

COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Council Chambers
Second Floor of City Services Center
3111 Citizens Way, Columbus, GA 31906

July 23, 2019
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR’S A G E N D A

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. “Skip” Henderson, III, Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Turner Pugh and Councilors R. Gary Allen, Jerry “Pops” Barnes, Charmaine Crabb, R. Walker Garrett, John M. House, Bruce Huff, Judy W. Thomas and Evelyn “Mimi” Woodson. City Manager Isaiah Hugley, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Clerk of Council Sandra T. Davis and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey Glisson.

ABSENT: Councilor Glenn Davis.

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) 2020 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and Government Center/Judicial Center Project(s) Procurement Process Presentation; (2) Government Center Options Update Presentation; (3) Informational Documents from Micah’s Promise; (4) Media Release Chronology on Storm Events; (5) Integrated Waste Fund Update Presentation; (6) Public Works Service Level Concerns Presentation.

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, Presiding.
- 2. **INVOCATION:** Offered by Minister Jeanette James- Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church.
- 3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Big Brothers Big Sisters.
- 4. **MINUTES:** Approval of minutes for the July 9, 2019 Council Meeting and June 18, 2019 Executive Session. Councilor Allen made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.
- 5. **BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Councilor Allen nominated Amberlyn Diehl as the District 6 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council.

Councilor Allen made a motion to confirm Kayla Green (Mayor’s Nominee), Kayla Hamilton (District 1), Genesis Woods (District 2), Meagan Hatcher (District 4), Anna Fugh (District 5), Amberlyn Diehl (District 6), McCayla Henderson (District 7), Lauren Upshaw (District 8), Aiden Townsend (District 9) and Spencer Robinson (District 10), seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

- 6. **SWEARING-IN:** Youth Advisory Council

Mayor Henderson administered the oath to all members of the Youth Advisory Council.

CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY BOY SCOUTS

Councilor Thomas took a moment to recognize the Chattahoochee Valley Boy Scouts who were present in the audience to earn their Citizenship Badges.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS:

- 1) Government Center SPLOST Proposal Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager (*Called forward after Mayor's Agenda- No action taken*)

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge came forward to give an update on the Government Center SPLOST Proposal.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- More information on what the Judicial Consultant offers and the proposed cost for these services. (*Request of Councilor Allen*)
- 2) Government Center Options Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager (*Called forward before City Manager's Agenda #1- No action taken*)

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge came forward to give an update on the Government Center Options.

- 1. 2020 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX INTENT AND UTILIZATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT CENTER/JUDICIAL CENTER PROJECT(S): (*Called forward after City Manager's Agenda #6(1)*)

Resolution (199-19): A resolution of intent to pursue a Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) in 2020 to fund a new Government Center/Judicial Center Project(s) and to utilize the Construction Manager at Risk (CM at Risk) Procurement Process. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

Approval is requested to declare the intent to pursue a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) in 2020 to fund a new Government Center/Judicial Center Project(s) and to utilize the Construction Manager at Risk (CM at Risk) Procurement Process.

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES:

(1) Ordinance (19-037): 2nd Reading – REZN-04-19-0664 - An ordinance to amend the text of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) in regards to Table 3.1.1 by permitting Self Service storage and Warehousing and Distribution, General by Special Exception in UPT (Uptown) and CRD (Central Riverfront District) Districts. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department recommend **approval**. (Requestor - Ken Henson) Councilor Woodson made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(2) Ordinance (19-038): 2nd Reading - An Ordinance providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes for the public school system of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee) Councilor Allen made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(3) Ordinance (19-039): 2nd Reading - An ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Columbus Code to revise the Columbus Code section 13-170 pertaining to exemptions for certain non-profit entities from putrescible solid waste fees; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh)

Councilor Barnes made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(4) 1st Reading - An ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Columbus Code to provide for the alcoholic beverage licensing of Bottle Shops; to update certain definitions; and for other purposes. (Councilor Garrett)

Miles Greathouse, Co-owner of Maltitude (Proponent) came forward to speak in favor of this ordinance amendment.

