

Council Members

R. Gary Allen
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Bruce Huff

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Toyia Tucker

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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

September 12, 2023
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Chief Mark Burnett, Battalion Chief, Columbus Fire & EMS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Henderson

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the August 29, 2023 Consent Agenda/ Work Session.

PROCLAMATIONS:

2. **Proclamation:** Public Safety Week
Receiving: Wayne Anthony, Pastor, St. Peter United Methodist Church
3. **Proclamation:** Help the Hooch Days
Receiving: Lisa Thomas-Cutts, Executive Director, Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission
4. **Proclamation:** National Recovery Month
Receiving: Chloe Landreth, Marketing and Outreach Representative, New Horizons Behavioral Health

5. **Proclamation:** Direct Support Professional Recognition Week
Receiving: Chloe Landreth, Marketing and Outreach Representative, New Horizons Behavioral Health
6. **Proclamation:** Constitution Week
Receiving: Faye Wells, Oglethorpe Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

PRESENTATION:

7. Transitional Audit Report for Community Reinvestment (Presented by Donna McGinnis, Internal Auditor/Compliance Officer)

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **2nd Reading-** REZN-06-23-0160: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to changes certain boundaries of a district located at **3610 and 3744 Woodruff Road** (parcel # 187-001-021) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (1st Reading delayed from 8-8-23) (Councilor Garrett)
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.) (Councilor Davis)
3. **1st 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)

RESOLUTIONS

4. Resolution authorizing the execution of a Federal Aviation Administration Grant, Airport Improvement Program (AIP) GRANT NO. 3-13-0035-057-2023 (Request of Columbus Airport Commission)
5. Resolution authorizing the execution of a Federal Aviation Administration Grant, Airport Improvement Program (AIP) GRANT NO. 3-13-0035-058-2023 (Request of Columbus Airport Commission)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Sherre Harris, Re: Animal Welfare.
2. Mrs. Leah Braxton, Re: Smith Road condition with railroad crossing and roadway debris.
3. Mr. Johnathan Cole, representing Coles Towing & Recovery, Inc., Re: Laws regarding Non-Consensual Stolen Vehicles.
4. Mr. Ben Hecht, representing AmWaste of Georgia, Re: Yard waste services.
5. Mr. Edris Hayes, representing AmWaste of Georgia, Re: Yard waste services.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Retiree Health Insurance Plan

Approval is requested authorizing the renewal of the Medicare-eligible healthcare plan benefits and the United Healthcare Medicare Advantage plan.

2. PURCHASES

- A. Ambulance with Equipment for Fire & EMS – HGACBUY Cooperative Contract
- B. Declaration of Surplus Equipment
- C. Stryker Lifepak 15 Monitor Defibrillator and Accessories for Fire & EMS Department
- D. Maintenance Service Agreement for Lifepak 15 Cardiac Monitors for Fire & EMS Department
- E. Repair of Motor Grader for Public Works Department
- F. Closed-Circuit Television Camera Truck for Engineering Department
- G. Contract Extension for Pursuit Vehicle Buildout (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 13-0017
- H. Right-of-Way Acquisition Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 23-0026
- I. 90-Day Termination Period for Supplemental Yard Waste Collection Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 21-0018 (**Add-On**)

3. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Metra Dial a Ride Service Update - Rosa Evans, Director, Metra
- B. Judicial Center Update - Ryan Pruett, Director, Inspections & Code Enforcement and Douglas Kleppin, AIA – Principal, The S/L/A/M Collaborative & Henry Painter – Senior Project Executive, Gilbane Building Company

BID ADVERTISEMENT

DATE: September 12, 2023

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.

REFERRALS:

Referrals 8.29.23

CLERK OF COUNCIL’S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

- 1. **RESOLUTION** - A resolution canceling the Proclamation Sessions for October 3, November 7, and December 5, 2023.
- 2. **Minutes of the following boards:**
 - Board of Tax Assessors, #27-23, #28-23 and #29-23
 - Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners, June 21, 2023
 - Development Authority of Columbus, July 13, 2023
 - Employee Benefits Committee, June 28, 2023

Housing Authority of Columbus, July 19, 2023

Land Bank Authority, April 13, June 8, August 3, October 5, and December 14, 2022; February 8, March 8, April 12, May 17, and June 14, 2023

River Valley Regional Commission, June 28, 2023

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. COLUMBUS IRONWORKS CONVENTION & TRADE CENTER AUTHORITY:

Jonathan Payne

(Mayor's Appointment)

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: October 24, 2023

This is a three-year term. Board meets monthly.

Women: 1

Senatorial District 15: 1

Senatorial District 29: 4

B. PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:

Charles A. McClure, Jr.

(Mayor's Appointment)

Eligible to succeed

Term Expires: October 31, 2023

4. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS- READY FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD: Ms. Lori Turner was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Councilor Davis' nominee)* Term expires: October 15, 2025

B. BOARD OF HONOR: Mr. David Ebron was nominated to serve another term of office. *(Councilor Huff's nominee)* Term expires: October 31, 2027

- C. **LAND BANK AUTHORITY:** Ms. Alston Auten was nominated to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Lauren Chambers. (*Councilor Begly's nominee*) Term expires: October 31, 2026
- D. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Gloria Strode was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2025
- E. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Arreasha Z. Lawrence was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. (*Councilor Begly's nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2025
- F. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Mr. Cletus Richardson was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. (*Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2025
- G. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Ms. Carolyn Star-Ross was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. (*Councilor Barnes' nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2026
- H. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Mr. Terrance Flowers was nominated to serve as a member on the newly created board. (*Councilor Tucker's nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2026
- I. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Mr. Fernando Verdree was nominated to serve as the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) member on the newly created board. (*Councilor Huff's nominee*) Term Expires: August 14, 2026
- J. **LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:** Mr. Arsburn "Oz" Roberts 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

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

A. **CRIME PREVENTION BOARD:**

Patricia Flora
Senatorial District 29 Rep.
(passed away)
 Term Expires: March 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Councilor Tucker has nominated Ms. Erika Cottingham.

Councilor Davis is nominating Mr. Marty Wynn.

The term is a three-year term. Board meets every February, April, July and November.

Women: 2

Senatorial District 15: 2

Senatorial District 29: 4

6. 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

B. BOARD OF HONOR:

Bob Hydrick

(passed away)

Term Expired: October 31, 2022

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

All of the members serving on this board must be former elected officials of Muscogee County.

This is a four-year term. Board meets as needed.

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

C. 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

D. LAND BANK AUTHORITY:

Lance Hemmings
Not Eligible to succeed
Term Expires: October 31, 2023

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Councilor Tucker is nominating Ms. Jackie Leonard to succeed Mr. Lance Hemmings.

The term is four years. Board meets monthly.

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

E. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

New Member
Term Expires: August 14, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

New Member

Term Expires: August 14, 2027

Civic Center Dir. Rec
(Council's Confirmation)

The terms are four-years.

Councilor Huff has nominated Ms. Ku'Wonna Ingram and the Civic Center Director is recommending Ms. Delois Carr.

UPCOMING BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Hospital Authority of Columbus (Council Nomination/Authority Selection)
- B. Housing Authority of Columbus (Mayor's Appointment)

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