

## Council Members

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Council Chambers  
C. E. "Red" McDaniel City Services Center- Second Floor  
3111 Citizens Way, Columbus, GA 31906

September 26, 2023  
5:30 PM  
Regular Meeting

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## MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Chris Abernathy with True Vine Ministries of Columbus, Georgia

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Henderson

### **MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes for the September 12, 2023 Council Meeting and Executive Session.

### **PROCLAMATION:**

2. **Proclamation:** Inaugural Tri-City Prayer Walk Day

**Receiving:** Carmen Evans, Tri-City Prayer Initiative

3. **Proclamation:** American Legion Day

**Receiving:** Commander Vickie Dykes, Eddie L. Roberts, American Legion Post 333

# **CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA**

## **ORDINANCES**

1. **2nd Reading-** An ordinance amending the Columbus, Georgia Pension Plan for General Government Employees, and the Columbus, Georgia Pension Plan for Employees of the Department of Public Safety, and the Columbus, Georgia Employees Deferred Retirement Option Plan (collectively, the "Plans") to clarify that the Plans will not recognize Qualified Domestic Relations Orders. (Recommendation of Pension Board)
2. **1st Reading-** REZN-06-23-0111: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **119 Bascom Court** (parcel # 073-027-003) from Residential Office (RO) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (continued on 1st Reading from 9-12-23) (proposed amendment) (Councilor Davis)

## **PUBLIC AGENDA**

1. Ms. Juanita Taylor, Re: Requesting no garbage fee increases.
2. Mr. Marvin Broadwater, Sr., representing Omega Lamplighters, Re: Student/Parent/Educator Forum "Supporting our Students through School & Life".
3. Mr. Louis Thomas, Jr., Re: the Columbus Parks and Recreation Department. **CANCELLED**
4. Ms. Sharon Bunn, Re: Trash pickup and cans.
5. Mr. David Eaton, Re: Open Record Request. **CANCELLED**
6. Mr. Joseph McNeil, representing Blinded Veterans Association, Re: Transportation for persons with disabilities.
7. Mr. Ricardo Glenn, representing Blinded Veterans Association, Re: Transportation.
8. Ms. Elizabeth Holmes, representing Blinded Veterans Association, Re: Transportation.
9. Mr. Wane Hailes, representing the Columbus NAACP, Re: Accountability of Law enforcement regarding recent shootings.
10. Ms. Jacqueline Moffett, Re: The Buena Vista Road Project and maintenance of round-a-bouts in South Columbus.
11. Ms. Jennifer Le Denney, Blackmon Road Middle School Families, Re: Unsafe School Zone Conditions.
12. Mr. Kalel Le Denney, BRMS Classmates, Re: Lack of Sidewalks.

# **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

## **1. Chips4Chips Funding Support**

Approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Development Authority to support the Chips4Chips Initiative for up to \$1,250,000.

## **2. Portion of Right-of-Way Abandonment for Frist Court**

Approval is requested for closure and abandonment of an approximately 260 ft. +/- section of right of way for Frist Court located within an existing parking lot that serves Piedmont Northside Campus, authorize the disposal of the said right of way with applicable State Law; reserving utility and access easements; and for other purposes. There are no financial obligations for the City.

## **3. Sidewalk and Maintenance Easement Acceptance –That portion of a 6 ft. Sidewalk/Multi-Use Trail and Maintenance Easement located on 6855 Midland Commons along the right-of-way for Midland Commons Blvd. as shown on Easement Survey created by GEOSurvey**

Approval is requested for the acceptance of that portion of a 6 ft. sidewalk/multi use trail and maintenance easement located at 6855 Midland Commons (MC-100) adjacent to the right of way for Midland Commons Blvd.

## **4. 8889 River Road Cell Tower Lease – Third Amendment to Lease**

Approval is requested to authorize the execution of a lease renewal and amendment with Verizon Wireless for the purpose of leasing space at 8889 River Road to operate and maintain an existing telecommunications tower.

