

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

March 12, 2024
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Tyson Begly, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, 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 Jerry "Pops" Barnes, R. Walker Garrett and Bruce Huff were absent.

The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet: (1) Cure Violence Program Update Presentation; (2) FY2023 Fiscal Conditions Report Presentation; (3) Revenue Division Update Presentation; (4) Columbus Infrastructure Update Presentation; (5) American Rescue Plan Update Presentation

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) Document Provided by the Internal Auditor on December 5, 2023: Internal Audit of the Finance Department

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Pastor Lavisha Williams, Presiding Elder, South Columbus-Cordele District, Pastor, Emmanuel Chapel CME, West Point, Ga., West Georgia Region, CME Church, Inc.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the February 27, 2024 Council Meeting and Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS:

2. **Proclamation:** Women's History Month

Receiving: Reather Hollowell, Human Resources Director

Councilor Joanne Cogle read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming March 2024, as *Women's History Month*, recognizing the significant contributions and achievements of women throughout history.

3. **Proclamation:** World Down Syndrome Day

Receiving: Christian Hill, Chattahoochee Valley Down Syndrome Association

Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Thursday, March 21, 2024, as *World Down Syndrome Day*, celebrating those with Down Syndrome and bringing the community together.

4. **Proclamation:** Partners in Education Week

Receiving: Conner Miller, Columbus Chamber of Commerce

Councilor Judy W. Thomas read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming March 11-15, 2024, as *Partners in Education Week*, recognizing the Partners in Education initiative to expose local students to the skills and concepts of the four pillars: citizenship, entrepreneurship, leadership, and career development.

5. **Proclamation:** American Legion 105th Birthday

Receiving: Pat Liddell, Eddie L. Roberts American Legion 333

Councilor Toyia Tucker read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming Friday, March 15 through March 17, 2024, as *American Legion 105th Birthday*, recognizing the commitment and service to the community by the veterans of the American Legion.

6. **Proclamation:** Intellectual and Development Disability Awareness Month

Receiving: Chloe Landreth, New Horizons Behavioral Health

Councilor Tyson Begly read the proclamation into the record, proclaiming March 2024 as *Intellectual and Development Disability Awareness Month*, recognizing New Horizons Behavioral Health for their dedication to those in the community with developmental disabilities and bringing awareness to community.

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **1st Reading-** REZN-11-23-0218: An ordinance amending the text of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia to add a new Article X to Chapter 4 pertaining to Electric Vehicle Infrastructure. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (as amended) (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Deputy Chief of Community Risk Reduction Ricky Shores approached the rostrum to explain the proposed amendment as it pertains to the safety requirements for installation of home charging stations for electric vehicles.

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Dr. Asante Hilts, representing Valley Healthcare, Re: The Sickle Cell Foundation Georgia Community Health Worker Program.

2. Mr. Louis Thomas, Jr., Re: The Columbus Parks and Recreation Department.
3. Mr. Scott Cole, Re: The Jonathan Hatcher Skateboard Park.

Councilor Joanne Cogle stated for the record she requests that it be mandated in the RFP for Golden Park that if the Jonathan Hatcher Skateboard Park is to be replaced, then the new park is constructed before the original is demolished.

4. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: The Macon-Dixon divide.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Permanent Encroachment to Install a Marquee

Resolution (068-24): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing a permanent encroachment of 7 feet 4 inches on the right-of-way at 1231 Broadway, authorizing the installation of a marquee and for maintenance and repair of such improvements. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

2. Permanent Encroachment of 4 Balconies

Resolution (069-24): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing a permanent encroachment of 4 ft 11 inches on the right-of-way at 1231 Broadway, authorizing the construction of balconies and for maintenance and repair of such improvements. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

3. FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Resolution (070-24): A resolution to apply for and accept if awarded a grant for personal protective equipment (PPE) and extractors and drying cabinets with installation in the amount of \$497,191.01, or as otherwise awarded, for FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Funds, with Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services paying the 10% match of \$45,199.18. The Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

4. Grant Applications for Capital and Planning Assistance - METRA

Resolution (071-24): A resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration's Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5307 Formula Grant Program for capital and planning assistance in an amount up to \$1,967,352, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Transportation Fund by the amount of the grant award. The City Manager is also authorized to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration's Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5339 Formula Grant Program for capital assistance

in an amount up to \$261,750 or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Transportation Fund by the amount of the grant award. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Mayor Pro Tem Allen being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

