presentation on HB 581 and responded to questions from the members of the Council.

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*NOTE: Councilor Tucker arrived at 9:30 a.m.*

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During the discussion, **City Attorney Clifton Fay** stated opting in or out will not affect the local homestead assessment freeze. It was explained if Council chooses to opt-out, there has been a resolution passed around the table that would need to be approved so the Clerk’s Office can send the documentation to the Secretary of State.

*(NOTE: The floor was then declared open for public comment. No citizens came forward.)*

**RESOLUTION (030-25):** A resolution by Columbus, Georgia/Muscogee County to opt out of the Homestead Exemption pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-44.2. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried by a seven-to-two vote, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen and Councilors Chambers, Cogle, Crabb, Davis, Garrett and Huff voting in favor, Councilors Hickey and Tucker voting in opposition, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Rebroadcast the Tax Commissioner’s presentation on CCG-TV. *(Request of Mayor Pro Tem Allen)*

**FOR THE DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL:**

- Work with the City Attorney’s Office to send the approved resolution opting out of HB 581 to the Secretary of State as required. *(Request of City Manager Hugley)*

**PRESENTATIONS**

3. FY24 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report – David Irwin, External Auditor, Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

**Mr. David Irwin, External Auditor (Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC)** approached the rostrum to provide a presentation on the FY24 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. The audit opinion shared based on Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Governmental Auditing Standards is that of an Unmodified “Clean” Opinion with the highest level of assurance, noting the financial statements are fairly presented in all material respects, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). A decrease in the Enterprise Funds was noted and it was suggested that an eye is kept on those funds to make sure that it is not a recurring trend in the future.

**City Manager Isaiah Hugley** and **Finance Director Angelica Alexander** commented on the Unmodified “Clean” Opinion from the External Auditors and recognized Accounting Manager Karen

Thompson, who is retiring after from the Finance Department after 37 years of service to the City of Columbus.

4. Underserved and Inmate Healthcare Program Update – Bob Paskowski, Principal, PYA, P.C. and Jane Jerzack, Principal, PYA, P.C.

**Mr. Bob Paskowski, Consulting Principal (PYA, P.C.)**, approached the rostrum to provide an update on the Community Care Program, providing access to healthcare for indigent and inmate populations.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Make sure the proposal says identifying healthcare organizations “in Muscogee County”. (*Request of Councilor Crabb*)

5. Columbus Police Department Update - Police Chief Stoney Mathis

**Columbus Police Chief Stoney Mathis** approached the rostrum to provide an update on the Columbus Police Department. During the update, two requests were made: (1) authorization to form a non-paid reserve unit, which would be budget neutral aside from the training, and would be comprised of retired police officers; (2) unfreeze seven positions to allow the department to reach the goal of 388 officers.

Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the request to form a non-paid reserves unit and to unfreeze seven positions within the Columbus Police Department, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being from the meeting.

**City Attorney Clifton Fay** stated the unfreezing of seven positions will need to be ratified by amending the budget and a signed waiver will need to be on file for those serving in the non-paid reserve unit.

6. Development Authority of Columbus Update - Selvin Hollingsworth, Chairman

**Chairman Selvin Hollingsworth (Development Authority)** approached the rostrum to provide a brief update on the Development Authority of Columbus. The City of Columbus is in the running for a large investment that will bring many jobs to the area and potential investors are interested in the land available.

7. Accountability Court – Dayna Soloman, Director of Accountability Courts

**Director Dayna Soloman (Muscogee County Accountability Court)** approached the rostrum to provide an update on the Accountability Courts in the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit and the various programs available to encourage and lead individuals toward a positive and drug free lifestyle.

8. Transitional Audit Report for Inspection & Codes - Donna McGinnis, Internal Auditor/Compliance Officer

**Forensic Auditor John Smith** and **Forensic Auditor Benjamin Meadows** approached the rostrum to provide the presentation on the transitional audit conducted in the Inspections & Code Department, as authorized by the Council on December 15, 2020.

