

Council Members

R. Gary Allen
Charmaine Crabb

Travis L. Chambers
Glenn Davis

Byron Hickey
Bruce Huff

R. Walker Garrett
Toyia Tucker

John Anker
Joanne Cogle

Clerk of Council
Lindsey G. McLemore



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

March 10, 2026
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Reverend Grace Burton Edwards- St. Thomas Episcopal

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Skip Henderson

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the February 24, 2026, Council Meeting and Executive Session.

PROCLAMATIONS

2. Proclamation: Intellectual and Developmental Disability Awareness Month-

Receiving: Chloe Landreth, New Horizons

3. Proclamation: Girl Scouts Day

Receiving: Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia

PRESENTATIONS

4. Fountain City Classic Update – Presented by Calvin Smyre

- 5.** Regional Prosperity Initiative New 2026-2030 Strategic Plan – Presented by Tabettha Getz, Executive Director of Columbus Ahead

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

- 1. 2nd Reading-** An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:
- 1) **2317 Forsyth Street** (Trevonte Johnson, Owner);
 - 2) **5 Patton Drive** (Edward Hickey, Owner);
 - 3) **3810 16th Avenue** (Virginia Royal, Owner);
 - 4) **1543 Floyd Road** (Marrina Jo Amerson, Owner);
 - 5) **222 21st Avenue** (W & D Ventures LLC, Owner);
 - 6) **3016 3rd Avenue** (Benjamin Hardy, Owner);
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 - 8) **1344 16th Street** (William Glenn Perkins, Owner);
 - 9) **928 Lawyers Lane** (Sammie T. Harvey & King Bernice Harvey, Owner); and
 - 10) **828 1st Avenue** (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner) (Mayor Pro-Tem)
- 2. 2nd Reading-** An Ordinance repealing various ordinances in order to abolish the Civic Center Advisory Board; and for other purposes. (Councilor Crabb)
- 3. 1st Reading-** REZN-11-25-2091: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2055 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 074-001-008) from Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 4 (SFR4) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Davis)
- 4. 1st Reading-**REZN-02-26-0208: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2045 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 079-001-045) from SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with conditions to SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with amended conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(Councilor Davis)
- 5. 1st Reading:** An ordinance amending Article I of Chapter 4 of the Columbus Code to insert a new code section which defines nonprofit community handmade and artisan events sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; to clarify applicable permit

requirements; to provide for a fee waiver; and for other lawful purposes. (Councilors Cogle and Garrett)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Mr. Kirk Holcombe, representing Access 2 Independence, Re: CDBG Funding
2. Dr. Marvin Broadwater, Sr., Re: What is a “Gentleman’s Agreement” and why do they exist?
3. Dr. Natalie Nicole, representing Role Model Academy of Arts, Re: Governance Standards and Enforcement Consistency
4. Miss. Emily Downs, Re: Chattahoochee Dam Alarm Notification on Riverwalk
5. Mrs. Darlene Laird, Re: Requesting a Moratorium on Data Centers.
6. Mrs. Leslie Landi, Re: Project Ruby / Overlay Rezoning Proposal
7. Mr. Gregory Foster, Re: Expressing Support for the Project Ruby Data Center
8. Mrs. Kim Hicks, Re: Concerns Regarding Proposed Data Center
9. Mr. Joshua Ferguson, Re: In support of Project Ruby and Choose Columbus for bringing these sorts of opportunities to the area.
10. Ms. Jessica Warchal, Re: Speaking as to the health quality effects of proposed data center campus.
11. Miss. Esther Warchal, Re: Effects on the natural world that I have come to reverence and love.
12. Mr. Liam Warchal, Re: Noise Pollution Concerns
13. Mr. Justin Sellers, Re: Concerns on Data Center Proposal
14. Mrs. Christine DiFeliciantonio, Re: Requesting a Moratorium on Project Ruby.
15. Mr. Jon LeGallais, Re: Opposition to the proposed “Project Ruby” Data Center
16. Ms. Michele Williams, Re: Data Center
17. Mr. Steve Craft, Re: Project Ruby
18. Mrs. Caroline Rowell, Re: Benefit to the Community

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Street Acceptance –Swedish Ivy Court

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development.

2. Street Designation as a Public Street.

Approval is requested for the designation of that portion of 5th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue as a public street.

3. Surplus Property – 14 Properties in the Liberty District

Approval is requested to authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise and accept sealed bids for said properties and sell said properties in accordance with the Liberty District section 7-501(1) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.

4. Cooperative Extension MOU Extension

Approval is requested for Columbus Consolidated Government to renew its contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, to continue providing Extension services to residents of Muscogee County. The agreement maintains current service levels with no change in City funding.

5. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Outdoor Warning Sirens

Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant award, in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, for the purchase, installation and programming of six additional outdoor warning sirens, compatible with the existing 47 sirens and controls, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

6. Congressionally Directed Spending Grant – Fire & EMS

Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded from the Congressionally Directed Spending program to go toward the purchase of a public safety robot. There are no matching funds required.

7. Muscogee County Sheriff's Office Back the Blue Act Donation

Approval is requested to accept a donation in the amount of \$5,735.28 from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Inc as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1

8. PURCHASES

- A.** Three (3) Chevrolet Silverado Trucks for Fire & EMS Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- B.** Ten (10) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Sheriff's Office – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- C.** Four (4) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- D.** One (1) Ford Explorer Interceptor for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
- E.** Contract Extension for Inmate Medical & Pharmacy Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 18-0022
- F.** Traffic Light Preemption System (Including Software and Equipment) for Fire & EMS – State of Georgia/Department of Transportation (GDOT) Cooperative Contract Purchase
- G.** Ambulances for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
- H.** Cardiac Monitor Defibrillators with Accessories for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
- I.** Power Load Stretchers with Components for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

9. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A.** AJ McClung Stadium Update – Holli Browder, Director, Parks & Recreation, Scott Allen, Senior Principal, Partner, 2WR
- B.** Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Director, Finance

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY

- 1.** Upcoming Board Appointments: Development Authority
- 2.** Upcoming Board Appointments: Housing Authority of Columbus

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

3. Request to Declare Vacancy: Memo from the Clerk of Council requesting Council declare the seat of Mike Welch, District 9 Representative, vacant on the Community Development Advisory Council (CDAC).

4. **Minutes of the following boards:**

Airport Commission 01-28-26

Board of Tax Assessors #06-26

Board of Tax Assessors #07-26

Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) 01-21-26

Golf Authority 02-09-26

Hospital Authority of Columbus 01-27-26

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 07-16-25

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 08-20-25

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 10-01-25

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):

Vacant
Term Expires: March 1, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Mayor’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	4 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly – 3 rd Tuesday	
Women:	6	Senatorial District 15: 5
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29: 5

B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES’ BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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 – 1st Wednesday
Women: 4 Senatorial District 15: 9
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 2

6. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. AIRPORT COMMISSION:

Vacant
Term Expires: December 31, 2026

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 5 Year Term Limit: n/a
Meetings: Monthly – 4th Wednesday
Women: 1 Senatorial District 15: 3
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 1

B. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

Vacant
Board of Realtors
Term Expires: January 31, 2026
**Councilor Crabb is nominating Tracy N. Dean*

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Vacant
Columbus Homebuilders Association
Term Expires: January 31, 2028

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly – 2 nd Monday	
Women:	5	Senatorial District 15: 7
Vacancies:	2	Senatorial District 29: 2

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Vacant
 Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 1 – Hickey)

Tracy Belt
Not Eligible
 Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 4 -Tucker)

Vacant
 Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 5 – Crabb)

Mike Welch
Eligible
 Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 9 -Anker)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year (Mayor Appts); 2 Year (Council Appts)	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Quarterly – 2nd 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
Eligible
 Term Expired: October 31, 2025
 *Not interested in serving another term.

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 – 3 rd Thursday		
Women:	3	Senatorial District 15:	4
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29:	3

8. 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:	7	Senatorial District 15:	3
Vacancies:	3	Senatorial District 29:	4

B. BOARD OF HEALTH:

Yasmine Cathright
Not Eligible
Term Expires: December 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

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

C. 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

D. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

Vacant

Term Expired: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant

Term Expired: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant

Term Expired: August 14, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Civic Center Director Recommendation / Confirmed by Council)

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: 4 Senatorial District 29: 4

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

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: 2
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29: 1

F. 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

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File Attachments for Item:

1. Approval of minutes for the February 24, 2026, Council Meeting and Executive Session.

COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
C. E. "Red" McDaniel City Services Center- Second Floor
2960 Macon Road, Columbus, GA 31906

February 24, 2026
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S A G E N D A

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors John Anker, Travis L. Chambers, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, R. Walker Garrett (via teleconference), Byron Hickey, Bruce Huff and Toyia Tucker (via teleconference). Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge, Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Assistant City Attorney Lucy Sheftall, Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore and Deputy Clerk of Council Tameka Colbert.

ABSENT: Councilor Glenn Davis was absent.

The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet: (1) MA#3: Operational Audit of the Crime Prevention Department Office February 24, 2026; (2) CA#2: Inspections & Code Department Demolition Properties; (3) CM#9: Liberty Streetscapes

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) MA#3: Operational Audit of the Crime Prevention Department Office February 24, 2026; (2) CA#2: Property located at 828 1st Avenue

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Dallas Sims- Director of Victory Mission Columbus

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Skip Henderson

MINUTES:

1. Approval of minutes for the February 10, 2026, Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Henderson announced Councilors R. Walker Garrett (medical) and Toyia Tucker (travel) being in attendance virtually.

RESOLUTIONS

2. **Resolution (041-26)** - A Resolution authorizing a general operational audit of the Golf Course Authority by the Internal Auditor. (*Requested by Councilor Toyia Tucker, as Chair of the Auditor Committee*) Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

3. Operational Audit of the Office of Crime Prevention – Donna McGinnis, Internal Auditor and Compliance Office (ADD-ON)

Donna McGinnis, Internal Auditor and Compliance Office reported that the audit, authorized by Council on September 16, 2025, focused primarily on program delivery, applicant support, and compliance within the Department of Crime Prevention, which operates as a one-person department.

Forensic Auditor Grant Conway outlined the audit process, stating that work began on October 8, 2025, with a review of Crime Prevention materials and meetings with Director Seth Brown, followed by additional meetings with board members and site visits at various program locations.

Forensic Auditor Benjamin Meadow reported that the team conducted site visits for several grant recipients and observed programs serving at-risk youth, workforce reentry participants, and families in crisis. He noted that the Crime Prevention Director actively manages monthly funding distributions, supports grassroots organizations, and has enhanced transparency through website updates

Forensic Auditor Jonathan Smith presented the audit recommendations, including redesigning the department's website, creating tiered funding levels for institutional and grassroots programs, developing a quarterly statistical report with CPD to improve transparency, and planning to add an Administrative Assistant in the FY27 budget to support the program's growth.

Director of Crime Prevention Seth Brown stated that several audit recommendations are already being implemented. He advised that this was the department's second clean audit in eight years and expressed support for conducting audits every three to four years.

Danny Arencibia, Chairman of the Crime Prevention Board, thanked the audit team for their thorough and professional work. He stated that the board takes the findings seriously and will begin implementing any necessary course corrections and emphasized the board's commitment to transparency and accountability moving forward.