(5) 1st Reading - An Ordinance providing a moratorium not to exceed 180 days on the use of Shared Electronic Scooters within the confines of Columbus, Georgia except for test programs authorized by this Council and that said moratorium shall expire no later than midnight on January 27, 2020; and for other purposes. (Councilor Crabb)

RESOLUTIONS:

(6) Resolution (200-19): A resolution exempting certain non-profit entities from 50% of the fees, and for any other inert, putrescible or non-putrescible fees set forth in Section 13-170(a) of the Columbus Code; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh) Councilor Thomas made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(7) Resolution (201-19): A resolution recognizing and expressing appreciation to the Columbus Sports Council for bringing the 2019 USA Softball International Cup to Columbus and to City volunteers and workers for their efforts. (Columbus Council) Councilor Allen made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Crabb absent for vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(8) Resolution (202-19): A resolution expressing concern of issues surrounding the delay in contracting and construction of a veterans Outpatient Clinic in Columbus, Georgia. (Councilor House) Councilor Barnes made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

(9) A resolution encouraging the Georgia Attorney General and the Georgia General Assembly to support an interstate compact with Alabama or other appropriate legislation so as to extend immunity of first responders across state lines when responding to emergencies or natural disaster with personnel and equipment from Georgia into Alabama and vice versa. (Columbus Council)

City Attorney requested this item be delayed.

(10) Resolution Add-On (203-19): A resolution supporting and recommending creation of United States Postal Service postage stamps commemorating Eugene Jacques Bullard. (Councilors House and Crabb) Councilor Barnes made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by nine members, with Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Would like this item to be included on the Legislative Agenda. *(Request of Councilor Thomas)*

PUBLIC AGENDA:

{Public Comments were provided by the individuals listed below; unless otherwise stated.}

1. Ms. Bobbi L. Starr, representing Micah's Promise, Re: To provide council members with update on recent developments in the fight against domestic minor sex trafficking. *(No action taken.)*

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Wants information ran on CCG-TV. *(Request of Councilor Woodson)*
2. Mr. Justin Allen, Re: The use of political intimidation techniques. *(No action taken.)*
 3. Mr. Timothy Veals, Re: The concerns in the neighborhood and the Columbus Water Works. *(No action taken.)*
 4. Mr. Carey McCraney, Re: The lack of enforcement of the city parking, auto window tinting and noise (auto sound system) laws. *(Not present.)*
 5. Mr. Howard Jackson Turner, Re: The recent drownings in the Chattahoochee River. *(No action taken.)*
 6. Ms. Audrey Holston Palmore, Re: Previous concerns expressed with the acts of Public Safety and Parks and Recreation Department. *(No action taken.)* Ms. Holston Palmore noted there is to be a correction in that she would not be speaking on the Parks and Recreation Department.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA (CONTINUED):

2. LEGAL SERVICES FOR RISK MANAGEMENT:

Resolution (204-19): A resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding risk management issues during Fiscal Year 2020. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

Approval is requested to authorize the Risk Manager and Finance Director to pay attorney fees to Moore Ingram Johnson & Steele, and/or Levy, Sibley, Foreman & Speir and/or Ross, Burris & Handelman, and/or Brown & Adams, and/or Hall Booth Smith which may be incurred for legal services rendered regarding Risk Management issues during Fiscal Year 2020. Funds are available in the FY20 Budget.

3. STREET ACCEPTANCE - EMERSON WAY LOCATED IN PHASE ONE - WALDEN POND:

Resolution (205-19): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the acceptance of a deed to Emerson Way located in Phase One, Walden Pond. Councilor Allen made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Emerson Way located in Phase One, Walden Pond. The Department of Engineering has inspected this street and recommends the acceptance.

4. CREEKRISSE SUBDIVISION - VARIANCE FOR STREET WIDTHS AND RIGHT OF WAY WIDTHS:

Resolution (206-19): A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, granting a variance request for Creekrise Subdivision made pursuant to sections 7.8.3(C) and 7.8.4(A) of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Crabb made a motion to

approve, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

Approval is requested for granting a variance to Section 7.8.3(C) and Section 7.8.4(A) of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) excusing the requirements for Design Standards for Streets, Minimum Right-of-Way Width, Local Residential Streets 60 feet and Street Improvements Minimum Width of Roadway for Curb and Gutter Streets Local Residential Street 31 feet back to back of curb.