**Internal Auditor/Compliance Officer Donna McGinnis** approached the rostrum to provide the recommendations at the end of the presentation. The recommendations included the establishment of a hyper-link in the Q-Alert system to address cost redundancy between EnerGov and Q-Alert, quarterly budget review focusing on adequate funding to address the pace of necessary abatements, funding for training and additional efforts to push toward full digitation, and the review of collaborative procedures to reduce the number of repeat nuisance properties.

**Inspections & Codes Director Ryan Pruett** approached the rostrum to respond to some of the recommendations from the Internal Auditors and potential obstacles that may arise in the future with implementation.

Councilor Tucker made a motion to authorize the transition audit requested by the District Attorney for the Victims Witness Section, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Crabb and Hickey being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA**

### **ORDINANCES**

- 1. Ordinance (25-006) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-10-24-2232: An ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **1126 30th Street** (parcel # 029-013-001) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to Residential Multifamily - 1 (RMF1) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)
- 2. Ordinance (25-007) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-11-24-2363- An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **425 3rd Avenue** (parcel #002-015-002) from Historic (HIST) Zoning District to Residential Office (RO) Zoning District with Conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval with conditions.) (Councilor Cogle) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.
- 3. Ordinance (25-008) - 2nd Reading-** REZN-11-24-2362: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2311 Fort Benning Road** (parcel # 062-037-003) from General Commercial (GC) Zoning District to Residential Office (RO) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Cogle) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote, and Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

4. **1st Reading-** REZN-12-24-2485: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **3114 6th Avenue** (parcel # 014-032-005) from Residential Multifamily – 2 (RMF2) Zoning District to Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)

*(NOTE: The applicant was recognized as present, and the floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from Council.)*

5. **1st Reading-** REZN-12-24-2514: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at 1641 3rd Avenue (parcel # 005-006-001) from General Commercial (GC) Zoning District to Uptown (UPT) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval with conditions.) (Councilor Cogle)

*(NOTE: The applicant was recognized as present, and the floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from Council.)*

## **RESOLUTIONS**

6. **Resolution (031-25):** A Resolution authorizing Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages at all on-premises locations within Columbus, Georgia on Sunday February 9, 2025. (Councilor Tucker) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.
7. **Resolution (032-25):** A Resolution imposing insurance requirements on any vendor contracting with any department, board, commission or authority of the consolidated government for vendor services, to include the delivery or installation of purchased goods, independent of the Purchasing Division of the Finance Department. (Councilors Crabb and Tucker) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA**

1. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: CCG Elected Officials and Staff must be held accountable.

# **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

## **1. Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) GDOT Street Lighting Agreement**

**Resolution (033-25):** A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the GDOT P.I. No. 0013373, SR22 @ CR 1505/Bradley Park Drive Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. 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 from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)

## **2. Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP) Grant**

**Resolution (034-25):** A resolution to apply for and accept if awarded a grant of \$3,259.50, or as otherwise awarded, from the ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation for the Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP) and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount awarded. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)

## **3. Juvenile Accountability Court State Grant Request**

**Resolution (035-25):** A resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for a grant to fund the Muscogee County Juvenile and Family Drug Courts in an amount up to \$500,000.00 and if awarded, amended the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. There is a 12% local match requirement, and the grant period is from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)

## **4. PURCHASES**

- A. One (1) Ditch Witch for Public Works Department – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Resolution (036-25):** A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) Ditch Witch (Charles Machine Works, Ditch Witch ST37XA Footings Trencher), for the Public Works Department, from the Charles Machine Works, Inc. (Perry, OK) in the amount of \$50,982.64. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contact #110421-CMW. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)

B. Golf Carts for Sheriff's Office

**Resolution (037-25):** A resolution authorizing payment to Battery Source (Columbus, GA) in the amount of \$55,848.65 for the purchase of golf carts for the Sheriff's Office. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting. (*NOTE: Councilor Crabb was out of the Council Chamber at the time this vote was taken and requested her vote reflect in favor; stated for the record at the beginning of the Clerk of Council's Agenda.*)

5. **UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. South Lumpkin Road Streetscape – Kathy Stallard, Senior Project Manager, Heath & Lineback

