



~~POST SUMMARY MINUTES~~

Columbus Civic Center
400 4th Street, Arena Floor
Columbus, Georgia 31901

November 17, 2020
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S A G E N D A

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, John M. House, Bruce Huff (arrived at 9:13 a.m.), Toyia Tucker and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson (arrived at 9:10 a.m.). 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 Judy W. Thomas were absent.

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Rev. Robert Beckum at St. Luke Church of Columbus, Georgia

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Girls Scout

MINUTES

Mayor's Agenda Item #1: Vote Result: APPROVED

1. Approval of minutes for the November 10, 2020 Council Meeting and Executive Session.

UPDATE:

Mayor's Agenda Item #2: No Action Taken

2. An update on COVID-19

PROCLAMATION

Mayor's Agenda Item #3: Read by Councilor Huff, declaring Tuesday, November 17, 2020 as Columbus Sports Council Day.

3. **PROCLAMATION:** Columbus Sports Council Day

RECEIVING: Board Chair Kim Sheek, Event Manager David Boyd, and Executive Director Merri C. Sherman

APPOINTMENT:

Mayor's Agenda Item #4: Vote Result: CONFIRMED

4. Confirmation of Police Chief Freddie Blackmon

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

City Attorney's Agenda #1: Vote Result: DENIED

1. **2nd Reading - REZN-07-20-2105:** An ordinance rezoning .81 acre of land located at 1700 10th Avenue (parcel id # 017-007-001). The current zoning is RO (Residential-Office). The proposed zoning is GC (General Commercial). The proposed use is a convenience store with gas sales. The Planning Advisory Commission recommends **denial** based on inconsistency with the City's Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use. The Planning Department recommends **conditional approval** based on compatibility with existing land uses and adjacent GC (General Commercial) zonings. The applicant is Rob McKenna. (Councilor Woodson)

City Attorney's Agenda #2: Vote Result: DENIED

2. **2nd Reading - REZN-07-20-2248:** An ordinance rezoning .24 acre of land located at 849 Brighton Road (parcel id # 066-036-043). The current zoning is GC (General Commercial). The proposed zoning is SFR3 (Single Family Residential 3). The proposed use is a Personal Care Home, Type I. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department recommend approval. The applicant is Madalin Brayboy. (Councilor Barnes)

City Attorney's Agenda #3: Vote Result: ADOPTED

3. **2nd Reading – REZN-07-20-2240:** An ordinance rezoning 2.13 acres located at 1821 Whittlesey Road (parcel id #189-018-003). The current zoning is RO (Residential Office). The proposed zoning is GC (General Commercial). The proposed use is Office/Storage. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department both recommend approval based on compatibility with existing land uses. (Councilor Garrett) (as amended)

City Attorney's Agenda #4: Vote Result: ADOPTED

4. **2nd Reading - REZN-09-20-2706:** An ordinance amending Table 3.1 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to permit fuel stations in in the HMI zoning district, and to amend Section 9.2.5.D.1(C) to provide that six members of the Uptown Façade Board shall represent the Uptown Business District instead of the Uptown Business Association. (Councilor Woodson)

City Attorney's Agenda #5: Vote Result: AMENDED to read “Notwithstanding the amounts approved in Section 1 above, which shall become effective upon the Mayor’s signature of this ordinance, the City Manager is authorized to further discuss each position with the supervising Judge or Solicitor for that position and make further salary adjustments in accordance with the City Manager’s authority under Section 2.18.7 of the Columbus Code and shall include any salary adjustments in the Mayor’s Proposed FY 22 Budget for final approval.”; Vote Result: ADOPTED as AMENDED

5. **2nd Reading -** An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20-018, the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 to reclassify positions in the Superior Court Accountability Court Program and the Solicitor General’s Office Victim Witness Program, and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem) (as amended).

City Attorney's Agenda #6: Vote Result: ADOPTED

6. **2nd Reading** - An Ordinance creating a moratorium on the use of Shared Electronic Scooters on the public right-of ways within the confines of Columbus, Georgia, through 11:59 pm on May 16, 2021; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #7: Vote Result: ADOPTED

7. **2nd Reading** – An ordinance adopting an updated and restated procurement ordinance for codification as part of the Columbus Code. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #8: Vote Result: ADOPTED

8. **2nd Reading** – An ordinance confirming the settlement authority of the City Manager and City Attorney to approve settlements of legal disputes of up to \$25,000 from appropriately budgeted funds; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #9: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: No Action Taken

9. **1st Reading-** An ordinance amending the budget for the Fiscal Year 2021 Beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and revising the budget for certain cost of living increases; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern-Anti-Racism Network, Re: Fair Representation by City Council Members. ***No Action Taken***
2. Ms. Edie K. Miller, Re: Severe speeding on Bristol Boulevard and Brookstone Boulevard. ***No Action Taken***

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

City Manager's Agenda #1: Vote Result: APPROVED

1. Annual Unused Sick Leave Payment

Approval is requested authorizing payment to employees for unused sick leave in accordance with 16B-15-6 (2) of the Columbus Code of Ordinances.