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **Ordinance (26 -004) - 2nd Reading-** An ordinance regulating the vehicular traffic in Columbus, Georgia, by amending City Code Section 20-8.1.1 **Through Streets Designated** by deleting "Averette drive" as an intersecting street with the through street of Preston Drive; by amending Columbus Code Section 20-8.1.2 **Multi-way Stops Designated** for the purpose of establishing a multi-way stop at the intersection of Preston Drive and Averett Drive; authorizing the installation of official traffic control devices indicating said stop intersections and repealing any conflicting ordinances and for other purposes. (Councilors Garrett and Crabb) Councilor Crabb made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.
2. **1st Reading-** An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:
 - 1) **2317 Forsyth Street** (Trevonte Johnson, Owner);
 - 2) **5 Patton Drive** (Edward Hickey, Owner);
 - 3) **3810 16th Avenue** (Virginia Royal, Owner);
 - 4) **1543 Floyd Road** (Marrina Jo Amerson, Owner);
 - 5) **222 21st Avenue** (W & D Ventures LLC, Owner);
 - 6) **3016 3rd Avenue** (Benjamin Hardy, Owner);
 - 7) **2801 Baldwin Street** (Taryn Daniel Araos, Owner);
 - 8) **1344 16th Street** (William Glenn Perkins, Owner);
 - 9) **928 Lawyers Lane** (Sammie T. Harvey & King Bernice Harvey, Owner); and
 - 10) **828 1st Avenue** (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner) (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Assistant Director Philip Smith, Inspections & Code, came forward to present the list of demolition properties for Council’s consideration and responded to questions pertaining to specific properties.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Benjamin Hardy (3016 3rd Avenue) – Requested a week extension to demolish the structure on the property.
- Collin Rich (828 1st Avenue) – Requested an extension of time to complete repairs and bring the property into compliance with code requirements.

- 3. 1st Reading-** An Ordinance repealing various ordinances in order to abolish the Civic Center Advisory Board; and for other purposes. (Councilor Crabb)

(NOTE: The floor was declared open for public comment. No public comment and no questions from the members of Council.)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Kayce Burdett, Re: Environmental and Community Impacts of Data Centers
2. Mr. David Gibbs, Re: Mismanagement
3. Mrs. Alyssa Nia Williams, Re: Public Agenda Process ***Not Present***
4. Ms. Marietta W. Helms, Re: Requesting entitlement for property damage due to source / runoff water. ***Not Present***
5. Mr. Max Burnett, Re: The proposed data center investment, “Project Ruby”.
6. Mr. Troy Keller, Re: Moratorium on new data centers.
7. Ms. Patricia Stephens, Re: Economic Development ***Not Present***
8. Ms. Pamela Moss, Re: Data Center ***Not Present***
9. Mr. Paul Olson, Re: Data Center Coming to Columbus ***Not Present***
10. Dr. Natalie Nicole, representing Role Model Academy of Arts, Re: Governance Standards and Enforcement Consistency ***Not Present***

Missy Kendrick, President and CEO of Choose Columbus, addressed public concerns regarding the proposed data center, explaining that the project is expected to involve a hyperscale user and is being developed by Habitat Partners and Atlas. She stated the site was selected due to available transmission capacity through Flint Energies and emphasized that the project would require an overlay district with provisions addressing setbacks, lighting, noise, and other protections. She also highlighted advancements in modern data center designs that reduce noise and water usage compared to earlier facilities and announced plans to hold additional public meetings to provide information and receive community input.

City Attorney Clifton Fay stated that Planning is developing a Technology Overlay District that would apply to certain higher-density zoning areas, and if approved by the Planning Advisory Commission and Council, developers would still need to seek specific zoning approval for any data center project.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Street Acceptance – James Way and that portion of Charleston Way

Resolution (042-26) - A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the acceptance of a deed to James Way and that portion of Charleston Way located in Section Three, Charleston Place, on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

2. 2026 Legislative Agenda Items – Additional Proposed Items

Approval is requested of the resolutions for the 2026 Legislative Session of the Georgia General Assembly.

5 (1). MUSCOGEE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CLERK – SALARIES:

The Columbus Council requests that the local delegation to the Georgia General Assembly introduce legislation to amend the local act found at Georgia Laws 1984, page 4314. The requested amendment would provide that the salary of the Muscogee County Superior Court Clerk shall be no less than 80% of the state base salary of the superior court judges for the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit or any future judicial circuit that includes Muscogee County. Based upon the terms of office served by the Muscogee County Superior Court Clerk, longevity and cost of living increases shall be added to the

salary of the clerk of said court under the same provisions and in the same manner as provided for longevity and cost of living increases pursuant to general law. The salary of the Chief Deputy Clerk appointed pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-6-59 shall be recommended by the Muscogee County Superior Court Clerk and approved in the Clerk of Superior Court's Budget. In no event shall such Chief Deputy Clerk's salary be less than 65% of the base salary of the Muscogee County Superior Court Clerk, excluding any longevity or cost of living increases. (*Request of Councilor Toyia Tucker*)

(*NOTE: No action was taken on this item due to it being pulled from the agenda by Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin.*)

3. FY2027 Family Connection Grant

Resolution (043-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to continue to serve as fiscal agent and to submit an application and, if approved, accept a grant from the Georgia Department of Human Services in the amount of \$52,500, or as otherwise awarded, with no local match requirement, for fiscal year 2027, to support the Columbus/Muscogee county Family Connection collaborative for improving child health and welfare, school performance, family stability, family economic capacity, and to reduce child abuse, neglect, and teenage pregnancy, and to amend the family connection partnership fund (fund 985) by the amount of the award. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

4. Transit Trust Fund Program (TTFP) Grant Request

Resolution (044-26) - A resolution authorizing the city to submit an application to the Transit Trust Fund Program (TTFP) in an amount of \$298,215 awarded to be used for the procurement and installation of up to forty-eight (48) 5g routers and up to forty-eight (48) roof-mounted 5g antennas on Metra's buses. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

5. FY27 Sec. 5307 and Sec. 5339 Annual Grant Applications for Capital and Planning Assistance

Resolution (045-26) - A resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application and, if awarded, accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration's Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5307 formula grant program for capital and planning assistance in an amount up to \$2,696,849, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the transportation fund by the amount of the grant award. Metra is also authorized to submit a grant application and, if awarded, accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration's

Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5339 formula grant program for capital assistance in an amount up to \$279,031 or as otherwise awarded, and amend the transportation fund by the amount of the grant award. Councilor Huff made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

6. Juvenile Accountability Court State Grant Request

Resolution (046-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to submit an application to the criminal justice coordinating council for a grant to fund the Muscogee County Juvenile and Family Treatment Courts in an amount up to \$500,000.00 and if awarded, amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the grant award. There is a 15% local match requirement and the grant period is from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

7. Bureau of Justice Assistance - FY25 The Kevin and Avonte Program Grant

Resolution (047-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor or their designee to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant on behalf of the Columbus Police Department in the amount of \$150,000, or as otherwise awarded, with no local match required, from the BJA FY25 the Kevin and Avonte Program: reducing injury and death of missing individuals with dementia and developmental disabilities program, and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount awarded. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

8. PURCHASES

A. Dump Truck Rental (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0025

Resolution (048-26) - A resolution authorizing an contract for Dump Truck Rental Services, on an “as needed” basis, with D.A.T. Trucking, Inc. (Smiths, AL) as the contractor, and with Definitive Trucking Co. LLC (McDonough, GA) as the secondary contractor. The Primary Contractor will be contacted first. If the Primary Contractor is unable to provide the required services, then the City will contact the Secondary Contractor to render the services needed. The Public Works Department budgets approximately \$25,000.00 annually for these services. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

B. Two (2) Ford Explorers for Information Technology Department- Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (049-26) - A resolution to authorizing the purchase of two (2) Ford Explorers for the Information Technology Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at a unit price of \$40,515.00 and a total cost of \$81,030.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0001. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

C. Dragonfly Trail – Midtown Connector Phase I – RFB No. 26-0003

Resolution (050-26) - A resolution authorizing A resolution authorizing the execution of a construction contract with IP Construction, LLC (Kennesaw, GA) in the amount of \$1,495,236.19 for Dragonfly Trail – Midtown Connector Phase I. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

D. Rifles And Accessories for the Sheriff’s Office – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (051-26) - A resolution authorizing the purchase of thirty (30) HK Patrol Rifles & Accessories from Clyde Armory (Athens, GA) in the amount of \$97,350.00. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Contract Purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-001-SPD0000209-0004. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

E. Declaration Of Surplus and Donation of Fareboxes

Resolution (052-27) - A resolution declaring twenty (20) fareboxes from METRA, as surplus, in accordance with section 7-501 of the Charter of Columbus Consolidated Government; and further authorized to donate the fareboxes to the Augusta Transit in Augusta, GA. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

F. Radio Equipment Replacement for Muscogee County Prison –Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

Resolution (053-26) - A resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of replacement radio equipment from Mobile Communications America (Columbus, GA) in the amount of \$48,517.90. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase, via Sourcewell Contract #020624-MCA. Further, the Mayor and/or his designee is authorized to utilize OLOST Reserve funding for the radio replacement and installation. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- A request was made for the city vehicle policy. (*Councilor Anker*)
- A request was made for staff to review the Midtown Connector phase of the Dragonfly Trail project regarding the loss of street parking for a nearby business. (*Councilor Crabb*)
- A request was made for staff to evaluate possible design adjustments, including relocating the trail or exploring engineering alternatives, to help preserve adequate parking. (*Councilor Cogle*)

9. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

A. 8th Ave. Streetscapes Update - Scott Holmes, Principal, Architect, McMillan, Pazdan, Smith

Planning Director Will Johnson introduced a brief presentation on the 8th Avenue TIA Streetscapes Project and introduced consultant Scott Holmes with McMillan Pazdan Smith as the project designer to provide additional details.

Principal Architect Scott Holmes, McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture, presented the 8th Avenue TIA Streetscapes Project, outlining plans to reconstruct the one-block section between 8th and 9th Streets in front of the Liberty Theatre. He stated that the project is designed to complement Uptown’s existing streetscape aesthetic and support future development in the area.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- A request was made for clarification on whether 7th Avenue was included in the TSPLOST budget description for the Liberty District streetscape project. (*Councilor Anker*)

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge stated that the 8th Avenue Streetscape project is already budgeted, and staff intends to move forward as presented. In response to questions about leveraging economic development, she explained that at the next Council meeting, 14 single-family parcels in the Liberty District will be brought forward to be declared surplus and put out for bid. She also advised that staff will return at the March 31st work session with a broader project update.

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

1. **Resignation(s)**: James Barker, Dannell Mastream Marks, and Philip Badcock have submitted their resignations from the Airport Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the resignations, seconded by Councilor Anker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. (*Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.*)

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE MAYOR:

- A request was made for Council to consider formally recognizing former Airport Commission members who stepped down, potentially listing their names on a commemorative plaque at the airport in acknowledgment of their service and contributions. (*Mayor Pro Tem Allen*)
2. **Travel Authorization Request**: Authorization is being requested for Councilor Bruce Huff to attend the 2026 ACCG Annual Conference during the month of April 2026. Councilor Anker made a motion to approve the travel request, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent for the vote. (*Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.*)

3. **Minutes of the following boards**

457 Deferred Compensation Plan 02-05-26

Audit Committee Minutes 03-05-25, 07-07-25, 09-19-25, 01-08-26

Board of Elections and Registration 01-08-26

Board of Tax Assessor #04-26, 05-26

Board of Water Commissioners 01-12-26

Columbus Board of Health, 01-22-20, 04-22-20, 05-27-20, 06-24-20, 09-23-20, 10-28-20

Columbus Board of Health, 02-24-21, 08-25-21, 12-01-21

Columbus Board of Health, 01-26-22

Columbus Board of Health, 05-22-24, 08-28-24, 09-25-24, 10-23-24, 12-04-24

Columbus Board of Health, 05-28-25, 06-25-25

Columbus Iron Works Convention and Trade Center Authority 01-23-25, 04-24-25, 09-25-25,
10-30-25,11-20-25

Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority 01-12-26

Golf Authority 06-27-23

Hospital Authority of Columbus 01-27-26

Councilor Crabb made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

ADD-ON RESOLUTION:

Resolution (054-26) - A resolution excusing the absence of Councilor Glenn Davis from the February 24, 2026, Council Meeting. Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the vacant seat with a term expiring on March 1, 2026, on the Civic Center Advisory Board. (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

B. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):

A nominee for the vacant seat with a term expiring on March 1, 2026, on Commission on International Relations and Cultural Liaison Encounters. (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

C. CONVENTION & VISITORS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (CVB):

A nominee for the vacant seat with a term expiring on December 31, 2028, on the Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners. (*Mayor's Appointment*). Clerk of Council McLemore announced that Mayor Henderson is nominating Hudson Terrell to fill the vacant seat on the Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. (*Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.*)

D. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES' BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

A nominee for a vacant seat with a term that expires on June 30, 2026, as a representative of the Business Community on the Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees (*Mayor's Appointment*). There were none.

5. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – LISTED FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: Alissa Neal was nominated to serve another term. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee*) Term expires: March 31, 2029. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. (*Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.*)

B. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS: Christopher Smith was nominated to serve another term. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee*) Term expires: March 24, 2028. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously

by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*

- C. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:** Olive Vidal-Kendall was nominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Crabb's nominee)* Term expires: March 24, 2028. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*
- D. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):** Mattie Hall was nominated to serve another term. *(Councilor Huff's nominee)* Term expires: March 1, 2030. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*
- E. PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC):** John R. Steed was nominated to serve another term. *(Mayor Pro Tem Allen's nominee)* Term expires: March 31, 2029. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*

6. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. AIRPORT COMMISSION:

A nominee for a vacant seat with a term expiring on December 31, 2028, on the Airport Commission *(Council's Appointment)* Clerk of Council McLemore announced that the Airport Commission has nominated Kevin Howard to fill the vacant seat on the Airport Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*

A nominee for a vacant seat with a term expiring on December 31, 2028, on the Airport Commission *(Council's Appointment)* Clerk of Council McLemore announced that the Airport Commission has

nominated Austin Gowar to fill the vacant seat on the Airport Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term expiring on December 31, 2026, on the Airport Commission *(Council's Appointment)*. There were none.

B. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

A nominee for a vacant seat *(Board of Realtors Representative)* for a term expiring on January 31, 2026, on the Historic & Architectural Review Board *(Council's Appointment)*. There were none.

A nominee for a vacant seat *(Columbus Home Builders Association Representative)* for a term expiring on January 31, 2028, on the Historic & Architectural Review Board *(Council's Appointment)*. There were none.

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the vacant seat of the District 1 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council *(District 1 – Hickey)*.

A nominee for the seat of Tracy Belt *(Not Eligible)* the District 4 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council *(District 4 – Tucker)*. There were none.

A nominee for the vacant seat of the District 5 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council *(District 5 – Crabb)*.

A nominee for the seat of John House *(Eligible for reappointment)* the District 8 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council *(District 8 – Garrett)*. Clerk of Council McLemore announced that Councilor Garrett is renominating John House to serve another term on the Community Development Advisory Board. Councilor Huff made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. *(Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.)*

A nominee for the seat of Mike Welch (*Eligible for reappointment*) the District 9 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 9 – Anker*). There were none.

Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore stated for the record Mr. Mike Welch has expressed his desire to continue serving on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority rather than being reappointed to the Community Development Advisory Council.

A nominee for the seat of James Jordan (*Eligible for reappointment*) the District 10 Representative for a term expiring on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 10 – Chambers*). Clerk of Council McLemore announced that Councilor Chambers is renominating James Jordan to serve another term on the Community Development Advisory Board. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion for confirmation, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting. (*Clerk of Council McLemore confirmed and announced the affirmative vote of Councilors Garrett and Tucker.*)

B. PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:

A nominee for the seat of Paul T. Berry, III (*Not interested in serving another term*) for a term that expired on October 31, 2025, on the Public Safety Advisory Commission (*District 5 – Crabb*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Scott Taft (*Not Eligible*) for a term that expired on October 31, 2025, on the Public Safety Advisory Commission (*District 9 – Anker*). There were none.

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

A. ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for the vacant seat of the Georgia Veterinary Technician with a term expiring on October 15, 2026, on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the vacant seat of the Animal Rescue Shelter Representative with a term expiring on October 15, 2026, on the Animal Control Advisory Board (*Council’s Appointment*). There were none.

B. BOARD OF HEALTH:

A nominee for the seat of Yasmine Cathright (*Not Eligible*) with the term expiring on December 31, 2025, on the Board of Health (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

C. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term that expires on March 24, 2026, on the Building Authority of Columbus (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

D. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term that expired on August 14, 2025, on the Liberty Theatre & Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). Councilor Huff nominated Monica Brown to fill the vacant seat on the Liberty Theatre & Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board.

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term that expires on August 14, 2026, on the Liberty Theatre & Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term that expires on August 14, 2027, on the Liberty Theatre & Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board (*Civic Center Director Recommendation / Confirmed by Council*). There were none.

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

A nominee for the seat of Judge David Ranieri (*Does not desire reappointment*) for a term that expired on June 30, 2025, on the New Horizons Behavioral Health – Mental Health, Addictive Diseases and Developmental Disabilities – Community Service Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

F. PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD:

A nominee for a vacant seat (*Alternate Member 1*) for a term that expires on December 31, 2027, on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for a vacant seat (*Alternate Member 2*) for a term that expires on December 31, 2027, on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for a vacant seat (*Alternate Member 3*) for a term that expires on December 31, 2027, on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Delano Leftwich (*Not Eligible – Alternate Member 4*) for a term that expired on December 31, 2025, on the Personnel Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

PUBLIC AGENDA (continued)

2. Mr. David Gibbs, Re: Mismanagement

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Henderson entertained a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation as requested by City Attorney Fay. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis and being absent from the meeting, and the time being 7:46 p.m.

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 8:14 p.m., at which time, Mayor Henderson announced that the Council did meet in Executive Session to discuss litigation; however, there were no votes taken.

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Skip Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to adjourn the February 24, 2026, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Cogle and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Davis being absent from the meeting, with the time being 8:14 p.m.

Lindsey G. McLemore
Clerk of Council
Council of Columbus, Georgia

File Attachments for Item:

5. Regional Prosperity Initiative New 2026-2030 Strategic Plan – Presented by Tabettha Getz, Executive Director of Columbus Ahead



Regional Prosperity Strategy

2026-2030

RPI, INC. | Columbus, GA

Item #5.





Columbus Ahead is the regional strategy for **2026–2030**. A bold roadmap designed to drive economic momentum, cultivate talent, and build a thriving community. Designed over the last year with input from more than **100 organizations**, we've committed to nine major goals to move our region forward.





How we got here

Phase 1

Organizational workshops
Jan-Feb 2025

Phase 2

Stakeholder engagement
Jun-Sept 2025

Community assessment
Jun-Sept 2025

Strategy development
Oct-Dec 2025

Launch
January 2026



JOB VIBRANT ECONOMY

GOAL

Rank in the **top half** of Georgia metros for job growth.

2026-30 TARGET
7%

2026-30 TARGET
6,500 Jobs

JOB VIBRANT ECONOMY

GOAL

Rank among the **top five** Georgia metros for prime-age* workforce growth

*Age 25-54

2026-30 TARGET
10%

2026-30 TARGET
12,500 ppl

JOB **VIBRANT** **BS** **ECONOMY**

GOAL

**Strengthen Columbus's
entrepreneurial ecosystem by
improving access to capital**

2026-30 TARGET
\$10M

2026-30 TARGET
10% of MSA

JOB

VIBRANT ECONOMY

GOAL

Attract 15 million visitors

2026-30 TARGET
15M

2026-30 TARGET
50% Growth

TALENT PROSPEROUS PEOPLE

GOAL

Rank among the top five Georgia metros for growth of residents with postsecondary education

Age 25+, all types of credentials

**2026-30 TARGET
21%**

**2026-30 TARGET
17,500 ppl**

TALENT PROSPEROUS PEOPLE

GOAL

Improve student chronic absenteeism and grade-level readiness by 20% in the most economically disadvantaged areas

2026-30 TARGET
65% Kindergarten ready-MCSD

2026-30 TARGET
20% Increase

PLACE THRIVING COMMUNITY

GOAL

Reduce crime rates to below the national average

2026-30 TARGET
50% Reduction in violent crime

2026-30 TARGET
20% Reduction in property crime

PLACE THRIVING COMMUNITY

GOAL

Enhance connectivity by developing the most extensive trail network of any community in Georgia

2026-30 TARGET
27.5 miles
New trail completed

2026-30 TARGET
61 miles
Total trail available

PLACE THRIVING COMMUNITY

GOAL

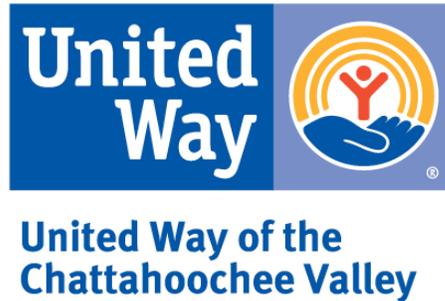
Enhance civic pride and community engagement

2026-30 TARGET
45,000 *Media placements (with 50% national publication placements)*

2026-30 TARGET
80% *Positive sentiment across all media mentions*



IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS





Steering Committee

Charles Auer, *Ft. Benning*

Billy Blanchard, *Covey Equity*

Betsy Covington, *Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley*

Shaun Culligan, *City of Phenix City*

Jeremy Cummings, *Columbus Water Works*

Mike Dempsey, *Ft. Benning*

Melissa Gauntt, *East AL Chamber of Commerce*

Pace Halter, *W.C. Bradley Real Estate*

Hon. Skip Henderson, *Columbus Consolidated Government*

Ken Henson

Pam Hodge, *Columbus Consolidated Government*

Selvin Hollingsworth, *Development Authority of Columbus*

Doug Jenkins, *Georgia Power*

Wes Kelley, *Brasfield & Gorrie*

Missy Kendrick, *Choose Columbus*

Tricia Konan, *Goodwill Industries of the Southern Rivers*

Katie Kreig, *Bradley-Turner Foundation*

Justin Kreig, *Historic Columbus*

Dr. David Lewis, *Muscogee County School District*

Ben MacMinn, *StartUP Columbus*

Fred Maglione, *Boys & Girls Clubs of the Chattahoochee Valley*

Marquette McKnight, *Media, Marketing & More*

Steve Morse, *Uptown Columbus*

Ben Moser, *United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley*

Rainer Mullin, *Mildred Miller Fort Foundation*

Julio Portillo, *MidTown Inc*

Dr. Stuart Rayfield, *Columbus State University*

Dr. Dionne Rosser-Mims, *Troy University*

Heath Schondelmayer, *Synovus*

Crystal Shahid, *Truist Bank*

Jansen Tidmore, *Columbus Chamber of Commerce*

Martha Ann Todd, *Columbus Technical College*

Brad Turner

John Turner

Ashley Weitena, *Visit Columbus*

Chris Woodruff, *Cotton Companies*

Jimmy Yancey

Becca Zajac, *Dragonfly Trails*



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File Attachments for Item:

1. 2nd Reading- An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:

- 1) **2317 Forsyth Street** (Trevonte Johnson, Owner);
- 2) **5 Patton Drive** (Edward Hickey, Owner);
- 3) **3810 16th Avenue** (Virginia Royal, Owner);
- 4) **1543 Floyd Road** (Marrina Jo Amerson, Owner);
- 5) **222 21st Avenue** (W & D Ventures LLC, Owner);
- 6) **3016 3rd Avenue** (Benjamin Hardy, Owner);
- 7) **2801 Baldwin Street** (Taryn Daniel Araos, Owner);
- 8) **1344 16th Street** (William Glenn Perkins, Owner);
- 9) **928 Lawyers Lane** (Sammie T. Harvey & King Bernice Harvey, Owner); and
- 10) **828 1st Avenue** (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner) (Mayor Pro-Tem)

ORDINANCE

NO. _____

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and for demolition services for the Inspections and Code Department in accordance with the attached Tabulation of Bid sheet.

