



~~POST SUMMARY MINUTES~~

Columbus Convention & Trade Center
801 Front Avenue, South Hall
Columbus, Georgia 31901

January 26, 2021
5:30 PM
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 Jerry "Pops" Barnes, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, John M. House, Bruce Huff, Judy W. Thomas, Toyia Tucker, and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson (arrived at 5:34 p.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: Councilor R. Walker Garrett was absent.

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Rev. Lynn Meadows-White at Pierce Chapel United Methodist Church of Columbus, Georgia

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

MINUTES

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

1. Approval of minutes for the January 5, 2021 Council Meeting.

UPDATE:

Mayor's Agenda Item #2: No Action Taken

2. An update on COVID-19

PRESENTATIONS: John Redmond, Internal Auditor & Compliance Officer

Mayor's Agenda Item #3: No Action Taken

3. T. I.M.S. Contractor Compliance Audit

Mayor's Agenda Item #4: Vote Result: APPROVED Departmental Transitional Audits for the Columbus Police Department, Fire/EMS Department, Marshal's Office, and Sheriff's Office.

4. Departmental Transitional Audit:
 - Columbus Police Department
 - Fire/EMS Department
 - Marshal's Office
 - Sheriff's Office

Mayor's Agenda Item #5: Vote Result: APPROVED Cooperative Extension Service Annual Financial Audit for UGA

5. Cooperative Extension Service Annual Financial Audit for UGA

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

City Attorney's Agenda #1: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: Vote Result: DELAYED until the second meeting in March 2021.

1. **1st Reading- REZN-07-20-2104** :An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; to rezone certain properties located at the following addresses from SFR1 (Single Family Residential 1) and NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District to GC (General Commercial) Zoning District with conditions: 4947,4951, 4955, 4959,4963, 4967, 4950, 4946, and 4942 Dekalb Drive; 4333,4339,4343,4347,4353,4357, and 4361 Hancock Road; and 8740, 8732, 8724, 8716, and 8708 Veterans Parkway. (Mayor Pro Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #2: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: Vote Result: AMENDED to include a 3-year time frame of development or the zoning reverts back to RO (Residential Office).

2. **1st Reading-REZN 11-20-2912:** An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; this amendment changes certain boundaries of a district located at 2357 Warm Springs Road and 3705, 3713, 3721, 3803, 3809, 3817, 3823, and 3829 Gurley Drive from RO (Residential Office) Zoning District with conditions to GC (General Commercial) Zoning District with amended conditions. (Councilor Garrett).

City Attorney's Agenda #3: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: Vote Result: ADOPTED on 1st Reading

3. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance amending Ordinance No.20-018, the budget for the fiscal year 2021 beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, to reclassify certain positions of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

City Attorney's Agenda #4: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: Vote Result: ADOPTED on 1st Reading

4. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 20-018, the budget of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia for the fiscal year 2021 beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, to reclassify certain positions due to the consolidation of the Marshal's Office into the Sheriff's Office; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

City Attorney's Agenda #5: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: Vote Result: ADOPTED on 1st Reading

5. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance providing a local supplement for Muscogee County Sheriff Gregory Countryman; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

City Attorney's Agenda #6: PUBLIC HEARING HELD: No Action Taken

6. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance amending the budgets for the fiscal year 2020 beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of

Columbus, Georgia, appropriating amounts shown in each fund for various activities; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)

RESOLUTIONS

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

7. A Resolution amending Resolution No. 334- 15 of the Council of Columbus, Georgia ("the Council") to authorize the use of government purchasing or credit cards by the Clerk of Municipal Court. (Mayor Pro Tem)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Pat Frey, representing United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley/Home for Good, Re: Home For Good was awarded ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) CARES funding for Rapid Rehousing, Homelessness Prevention and Emergency Shelter for households who have lost or at risk of losing their home as a result of COVID 19. ***No Action Taken***
2. Mr. Timothy Veals, Re: Trash in the neighborhood. ***No Action Taken***

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

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

1. Historic District Preservation Society Financial Donation

Approval is requested to accept a financial donation of \$840.00 from the Historic District Preservation Society to have the entry gates repaired. Repairs will consist of the removal of all loose paint, prime, re-paint and replace gold vinyl lettering on the entrance gate signs at the intersection of Broadway & 4th Street.