ADD-ON RESOLUTION:

Resolution (072-24): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the acceptance of a deed to that portion of Galloway Lane, and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Two, Section One, Heiferhorn Farms, on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Thomas and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

5. PURCHASES

- A. Two (2) 2024 Ford Transit 15-Passenger Vans for the Muscogee County Prison – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (073-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) 2024 Ford 15-passenger vans for the Muscogee County Prison from Wade Ford, Inc. (Smyrna, GA), at a unit price of \$58,908.00, and a total price of \$117,816.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-SPD-ES40199373-009S. Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

- B. One (1) 2023 Ford F-150 Supercrew 4x2 for the Fire & EMS Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (074-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2023 Ford F-150 Supercrew 4X2 for the Fire & EMS Department from Allan Vigil Ford, Inc. (Morrow, GA) in the amount of \$46,648.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-ES40199373-002. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

- C. One (1) 2024 Ford F-150 for the Public Works Department - Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (075-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford F-150 for the Public Works Department from Allan Vigil Ford, Inc. (Morrow, GA) in the amount of \$47,592.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-ES40199373-002. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

- D. One (1) Forklift for the Public Works Department - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (076-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) forklift for the Public Works Department from Thompson Tractor Co., d/b/a Thompson Lift Truck Company (Lithia Springs, GA) in the amount of \$41,440.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #091520-HCE. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution,

seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

E. Two (2) Regular Cab Service Trucks for the Public Works Department - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (077-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) regular cab service trucks for the Public Works Department from Alan Jay Fleet Group (Sebring, FL) at a unit price of \$59,619.00, and a total price of \$119,238.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #091521-NAF and #060920-NAF. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

F. Electric Motor Repair Services (Annual Contract) - RFB No. 24-0024

Resolution (078-24): A resolution authorizing the annual contract for electric motor repair services from Southern Industrial Sales and Service, Inc. d/b/a Southern Rewinding and Sales (Columbus, GA). The Public Works Department budgets approximately \$65,000.00, per fiscal year, for the services. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

G. Professional Services to Develop the 2050 Metropolitan Plan and the 2023 Congestion Management Process-P.I. #0019628 – RFP No. 24-0016

Resolution (079-24): A resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Pond & Company, Inc. (Peachtree Corners, GA) for the development of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) with a freight plan component and the 2023 Congestion Management Process (CMP) for the Columbus-Phenix City Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-PCMPO). The firm's cost proposal falls within the project budget. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

Planning Director Will Johnson approached the rostrum to respond to questions. He explained that several projects listed in the 2045 plan were moved to TSPLOST, so this plan will be a comprehensive transportation plan for the next ten years, as required by federal guidelines.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Email link to the 2045 plan to the members of Council. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)

H. Workers' Compensation Excess Coverage and Loss Control Services

Resolution (080-24): A resolution authorizing payment to Apex Insurance Agency, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) to provide workers' compensation excess coverage and loss control services in the annual amount of \$641,268.00 for the first two (2) years, for benefits and expenses payable for claims made under the State of Georgia Workers' Compensation Laws and Regulations, such insurance to be per occurrence and subject to a deductible of \$750,000. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

I. Contract Extension for Temporary Staffing for the Civic Center (Annual Contract) - RFP No. 17-0021

Resolution (081-24): A resolution authorizing the extension of the annual contract for temporary staffing for the Civic Center with Global Personnel Services (Columbus, GA), and Labor Finders (Columbus, GA) for an additional three-month period. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

J. Repair of Caterpillar Dozer for Public Works

Resolution (082-24): A resolution authorizing payment to Yancey Brothers (Fortson, GA), in the amount of \$32,128.45 for the repair of a 2014 Caterpillar D3K2LGP Dozer, Vehicle #11459. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

K. Night Vision Goggles and Accessories for the Police Department - Federal GSA Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (083-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of five (5) pvs-14-night vision goggles and accessories from Clyde Armory (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$25,063.20. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Federal GSA Contract #GS-07F-163AA. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

L. Drones and Accessories for the Police Department - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (084-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of drones and accessories from Unmanned Vehicle Technologies LLC (Fayetteville, AR) in the amount of \$35,148.52 for the Police Department. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #011223- UNM. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

