

Council Members

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

June 02, 2026
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Rev. Grace Burton-Edwards, St. Thomas Episcopal Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Daniel Hernandez, Arnold Middle School

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the May 26, 2026, Council Meeting and Executive Session.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. **TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS PUBLIC HEARING:** 6:00 p.m. The budget tentatively adopted by the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate. Therefore, before the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia Law requires that three public hearings be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on this increase.

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **2nd Reading:** An Ordinance regulating vehicular traffic in Columbus, Georgia by establishing a “NO PARKING ANYTIME” zone along Warm Springs Road beginning at the Southwest corner of the intersection of Billings Road running southwesterly for approximately 500 Feet; repealing any conflicting ordinances : and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)
2. **1st Reading and Public Hearing:** An ordinance adopting an operating and capital improvement budget for the Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)
3. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance adopting non-operating budgets for the fiscal year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for certain funds of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, and appropriating the amounts shown in each budget. (Budget Review Committee)
4. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance providing for contributions to the Columbus, Georgia General Government Employees’ Pension Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (Budget Review Committee)
5. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance providing for the governmental contributions to the Columbus, Georgia Pension Plan for employees of the Department of Public Safety for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (Budget Review Committee)
6. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Major Disability Income Plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (Budget Review Committee)
7. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance providing for Government funding of a Death Benefit Escrow for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (Budget Review Committee)
8. **1st Reading:** An Ordinance amending Article VII of Chapter 13 of the Columbus Code Solid Waste Collection and Disposal to update the monthly residential garbage fee, to update the guidelines for an offset to the residential rate for low-income households; and for other purposes. (Budget Review Committee)
9. **1st Reading:** REZN-02-26-0289: An Ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance of the Columbus Code (“the UDO”) to provide for Technology Overlay Districts; establishing underlying zoning districts where such overlay districts are permitted; to redefine Developments of Regional Impact; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: Youth Curfew and Police State Practices. (*Referral from Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities*)
2. Ms. Z Lawrence, representing MEC, Re: Office Hours Follow-Up, CMC, and Music Study.
3. Ms. Robyn Burnett, Re: Safety.
4. Mr. Jonathan Waters, representing Keep It Rural, LLC, Re: Speak in Opposition to Overlay Ordinance Adoption.
5. Mr. Corie Wilson, Re: Notification and Inclusion of All Taxpayers Affected by Technology Overlay District Ordinance – Data Center.
6. Dr. Natalie Nicole, representing Role Model Academy of Arts, Re: Citizen Participation in Local Government.
7. Mrs. Stacie Mailey, Re: Proposed Technology Overlay Concerns.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Risk Management Donations for Risk Management Seminar for Public Entities

Approval is requested to accept financial donations from businesses and organizations to be used to offset the cost of presenting a full-day Risk Management Seminar for Public Entities at the Trade Center.

2. PURCHASES

- A. Northstar Drive at Kennedy Street Roundabout – RFB No. 26-0038

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY

1. COC Memo: Request for Consideration of Revisions to Board Attendance Policy

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

2. Minutes of the following boards:

Board of Tax Assessors #19-26

Hospital Authority of Columbus 04-28-26

Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission 02-07-24

Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission 10-23-24

Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission 10-29-25

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

3. MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:

A. COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:

_____ *Vacant*

Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Mayor’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly	
Women:	2	Senatorial District 15: 4
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29: 5

B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES’ BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Richard T. Boren

Eligible

(Retired City Employee)

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Mayor’s Appointment)

_____ *Vacant*

(Business Community)

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Mayor’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	4 Year	Term Limit: n/a
Meetings:	Monthly – 1 st Wednesday	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 9
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29: 2

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Mayor's Nominee: _____

4. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – LISTED FOR CONFIRMATION:

