

Council Members

R. Gary Allen
Charmaine Crabb

Jerry 'Pops' Barnes
Glenn Davis

John M. House
Bruce Huff

R. Walker Garrett
Toyia Tucker

Judy W. Thomas
Evelyn 'Mimi' Woodson

Clerk of Council
Sandra T. Davis



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

September 28, 2021
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Rev. Wes Stinson at Wynnbrook Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the September 14, 2021 Council Meeting and Executive Session.

UPDATE:

2. An update on COVID-19

PROCLAMATIONS:

3. **PROCLAMATION:** Wynnbrook Christian School Warrior Archery High School Day

RECEIVING: Head Coach Brad Bolick, Wynnbrook Christian School Warrior Archery team, Assistant Coaches, and Amanda Bolick

4. **PROCLAMATION:** Communities in Motion Day

RECEIVING: Rosa Evans, METRA Transit System

PRESENTATION:

5. Limited Scope Audit of Probate Court Office-Systems & Controls (Presented by Donna McGinnis, Forensic Auditor)

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **2nd Reading:** An Ordinance amending Ordinance No.21-032, the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, to reclassify certain positions of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)
2. **1st Reading-** REZN:07-21-1337: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia by changing certain boundaries of a district located at 1305 Hilton Avenue (parcel # 185-048-007) from RMF2 (Residential Mutlifamily 2) Zoning District to RO (Residential Office) Zoning District with conditions. Planning Department and PAC recommend conditional approval. (Councilor Huff)

RESOLUTIONS

3. A Resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, requesting that the Columbus Building Authority (the “Authority”) issue its Lease Revenue Bonds (the “Bonds”) in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$50,000,000 for the acquisition, renovation and improvement of buildings, structures, and related facilities for use by Columbus in the performance of its governmental, administrative, and proprietary functions (collectively, the “Project”); to declare the official intent of Columbus to reimburse planned expenditures from the proceeds of the Bonds; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)
4. A Resolution approving the execution of an IGA with the Muscogee County School District regarding TAD #8 South Columbus River District (Mayor Pro-Tem)
5. A resolution amending Resolution No. 302-21 authorizing the City Manager to provide for the closing of Carver Park except during the hours of 7:00 am through 7:00 pm on Monday through Friday until November 1, 2021. (Councilor Tucker)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Mr. Jerome Lawson, Re: Violence in the community and the underlining issues for that violence.
2. Mr. Ralph E. Sims, Re: Lien on Church Property.

3. Ms. Jennifer Le Denney, Re: NDO in regards to individuals affected by physical and developmental disabilities.
4. Mr. Paul Olson, Re: SPLOST Projects.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Acquisition of Property for Administrative Space

Approval is requested to execute a Purchase and Sales Agreement for approximately 3.5932 acres including a 634-space parking facility and authorize the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement for a specified period of time. The purchase price was negotiated at \$25,000,000 less \$500,000 for rent during the time the lease agreement is in effect.

2. Acquisition of 803 5th Ave., 413 8th St. and 417 8th St.

Approval is requested to enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the estate of Florence H. Pendleton to purchase 803 5th Ave., 413 8th St. and 417 8th St. for \$52,000. The acquisition will allow Parks and Recreation to enhance its Ma Rainey Facility.

3. FY 22 Local Government & Improvement Grant (LMIG)

Approval is requested to submit an application and accept FY 22 Local Government & Improvement Grant (LMIG) from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). The proposed use of the funds is for the Intersection Improvements along Buena Vista Road Project (Columbus Spiderweb Network). The FY 22 LMIG allocation for Columbus-Muscogee County from GDOT is \$2,179,241.32 with a local 10% match requirement.

4. Detention Ponds Acceptance – Section Fourteen, Garrett Pines

Approval is requested for the acceptance of the deed to the 22,203 square foot detention pond noted as Pond Lot #4 and the 44,938 square foot detention pond noted as Pond Lot #5 located in Section Fourteen, Garrett Pines. The owner has maintained the ponds since its construction for the period of at least 2 years therefore the City will be responsible for maintaining the 22,203 square foot detention pond and the 44,938 square foot detention pond located in Section Fourteen, Garrett Pines.

5. Street Acceptance – Calf Pasture Drive, that portion of Hayfields Road and that portion of Hereford Lane located in Phase One, Section One, Heiferhorn Farms

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Pasture Drive, that portion of Hayfields Road and that portion of Hereford Lane located in Phase One, Section One, Heiferhorn Farms. The Engineering Department has inspected said streets and recommends acceptance.

6. Columbus Police Department: Financial Donations

Approval is requested to accept a financial donation totaling \$250.00 from the Faith and Blue Organization DBA, MovementForward Inc. to help facilitate a community oriented policing program bringing police and faith communities together.

7. Use of Whitewater Reserve Funds

Approval is requested to authorize a Memorandum of Understanding with Uptown Whitewater Management, LLC for the release of Whitewater Reserve Funds for Whitewater repair and maintenance up to \$233,919.

8. FY 22 Georgia Department of Transportation – Z230 Funds for Resurfacing

Approval is requested to apply for and accept FY 22 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Z230 Funds from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the resurfacing of eight (8) city roads.

