



~~POST SUMMARY MINUTES~~

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

May 25, 2021
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Jerry "Pops" Barnes (arrived at 5:35 p.m.), Charmaine Crabb, R. Walker Garrett, John M. House, Bruce Huff, 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 Glenn Davis and Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson were absent.

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Rev. Jimmy McIlrath at The Ridge Church of Columbus, Georgia

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

MINUTES

Mayor's Agenda #1: Vote Result: APPROVED

1. Approval of minutes for the May 11, 2021 Council Meeting and Executive Session.

UPDATE:

Mayor's Agenda #2: No Action Taken

2. An update on COVID-19

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

Mayor's Agenda #3: No Action Taken

3. **Amerigroup Buckle Up for Safety Event**

Columbus Police Department Sgt. Florence, Cpl. Moody, Chief of Staff Williams, OFC. Miranda & Muscogee County Sheriff Office Cpl Macphail, Cpl Brown, Cpl Jones and Sgt. Byrd

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor's Agenda #4: No Action Taken (Proclamation read into the record by Mayor Pro Tem Allen)

4. **PROCLAMATION:** Columbus River Dragons Day

RECEIVING: Team Owner Jeff Croop, President/GM Scott Brand, Head Coach Jerome Bechard, Assistant Coach Brant Sherwood and Columbus River Dragons

Mayor's Agenda #5: No Action Taken (Proclamation read into the record by Councilor Huff)

5. **PROCLAMATION:** Malik Hardy Day

RECEIVING: Malik Hardy

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

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

1. **2nd Reading-** REZN-03-21-0483: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; this amendment changes certain boundaries of a district located at 213 Northstar Drive (parcel # 094-026-009) from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District to SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Tucker)

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

2. **2nd Reading-** REZN-04-21-0712: An ordinance amending certain sections of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) of the Columbus Code so as to add a new use category to Table 3.1.1 and add a new definition to Chapter 13. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Mayor Pro-Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #3: Vote Result: DELAYED on First Reading

3. **1st Reading -** REZN-03-21-0585: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at 4322 Rosemont Drive (parcel # 187-002-001) from SFR3 (Single Family Residential 3) Zoning District to RO (Residential Office) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Garrett)

City Attorney's Agenda #4: PUBLIC HEARING HELD

4. **1st Reading-** REZN-04-21-0697: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **641 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 019-031-003) from GC (General Commercial) Zoning District to SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Woodson)

City Attorney's Agenda #5: PUBLIC HEARING HELD

5. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance of the Columbus Council regarding the use of masks or face coverings in public during the COVID-19 public health emergency; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #6: PUBLIC HEARING HELD

6. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Columbus Code pertaining to Alcoholic Beverages to recognize O.C.G.A. § 3-3-11 which allows on-premises licensees to sell sealed mix-drinks for carry out with food orders subject to certain restrictions; and for other purposes.

City Attorney's Agenda #7: PUBLIC HEARING HELD

7. **1st 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 September 6, 2021; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

City Attorney's Agenda #8: *Vote Result: AMENDED to include in Subsection A "In the discretion of the Recorder, violators may also be subject to reimbursement to the City of Columbus for the reasonable cost of removing any litter thrown, deposited, dumped, placed or left in violation of this article."*

8. **1st Reading-** An Ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Columbus code so as to provide a \$1,000.00 minimum penalty for littering in Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

RESOLUTIONS

City Attorney's Agenda #9: Vote Result: APPROVED

9. EXCP-04-21-0766 A Resolution authorizing a special exception to allow a church with greater than 250 seats in a GC (General Commercial) zoning district located at 375 Farr Road. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Huff)

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

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

1. 2022 Transportation Investment Act (TIA)/Transportation Special Purpose Local Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Project List

Approval is requested to submit a listing of TIA/TSPLOST projects to the River Valley TIA Roundtable for consideration for the 2022 election.

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

2. Donations for Britt David Pottery Studio

Approval is requested to authorize the Columbus Parks and Recreation to accept ongoing donations in the form of arts and craft supplies to be used at the Britt David Pottery Studio.

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

3. Civic Center Donations for Civic Center x GUTS G League X Columbus Got Game Father's Day Summer Showdown

Approval is requested to accept both financial and equipment donations from local business and organizations to be used for decorations and lighting equipment for the Father's Day Summer Showdown.

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

4. PURCHASES

- A. Contract Extension for Pursuit Vehicle Build Out (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 13-0017
- B. Ford F250 for Recycling Center – Cooperative Purchase
- C. Ford F350 for Stormwater Management – Cooperative Purchase
- D. Health and Wellness Center for City Employees, Pre-65 Retirees and Dependents

- E. Supplemental Yard Waste Collection Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0018
- F. Mail Opener/Extractor for Board of Elections
- G. Tennis Court Supplies (Annual Contract) – Cooperative Purchase
- H. Repair of Landfill Compactor for Public Works

5. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Demolition Update - Ryan Pruett, Inspections and Codes Director and Rob Scott, Community Reinvestment Director. *No Action Taken*
- B. Health and Human Services Shettle Service Update - Lisa Goodwin, Deputy City Manager. *No Action Taken*
- C. Monthly Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director. *No Action Taken*

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

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

- 1. **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:** Email Correspondence from David Rohwedder- Chairperson advising of the board’s vote to request that the seat of Friar Noel Danielewicz (Council District 3 Representative) be declared vacant due to lack of attendance.