WHEREAS, Section 8-81 through 8-90 of the Columbus Code specifies the procedure and requirements for removal of buildings unsafe or unfit for human habitation;

WHEREAS, these provisions and requirements have been and are fully complied with on the properties listed below;

WHEREAS, administrative implementation instructions pertaining to this Ordinance are on file in the Finance Department, Accounting Division, the Inspections and Code Department, the Clerk of Council's Office, and the City Manager's Office;

WHEREAS, W.T. Miller is the contractor for the demolition of all structures located at:

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in the total amount of **\$142,091.78** for demolition services; and

WHEREAS, funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget, in the General Fund (0101-240-2200-6381).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

After adoption and approval of this Ordinance and compliance with such required procedures, including the notices and hearings set forth, the demolition of the structures listed above, and for total costs listed above, in accordance with Sections 8-81 through 8-90 of the Columbus Code, is hereby authorized.

SECTION 2.

After validation by signature of duly appointed officials, the City's Chief Accountant shall cause the assessments to be entered in the Demolition Lien Book located in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court.

SECTION 3.

A copy of this Ordinance shall be mailed to each property owner immediately after entry with a noted date, page, and line number of the Demolition Lien Book.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 24th day of February 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said council held on the 10th day of March 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmation vote of ____ members of Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
- Councilor Anker voting _____
- Councilor Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____
- Councilor Davis voting _____
- Councilor Garrett voting _____
- Councilor Hickey voting _____
- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G Mclemore
Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
Mayor

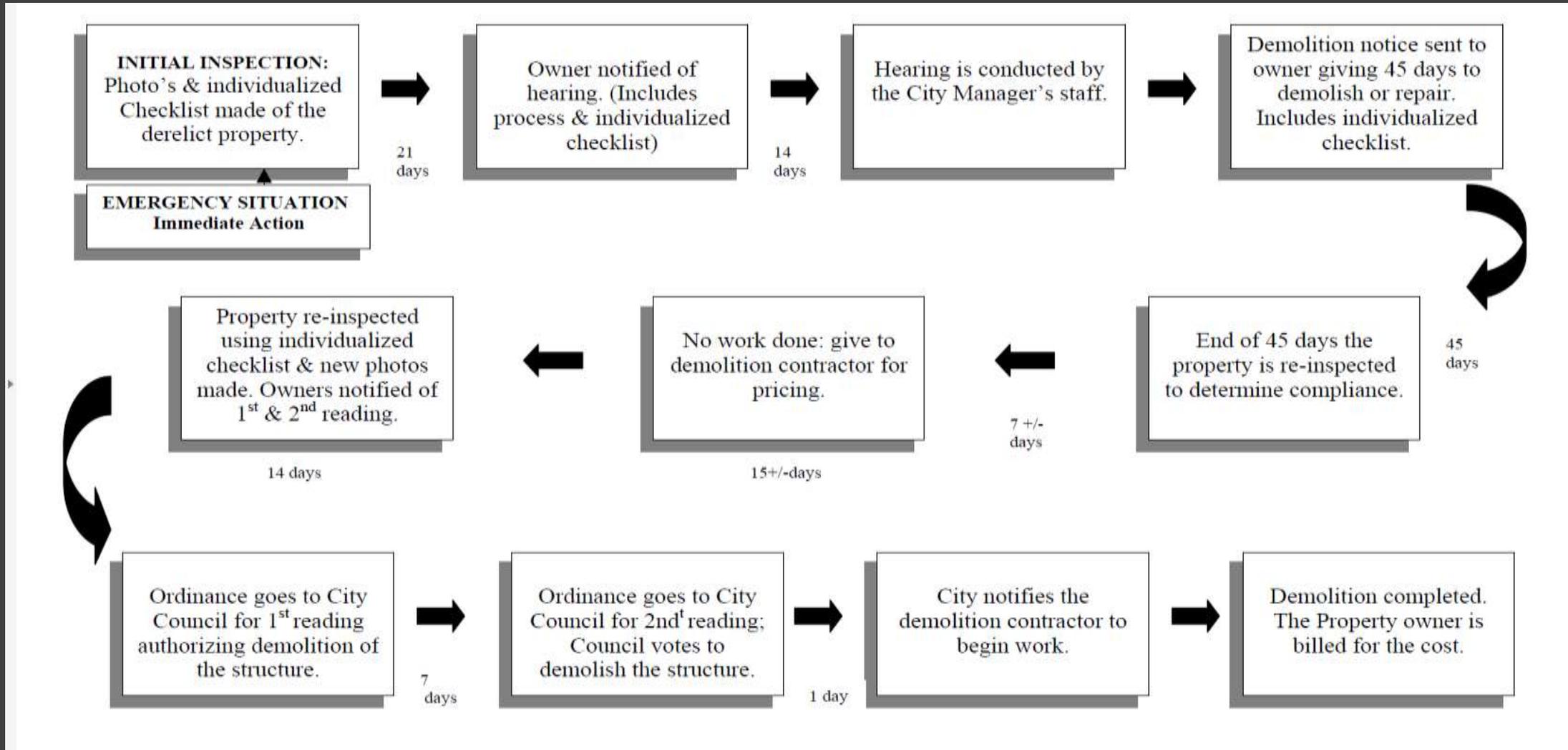
February 2026 Demolition Bid Tabulation Sheet	
Property	Demolition Amount
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2) 5 Patton Drive (Edward Hickey, Owner)	\$6,378.52
3) 3810 16th Avenue (Virginia Royal, Owner)	\$24,905.42
4) 1543 Floyd Road (Marrina Jo Amerson, Owner)	\$14,576.04
5) 222 21st Avenue (W & D Ventures LLC, Owner)	\$9,342.00
6) 3016 3rd Avenue (Benjamin Hardy, Owner)	\$10,251.54
7) 2801 Baldwin Street (Taryn Daniel Araos, Owner)	\$10,805.16
8) 1344 16th Street (William Glenn Perkins, Owner)	\$16,216.12
9) 928 Lawyers Lane (Sammie T. Harvey & King Bernice Harvey, Owner)	\$30,948.20
10) 828 1st Avenue (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner)	\$11,948.24
Total	\$142,091.78



INSPECTIONS & CODE DEPARTMENT

Demolition Properties

Demolition Process



Tabulation Bid Sheet – WT Miller February 2026

February 2026 Demolition Bid Tabulation Sheet

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9) 928 Lawyers Lane (Sammie T. Harvey & King Bernice Harvey, Owner)	\$30,948.20
10) 828 1st Avenue (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner)	\$11,948.24
Total	\$142,091.78

Proposed
Properties to
be Demolished

2317 Forsyth Street (Trevonte Johnson, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2023, 2024, and 2025.

5 Patton Drive (Edward Hickey, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2025.

3810 16th Avenue (Virginia Royal, Owner)



Property has no delinquent taxes.

1543 Floyd Road (Marrina Jo Amerson, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2024 and 2025.

222 21st Avenue (W & D Ventures LLC, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2016-2025.

3016 3rd Avenue (Benjamin Hardy, Owner)

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Property has delinquent taxes for 2021-2025.

2801 Baldwin Street (Taryn Daniel Araos, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025.

1344 16th Street (William Glenn Perkins, Owner)

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Property has delinquent taxes for 2024 and 2025.

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Property has delinquent taxes for 2023, 2024, and 2025.

828 1st Avenue (FF Asset Fund I, LLC, Owner)



Property has delinquent taxes for 2025.



INSPECTIONS & CODE DEPARTMENT

Questions?

File Attachments for Item:

2. 2nd Reading- An Ordinance repealing various ordinances in order to abolish the Civic Center Advisory Board; and for other purposes. (Councilor Crabb)

AN ORDINANCE

NO. _____

An Ordinance repealing various ordinances to abolish the Civic Center Advisory Board; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

This Council hereby determines that any functions previously carried out by the Civic Center Advisory Board now fall within the jurisdiction of the Columbus Sports and Entertainment Authority which was created by Ordinance No. 25-011, to be codified as Article XXXIII of the Columbus Code.

Section 2.

Ordinance Nos. 01-077, 11-061, 12-012, and 20-037, which pertain to the creation of and membership on the Civic Center Advisory Board, are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 3.

All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance shall be repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 24th day of February 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
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- Councilor Chambers voting _____
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- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G Mclemore
Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

3. 1st Reading- REZN-11-25-2091: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2055 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 074-001-008) from Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 4 (SFR4) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Davis)

AN ORDINANCE

NO. _____

An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2055 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 074-001-008) from Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 4 (SFR4) Zoning District.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

The Zoning Atlas on file with the Planning Department is hereby amended by changing the property described below from Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 4 (SFR4) Zoning District.

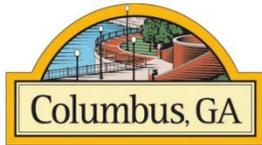
“All that lot tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in Columbus, Muscogee County Georgia, and being known and designated as PARCEL Bl 46.01 Ac on that certain map or plat entitled "Replat of Part of Parcel A & Parcel B Property of Steven W. Corbett, Part of Land Lots 264 & 265, 19th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia," prepared by Moon Meeks & Associates, Inc., dated March 19, 2021, and recorded in Plat Book 166, Page 286, in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia, to which map or plat reference is made for the more particular location and dimensions of said lot.”

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 10th day of March 2026, introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of ____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

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Clerk of Council

B. H. “Skip” Henderson, III
Mayor



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COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

REZN-11-25-2091

Applicant:	Joey White
Owner:	Banana Bay LLC
Location:	2055 Old Guard Road
Parcel:	074-001-008
Acreage:	46.01 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Residential Estates 1
Proposed Zoning Classification:	Single Family Residential 4
Current Use of Property:	Vacant, Undeveloped
Proposed Use of Property:	Single Family Residential
Council District:	District 2
PAC Recommendation:	Approval based on the Staff Report and compatibility with existing land uses.
Planning Department Recommendation:	Approval based on compatibility with existing land uses.
Fort Benning's Recommendation:	N/A
DRI Recommendation:	N/A
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area A
Current Land Use Designation:	Vacant

Future Land Use Designation: Mixed Use

Compatible with Existing Land-Uses: Yes

Environmental Impacts: The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.

City Services: Property is served by all city services.

Traffic Engineering: This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.

Surrounding Zoning:	North	Residential Estates 1
	South	Residential Office
	East	Single Family Residential 4
	West	Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1)

Reasonableness of Request: The request is compatible with existing land uses.