M. Personal Radiation Detectors and Accessories for Fire & EMS - Georgia Statewide Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (085-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of personal radiation detectors and accessories from Fisher Scientific Company, LLC (Suwanee, GA), in the amount of \$27,943.70, for the Fire and EMS Department. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-001-SPD0000156-0003. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

N. Household Recycle Carts for Public Works - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (086-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of 96-gallon blue recycling carts from Rehrig Pacific Company (Lawrenceville, GA) in the amount of \$40,668.60 (702 units @ \$55 each, plus branding fee in the amount of \$1,263.50 and freight in the amount of \$795.00). The purchase

will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041521-REH. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

O. Household Trash Carts for Public Works - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (087-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of 96-gallon black trash carts from Rehrig Pacific Company (Lawrenceville, GA) in the amount of \$39,405.00 (702 units @ \$55 each, plus freight in the amount of \$795.00). The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041521-REH. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

P. Industrial Washer-Extractor and Industrial Dryer for the Muscogee County Jail - GSA Cooperative Contract Purchase

Resolution (088-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of an industrial washer/extractor, in the amount of \$36,665.32 and an industrial dryer, in the amount of \$17,419.84, from Pellerin Milnor Corporation (Kenner, LA), for the Muscogee County Jail. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Federal GSA Contract #47QSWA18D009F. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

Q. Dispatch Systems for the Muscogee County Sheriff's Office - Georgia Statewide Contract and Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (089-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of a dispatch system for the Sheriff's Office from Motorola Solutions (Chicago, IL), in the amount of \$438,869.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-T20250623-0002 and Sourcewell Contract #042021-MOT. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

R. Motorcycles for the Police Department

Resolution (090-24): A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) motorcycles for the Police Department from Rally Point Harley Davidson (Columbus, GA) in the total amount of \$48,177.70. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

6. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Cure Violence Update - Reggie Lewis, Co-Founder, Cure Violence

Mr. Reggie Lewis, Co-Founder of Cure Violence, approached the rostrum to provide an update on the Cure Violence initiative. During the presentation, information on public education ad campaigns and various community events headed by Cure Violence was provided.

B. Fiscal Conditions Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

Finance Director Angelica Alexander approached the rostrum to provide an update on the fiscal conditions of FY 2023. She provided the fund balance history for fiscal years 2010 to 2023 and the various revenue sources, such as occupational taxes and general property taxes.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Provide an update on the amount of Occupation Tax collected since September/August 2023 since the collection process has changed and the amount expected to be collectable. (*Request of Councilor Begly*)
- Email presentation to the members of Council. (*Request of Mayor Henderson*)

C. Revenue Division Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge approached the rostrum to provide opening comments to the update on the Revenue Division of the Finance Department. She requested Council's consideration in taking action to address the \$45 million dollars that was referred to as missing by the Internal Auditor in her audit conducted on the Revenue Division of the Finance Department. She stated these funds are not missing and this request for action is to correct the official record of the city.

After some discussion, **Finance Director Angelica Alexander** came forward to provide the update on the Revenue Division. She explained the restructuring of the Revenue Division to include personnel changes, the realignment of duties and responsibilities, and the hiring of temporary staffing and various permanent positions that will be requested for the FY 2025 budget from the Finance Department.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Provide amounts of occupational taxes that are deemed uncollectable from 2016 to 2019. (*Request of Councilor Begly*)
- Forward all information/documents that were provided to the third-party auditor to the Internal Auditor. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)
- Upload the updated presentation to the online agenda. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- In future updates, provide a plan going forward 30, 60, 90 days with suspense dates included. (*Request of Councilor Cogle*)
- Send councilors link to employee evaluations. (*Request of Councilor Tucker*)
- Get total amount collected in the Revenue Division for occupational, alcohol, etc. since the audit report was presented. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)
- Provide the amount collected since January 1, 2024, when the renewal notices were sent out, to present. (*Request of Councilor Davis*)

D. Infrastructure Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager, Finance, Planning & Development

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge approached the rostrum to provide an update on the various infrastructure projects going on throughout the city.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Check code/law regarding the use of blue lights where construction is taking place, as seen at the new apartment complex on River Road. *(Request of Councilor Thomas)*
- Conversation with the Planning Department on reducing the number of multi-family units per acre in urban areas. Possibly meeting with local developers on how we can make changes in the UDO. *(Request of Councilor Davis)*