- A. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION (KCBC):** Anthony Johnson was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION (KCBC):** Pamela Thomas Green was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- C. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION (KCBC):** Ashley Stanley was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- D. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION (KCBC):** Taylor Martin was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- E. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION (KCBC):** Kristasia Heath was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- F. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** George McDowell was nominated to fill a vacant seat. *(Councilor Barnes's nominee)* Term expires: August 14, 2026
- G. REGION SIX REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:** Latasha Morss was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- H. RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE:** John D. Hawk was renominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029
- I. RETIREES' HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE:** Byron Hickey was nominated to succeed Renee McAneny. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2029

5. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

Vacant
Uptown Business Association

Open for Nominations
(Confirmed by Council)

Term Expires: January 31, 2029

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly – 2 nd Monday	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 6
Vacancies:	2	Senatorial District 29: 2

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Vacant
Term Expired: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 1 – Barnes)

Tracy Belt
Not Eligible
Term Expired: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 4 -Tucker)

Vacant
Term Expired: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 5 – Crabb)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year (Mayor Appts); 2 Year (Council Appts)	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Quarterly – 2 nd Thursday (March, June, September & December)	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 7
Vacancies:	2	Senatorial District 29: 3

B. PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:

Paul T. Berry, III
Does not desire reappointment
Term Expired: October 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(District 5 – Crabb)

Scott Taft
Not Eligible
Term Expired: October 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(District 9 – Anker)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 3 Year Term Limit: 2
Meetings: Monthly – 3rd Thursday
Women: 3 Senatorial District 15: 4
Vacancies: 0 Senatorial District 29: 3

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

District 1 Nominee: _____ District 8 Nominee: _____
District 2 Nominee: _____ District 9 Nominee: _____
District 4 Nominee: _____ District 10 Nominee: _____

7. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – ANY NOMINATIONS WOULD BE LISTED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

Vacant
(Georgia Veterinary Technician)
Term Expires: October 15, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Vacant
(Animal Rescue Shelter Representative)
Term Expires: October 15, 2026
Recommendations are submitted by a licensed animal shelter.

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Note: The Animal Control Advisory Board is currently developing recommendations for Council’s consideration regarding the board’s composition.

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 2 Year Term Limit: 2
Meetings: Semiannually
Women: 3 Senatorial District 15: 3
Vacancies: 3 Senatorial District 29: 4

C. BOARD OF HEALTH:

Yasmine Cathright

Open for Nominations

Not Eligible

Term Expires: December 31, 2025

(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	5 Year	Term Limit:	2
Meetings:	Monthly – 4 th Wednesday		
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15:	0
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29:	5

D. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

_____ *Vacant*

Term Expires: March 24, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	2 Year	Term Limit:	n/a
Meetings:	As needed.		
Women:	1	Senatorial District 15:	1
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29:	3

E. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

Courtney Johnson

Not Eligible

(Senatorial District 29)

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit:	2
Meetings:	Bimonthly – 2nd Tuesday (Even months)		
Women:	7	Senatorial District 15:	6
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29:	3

F. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

_____ *Vacant*

Term Expires: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 4 Year Term Limit: 3
Meetings: Bimonthly – 2nd Thursday (January, March, May, July, September & November)
Women: 5 Senatorial District 15: 4
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 4

G. NEW HORIZONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – MENTAL HEALTH, ADDICTIVE DISEASES AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES- COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD:

Nancy Schroeder

Does not desire reappointment
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Judge David Ranieri

Does not desire reappointment
Term Expired: June 30, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 3 Year Term Limit: n/a
Meetings: Monthly – 2nd Monday
Women: 2 Senatorial District 15: 3
Vacancies: 0 Senatorial District 29: 1

H. PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD:

Vacant

(Alternate Member 1)

Term expires: December 31, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant

(Alternate Member 2)

Term expires: December 31, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant

(Alternate Member 3)

Term expires: December 31, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Delano Leftwich

Not Eligible

(Alternate Member 4)

Term expired: December 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly – 3rd Wednesday	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 2
Vacancies:	4	Senatorial District 29: 4

I. REGION SIX REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:

Dr. Janet C. Bussey

Does not desire reappointment

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Bimonthly – 2nd Wednesday (Odd months)	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 3
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29: 1

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