School Impact: N/A

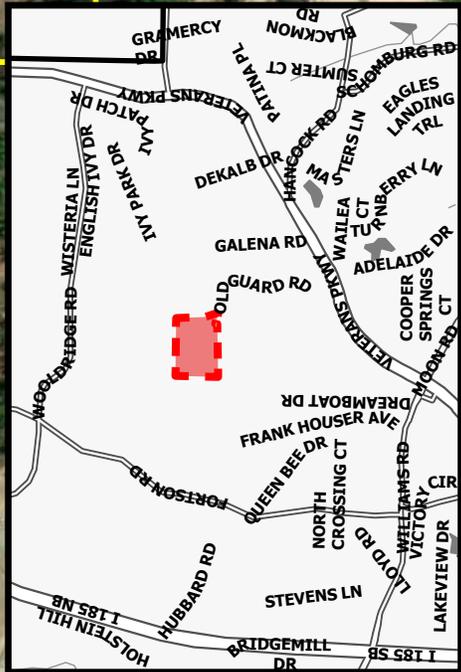
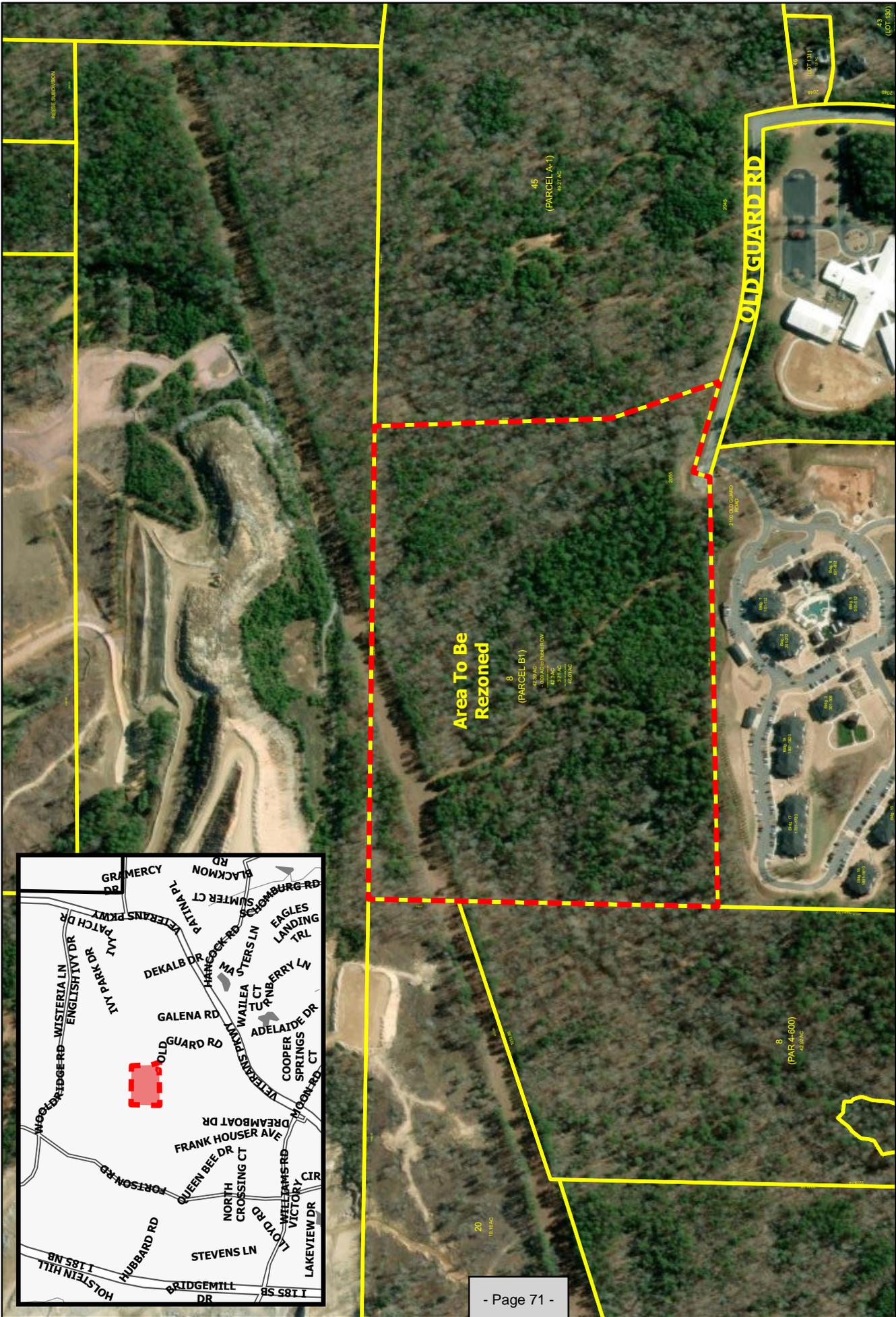
Buffer Requirement: The site shall include a Category B buffer along the north property line and a Category A buffer on the west property line.

Attitude of Property Owners: **Six (6)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Additional Information: 159 Single-family lots

Attachments: Aerial Land Use Map
Location Map
Zoning Map
Existing Land Use Map
Future Land Use Map
Flood Map



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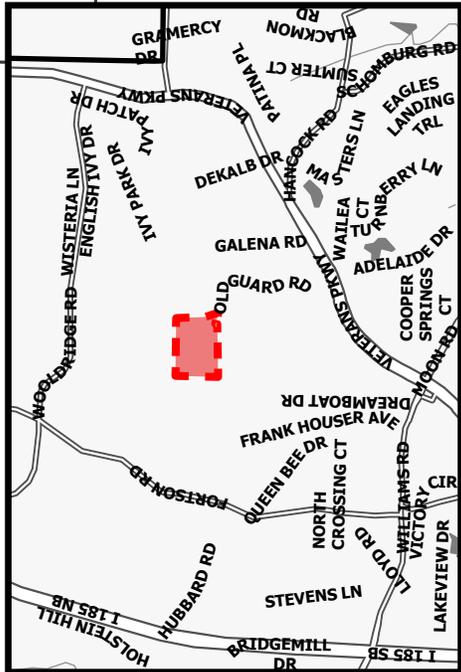
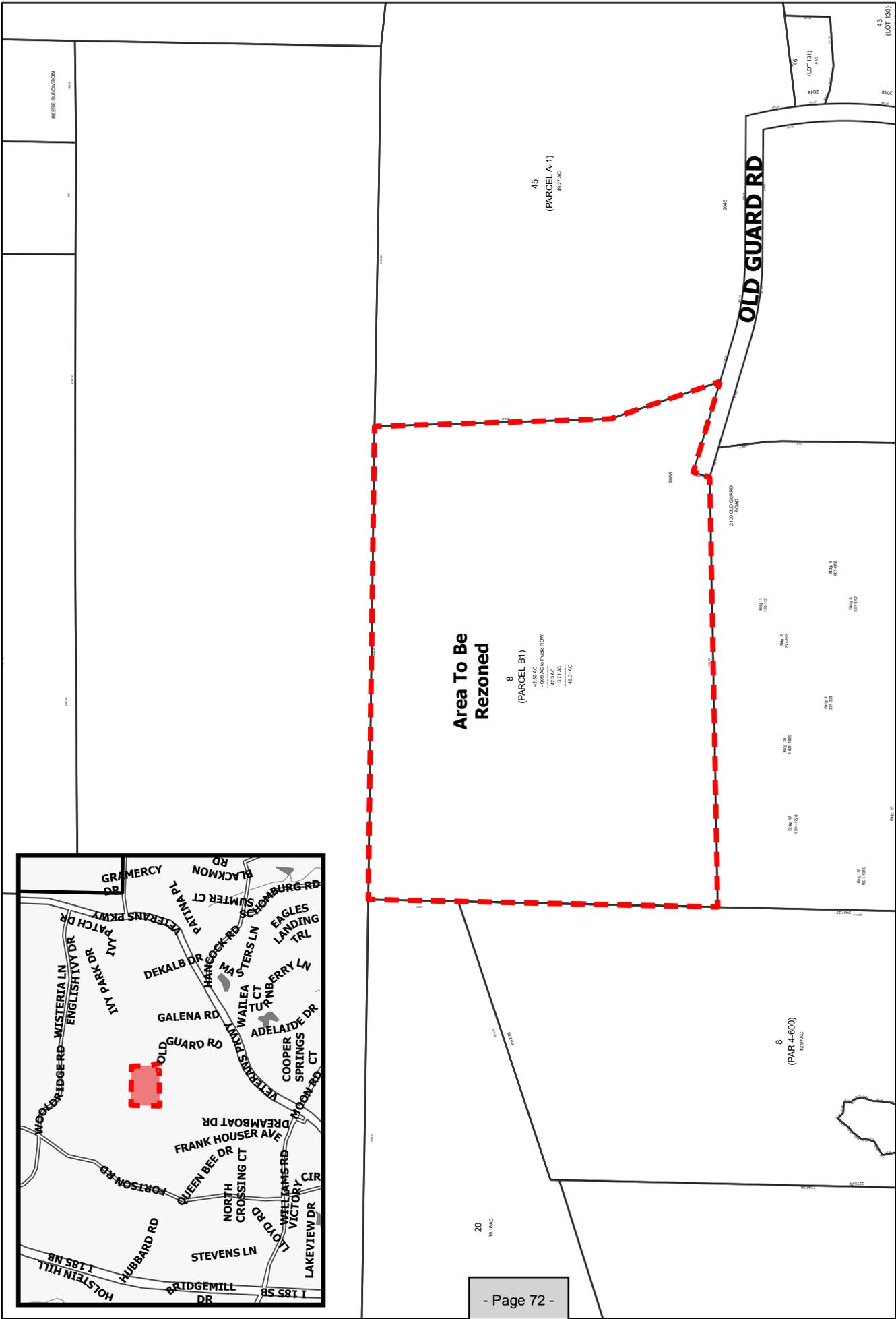
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Aerial Map for REZN 1 25 2091
Map 040 Block 001 Lot 008
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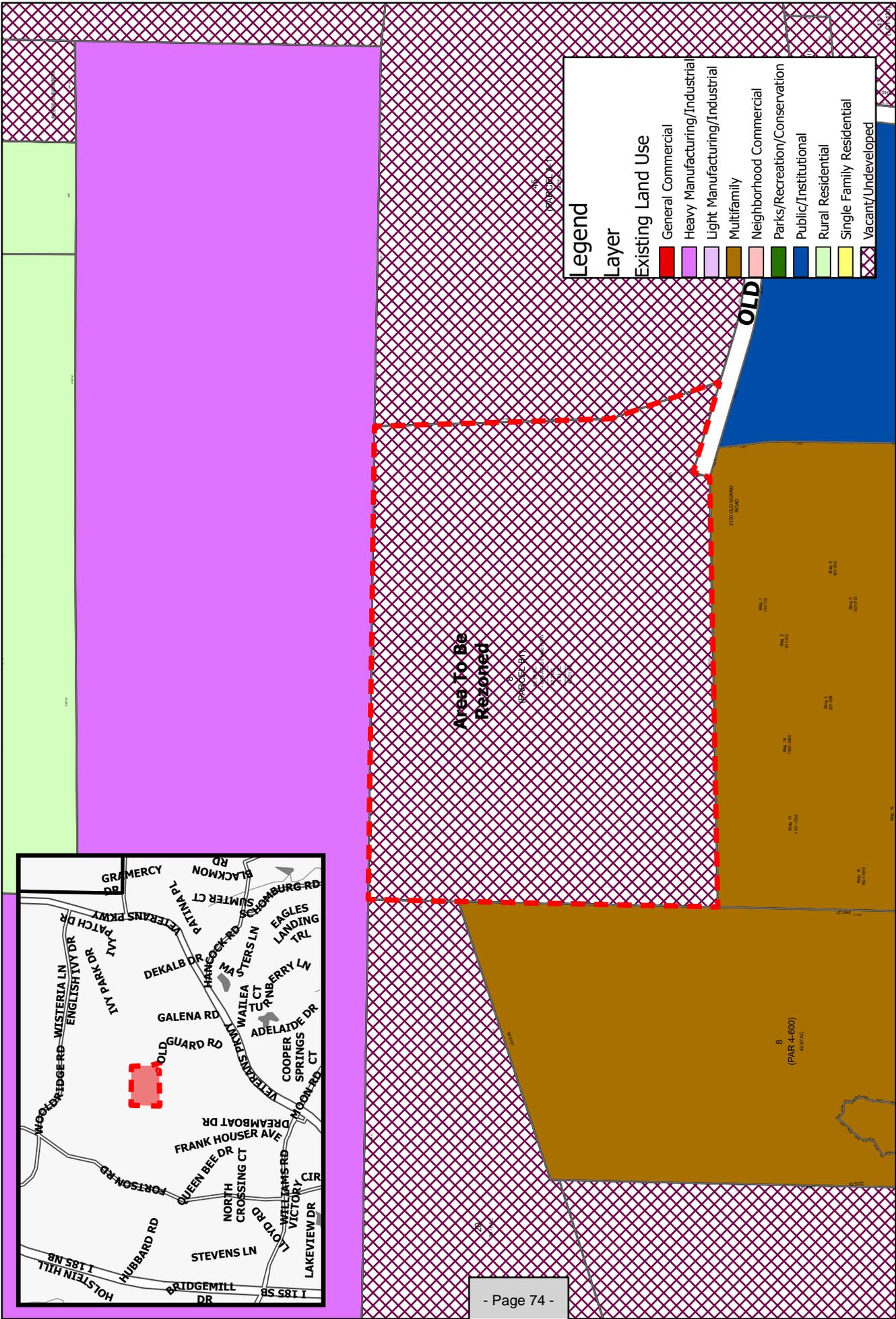
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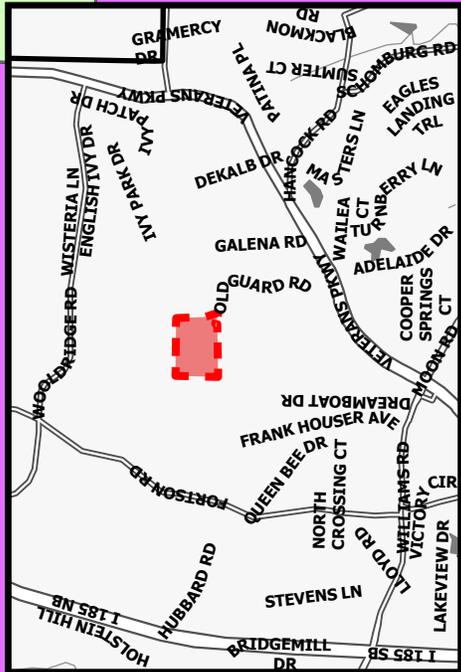
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Legend