**Engineering Director Lance Beck** approached the rostrum to introduce the presentation and presenter.

**Ms. Kathy Stallard, Senior Project Manager Health & Lineback** came forward to provide the presentation on the South Lumpkin Road Streetscape, a TSPLOST funded project that will begin North of the roundabout along South Lumpkin Road/Infantry Road and ends at the intersection with Victory Drive (SR 1). The key goal of the project is to beautify the corridor, improve pedestrian and bicycle accessibility, and calm traffic, with construction scheduled to begin in 2027.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Provide an explanation of the 3 and 5 lane options and a rendition of the project to educate the community. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- Hold 2-3 public meetings to involve the community in the decision between the 3 or 5 lane options. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)

B. Liberty District Master Plan - Neil Clark, Hecht Burdeshaw Architects, Inc.

**Mr. Neil Clark (Hecht Burdeshaw Architects, Inc.)** approached the rostrum to provide a presentation on the Liberty District Master Plan. Information was provided on the history of the neighborhood, anchor institutions, sites for potential opportunities, and the plans to transform the neighborhood into a vibrant and inviting area.

**Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge** came forward providing information on the public meetings scheduled for February 17<sup>th</sup> and February 19<sup>th</sup> at the CCG Annex located at 420 10<sup>th</sup> Street, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Provide a link to the Master Plan for Council and citizens to access. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- Push public meetings out or add additional meetings. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)

C. Integrated Waste Update - Drale Short, Director, Public Works

**Public Works Director Drale Short** approached the rostrum to introduce the presentation and presenter.

**Mr. Monte Jones, Atlantic Coast Consulting, Inc.**, approached the rostrum to provide an update on the compacity timelines for the Pine Grove Landfill, which he described as “one of the nicest and well-run solid waste facilities in the State of Georgia”. The pending vertical expansion modification is expected to bring in approximately \$61,000,000 in revenue from additional MSW airspace and increase the life expectancy of the landfill by approximately 17 years.

**Finance Director Angelica Alexander** approached the rostrum to provide information on the funding needed for the new landfill cell. Two options were presented, Option A: \$8 million loan from the General Fund with a commitment to repay the loan over time by increasing garbage fee beginning July 1, 2025 (FY26); Option B: using approximately \$8 million of General Fund Reserves (approximately 12 reserve days) to subsidize the Integrated Waste Fund.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to authorize Option A, seconded by Councilor Huff and opened for further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Allen later withdrew his motion.

**REFERRAL(S):**

**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Provide a layout of the payment plan for Option A for the length of the loan. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)

**BID ADVERTISEMENT**

**DATE:** February 11, 2025  
**TO:** Mayor and Councilors  
**FROM:** Finance Department  
**SUBJECT:** Advertised Bids/RFPs/RFQs

**February 19, 2025**

**1. Business License Tax/Revenue Collection Services – RFP No. 25-0015**

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting proposals to establish a contract for the consulting services to provide business license tax/revenue collection services for the city.

The contract term shall be for three (3) years with an option to renew for five (5) additional twelve-month periods.



## **CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA**

### **ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

1. Email from Attorney Jack P. Schley, requesting the seat of Ernest Smallman be declared vacant on the Hospital Authority of Columbus. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to declare this seat as vacant, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.
2. Letter from Mr. Doug Jefcoat, resigning from his seat on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Councilor Crabb made a motion to receive the resignation with regrets, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.
3. Travel Authorization Request for Councilor Bruce Huff to attend the ACCG Annual Conference during the month of April 2025. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

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

Audit Committee, November 20, 2024

Board of Tax Assessors, 02-25 and 03-25

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

5. **RESOLUTION (038-25)** – A resolution excusing Councilor Judy W. Thomas from the February 11, 2025, Council Meeting. **(Add-On)** Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.
6. Travel Authorization Request for Councilor Toyia Tucker to attend the ACCG Annual Conference during the month of April 2025. **(Add-On)** Councilor Hickey made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

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

7. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:**

- A. **BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS:** Doug Jefcoat was nominated to fill the unexpired term of the late Trey Carmack. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: December 31, 2025. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