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

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

Board of Elections & Registration, April 1, 2021

Board of Tax Assessors, #16-21

Budget Review Committee, May 4, 2021

Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners, April 21, 2021

Development Authority of Columbus, April 8, 2021

Housing Authority of Columbus, March 17, 2021

Planning Advisory Commission, February 17 and March 3, 2021

Planning Advisory Commission, April 7 and 21, 2021

Uptown Facade Board, March 15 and April 19, 2021

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

RESOLUTION: A Resolution excusing Councilor Glenn Davis from the May 25, 2021 Council Meeting.

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

RESOLUTION: A Resolution excusing Councilor Evelyn "Mimi" Woodson from the May 25, 2021 Council Meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS- ACTION REQUESTED:

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

Clerk of Council's Agenda #3(A): Nomination: Mayor Henderson renominated Sherrika Day and Jaime Waters to succeed themselves; Vote Result: CONFIRMED

A. CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Sherrika Day

At-Large Member

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2021

(Mayor's Appointment)

Jaime Waters

(Mayor's Appointment)

Hotel / Motel Industry

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2021

Marianne Richter

(Mayor's Appointment)

Restaurant / Retail Industry

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2021

These are four-year terms. Board meets monthly.

Women: 5

Senatorial District 15: 3

Senatorial District 29: 8

Clerk of Council's Agenda #3(B): No Action Taken

B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES' BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Deputy Chief Mike Higgins

(Mayor's Appointment)

Public Safety Representative

Does not desire reappointment

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

These are four-year terms. Board meets monthly.

Women: 5

Senatorial District 15: 3

Senatorial District 29: 8

4. COUNCIL'S DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:

Clerk of Council's Agenda #4(A): No Action Taken

A. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

Laurie Smithson- Interested in serving another term (Council District 2- Davis)
Eligible to succeed
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Susan Gallagher (Council District 7- Woodson)
Does not desire reappointment
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Sheila Mitchell (Council District 3- Huff)
Not eligible to succeed
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Patricia Thomas (Council District 4- Tucker)
Not eligible to succeed
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Warren Wagner (Council District 5- Crabb)
Resigned
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Mark McCollum (Council District 8- Garrett)
Not eligible to succeed
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

This is a two-year term. Board meets every other month beginning in February.

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

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

A. BOARD OF FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:

Dr. Deepali Agarwal

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

*In accordance with O.C.G.A. 49-3-2 (Amended via 2015 SB 138) the governing authority (Local County Board of Commissioners) shall ensure that all appointments made on or after July 1, 2015, are made from the following categories: (1) **Pediatric healthcare providers (active or retired)**; (2) **Appropriate school personnel (active or retired)**; (3) **Emergency responders (active or retired)**; (4) **Law enforcement personnel (active or retired)**; (5) **Private child welfare service providers (active or retired)**; (6) **Alumni of the child welfare system**; (7) **Mental health care providers (active or retired)**; (8) **Former foster parents** and (9) **Leaders within the faith-based community (active or retired)**.*

This is a five-year term. Meets monthly.

Women: 5

Senatorial District 15: 5

Senatorial District 29: 0

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(B): Nomination: Councilor Thomas nominated Wes Kelly to succeed Reynolds Bickerstaff.

B. BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS:

Reynolds Bickerstaff

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: December 31, 2021

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

* The appointments are made in the month of July for terms beginning the following January.

This is a four-year term. Meets monthly.

Councilor Thomas is nominating Wes Kelly to succeed Reynolds Bickerstaff.

Women: 1
Senatorial District 15: 0
Senatorial District 29: 5

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(C): Nomination: Clerk of Council Davis stated Councilor Davis wishes to nominate Shaun Roberts to fill the seat of Charles Smith.

C. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:

Charles Smith
Seat Declared Vacant
Term Expires: March 31, 2022

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

This is a three-year term. Meets monthly.

Councilor Davis is nominating Shaun Roberts to fill the seat of Charles Smith.

Women: 2
Senatorial District 15: 2
Senatorial District 29: 3

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(D): Nomination: Mayor Pro Tem Allen nominated Chris Kennedy to succeed Brian Abeyta.

D. COLUMBUS AQUATICS COMMISSION:

Brian Abeyta
Not Eligible to succeed
Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

This is a two-year term. Meets monthly.

The Aquatics Commission is recommending Chris Kennedy to succeed Brian Abeyta.

Women: 2
Senatorial District 15: 3
Senatorial District 29: 4

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(F): *Nomination: Councilor Tucker nominated Alyssa Williams to succeed Cortney Laughlin.*

E. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

David Goldberg

Moving out of county

At-Large Member

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Arsburn "Oz" Roberts

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Dr. William Kendall

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Fran Fluker

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Orlean Baulkmon

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Larry Derby

At-Large Member

Did not desire reappointment

Term Expired: June 30, 2020

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Cortney Laughlin

At-Large Member

Did not desire reappointment

Term Expired: June 30, 2020

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Councilor Tucker is nominating Alyssa Williams for the seat of Cortney Laughlin (At-Large Member).

The terms are two-years. Meets every even month.

Clerk of Council's Agenda #5(F): Nomination: Councilor Crabb renominated Marianne Young to succeed herself.

F. REGION 6- REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:

Marianne Young

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

Beverly Garland

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

The terms are three-years. Meets monthly.

Women: 4

Senatorial District 15: 1

Senatorial District 29: 3

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

G. 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)

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

Women: 6

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 7

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At the request of Mayor Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss matters of property acquisition, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for the meeting, and the time being 7:53 p.m.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:59 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in executive session to discuss matters of property acquisition; however, there were no votes taken.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Garrett to adjourn the May 25, 2021 Regular Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for the meeting, and the time being 8:59 p.m.