Layer	Existing Land Use
[Red]	General Commercial
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[Pink]	Neighborhood Commercial
[Green]	Parks/Recreation/Conservation
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[Light Green]	Rural Residential
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Area to Be Rezoned



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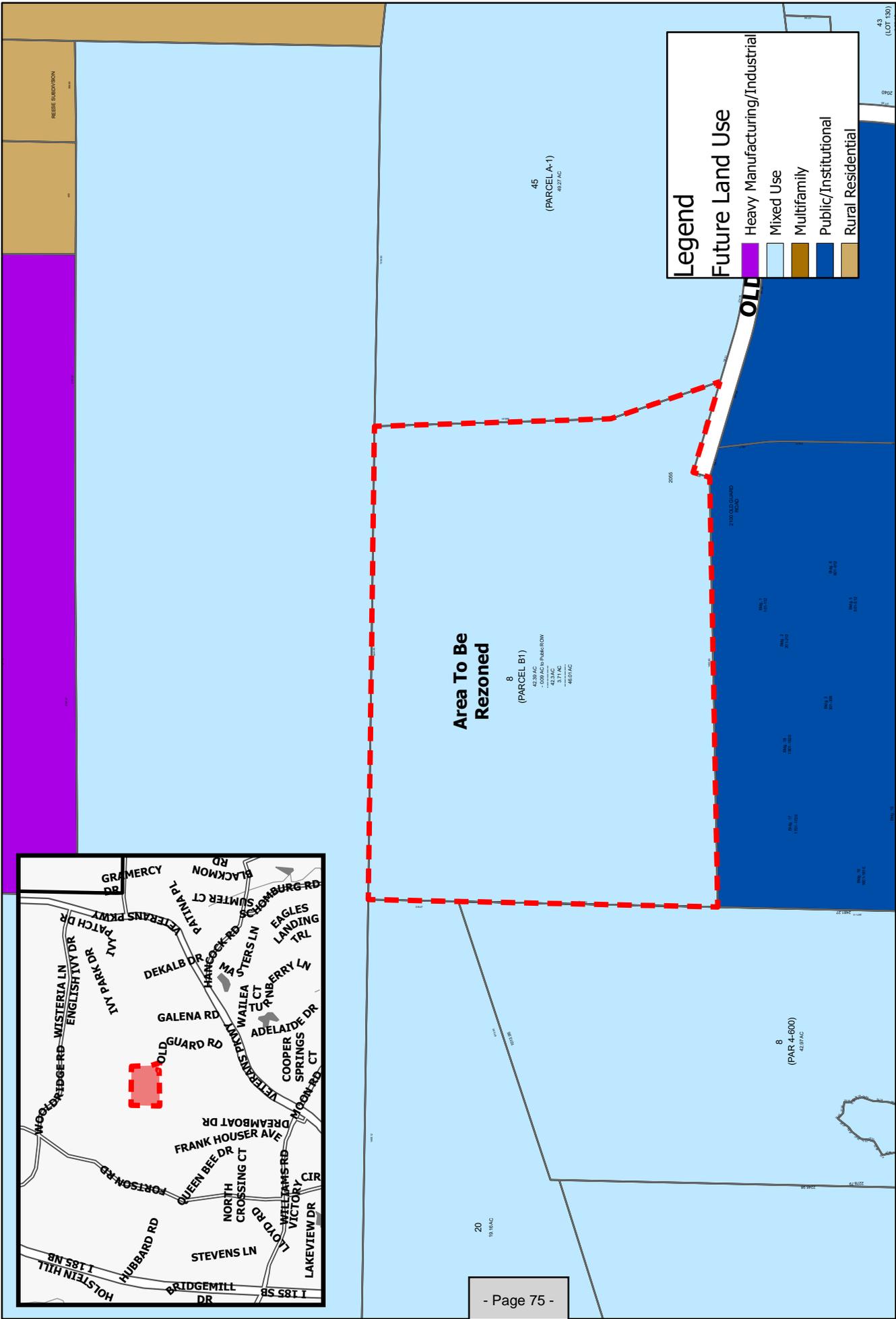
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Date: 11/7/2025





File Attachments for Item:

4. 1st Reading-REZN-02-26-0208: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2045 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 079-001-045) from SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with conditions to SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with amended conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(Councilor Davis)

AN ORDINANCE

NO. _____

An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **2045 Old Guard Road** (parcel # 079-001-045) from SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with conditions to SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with amended conditions.

**THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS
FOLLOWS:**

Section 1.

The Zoning Atlas on file with the Planning Department is hereby amended by changing the property described below from SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with conditions. to SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4) Zoning District with amended conditions.

“All that lot, tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being part of Land Lots 264 and 265, 19th District Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia, and being known and designated as "PARCEL A-1, 49.27 Ac.", as said lot is shown upon that certain map or plat entitled "Replat of Part of Parcel A & Parcel B, Property of Steven W. Corbett, Part of Land Lots 264 & 265, 19th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia," prepared by Moon, Meeks & Associates, Inc., dated March 19, 2021, and recorded in Plat Book 166, Page 286, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia, to which map or plat reference is made for the more particular location and dimensions of said lot.”

Section 2.

The Conditions for the rezoning of the property to SFR4 that are contained in Ordinance No. 22-018 rezoning are revised as follows:

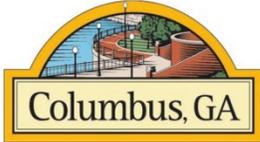
1. Conditions 1 and 3 from Ordinance No. 22-018 are hereby removed.
2. Condition 2 from Ordinance 22-018 which is that the rezoning of the subject property to SFR-4 is conditioned upon the installation of finished sidewalk and related infrastructure, as specified by the City Engineer, running along the boundary line of the subject property fronting Old Guard Road shall remain in effect.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 10th day of March 2026, introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of ____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

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Lindsey G Mclemore
Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
Mayor



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COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

REZN-02-26-0208

Applicant:	Joey White
Owner:	Banana Bay LLC
Location:	2045 Old Guard Road
Parcel:	079-001-045
Acreage:	49.27 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4)
Proposed Zoning Classification:	SFR4 (Single Family Residential 4)
Proposed Conditions:	Remove conditions number 1 and 3 from Ordinance Num. 22-018, approved with rezoning in 2018. Condition 2 will remain. 1. The rezoning of the subject property to SFR-4 is conditioned upon the installation of finished sidewalk and related infrastructure, as specified by the City Engineer, running along the boundary line of the subject property fronting Old Guard Road.
Current Use of Property:	Vacant/Undeveloped
Proposed Use of Property:	Single Family Residential
Council District:	District 2 (Davis)
PAC Recommendation:	Approval based on the Staff Report and compatibility with existing land uses.
Planning Department Recommendation:	Approval based on compatibility with existing land

uses.

Fort Benning’s Recommendation: N/A

DRI Recommendation: N/A

General Land Use: Inconsistent
Planning Area F

Current Use of Property: Vacant/Undeveloped

Proposed Use of Property: Single Family Residential

General Land Use: Consistent
Planning Area A

Current Land Use Designation: Single Family Residential

Future Land Use Designation: Mixed Use

Compatible with Existing Land-Uses: Yes

Environmental Impacts: The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.

City Services: Property is served by all city services.

Traffic Engineering: This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.

Surrounding Zoning:	North	Residential Estates 1
	South	Residential Estates 1
	East	Residential Estates 1
	West	Residential Estates 1

Reasonableness of Request: The request is compatible with existing land uses.

School Impact: N/A

Buffer Requirement: N/A

Attitude of Property Owners: **Six (6)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning

request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval 0 Responses
Opposition 0 Responses

Additional Information:

Remove conditions number 1 and 3 of Ordinance number 22-018. Condition 2 will remain.

1) Developer and successors in interest shall adhere to the Conceptual Layout "A" by Moon Meeks & Associates, Inc. dated November 2, 2021, the site plan contained therein, and the Rendering (Elevation) and Floor Plans sheet presented to Columbus Council on March 22, 2022, all of which are attached to this ordinance and incorporated herein by reference; provided, however, that the Developer may deviate from the foregoing (i) to address concerns arising during the architectural, environmental, geotechnical, and engineering phase of development; (ii) to comply with the requests and requirements of governmental agencies, including without limitation the various divisions of the Columbus Consolidated Government, during the build-out of the Development; and (iii) if required due to construction material availability during the construction phase of development.

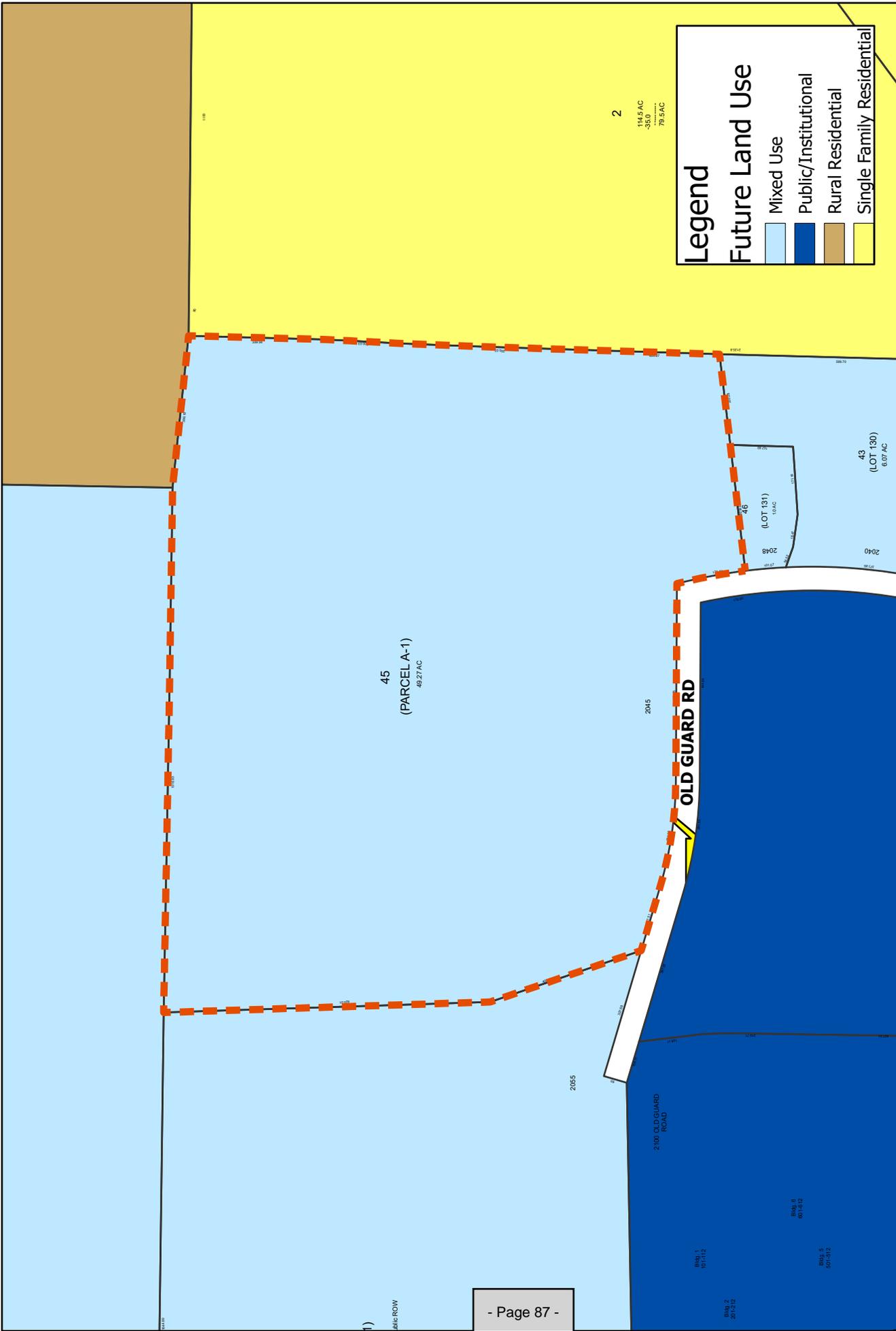
2) The rezoning of the subject property to SFR-4 is conditioned upon the installation of finished sidewalk and related infrastructure, as specified by the City Engineer, running along the boundary line of the subject property fronting Old Guard Road.