**B. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:** Alissa Neal was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Alfred Hayes, Jr. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee*) Term expires: March 31, 2026. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

8. **MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

**A. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:**

A nominee for the seat of Renee Sturkie (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 24, 2025, on the Building Authority of Columbus. (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

**B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

A nominee for the seat of Anthony Montgomery (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 25, 2025, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Denise M. Cambridge (*Eligible to succeed*) for the term expiring on the March 25, 2025, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Benjamin Link (*Eligible to succeed*) for the term expiring on the March 25, 2025, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

**C. CRIME PREVENTION BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Danny Arencibia (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Chairperson on the Crime Prevention Board (*Mayor's Appointment*). Mayor Henderson renominated Danny Arencibia to serve another term. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Rocky Marsh (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Fort Moore Liaison on the Crime Prevention Board (*Mayor's Appointment*). Mayor Henderson renominated Rocky Marsh to serve another term. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Dr. Angela Vickers (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Education Community Representative on the Crime Prevention Board (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Assistant Chief Joyce Dent-Fitzpatrick (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Law Enforcement Agency Representative on the Crime Prevention Board (*Mayor's Appointment*). Mayor Henderson nominated Sergeant (CPD) Angela Florence to succeed Assistant Chief Joyce Dent-Fitzpatrick. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

9. **COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

**A. CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Charles E. Huff, Jr. (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 1 – Hickey*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Daniel T. Woodward (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 2 – Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Gregory Blue (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 3 – Huff*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Terrance T. Little, Sr. (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 4 – Tucker*). There were none. Councilor Tucker renominated Terrance T. Little, Sr. to serve another term. Councilor Tucker made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting.

A nominee for the seat of Romeo Byll (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 7 – Cogle*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Johnson Trawick (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*District 8 – Garrett*). There were none.

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

**A. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:**

A nominee for the seat of Shaun Roberts (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, on the Board of Zoning Appeals. (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**B. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:**

A nominee for the seat of Johnny W. Byrd, II (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 24, 2025, on the Building Authority of Columbus. (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Huff renominated Johnny W. Byrd, II to serve another term.

A nominee for the seat of Tyler R. Martindill (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 24, 2025, on the Building Authority of Columbus. (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**C. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):**

A nominee for the seat of Samantha Wooden (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Commission on International Relations and Cultural Liaison Encounters. (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Natasha Banks (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 1, 2025, on the Commission on International Relations and Cultural Liaison Encounters. (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Tucker renominated Natasha Banks to serve another term.

**D. CRIME PREVENTION BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Ericka N. Cottingham (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Senatorial District 29 Representative on the Crime Prevention Board (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Tucker renominated Ericka N. Cottingham to serve another term.

A nominee for the seat of Marcus Gibson (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, as the Senatorial District 15 Representative on the Crime Prevention Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Lane Jimmerson (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, on the Crime Prevention Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**E. PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD:**

A nominee for the seat of Dennis Walsh (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on December 31, 2024, as Alternate Member 1 on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Willie L. Belfield, Jr. (*Appointed to Regular Member seat*) for a term expiring on December 31, 2024, as Alternate Member 2 on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Donna D. Baker (*Appointed to Regular Member seat*) for a term expiring on December 31, 2024, as Alternate Member 3 on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**F. PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION:**

A nominee for the seat of Dr. Xavier McCaskey (*Not Eligible to Succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, on the Planning Advisory Commission (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Ralph King (*Not Eligible to Succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, on the Planning Advisory Commission (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Larry Derby (*Not Eligible to Succeed*) for a term expiring on March 31, 2025, on the Planning Advisory Commission (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**G. VALLEY PARTNERSHIP JOINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:**

A nominee for the seat of Monte Galbraith (*Resigned*) for a term expiring on June 30, 2026, on the Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into executive session to discuss matters of personnel as requested by City Attorney Fay earlier in the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting, and the time being 1:35 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 2:11 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel; however, there were no votes taken.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the February 11, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Thomas being absent from the meeting, and the time being 2:12 p.m.

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