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

2. License Agreement with The Development Authority Of Columbus, Georgia, Columbus Building Authority, Path-Tec, LLC And The City Of Columbus For The Temporary Use Of .80 Acres For Parking In The Muscogee Technology Park

Approval is requested to enter into a License Agreement with the Development Authority of Columbus, Georgia, Columbus Building Authority, Path-Tec, LLC and the City of Columbus for the temporary use of .80 acres for parking in the Muscogee Technology Park to support Path-Tec's expansion plans.

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

3. Lease Agreement - 1600 2nd Ave.

Approval is requested to enter into a lease agreement with Kenneth M. Henson Junior to lease the property at 1600 2nd Avenue for \$2,000 per year for a period of fifteen (15) years, beginning January 1, 2021. The tenant will be responsible for all improvements, maintenance, and utilities, and will be required to maintain liability and property insurance.

City Manager's Agenda #4: Vote Result: APPROVED

4. Abandonment of Hospital Emergency Ambulance Radio (H.E.A.R) System

Approval is requested to abandoning the H.E.A.R. Equipment, declaring the equipment surplus and no longer serviceable to the City, and authorizing the donation of the equipment to Piedmont Medical Center for use as communication with incoming ambulances/helicopters from other agencies outside of Muscogee County during the transport of patients.

5. PURCHASES

City Manager's Agenda #5(A): Vote Result: APPROVED

A. Annual Maintenance/Support: *ImageTrend* Patient Care Software for Fire/EMS

City Manager's Agenda #5(B): Vote Result: APPROVED

B. Extension of Traffic Signal Equipment (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 14-0018

City Manager's Agenda #5(C): Vote Result: APPROVED

C. Trolley Repairs Services for METRA

City Manager's Agenda #5(D): Vote Result: APPROVED

D. Replacement Call Recording System for the 311 Citizen's Service Center and the Tax Commissioner's Office – Cooperative Purchase

6. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Infrastructure Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager. *No Action Taken*

B. Monthly Finance Update – Angelica Alexander, Finance Director. *No Action Taken*

BID ADVERTISEMENT

January 29, 2021

1. Columbus Dragonfly Trails - Riverwalk to Martin Luther King, Jr. Connector – RFB No. 21-0017

Scope of Bid

This project includes a new concrete multi-use trail that will connect the Riverwalk to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Trail. The new trail will run along 10th Avenue, 11th Street, 6th Avenue, and 10th Street. The work includes reconstruction of existing ramps to the Riverwalk to provide for better pedestrian and cyclist access; curb and gutter; landscaping; signage; and striping.

2. Consolidated Plan, Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan, Annual Action Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing – RFP No. 21-0019

Scope of RFP

The Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting proposals from qualified and experienced firms or individual consultants to carry out an involved planning process for the 2021-2026 Consolidated Plan, 2021-2026 Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan, 2021 Annual Action Plan, and 2021 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The updated 5-year Consolidated Plan must be pursuant to Title 24 Codified Federal Regulations, Part 91.

February 5, 2021

1. Soft Drink Concession/Columbus Civic Center & Ice Rink – RFP No. 21-0021

Scope of RFP

The Columbus Consolidated Government is soliciting proposals from qualified offerors to provide exclusive soft drink concession at the Columbus Civic Center and Ice Rink. Anticipated contract to begin March 1, 2021, subject to change.

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

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

1. **RESOLUTION:** A resolution cancelling the February 2, 2021 Proclamation Session.

Clerk of Council’s Item #2: Vote Result: RECEIVED

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

Board of Tax Assessors, #46-20

Board of Water Commissioners, December 14, 2020

Board of Zoning Appeals, September 2 and October 7, 2020

Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority, September 24, 2020

Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority Special Called Meeting, October 9, 2020

Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority, October 22, 2020

Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners, November 18, 2020

Development Authority of Columbus, December 3 and 17, 2020

Clerk of Council's Add-On Item: Vote Result: APPROVED

RESOLUTION (ADD-ON): A resolution excusing Councilor R. Walker Garrett from the January 26, 2021 Council Meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

Clerk of Council's Item #5(A): *Nomination: Mayor Henderson nominated Jessica Ferriter; Vote Result: CONFIRMED appointment of Jessica Ferriter to fill the unexpired term of Shikha Shah on the Columbus Ironworks Convention & Trade Center Authority.*

A. COLUMBUS IRONWORKS CONVENTION & TRADE CENTER AUTHORITY:

Shikha Shah

(Mayor's Appointment)

Resigned

Term Expired: October 24, 2022

Mayor Henderson is nominating Jessica Ferriter to fill the unexpired term of Shikha Shah.

