

Council Members

R. Gary Allen
Charmaine Crabb

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

April 23, 2024
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Zion Daise, Student at Columbus High School

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Columbus Georgia Chapter of Jack & Jill of America, Inc.

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the April 9, 2024 Council Meeting and Executive Session.

PROCLAMATION:

2. **Proclamation:** Georgia Cities Week

Receiving: Lisa Goodwin, Deputy City Manager

3. **Proclamation:** National Correctional Officers Week

Receiving: Warden Herbert Walker

PRESENTATION:

4. Columbus Airport Runway Closures and TSPLOST Plan (Presented by Amber Clark, Director of the Columbus Airport)

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **2nd Reading-** REZN-02-24-0242: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at **6943 Flat Rock Road** (parcel # 109-001-109) from Light Manufacturing/Industrial (LMI) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Mayor Pro-Tem)
2. **2nd Reading-** REZN-02-24-0345: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia; this amendment changes certain boundaries of a district located at **1000 Wynnton Road** (parcel # 018-018-004/5 and 019-004-001) from Light Manufacturing/Industrial (LMI) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) and Residential Multifamily - 2 (RMF2) Zoning Districts (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Cogle)
3. **2nd Reading-** REZN-02-24-0347: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **4834 Warm Springs Road** (parcel # 082-044-007/8/8H/9, 083-012-002/4/5) from Single Family Residential -1 (SFR1) and Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning Districts to Residential Multifamily - 2 (RMF2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Crabb)
4. **2nd Reading-** REZN-02-24-0349: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2911/3005/3007 3rd Avenue** (parcel # 007-003-007/012/013) from Light Manufacturing/Industrial (LMI) Zoning District to Residential Multifamily - 2 (RMF2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)
5. **2nd Reading-** REZN-03-24-0476: An Ordinance amending the text of Chapters 7, 9, and 13 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) of the Columbus Code. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Mayor Pro-Tem)
6. **2nd Reading-** An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:
 - 1) **1655 Elvan Avenue** (Murtuza Ali Khan, Owner); 2) **2545 Pye Avenue** (Clark Property Management LLC, Owner); 3) **32 Woodland Circle** (Edna Anderson, Owner); 4) **2903 10th Avenue** (Dustin Cooper, Owner); and 5) **2409 Heard Street** (Estate of Catherine Greene, Owner);and for demolition services for the Inspections and Code Department in accordance with the attached Tabulation of Bid sheet. (Mayor Pro-Tem)
7. **2nd Reading-** An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:
 - 1) **1118 Broadway** (Mary C Wohlwender, Owner)
 - 2) **1120 Broadway** (Mary C Wohlwender, Owner)

and for demolition services for the Inspections and Code Department in accordance with the attached Tabulation of Bid sheet. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

8. **1st Reading-** REZN-02-24-0344: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **1615 Wynnton Road** (parcel # 026-021-004) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to Residential Multifamily - 1 (RMF1) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Continued on 1st Reading from 4-9-24) (Councilor Cogle)
9. **1st Reading-** REZN-03-24-0502: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia to change certain boundaries of a district located at 904 Fort Benning Road (parcel # 064-029-021) from General Commercial (GC) Zoning District to Residential Office (RO) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval) (Councilor Huff)
10. **1st Reading-** An ordinance to expand the current boundaries of the Enterprise Zone to include areas as noted in the attached map.

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Mr. Marvin Broadwater, Sr., Re: Change to Agenda Format.
2. Miss Cenda See, Re: Christmas lighting on the Riverwalk.
3. Mr. Carlos Coleman, representing Emanuel Prep, Re: Crime Prevention Grant proposal.
4. Ms. Amy Spencer, Re: The potential development of South Commons.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. **FY25 HUD Annual Action Plan Submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**

Approval is requested to file the FY25 Annual Action Plan submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The sources of federal funding and programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME).

2. **Bulldog Bait and Tackle – Lease Amendment and Extension**

Approval is requested to execute a lease amendment and extension with Bulldog Bait and Tackle through December 31, 2024, for leasing at 1300 Victory Dr.