E. ARP Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager, Finance, Planning & Development

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge approached the rostrum to provide an update on the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021. She explained eligible costs must be incurred or obligated between March 3, 2021 and December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

F. Comprehensive Camera Update - Lisa Goodwin, Deputy City Manager, Current Operations

Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin approached the rostrum to provide an update on the implementation of the Comprehensive Camera System. She explained they expect to have all three phases of this project to be completed by the end of 2024 and hope to look at a fourth phase to install cameras in the city parks.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Get an update on the termite issue at Legacy terrace. *(Request of Councilor Crabb)*
- Work on the branding and advertising for the “Roll with Us” transportation program offered by METRA in Uptown to ensure citizens are aware of the services available. Look at posting a QR code around Uptown. *(Request of Councilor Cogle)*
- Make sure Animal Control website is mobile friendly and documents are large enough to view on a mobile phone. *(Request of Councilor Cogle)*

BID ADVERTISEMENT

DATE: March 12, 2024

March 13, 2024

1. Solar-Powered Bus Stop Lights (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0025

Scope of Bid

The Columbus, Georgia Metropolitan (METRA) Transit System is soliciting bid responses for the procurement of solar-powered lighting at bus stops throughout our city. Lights are to be placed directly at the bus stop, with the solar-powered light mounted directly on the bus stop pole, above the bus stop sign. METRA will purchase up to five hundred (500) solar lights on an “as needed” basis. The contract term will be for three years.

March 20, 2024

1. Ballfield Groomer – RFB No. 24-0027

Scope of Bid

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is seeking bids from qualified vendors to provide one (1) ballfield groomer.

2. Stage Curtains – RFB No. 24-0026

Scope of Bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) is requesting bids for a total of twenty-three stage curtains, consisting of fourteen side curtains and nine middle stage curtains for the Columbus Civic Center. The curtains will be used as backdrops, to keep out sunlight, and to block backstage activity during shows. The curtains must meet or exceed specifications for DD 9919 Nirvana B.O.B. or 22-23 oz IFR Valdosta Poly Velour.

March 22, 2024

1. Temporary Staffing for the Columbus Consolidated Government (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 24-0006

Scope of RFP

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) invites proposal submissions from qualified vendors to provide temporary staffing for various positions within the Columbus Consolidated Government on an “as needed” basis.

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

March 29, 2024

1. Pre-Qualification for Storm Drain Rehabilitation through Internal Pipe Line Priority 1 Pipes Contract 6 – RFQ No. 24-0002

Scope of RFQ

Columbus Consolidated Government (CCG) requests vendors to apply for pre-qualification to provide storm sewer rehabilitation through internal pipe lining. The *initial project* will include the installation of cured in-place pipe (CIPP) for approximately 5,100 feet of varying material type storm sewer pipe, ranging in size from 10-inch VCP to 60-inch CMP in diameter. Additionally, the project includes the installation of centrifugally cast cementitious or geopolymer lining (CC) for approximately 2,500 linear feet of storm sewer pipe varying in sizes and material type from 36-inch brick to 46- inch by 72-inch CMP, located throughout Columbus.

Contractors deemed prequalified by CCG will be requested to submit bids for the initial project as well as future projects for installation of CIPP or CC for rehabilitation of other portions of the storm sewer system. The length, diameter, and scope of CIPP or CC rehabilitation per Contract will be at the discretion of CCG. Minimally, CCG desires to qualify three (3) contractors.

May 8, 2024

1. PI 0011436 Muscogee County Buena Vista Road Improvements at Spiderweb Phase II (Re-Bid) – RFB No. 24-0029

Scope of Bid

Phase II of the Buena Vista Road Improvements at the Spiderweb includes the construction of two (2) bridges, one (1) of which requires Norfolk Southern permitting; construction of a roundabout at Illges Road and Aceway Drive; construction of Buena Vista Road east of the intersection with Annette Avenue, Martin Luther King Boulevard north of Brewer Elementary School, Illges Road, Lindsay Drive, Andrews Road, Morris Road and Ace Way Drive, as well as the installation of traffic signals. This Re-Bid includes an alternative for maintaining traffic throughout construction and an alternative for complete closure.

