

**Development Authority of Columbus, GA  
118 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 102  
Columbus, GA 31901  
Tuesday, June 17, 2025 – 8:30 AM**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**Minutes**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Selvin Hollingsworth Will White  
Charles Ray Sheffield  
Audrey Tillman

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Rob McKenna (Page, Scrantom, Sprouse, Tucker & Ford, PC), Missy Kendrick (DACGA), Michelle Phillips (DACGA), Andy Hilmes (DACGA), Pace Halter (WC Bradley)

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Mr. Selvin Hollingsworth called the meeting to order at 8:37, and a quorum was present.

**TSYS DAYCARE CENTER REQUEST**

Mr. Hollingsworth stated that the Authority had previously discussed providing an incentive to TSYS to help with the first year of expenses if they were able to get their daycare center open again. After another conversation with Mr. Chip Torbert, it was learned that the lease amount for the first year would be \$318,000.00.

Mr. Hollingsworth made a motion to give TSYS \$318,000.00 to incentivize the much needed daycare facility and Mr. Will White seconded the motion. Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman, and White all voted in favor. Ms. Missy Kendrick suggested that we require the closeout of the previous bonds prior to giving the incentive. Ms. Audrey Tillman suggested that we formalize with an amendment to the previous motion to include the necessary bond closeout. Mr. Hollingsworth made a motion for the amendment and Mr. White seconded. Sheffield, Tillman, Hollingsworth, and White all voted in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Hollingsworth made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate and Mr. Charles Ray Sheffield seconded. Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman and White all voted in favor.

Ms. Tillman made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Mr. White seconded. Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman and White voted in favor.

The board discussed the pending Chamber contract for services and agreed on a one-year amount of \$680,000. The contract will have a term of one year and would include a mutual 30-day cancellation clause, and an exhibit that covers the breakdown of the costs. Mr. White made the motion to approve; Mr. Sheffield seconded the motion. Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman and White all voted in favor.

On a motion by Mr. Sheffield and seconded by Mr. White, the following members were appointed to the Choose Columbus Committee:

Selvin Hollingsworth

Laura Gower

Audrey Tillman

Charles Ray Sheffield (As Alternate)

Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman and White all voted in favor.

Ms. Tillman made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Sheffield seconded the motion. Hollingsworth, Sheffield, Tillman, and White voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Selvin Hollingsworth  
Chairman