3. Firehouse Subs Grant

Approval is requested to apply for and accept if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$27,015.00 or as otherwise awarded from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation with no matching funds required.

4. FY25 Congressionally Directed Funding Grant

Approval is requested to apply for and accept if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$153,232.99 or as otherwise awarded from the FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending project with no matching funds from the city.

5. 2021 Homeland Security Hazmat Grant

Approval is requested to accept a grant in the amount of \$28,992.00 or as otherwise awarded for Hazmat equipment, from the Homeland Security Grant Program with amendment made to the Multi-Government Fund by the like amount with no matching funds required.

6. Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Grant

Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) for funds to improve the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for the Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$200,000, or as otherwise awarded, with no local match required, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

7. Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Request

Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds up to \$750,000 from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Juvenile Court and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

8. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) FY 2024 Grant

Approval is requested to apply for and accept if awarded, a U.S. Department of Justice COPS grant award, in the amount of \$908,000, or as otherwise awarded, for crime reduction technology, with no local match required, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

9. PURCHASES

- A. One (1) Articulating Lift for Public Works Department – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
- B. One (1) Ditch Witch for Public Works Department – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
- C. One (1) Mini Excavator for Public Works Department – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

- D. One (1) Grapple Truck for Parks and Recreation Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- E. On-Call Services for Installation or Replacement of Sidewalks and ADA Ramps (Annual Contract) - RFP No. 23-0038
- F. Replacement Cubicles for the Police Department - Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- G. Two (2) All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) for Fire and EMS - Florida Sheriffs Association Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract Purchase
- H. Underserved and Inmate Healthcare Consultant Indigent Care - RFP No. 24-0009
- I. Level III Body Armor and Ballistic Helmets for Homeland Security and Public Safety Departments - Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
- J. Servers and Storage Devices for Information Technology - Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

INFORMATION ONLY: EXIGENT “OFF THE LOT” VEHICLE PURCHASE:

1. ONE (1) 2024 FORD EXPLORER FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

On April 8, 2024, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 Ford Explorer for the Information Technology Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle will be purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$46,231.43. The vehicle will be used by Technical Operations staff to transport staff and equipment to various locations throughout the City. This is a replacement vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: General Fund – Information Technology – Information Technology – Light Trucks; 0101-210-1000-ISS-7722.

2. ONE (1) 2024 FORD EXPLORER FOR THE CITY MANAGER/PRINT SHOP

On April 8, 2024, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 Ford Explorer truck for the City Manager/Print Shop due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle will be purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$40,157.43. The vehicle will be used for delivering Print Shop materials/publications to various Columbus Consolidated Government Departments when needed. This is a replacement vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: General Fund – Chief Administrator – Print Shop – Light Trucks; 0101-130-2550-PRNT-7722.

3. TWO (2) 2024 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LS VEHICLES FOR THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

On April 8, 2024, a purchase order was executed for two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Equinox LS w/1LS 4-dr Front Wheel Drive for the Tax Assessor's Office due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicles will be purchased from Sons Chevrolet (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$27,243.00 and an extended cost of \$54,486.00. The vehicles are replacements for two (2) 2023 Ford Escapes that were ordered as "emergency purchases" from Alan Vigil Ford. The vendor has informed Fleet Management the vehicles will not be available this year. Therefore, the purchase order issued to Alan Vigil Ford was cancelled.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: General Fund – Boards and Commissions – Tax Assessor – Automobiles; 0101-290-1000-TAXA-7721.