Utilities were relocated in Phase I of the project. The Annette Ave. roundabout at MLK and Annette Ave. were constructed in Phase I.

REFERRALS:

Referrals 2.27.24

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. **RESOLUTION (091-24)** - A resolution excusing Councilor R. Walker Garrett from the March 12, 2024 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.
2. **RESOLUTION (092-24)** - A resolution excusing Councilor Jerry "Pops" Barnes from the February 27, 2024 Council Meeting. **(Add-On)** Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

ADD-ON RESOLUTION (093-24): A resolution excusing Councilor Bruce Huff from the March 12, 2024 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

3. Email Correspondence from Claire Mitchell- Board Secretary, requesting that the seat of Mr. Cesar Bautista (*Uptown Business Improvement District representative*) on the Uptown Facade Board be declared vacant due to the lack of attendance. Councilor Crabb made a motion to declare the seat of Cesar Bautista vacant on the Uptown Facade Board, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.
4. Email Correspondence from Attorney Jack Schley- Board Secretary, requesting that the seat of Ms. Cynthia Williams Jordan on the Hospital Authority of Columbus be declared vacant due to the lack of attendance. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to declare the seat of Cynthia Williams Jordan vacant on the Hospital Authority of Columbus, seconded by Councilor Thomas and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

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

Airport Commission, October 25, November 17, and December 6, 2023 and January 31, 2024

Board of Tax Assessors, #05-24 and #06-24

Convention & Visitors, Board of Commissioners, January 17, 2024

Hospital Authority of Columbus, January 30, 2024

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENT- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE): Ms. Inna Russell was nominated to succeed Ms. Alia Teetshorn. (*Councilor Begly's nominee*) Term expires: March 1, 2028. Councilor Crabb made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the seat of Mary B. Garcia (*Ineligible -city employee*) for a term expiring on March 27, 2024, as the District 7 Representative on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Council District 7- Cogle*). There were none.

A nominee for the vacant seat of the District 2 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2024, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Council District 2- Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Virginia Dickerson (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on March 27, 2024, as the District 3 Representative on the Community Development Advisory Council (*Council District 3- Huff*). There were none.

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

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Raymond Culpepper (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on April 11, 2024, on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Courtney Pierce (*Eligible to succeed*) for a term expiring on April 11, 2024, as the PAWS Humane Society on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Cogle renominated Courtney Pierce to succeed herself.

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

Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis explained Councilor Garrett is nominating Ethelyn W. Riley for a seat on the Animal Control Advisory Board with the seat being identified at the next meeting.

B. COLUMBUS AQUATICS COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Bruce Samuels (*Not Eligible to succeed*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2022, on the Columbus Aquatics Commission (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

C. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Helen Williams (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2022, on the Cooperative Extension Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

D. PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Dr. Shanita Pettaway (*Resigned*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2022, as the Alternative Member 5 on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

E. TREE BOARD:

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

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Development Authority of Columbus (Council's Appointments)
- B. Housing Authority of Columbus (Mayor's Appointments)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into executive session to discuss matters of litigation, potential litigation, and real estate acquisition and disposal 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 Crabb and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting, and the time being 1:37 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 3:35 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in executive session to discuss matters of litigation, potential litigation, and real estate acquisition and disposal; however, there were no votes taken.

ADD-ON RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution (094-24): A resolution authorizing a settlement payment of \$40,000 to settle all damage claims of Cassandra Martin Hutchins stemming from the incident which occurred on September 26, 2023, in exchange for a full release of all claims. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

Resolution (095-24): A resolution authorizing a settlement payment of \$40,000 to settle all damage claims of Mary Milner stemming from the incident which occurred on September 26, 2023, in exchange for a full release of all claims. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

Resolution (096-24): A resolution authorizing a settlement payment of \$77,000 to settle all damage claims of Latonia Palmer stemming from the incident which occurred on May 14, 2021, in exchange for a full release of all claims. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

Resolution (097-24): A resolution authorizing a settlement payment of \$45,000 to settle all damage claims of Willie Lawrence stemming from the incident which occurred on November 2, 2022, in exchange for a full release of all claims. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, and Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the March 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the six members present, with Councilor Tucker being absent for the vote, Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Huff being absent for the meeting, and the time being 3:38 p.m.

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