9. Quit Claim Deed to Ben Eric Billings for a Portion of Talokas Lane

Approval is requested to abandon, declare surplus and execute a Quit Claim Deed for all rights, title and interest the City may have in the portion of Talokas Lane as shown on Right of Way Acquisition Survey of Talokas Lane, Parcel “1000B” & “1000C”, Billings Crossing.

10. PURCHASES

- A. One Ladder Truck with Loose Equipment for Fire/EMS – Cooperative Purchase
- B. GMA Lease for One Ladder Truck with Loose Equipment for Fire/EMS
- C. E-One Rescue Pumpers with Loose Equipment for Fire/EMS – Cooperative Contract

- D. All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) and Accessories for the Police Department – Cooperative Purchase
- E. Ford Explorers for Engineering Department – Cooperative Contract
- F. Ford F-250 Pickup Trucks for Engineering Department – Cooperative Contract
- G. Commercial Dishwasher for Muscogee County Jail – Cooperative Contract
- H. Xomad Project Funding Payment to the Community Foundation of The Chattahoochee Valley
- I. ADD-ON: Amendment 1 for Space Planning and Programming & Design Professional Services for Columbus Consolidated Government Center Project – RFQ No. 20-0001

11. **UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Cure Violence Update - Reggie Lewis, DHP/Cure Violence Columbus, GA
- B. Columbus Visitors Bureau Update - Peter Bowden, CEO
- C. City Resource Center Update - Reather Hollowell, Human Resources Director
- D. Monthly Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

BID ADVERTISEMENT

September 29, 2021

1. **Pharmaceutical Supply Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0011**

Scope of Bid

The City of Columbus, Georgia is seeking bids from area hospitals interested in providing Pharmaceutical Supply Services for the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services. The City reserves the right to add additional related items during the term of the contract.

The contract period will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods, if agreeable to both parties.

October 4, 2021

1. Architectural Services for Feeding the Valley Facility Expansion – RFP No. 22-0004

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting proposals from qualified offerors to provide architectural plans and drawings for Feeding the Valley Facility Enhancement. Feeding the Valley is a food bank serving several counties and communities in the River Valley region. The organization is looking to expand by adding an additional facility at its Columbus location in order to meet the growing needs of the food insecure in the area.

This is a Section 3 Covered Contract and Section 3 Business Concerns are encouraged to apply.

October 13, 2021

1. Traffic Safety Equipment (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 22-0014

Scope of Bid

Columbus Consolidated Government is requesting bids from qualified vendors to provide traffic safety equipment to include barricades, safety flags, traffic cones, drums, various signs, stands, etc, to the Public Works Department. These items will be procured on an “as needed” basis.

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

October 20, 2021

1. Classification and Compensation Study and Analysis

Scope of RFP

The City of Columbus is seeking proposals from qualified Consultant/Firms to conduct a classification and compensation study. The Consultant/Firm will work with Human Resources and City leadership to review our classification and compensation structure and recommend comparable public/private survey markets. Consultant/Firms shall consider the compensation and benefits package received by employees with the City as it relates to both the external and internal markets.

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. RESOLUTION – A Resolution excusing Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen from the September 28, 2021 Council Meeting.
2. Email Correspondence from Contreana Pearson, Secretary to the Animal Control Advisory Board, requesting that the seat of Christy Noullet be declared vacant due to a lack of attendance.
3. **Minutes of the following boards:**

Animal Control Advisory Board, June 8 and August 3, 2021

Board of Tax Assessors, 30-21 & 31-21

Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners, August 18, 2021

Housing Authority of Columbus, August 18, 2021

Land Bank Authority, September 9, 2021

Planning Advisory Commission, August 18, 2021

Public Safety Advisory Commission, August 19, 2021

River Valley Regional Commission, August 25, 2021

ADD-ON RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION - A Resolution excusing Councilor Glenn Davis from the September 28, 2021 Council Meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS- ACTION REQUESTED:

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

A. CONVENTION & VISITORS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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

B. HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

Tiffani Stacy- Interested in serving another term
(Resident Member)

(Mayor's Appointment)

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: November 16, 2021

Mayor Henderson is nominating Tiffani Stacy to serve another term.

These are five-year terms. Board meets monthly.

Women: 2

Senatorial District 15: 4

Senatorial District 29: 2

5. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

- A. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD:** Ms. Fran Carpenter was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Shannon Smallman. *(Councilor Woodson's nominee)* Term expires: January 31, 2023

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

A. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

David Goldberg

At-Large Member

Moving out of county

Term Expired: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations

(Council's Appointment)

Arsburn “Oz” Roberts

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expired: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Dr. William Kendall

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expired: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Fran Fluker

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expired: June 30, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Orlean Baulkmon

At-Large Member

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expired: 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)

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

B. 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

C. UPTOWN FACADE BOARD:

James “Jay” Lewis- Interested in serving another term

Eligible to succeed

Uptown Business Improvement District

Term Expires: October 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Hannah Israel- Interested in serving another term

Eligible to succeed

Uptown Business Improvement District

Term Expires: October 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Alan Udy

Eligible to succeed

Uptown Business Improvement District

Term Expires: October 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Debbie Young

Eligible to succeed

Uptown Business Improvement District

Term Expires: October 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Jud Richardson

Eligible to succeed

Uptown Columbus, Inc.

Term Expires: October 31, 2021

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

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