City Manager's Agenda #2: Vote Result: APPROVED

2. Abandonment of The Western Portion of an Alley Known as 35 1/2 Street

Approval is requested for the abandonment of the western portion of an alley know as 35 1/2 Street and authorizing the execution of a Quit Claim Deed for all rights, title and interest the City may have in the alleyway to NeighborWorks Columbus.

City Manager's Agenda #3: Vote Result: APPROVED

3. Bright from the Start – Snack Grant

Approval is requested to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$67,989.69, or as otherwise awarded, from the Georgia Department of Early Childcare and Learning Bright from the Start to continue the Child and Adult Care Food Program and amend the Multi-Government Grant Funds by the amount awarded. The grant will cross over 2020 and 2021 Fiscal Years.

4. PURCHASES

City Manager's Agenda #4(A): Vote Result: APPROVED

- A. Asphalt Rubber & Sealant (Annual Contract)

City Manager's Agenda #4(B): Vote Result: APPROVED

- B. Repair of Caterpillar D7E Bulldozer for Public Works

City Manager's Agenda #4(C): Vote Result: APPROVED

- C. Steel Barricades with Storage Carts and Walk-Through Metal Detectors for the Civic Center – Cooperative Purchase

5. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Columbus Visitors Bureau Quarterly Update - Peter Bowden, President/CEO, Columbus Visitors Bureau. *No Action Taken*
- B. Change of Council Meetings and Jury Selection Locations - Lisa Goodwin, Deputy City Manager. *No Action Taken*

BID ADVERTISEMENT

November 18, 2020

1. Dovetail Dual Axle Utility Trailer

Scope of Bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide 1 (one) dovetail dual axle utility trailer for the Urban Forestry and Beautification Division.

November 25, 2020

1. Transit Bus Wash System

Scope of Bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, is seeking vendors to furnish a completely automatic, friction and touchless combination heavy-duty vehicle wash which washes all types of transit vehicles used by fleet owners for front, roof, chassis, rear and both sides in drive-thru mode. The successful vendor will be required to remove the existing bus wash system before installing the new bus wash system.

December 4, 2020

1. Pre-employment and Fitness-for-Duty Psychological Evaluation Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0020

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from experienced, qualified individuals or firms to provide pre-employment and fitness-for-duty psychological evaluation services for the Columbus Police Department and the Muscogee County Sheriff's Office.

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

December 11, 2020

1. Employee Physicals (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0013

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) invites qualified firms to submit proposals for employee physicals on an “as needed” basis. The requested services include, but are not limited to: pre-employment physicals, periodic employee physical and related health services for use by the Human Resources Department and the Public Safety Departments.

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

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

Clerk of Council’s Agenda #1: Vote Result: APPROVED

1. **RESOLUTION:** A Resolution excusing Councilor Judy W. Thomas from the November 10 and November 17, 2020 Council Meetings.

Clerk of Council’s Agenda #2: Vote Result: APPROVED

2. **RESOLUTION:** A Resolution excusing Councilor Walker Garrett from the November 17, 2020 Council Meeting.

Clerk of Council’s Agenda #3: Vote Result: APPROVED

3. **BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS:** A Resolution appointing Ms. Lanitra Sandifer Hicks to the Board of Tax Assessors for a term of beginning on January 1, 2021 and expiring on December 31, 2026.

Clerk of Council's Agenda #4: Vote Result: RECEIVED

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

Board of Tax Assessors, #38-20

New Horizon Community Service Board, September 14, 2020

Public Safety Advisory Commission Ordinance Committee, November 2, 2020

BOARD APPOINTMENTS- ACTION REQUESTED:

5. **MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(A): No Action Taken

A. **CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION:**

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

Clerk of Council's Agenda #6(A): *Vote Result: CONFIRMED appointment of Patricia Flora on the Crime Prevention Board as the Senatorial District 29 Representative.*

- A. **CRIME PREVENTION BOARD:** Ms. Patricia Flora was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Timothy K. Weeks as the Senatorial District 29 Representative. (Councilor Davis's nominee) New Term expires: December 31, 2025.

Clerk of Council's Agenda #6(B): *Vote Result: CONFIRMED appointment of Richard Leary on the Columbus Aquatics Commission.*

- B. **COLUMBUS AQUATICS COMMISSION:** Mr. Richard Leary is being recommended as the Columbus Hurricanes' representative to succeed Mr. Wes Kelley. New Term expires: June 30, 2022

7. **COUNCIL DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

Clerk of Council's Agenda #7(A): *No Action Taken*

- A. **CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION:**

(District 2 Appointment- Davis)
(District 3 Appointment- Huff)

B. RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD:

Willie Dickerson

(District 4- Tucker)

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2020

John Lawson

(District 6- Allen)

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2019

The terms are five years. Board meets every other month.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the November 17, 2020 Regular Meeting, seconded by Councilor Woodson and carried unanimously by the seven members present, with Councilors Barnes, Garrett and Thomas being absent for the meeting, and the time being 11:28 a.m.