5. PURCHASES:

Approval is requested of items "A" to "J":

A. Traffic Incident Management Services & Towing Services (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract)

Resolution (207-19): A resolution authorizing the execution of an annual contract with Griffin and Griffin Towing, Inc. (Columbus, GA) for Traffic Incident Management Services (TIMS) and Towing Services on an as-needed basis. The estimate contract value is \$34,000.00 annually and the recommended vendor's cost proposal is within the budgeted amount. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

B. Annual Software License Renewal for VMWARE

Resolution (208-19): A resolution authorizing payment to CPAK Technology Solutions (LaGrange, GA), in the amount of \$57,393.96, for the VMware Annual Software License Renewal, for the period beginning August 1, 2019 -July 31, 2020. This purchase/payment will be made by Cooperative Purchase, utilizing Federal GSA, Schedule 70, Contract #GS-35F-303DA.

Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

C. Motorola Radios and Accessories (Annual Contract) - Cooperative Purchase: Georgia Statewide Contract

Resolution (209-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of 800 MHZ radios and accessories from Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Lawrenceville, GA), for the estimated annual contract value of \$260,976.12. The purchases will be accomplished by Georgia Statewide Contract #SWC99999-SPD-NVPWA06913, through June 30, 2021, and any additional contract renewals awarded by the State. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

D. Contract Extension for Inmate Commissary Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract)

Resolution (210-19): A resolution authorizing the extension of the Inmate Commissary Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) with Stewart Distribution (Blackshear, GA) for an additional one-year period. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

E. Custodial Supplies (Annual Contract)

Resolution (211-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of custodial supplies on an "as needed basis" from Key Maintenance Supply (Atlanta, GA), Robinson Supply Company (Columbus, GA), Southeastern Papergroup (Atlanta, GA), Veritiv Operating Company (Norcross, GA), Pyramid School Products (Tampa, FL), COPACO (Columbus, GA), Grainger Industrial (Macon, GA), Associated Paper (Conyers, GA), Acuity Specialty Products dba Zep Sales & Service (Atlanta, GA) and Imperial Dade (Loxley, AL) for the estimated annual contract value of \$216,862.89. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried

unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

F. 7-YD Dump Truck

Resolution (212-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) 7-yd dump truck from Four Star Freightliner (Albany, GA), in the amount of \$91,871.00. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

G. Animal Control Truck

Resolution (213-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of three (3) Animal Control Truck Cab and Chassis’ from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at the unit price of \$24,087.00, for a total of \$72,261.00; and three (3) Animal Control Truck Bodies from Jackson Creek Manufacturing, Inc. (Denton, NC) at the unit price of \$28,490.00, for a total price of \$85,470.00; for a grand total price of \$157,731.00 for three (3) complete units. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

H. Flatbed Dump Trucks

Resolution (214-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) Flatbed Dump Trucks from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$37,343.00 per unit, for a total price of \$74,686.00. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Allen and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

I. Administrative Vehicle - Georgia Statewide Contract (***TABLED***)

Councilor Thomas made a motion to table this item until the next business meeting based on a fellow Councilor having concerns and the need for further discussion, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

J. Constituent Relationship Management (311) System

Resolution (215-19): A resolution authorizing the purchase of a Constituent Relationship Management (311) System from QScend Technologies, Inc. (Waterbury, CT). The vendor’s proposed cost is within the budgeted amount. Future software license fees and maintenance fees will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years. Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by eight members, with Councilor Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

Emergency Purchase – Information Only

GARBAGE TRUCKS FOR PUBLIC WORKS:

On July 17, 2019, the City Manager approved the emergency purchase of six (6) garbage trucks for Public Works.

Garbage trucks require replacement due to aging equipment (garbage trucks, grab-alls, etc.) which took a beating as a result of responding to and working over-time on multiple significant storms that hit Columbus over the last few months. Ongoing briefings were provided at City Council as Public Works employees and equipment worked around the clock to clear streets, ROW and debris on right of way from private property. The City’s inert landfill has been significantly impacted as well.