## **5. Clean Communities Investment Partnership Application Funding Opportunity EPA-R-HQ-NCIF-23**

Approval is requested to provide a letter of support for the application from Clean Communities Investment Partnership, Inc. (CCIP) for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) funding through the National Clean Investment Fund (NCIF)

## **6. PURCHASES**

A. Agricultural Chemicals (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0002

B. Fire Sprinkler Service and Inspections (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0003

C. Contract Extension for Temporary Staffing for the Civic Center (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 17-0021

D. Forty-Three Vehicles for Columbus Police Department – HGACBUY Cooperative Contract

E. Payment for Supplemental Yard Waste Collection Services for August 2023

- F. Tractors for Parks and Recreation Department – Sourcewell Contract Cooperative Purchase
- G. Assessment of Premium Dial-A-Ride Services for METRA Transit System – Cooperative Purchase
- H. Amendments 10 & 11 for Construction Manager as General Contractor Services for Columbus Government Complex – RFQ No. 20-0002

## **7. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Land Bank Authority Update - Lance Hemmings, Board Chair, Land Bank Authority, and Natalie Bouyett, Real Estate Specialist, Community Reinvestment
- B. Integrated Waste Transition Update - Drale Short, Director, Public Works
- C. Sheriff's Office Administration Building Update - Ryan Pruett, Director, Inspections & Code
- D. ARP Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager of Finance, Planning and Development
- E. Infrastructure Update - Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager of Finance, Planning and Development

## **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

**DATE:** September 26, 2023

### **September 26, 2023**

#### **1. Grounds Maintenance Services II (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 24-0008**

##### **Scope of RFP**

Provide routine grounds maintenance services for Area 1 (I-185 Interstate Sites) and Area 6 (Median and Roundabout Sites) on a weekly, monthly and yearly basis, to include fertilizing, weekly mowing, edging, weed control, irrigation, pruning, mulching, disease and insect control, etc.

Grounds maintenance services may also be required for Area 8 (Resting Gardens/Cemeteries) as a future option based on funding availability.

The term of the contract will be for two years, with the option to renew for two additional twelve-month periods.

## **September 27, 2023**

### **1. Transmissions & Transmission Services for Public Works (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0009**

#### **Scope of Bid**

Provide repair/rebuild services for various types of transmissions for Public Works Department – Fleet Maintenance Shop on an “as needed” basis.

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

## **October 11, 2023**

### **1. Pool Slide Restoration for Double Churches Pool – RFB No. 24-0012**

#### **Scope of Bid**

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide pool slide restoration for the Columbus Parks & Recreation Double Churches Pool. The work shall be completed during Fall 2023, after swimming season.

### **2. Historic Bus Exterior Restoration and Repainting (Re-Bid) – RFB No. 24-0008**

#### **Scope of Bid**

Specifications define the requirements for the exterior refurbish and repainting of one (1) historic, vintage bus which is operated by METRA Transit System as the stationary “Freedom Express Bus Museum”.

## **ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY**

### **8. Legislative Agenda Draft**

The 16th Annual Hometown Connection/Legislative Agenda will be held on October 12, 2023 at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center, Foundry Room from 11 :30-1 :30. Attached you will find the 'Draft Legislative Agenda' for your review. If you have any additional items, please submit to Teasha Hollis as soon as possible.

On Tuesday, October 10th, the final Legislative Agenda items will be placed on my agenda as individual items for your consideration and approval. Those approved items will be presented to our Legislative Delegation during the Hometown Connection/Legislative meeting.

Legislative Agenda Draft Items are attached at the end.