4. THREE (3) 2024 FORD BRONCOS FOR THE COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

On April 17, 2024, a purchase order was executed for three (3) 2024 Ford Broncos (Sport Big Bend 4dr 4x4) for the Columbus Fire & EMS Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price each of \$31,063.00, \$31,223.00, and \$32,413.00, respectively, for a grand total of \$94,699.00. The vehicles will be used by Community Risk Reduction Lieutenant Inspectors. These are replacement vehicles.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget:

2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks - Heavy Equipment/Vehicles Public Works; 0567 – 696 – 3111 – STPS – 7722 – 54152 – 20230. – [\$31,063.00]

2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks - Heavy Equipment/Vehicles Public Works; 0567 – 696 – 3111 – STPS – 7722 – 54152 – 20230. – [\$31,223.00]

2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks - Heavy Equipment/Vehicles Public Works; 0567 – 696 – 3111 – STPS – 7722 – 54152 – 20240. – [\$29,263.00] and 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks - Heavy Equipment/Vehicles Public Works; 0567 – 696 – 3111 – STPS – 7722 – 54152 – 20230. – [\$3,150.00]

5. ONE (1) 2024 FORD TRANSIT-350 PASSENGER VAN FOR THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

On April 17, 2024, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 Ford Transit-350 Passenger Van for the Engineering Department, Stormwater Division, due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$60,248.25. The vehicle will be used by Stormwater Division employees to facilitate some requirements set out by the EPD MS4 Phase 1 Medium Permit for the Columbus Consolidated Government, primarily during creek walking season along with providing transportation for City VIPs or other guests coming to the City. This is a new vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: Sewer (Stormwater) Fund – Engineering – Stormwater – Light Trucks; 0202 – 250 – 2600 – STRM – 7722.

6. ONE (1) 2024 FORD TRANSIT-250 CARGO VAN FOR THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

On April 17, 2024, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 Ford Transit-250 Cargo Van for the Columbus Police Department, due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$52,058.00. The vehicle will be used by the CPD hazardous device response team (HDRT) members. The vehicle will be used to transport multiple pieces of large/bulky equipment needed by HDRT when they respond to calls. The vehicle will only be driven on calls, training, etc., but not by anyone for day-to-day use. This is a replacement vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: LOST-Public Safety Fund – Police – Public Safety-LOST – Heavy Trucks; 0102 – 400 – 9900 – LOST – 7723.

7. ONE (1) 2024 FORD F-250 PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On April 17, 2024, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2024 Ford F-250 Pickup Truck for the Public Works Department, Animal Control Division, due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 106-24.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$55,318.53. The vehicle will be used by staff to pull the animal control adoption trailer and horse trailer. This is a new vehicle.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: General Fund – Public Works – Animal Control – Light Trucks; 0101 – 260 – 2400 – SPCL – 7722.

10. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Summer Activities – Holli Browder, Director, Parks & Recreation
- B. Pool Update – Ryan Pruett, Director, Inspections & Code
- C. Infrastructure Update – Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager, Finance, Planning & Development
- D. Engineering FY24 Budget Update – Donna Newman, Director, Engineering
- E. Juvenile Court FY24 Budget Update – Samantha Cannon, Juvenile Court Director & Clerk

BID ADVERTISEMENT

DATE: April 23, 2024

May 1, 2024

1. Bus Route Signs & Poles (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0036

Scope of Bid

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia is requesting bids for bus route signs and poles. METRA Transit System will purchase the signs and poles on an as-needed basis.

The contract period shall be for three (3) years.

2. Public Safety Uniforms (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0023

Scope of Bid

Provide uniforms for Columbus Consolidated Government Public Safety Departments 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.

3. Swim Gear and Lifeguard Accessories (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0035

Scope of Bid

Provide swim gear and lifeguard accessories on an “as needed” basis for the Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) Department of Parks and Recreation, Aquatics Division.

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

4. Transmissions & Transmission Services for Public Work (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 24-0028

Scope of Bid

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) invites qualified vendors to submit bids to provide repair/rebuild services for various types of transmissions for the 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.

May 3, 2024

1. Waste Collection Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 24-0017

Scope of RFP

The Consolidated Government of Columbus GA (the City) invites qualified offerors to submit proposals to provide weekly waste collection and disposal services, including all the necessary equipment and labor needed to collect and dispose of the following options:

Option A: Household Waste Option D: Bulk Waste Only

Option B: Yard Waste Only Option E: All Collection and Disposal Services

Option C: Recycling Collection

2. Alcohol Management Services for Columbus Civic Center Locations (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 24-0005

Scope of RFP

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to provide alcohol (beer/wine/liquor) management services for Columbus Civic Center locations. The contract shall commence on July 1, 2024 (date subject to change).