The following vehicles will be purchased from Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc., (Austell, Georgia):

2019 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader /Reading Cylinder	\$184,610.00
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2019 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader/No Reading Cylinder	176,430.00
2020 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader/No Reading Cylinder	171,799.00
2020 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader/No Reading Cylinder	171,514.00
2020 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader/Reading Cylinder	177,387.00
2019 Freightliner M2-106, 25 Cubic Yard Dura Pack 5000 Rear Loader/No Reading Cylinder	176,532.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,058,272.00

The specifications are the same with the exception of one or two features that do not affect how the truck operates, i.e. Reading Cylinders versus Non-Reading Cylinders, which is simply the type of winching system available on each vehicle. The winching system is used to connect the dumpster to the vehicle for the purpose of lifting the dumpster, different models. Consequently, there are slight cost differences per vehicle.

The vendor currently has these vehicles readily available on their retail lot and the City can obtain the trucks within a couple of weeks. This is a significant time savings compared to months due to bidding, building and the merging of two separate vendors (one for Cab and Chassis and one for the Body) to create one vehicle. The City has purchased Garbage Trucks from the vendor in the past.

Funding is available in the FY20 Budget: Integrated Waste Management Fund – Public Works – Solid Waste Collection – Heavy Trucks; 0207 – 260 – 3510 – GARB - 7723.

Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to approve the emergency purchase of six (6) garbage trucks, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE CITY MANAGER:

- Would like to have a discussion on the current lifespan of the landfills at a later Work Session. *(Request of Councilor Allen)*

6. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS *(The first two presentations were provided after the Mayor's Agenda):*

- 3) Yard Waste/Bulk Waste Collection Update – Pat Biegler, Public Works Director *(No action taken)*

Director Pat Biegler (Public Works) came forward to give an update on Yard Waste/Bulk Waste Collection.

Bid Advertisement (Schedule opening bid date)

August 14, 2019

1. Gym Floor Maintenance (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0001

Scope of Bid

Provide gym floor repairs to include stripping/sealing of wood gym flooring at Comer Gym, North Columbus Recreation Center, Shirley Winston Recreation Center, Frank D. Chester Recreation Center, Northside Recreation Center, Psalmond Road Recreation Center, Pop Austin Recreation Center and Carver Park Recreation Center also provide stripping and refinishing of stage area at Comer gym on an “as needed basis”. The contract term will be for two years, with the option to renew for three additional twelve-month periods.

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES, INFORMATION ONLY:

- 1. **FINANCE REPORT:** List of alcoholic beverage applications processed during the month of June 2019. *(No action taken)*

ENCLOSURES, ACTION REQUESTED:

- 2. **RESOLUTION:** A resolution excusing Councilor Glenn Davis from the July 9, 2019 and the July 23, 2019 Council Meetings.

Resolution (216-19): A resolution excusing the absence of Councilor Glenn Davis from the July 9, 2019 and July 23, 2019 Council Meetings. Councilor Allen made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor house and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

- 3. **RESOLUTION:** A resolution excusing Councilor Bruce Huff from the July 9, 2019 Council Meeting.

Resolution (217-19): A resolution excusing the absence of Councilor Bruce Huff from the July 9, 2019 Council Meeting. Councilor Allen made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor house and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

- 4. **KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:** Letter of resignation from Katie Franklin.

Councilor Allen made a motion to receive the resignation with regrets, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

- 5. **KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:** Letter of resignation from Marion Parks.

Councilor Allen made a motion to receive the resignation with regrets, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

- 6. **Minutes of the following boards:**
457 Deferred Compensation Plan Board, April 18, 2019.
Board of Tax Assessors, #23-19, #24-19 and #25-19.
Employees Benefits Committee, February 27, 2019.
Employees Benefits Committee, April 24, 2019.
Public Safety Advisory Commission, March 21, 2019.
Public Safety Advisory Commission, April 18, 2019.
Public Safety Advisory Commission, May 20, 2019.
Tree Board, April 10, 2019.
Uptown Facade Board, June 17, 2019.