The seat listed above is a three-year term. Board meets monthly.

Women: 1

Senatorial District 15: 0

Senatorial District 29: 4

Clerk of Council's Item 5(B): No Action Taken

B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES' BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Liliana McDaniel

(Mayor's Appointment)

Business Community Representative

Term Expired: June 30, 2020

Does not desire reappointment

The seat listed above is a four-year term. Board meets monthly.

Women: 5

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 6

6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

Clerk of Council's Item #6(A): *Vote Result: CONFIRMED appointment of Sharayah Davis to succeed Brenda Foreman on the Cooperative Extension Advisory Board.*

- A. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Sharayah Davis was nominated to succeed Ms. Brenda Foreman. *(Councilor Davis' nominee)* New Term expires: December 31, 2026.

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

Clerk of Council's Item #7(A): *Nomination: Councilor Woodson nominated Vivian Creighton Bishop; Nomination: Councilor House nominated Seth Harp.*

A. BOARD OF HONOR:

late Robert Poydasheff

Term Expires: October 31, 2024

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

Women: 2

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 3

Councilor Woodson is nominating Vivian Creighton Bishop

Councilor House is nominating Mr. Seth Harp

All of the members must be former elected officials of Muscogee County.

This is a four-year term. Board meets as needed.

Clerk of Council's Item #7(B): *Nomination: Councilor Davis nominated Dr. Alonzo Jones, Sr.; Nomination: Councilor Thomas nominated Mike Harrelson; Nomination: Councilor Crabb nominated Tommy Nobles.*

B. COLUMBUS GOLF COURSE AUTHORITY:

Mario Davis

Seat declared vacant

Term Expires: June 30, 2022

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Councilor Davis is nominating Dr. Alonzo Jones, Sr.

Councilor Thomas is nominating Mr. Mike Harrelson

Councilor Crabb has nominated Mr. Tommy Nobles

Clerk of Council's Item #7(C): *Nomination: Councilor Woodson renominated Robert Anderson.*

C. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD:

Leslie Heard Jones

Historic District Resident

Not Eligible to serving another term

Term Expires: January 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Robert Anderson- Interested in serving another term

Liberty Cultural Center, Inc.

Eligible to serving another term

Term Expires: January 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Women: 7

Senatorial District 15: 10

Senatorial District 29: 1

These are three-year terms. Board meets monthly.

Clerk of Council's Item #7(D): No Action Taken

D. TREE BOARD:

Frank Tommey

Not Eligible to succeed

Residential Development Member

Term Expired: December 31, 2020

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Troy Keller

Not Eligible to succeed

Educator Member

Term Expired: December 31, 2020

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Beverly Kinner

Not Eligible to succeed

At-Large Member

Term Expired: December 31, 2020

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

This is a four-year term. Meets as needed.

Women: 6

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 7

Clerk of Council's Item #7(E): Nomination: Councilor Woodson nominated Cesar Velez on behalf of Uptown Business Association.

E. UPTOWN FACADE BOARD:

Roger Stinson

Uptown Business Association

Term Expires: October 31, 2020

Not Eligible to succeed

(Council's Appointment)

On behalf of Uptown Business Association, Councilor Woodson is nominating Mr. Cesar Velez for the seat of Mr. Roger Stinson.

These terms are three years. Board meets monthly.

Women: 2

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 3

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Board of Zoning Appeals
- B. Building Authority of Columbus
- C. Civic Center Advisory Board
- D. Commission on International Relations & Cultural Liaison Encounters (C.I.R.C.L.E)
- E. Land Bank Authority
- F. Planning Advisory Commission

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Tucker to adjourn the January 26, 2021 Regular Meeting, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Garrett being absent for the meeting, and the time being 8:41 p.m.