May 8, 2024

1. PI 0011436 Muscogee County Buena Vista Road Improvements at Spiderweb Phase II (Re-Bid) – RFB No. 24-0029

Scope of Bid

Phase II of the Buena Vista Road Improvements at the Spiderweb includes the construction of two (2) bridges, one (1) of which requires Norfolk Southern permitting; construction of a roundabout at Illges Road and Aceway Drive; construction of Buena Vista Road east of the intersection with Annette Avenue, Martin Luther King Boulevard north of Brewer Elementary School, Illges Road, Lindsay Drive, Andrews Road, Morris Road and Ace Way Drive, as well as the installation of traffic signals. This Re-Bid includes an alternative for maintaining traffic throughout construction and an alternative for complete closure.

Utilities were relocated in Phase I of the project. The Annette Ave. roundabout at MLK and Annette Ave. were constructed in Phase I.

REFERRALS:

Referrals 4.23.24

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. Email Correspondence from Mr. Eddie Florence resigning from his seat on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission due to no longer being a resident of Muscogee County.
2. Honorary Designation Application submitted by the Columbus, Georgia Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to rename Carver Park in honor of Former Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Turner Pugh. *(The Council may vote to forward the application to the Board of Honor.)*
3. **Minutes of the following boards:**
 - Board of Tax Assessors, # 11-24, and # 12-24
 - Development Authority, March 7, 2024
 - Land Bank Authority, March 13, 2024
 - Planning Advisory Commission, March 6 & 20, 2024

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

4. **MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS MAY BE CONFIRMED FOR THIS MEETING:**

A. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Mayor’s Nominee: _____

5. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:**

- A. DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:** Mr. Will White was nominated to succeed Mr. Heath Schondelmayer. *(Councilor Davis’ nominee)* Term expires: April 30, 2028
- B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:** Ms. Taylor G. Martin was nominated to fill the expired term of Mr. Lee Jordan. *(Councilor Huff’s nominee)* Term expires: June 30, 2026

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

A. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

VACANT

(Council District 2- Davis)

Term Expired: March 27, 2024

Virginia Dickerson

(Council District 3- Huff)

Not Eligible to succeed

Term Expired: March 27, 2024

Councilor Davis is nominating Mr. Marty O. Wynn to serve in the seat vacated by Mr. Christopher Poirier.

Members appointed by Council shall serve for two-year terms and members appointed by Mayor shall serve for three-year terms. Board Meets quarterly.

B. **YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:**

District 1 Nominee: _____

District 6 Nominee: _____

District 2 Nominee: _____

District 7 Nominee: _____

District 3 Nominee: _____

District 8 Nominee: _____

District 4 Nominee: _____

District 9 Nominee: _____

District 5 Nominee: _____

District 10 Nominee: _____

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

A. **HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD:**

Jack Hayes

Open for Nominations

(Columbus Homebuilders Association)

(Council’s Appointment)

Resigned

Term Expires: January 31, 2025

Libby Smith
(Historic District Resident Seat)

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Not eligible to succeed

Term Expires: January 31, 2025

**Mr. Michael Moore was confirmed to serve in the Historic District Resident seat; however, he is not a registered voter of Muscogee County.*

Women: 2

Senatorial District 15: 5

Senatorial District 29: 3

B. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

VACANT
(SD-29 Representative)

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

These are three-year terms. Meets every even month.

Women: 6

Senatorial District 15: 6

Senatorial District 29: 3

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Board of Family & Children Services - (Council's Appointment)
- B. Columbus Aquatics Commission - (Council's Appointment)
- C. Columbus Golf Course Authority - (Council's Appointment)
- D. Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission - (Council's Appointment)
- E. Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees - (Mayor's Appointment)
- F. Region Six Regional Advisory Council for Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities - (Council's Appointment)

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