## **REFERRALS:**

Referrals 9.12.23

# **CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA**

## **ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED**

### **1. Minutes of the following boards:**

Board of Tax Assessors, #30-23 and #31-23

Region Six Regional Advisory Council for Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, July 12, 2023

## **BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED**

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

#### **A. HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**Tiffani Stacy**- Interested in serving another term

*(Mayor's Appointment)*

(Resident Member)

*Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: November 16, 2023

*These are five-year terms. Board meets monthly.*

**Women: 3**

**Senatorial District 15: 4**

**Senatorial District 29: 3**

### **3. COUNCIL APPOINTMENT- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:**

**A. LAND BANK AUTHORITY:** Ms. Jackie Leonard was nominated to succeed Mr. Lance Hemmings. *(Councilor Tucker's nominee)* Term expires: October 31, 2026

**B. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Ku'Wonna Ingram was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. *(Councilor Huff's nominee)* Term Expires: August 14, 2027

**C. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Delois Carr was nominated as the Civic Center Director's recommendation to serve as a member on the newly created board. *(Civic Center Director's nominee)* Term Expires: August 14, 2027

4. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENT- VOTE TABULATION:**

A. **COLUMBUS GOLF COURSE AUTHORITY:**

**Stephanie Callahan**

*Seat declared vacant*

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations

**(Council's Appointment)**

*The term is four years. Board meets monthly.*

**Women: 0**

**Senatorial District 15: 3**

**Senatorial District 29: 5**

**Councilor Crabb nominated Ms. Karen Stewart and Councilor Davis nominated Mr. Gerald Miley for the vacant seat.**

5. **COUNCIL'S DISTRICT SEAT APPOINTMENT- ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

A. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

**Chris Poirier**

*Resigned to accept another appointment*

Term Expires: March 27, 2024

**(Council District 2- Davis)**

**Sendreka Lakes**

*Seat declared vacant*

Term Expires: March 27, 2024

**(Council District 9- Thomas)**

**Councilor Thomas is nominating Mr. Mike Welch to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Sendreka Lakes.**

6. **COUNCIL'S CONFIRMATION- RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ORGANIZATIONS / AGENCIES:**

**A. UPTOWN FACADE BOARD:**

**Cesar Bautista**

**(Uptown Business Improvement Dist. Rep)**

*Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: October 31, 2023

Open for Nominations

**(Council's Appointment)**

**Robert Battle**

**(Uptown Business Improvement Dist. Rep)**

*Not Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: October 31, 2023

Open for Nominations

**(Council's Appointment)**

**Ramon Brown**

**(Uptown Columbus Inc. Rep)**

*Not Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: October 31, 2023

Open for Nominations

**(Council's Appointment)**

**Wayne Bond**

**(Historic Columbus Foundation Rep)**

*Not Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: October 31, 2023

Open for Nominations

**(Council's Appointment)**

*The respective organizations are making the following recommendations and may be confirmed on meeting date presented:*

**Uptown Business Improvement District and Uptown Columbus, Inc. are recommending the following: Mr. Cesar Bautista to serve another term; Mr. Norman Easterbrook to succeed Mr. Robert Battle and Ms. Evelyn Veloz to succeed Mr. Ramon Brown**

**Historic Columbus Foundation is recommending Mr. Frank Schley to succeed Mr. Wayne Bond.**

*The terms are three years. Board meets monthly.*

**Women: 5**

**Senatorial District 15: 6**

**Senatorial District 29: 3**



7. **COUNCIL NOMINATIONS- THREE NOMINEES ARE SENT TO THE AUTHORITY FOR SELECTION:**

A. **HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**Warner Kennon, Jr.**

*Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: November 14, 2023

Open for Nominations  
(Council's Nomination)

**Sarah Banks-Lang**

*Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: November 14, 2023

Open for Nominations  
(Council's Nomination)

**Jennings Chester**

*Rotating off the authority*

Term Expires: November 14, 2023

Open for Nominations  
(Council's Nomination)

*\*The Council submits three (3) nominees to the Hospital Authority for each seat and the Hospital Authority selects the successor for Council's confirmation.*

*The term is three years. Board meets monthly.*

**Women: 4**

**Senatorial District 15: 7**

**Senatorial District 29: 2**

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

A. **ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:**

**Jayne Dunn**

*Not Eligible to succeed*

Term Expires: October 15, 2023

Open for Nominations  
(Council's Appointment)

*The term is two years. Board meets as needed.*

**Women: 8**  
**Senatorial District 15: 2**  
**Senatorial District 29: 5**

**PRESENTATION:**

A. Budget Review Process (Presented by Councilor Tyson Begly)

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