3) The rezoning of the subject property to SFR-4 is conditioned upon the Development being "age-restricted", which means that at least one person is age 55 or older in at least 80% of the occupied units in accordance with the "Housing for Older Persons" exemption set forth in the Fair Housing Act and 24 CFR § 100.300, et seq.

Attachments:

Aerial Land Use Map
 Location Map
 Zoning Map
 Existing Land Use Map

Future Land Use Map
Flood Map
Appendix A



Item #4.

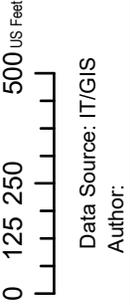
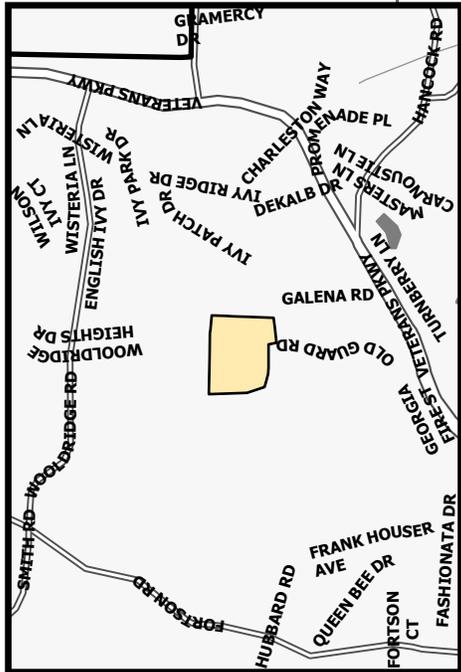
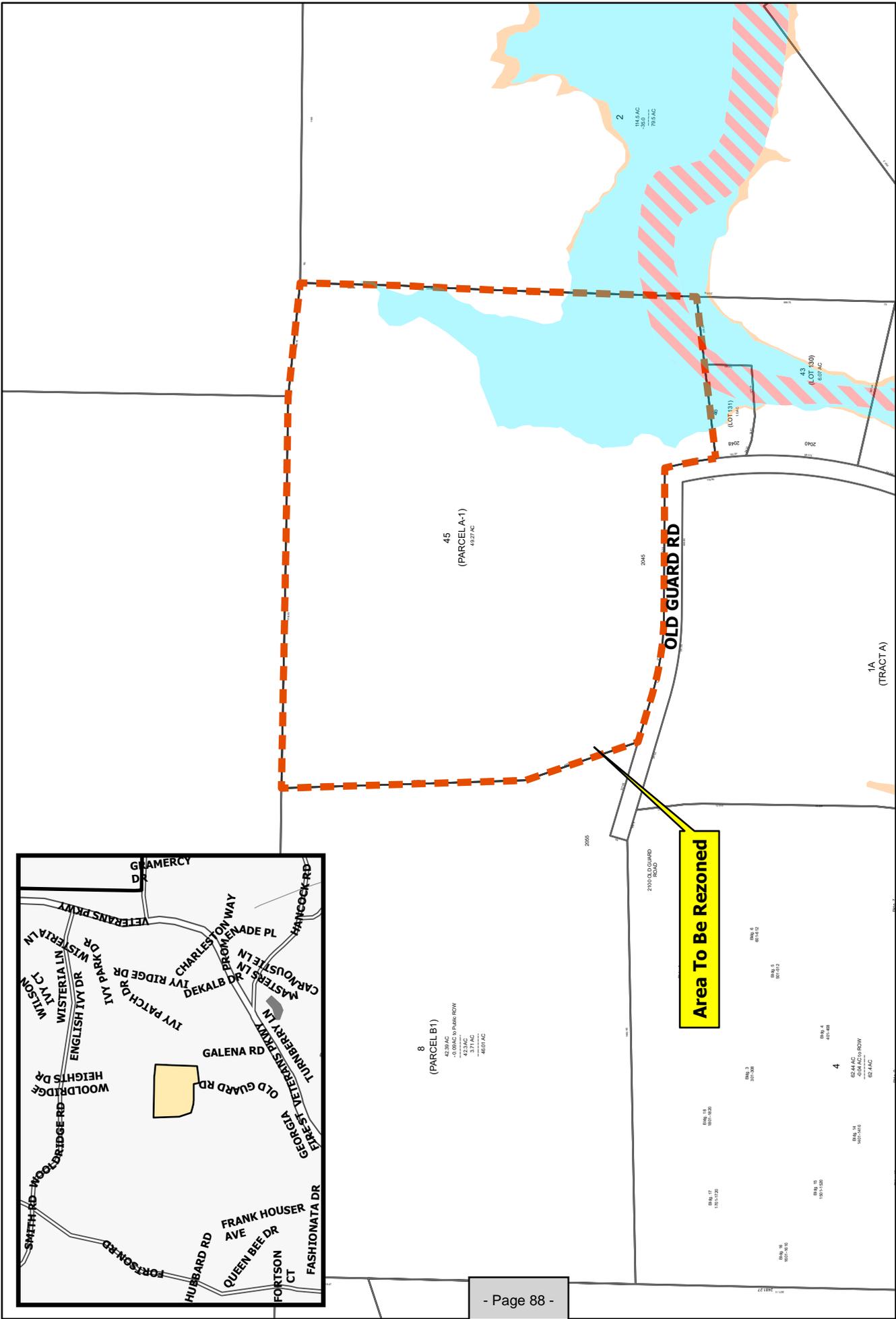
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Future Land Use Map for For REZN 02-0208
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Flood Hazard Map for For REZN 02- 0208
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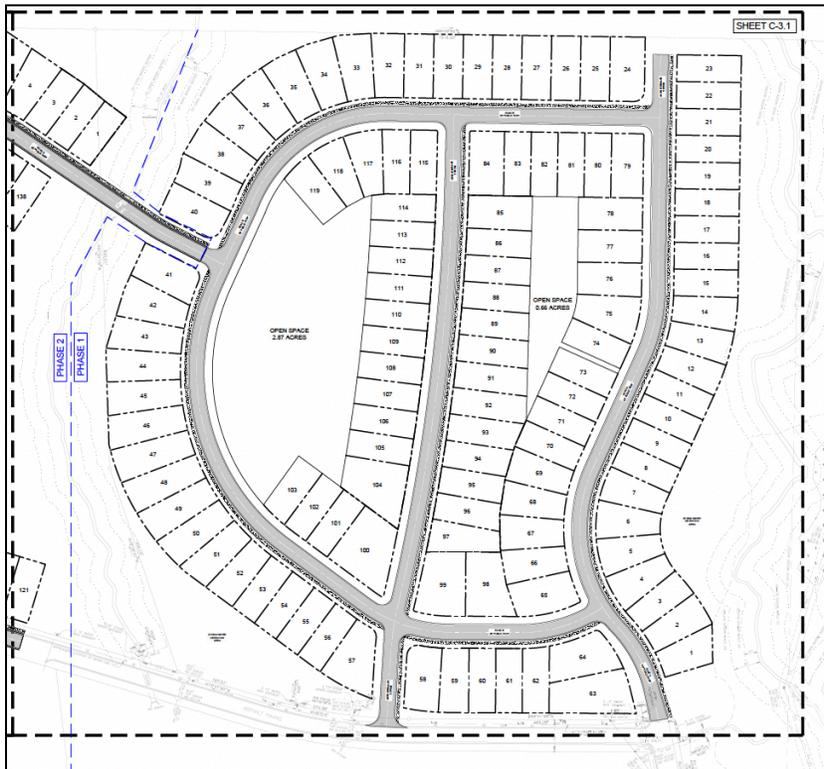
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Ashford Reserve 2025 - Proposed



File Attachments for Item:

5. 1st Reading: An ordinance amending Article I of Chapter 4 of the Columbus Code to insert a new code section which defines nonprofit community handmade and artisan events sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; to clarify applicable permit requirements; to provide for a fee waiver; and for other lawful purposes. (Councilors Cogle and Garrett)

AN ORDINANCE
NO. _____

An ordinance amending Article I of Chapter 4 of the Columbus Code to insert a new code section which defines nonprofit community handmade and artisan events sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; to clarify applicable permit requirements; to provide for a fee waiver; and for other lawful purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

Article I of Chapter 4 of the Columbus Code is amended to add a new Section 4-1.2 to read as follows:

“Sec. 4-1.2. **Nonprofit Community Handmade & Artisan Event.**

(a) A non-profit community handmade and artesian event shall meet all of the following criteria:

1. The event is organized by a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization;
2. The event is open to the public without an admission fee;
3. Vendors primarily offer handmade, artisan, or artist-produced goods; and
4. The event is intended for community, cultural, educational, or arts-related purposes.
5. The event is held in a City park or other recreational facility under the administration of the Department of Parks and Recreation (“the Department”).

(b) Permit and Operational Requirements:

Events qualifying under this classification shall remain subject to all applicable permit, insurance, sanitation, and operational requirements established by the Department, and the event organizer shall be solely responsible for post-event cleanup and restoration of the park area to its prior condition, including removal of all trash, equipment, signage, and materials associated with the event, and shall comply with all sanitation and waste disposal requirements as determined by the Department. Any event organizer who fails to meet this requirement shall reimburse the Department for the cost of post event clean-up and restoration, and if the organization fails to do so, it will not be entitled to the fee waiver provided by paragraph (c) below for any subsequent event until all outstanding costs billed by the Department have been paid.

(c) Vendor Fees:

No per-vendor fee shall be assessed by the Department for events qualifying under this code section. Vendor fees collected by the nonprofit organizer may be retained by the nonprofit for event-related expenses, including but not limited to insurance, marketing, equipment, and administrative costs.

(d) Implementation:

The Department shall update relevant fee schedules, applications, and administrative procedures consistent with this ordinance upon its effective date.”

SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall take effect upon signing by the Mayor and publication by the Clerk.

SECTION 3.

All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance shall be repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 10th day of March 2026, introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of ____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

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Lindsey G Mclemore
Clerk of Council

B. H. “Skip” Henderson, III
Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

1. Street Acceptance –Swedish Ivy Court

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #1.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Street Acceptance –Swedish Ivy Court
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the acceptance of Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development.
INITIATED BY:	Engineering Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the acceptance of Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development.

Background. Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development, has (4) four commercial lots. The street has been improved and meets the required specifications for acceptance by the City.

Analysis: A deed has been tendered to the City for “That certain tract or parcel of land designated as all of Swedish Ivy Court, as shown upon a map or plat of survey entitled “Replat for Grey Rock Development LLC, Ivy Park Commercial Development, Part of Land Lot 233, 19th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia,” as prepared by Moon Meeks and Associates, Inc., dated October 30, 2025, and recorded in Plat Book 168, Folio 146, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia.