Councilor Allen made a motion to receive the minutes from various boards, seconded by Councilor House and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS- ACTION REQUESTED:

- 7. **MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

A. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES' BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

A nominee for the seat of Charles Staples (*does not desire reappointment*) on the Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees as a Business Community Representative for a term that expires on June 30, 2019 (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

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

A. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

A nominee for the seat of Will Barnes (*eligible to succeed; interested in serving another term*) on the Downtown Development Authority for a term that expires on August 15, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Allen nominated Will Barnes to succeed himself.

A nominee for the seat of Stephen Butler (*not eligible to succeed*) on the Downtown Development Authority for a term that expires on August 15, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Kriss Cloninger (*not eligible to succeed*) on the Downtown Development Authority for a term that expires on August 15, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Billy Blanchard (*not eligible to succeed*) on the Downtown Development Authority for a term that expires on August 15, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Allen Taber (*not eligible to succeed*) on the Downtown Development Authority for a term that expires on August 15, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Becky Butts (*resigned*) on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission for a term that expires on June 30, 2022 (*Council's Appointment*). The Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission is recommending the nomination of Dr. Kar'retta Venable for this seat. Councilor Crabb nominated Dr. Kar'retta Venable.

C. LAND BANK AUTHORITY:

A nominee for the seat of Ken Henson, Jr. (*resigned*) on the Land Bank Authority for a term that expires on October 31, 2022 (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Crabb nominated Deidre Tilley.

D. TREE BOARD:

A nominee for the seat of Candice L. Wayman (*not eligible to succeed*) on the Tree Board for a term that expired on July 1, 2019 (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS (INFORMATION IS ATTACHED):

- ~ Animal Control Advisory Board
- ~ Board of Honor
- ~ Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority
- ~ Land Bank Authority
- ~ Public Safety Advisory Commission
- ~ Uptown Facade Board

Councilor Allen announced his intentions to step down from the Clerk of Council Subcommittee. By consensus, the members of Council then selected Councilor Crabb to be a part of this subcommittee.

PUBLIC AGENDA- UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. Commander Kent Christopher, Re: Disabled American Veterans Golf Tournament August 10, 2019. *(Not present. Information given by Councilor Barnes. No action taken.)*

Councilor Barnes announced that Chapter 7 of the Disabled American Veterans has initiated an annual fundraiser, which assists the local DAV provide emergency funds to meet the urgent needs of our veterans with food, clothing, shelter and transportation. The chapter will be having its 11th Annual Disabled American Veterans Golf Tournament, on Saturday, August 10, 2019, at Ft. Benning starting at 12:00 p.m.

PUBLIC AGENDA (continued):

- Ms. Audrey Holston Palmore, Re: Previous concerns expressed with the acts of Public Safety and Parks and Recreation Department. *(No action taken.)*

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and real estate, as requested by the City Attorney. Councilor Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh and carried unanimously by seven members, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting, with the time being 9:02 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:22 p.m. from executive session, where Mayor Henderson announced that no votes were taken.

RESOLUTIONS (Add-Ons):

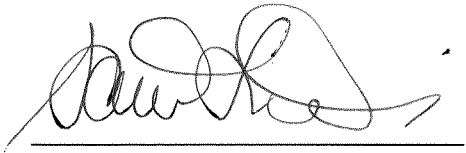
Resolution (218-19): A resolution whereas, Claimant Antonio Evans has filed a claim for damages based on an injury sustained on January 29, 2016; and whereas, the City Attorney and Risk Management have investigated this claim and recommend a settlement of \$11,250.00 in exchange for a full release of all claims.

Resolution (219-19): A resolution whereas, Eastman Kodak filed a lawsuit in the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Case No. SU-17-CV-2593-07, against the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia ("the City") seeking a refund of taxes allegedly or erroneously assessed and collected; and whereas, the City Attorney and City counsel have investigated the matter and recommend settlement with no admission of liability in the amount of \$326,478 in exchange for a dismissal of said lawsuit, any related actions, and release of all claims.

REFERRAL(S):**FOR THE CITY MANAGER:**

- Have staff check the grass on the side of the Brown Avenue Bridge needing to be cut. *(Request of Councilor Huff)*

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Allen to adjourn the July 23, 2019 Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Barnes and carried unanimously by seven members present, with Councilors Garrett and Woodson being absent for the vote, Councilor Davis being absent for the meeting, and the time being 9:23 p.m.



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