Financial Considerations: No City funds are involved until maintenance is assumed after the two-year warranty.

Legal Considerations: In accordance with Section 18-3 of the Columbus Code, all dedicated right-of-way must be accepted by Council.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested for the acceptance of Swedish Ivy Court, located in Ivy Park Commercial Development.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO SWEDISH IVY COURT LOCATED IN IVY PARK COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, ON BEHALF OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

Item #1.

WHEREAS, Columbus, Georgia has been submitted a deed to Swedish Ivy Court located in Ivy Park Commercial Development, a full description of the property on said deed; and,

WHEREAS, said street has been improved and meets the required specifications for acceptance by the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department received a bond warranting the condition of the street for a period of two years; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department has inspected said street and recommends acceptance of the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That certain deed dated February 27, 2026, conveying to Columbus, Georgia “Swedish Ivy Court located in Ivy Park Commercial Development”, is hereby accepted. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized to have said deed recorded in the Deed Records in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County. A copy of the deed is hereto attached and by this reference made a part of this resolution.

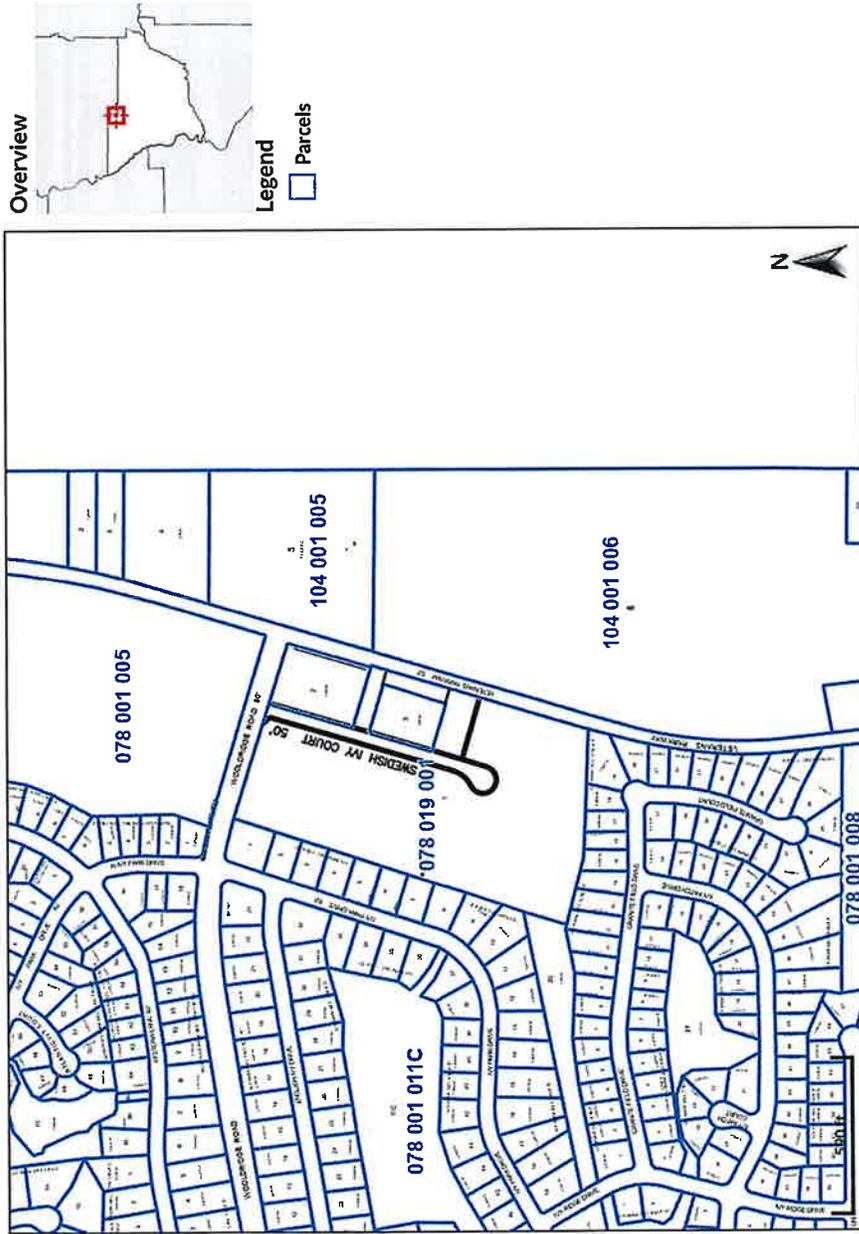
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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

Muscooke County / Columbus Consolidated Government



Parcel ID	075 001 038	Physical Address	3981 WOOLDRIDGE RD	Last 2 Sales Date	2/5/2015	Price	\$89900	Reason	FAMILY SALE
Class Code	R4	Owner	MCCULLAR KIMBERLY ANN		n/a	0			n/a
Taxing District	USD02		3981 WOOLDRIDGE RD						
Acres	2.0	Assessed Value	FORTSON, GA 31808						

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VICINITY MAP

File Attachments for Item:

2. Street Designation as a Public Street.

Approval is requested for the designation of that portion of 5th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue as a public street.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #2.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Street Designation as a Public Street.
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the designation of that portion of 5 th Street between 5 th Avenue and 6 th Avenue as a public street.
INITIATED BY:	Engineering Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the designation of that portion of 5th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue as a public street.

Background. The 5th Street Connector project was completed in October 2023 as part of the Miles Crossing Senior Residences Development. The street was constructed by Robinson Paving Company prior to the development, utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CBDG) funds allocated by the Columbus Consolidated Government. The street designation was held until the Miles Crossing development was completed. This portion of 5th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue has been improved and meets the required specifications for acceptance by the City.

Analysis: A quit claim deed has been tendered to the City for “All that lot or parcel of land lying and being located in Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia, being the closed portion of 5th Street running between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue. Noted as .68 Acres/29,596 square feet as shown as shown upon a map or plat of survey entitled “Replat of Booker T. Washington Apartments City Lots 607-614 Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia,” prepared by Becker Survey Company, Inc., last revised January 27, 2023, and recorded in Plat Book 167, Page 188, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia.

Financial Considerations: Maintenance is assumed after the street designation due to the completion of this roadway being over two years ago.

Legal Considerations: In accordance with Section 18-3 of the Columbus Code, all dedicated right-of-way must be accepted by Council.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested for the designation of that portion of 5th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue as a public street.

A RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF 5TH STREET RUNNING BETWEEN 5TH AVENUE AND 6TH AVENUE AS A PUBLIC STREET. AUTORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A QUITCLAIM DEED TO THAT PORTION OF 5TH STREET RUNNING BETWEEN 5TH AVENUE AND 6TH AVENUE ON BEHALF OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

WHEREAS, the 5th Street Connector project was completed in October 2023. The street was constructed prior to development, utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds allocated by the Columbus Consolidated Government. Street designation was delayed until the Miles Crossing Senior Residences Development was complete; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus, Georgia has been submitted a quitclaim deed to that portion of 5th Street running between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue, a full description of the property on said deed; and,

WHEREAS, said street has been improved and meets the required specifications for acceptance by the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department has inspected said street and recommends acceptance of the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That certain quitclaim deed dated August 7, 2024, conveying to Columbus, Georgia, “5th Street running between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue”, is hereby accepted. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized to have said deed recorded in the Deed Records in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County. A copy of the deed is hereto attached and by this reference made a part of this resolution.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the _____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Anker voting _____.
- Councilor Chambers voting _____.
- Councilor Cogle voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor Hickey voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

Item #2.

...ue Vine
Deliverance &
Worship Center

CLIGO

Chico's
Tint Shop

TrendSettas
Auto Salon

Marathon

OURTH ST 280

520

VETERANS PKWY

VETERANS PKWY

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280

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FIFTH ST

FIFTH AVE

FIFTH AVE

450 5th St

SIXTH AVE

FIFTH ST

U-Haul
Neighborhood
Dealer @
Liberty
Cont

File Attachments for Item:

3. Surplus Property – 14 Properties in the Liberty District

Approval is requested to authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise and accept sealed bids for said properties and sell said properties in accordance with the Liberty District section 7-501(1) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Surplus Property – 14 Properties in the Liberty District
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise and accept sealed bids for said properties and sell said properties in accordance with the Liberty District section 7-501(1) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise and accept sealed bids for said properties and sell said properties in accordance with the Liberty District section 7-501(1) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.

Background: The City owns 800 7th Ave, 802 7th Ave, 804 7th Ave, 801 8th Ave, 805 8th Ave, 809 8th Ave, 800 8th Ave, 804 8th Ave, 808 8th Ave, 812 8th Ave, 801 9th Ave, 805 9th Ave, 809 9th Ave, and 811 9th Ave with Tax Parcel ID Numbers as follows 019-020-019, 019-020-013, 019-020-012, 019-020-020, 019-020-021, 019-020-014, 019-021-009, 019-021-031, 019-021-030, 019-021-029, 019-021-032, 019-021-033, 019-021-034, and 019-021-012. Details are attached. A resolution is needed to move all fourteen to surplus.

Analysis: It has been determined to be in the best interest of the City to declare the properties surplus and advertise the above-mentioned properties to be developed. The following conditions apply to all prospective developers: site plans must be submitted within six months, construction must be initiated within twelve months, and all development is restricted to housing development.

Financial Considerations: The property and any related improvements will be returned to the tax digest. Proceeds from the sale of the properties will be deposited based on acquisition funds used either in CDBG or General Fund, and Public Works will no longer need to use resources to maintain the vacant lots. Additionally, interested purchasing parties must include proof of construction funding in bid proposals.

Legal Considerations: The property must be advertised and sold in accordance with paragraph (1) of Section 7-501 of the Columbus Charter.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise and accept sealed bids for said properties and sell said properties in accordance with the Liberty District section 7-501(1) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.

PROPOSED SURPLUS PROPERTY LIST

Parcel ID Number	Address	Appraised Value
019 020 019	800 7 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 020 013	802 7 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 020 012	804 7 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 020 020	801 8 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 020 021	805 8 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 020 014	809 8 th Avenue	\$11,400
019 021 009	800 8 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 031	804 8 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 030	808 8 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 029	812 8 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 032	801 9 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 033	805 9 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 021 034	809 9 th Avenue	\$10,800
019 024 012	811 9 th Avenue	\$10,800

**A RESOLUTION
NO. _____**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY PROPERTIES AS LISTED ON THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT SURPLUS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT DEPARTMENT TO ADVERTISE, ACCEPT SEALED BIDS, AND SELL SAID PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7-501(1) OF THE COLUMBUS CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the attached mentioned properties are owned exclusively by the Columbus Consolidated Government; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbus Consolidated Government has no current or future use or plans for said properties; and,

WHEREAS, the properties are appropriately suited for housing development only and use; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intention to promote orderly and efficient development by requiring prospective developers to adhere to established timelines, site plans and construction; and,

WHEREAS, surplus real property owned by the Columbus Consolidated Government which has appreciable monetary value must be advertised for public sale and conveyed in accordance with paragraph (1) of Section 7-501 of the Columbus Charter.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:

That the Mayor or his designee are hereby authorized to declare said properties described above as surplus and authorize the Community Reinvestment Department to advertise, accept sealed bids along with housing development proposals, and sell said properties for bids of equal to its fair market value and authorize the Mayor or his designee to execute all contracts, agreements and understandings related to the conveyance of City properties.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Anker voting _____.
- Councilor Chambers voting _____.
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- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Lindsey G. Mclemore, Clerk of Council

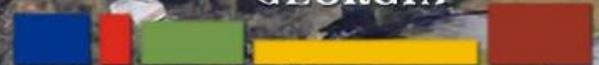
B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor

The Liberty District

Renewing a neighborhood

Liberty Theatre Cultural Center

COLUMBUS
GEORGIA

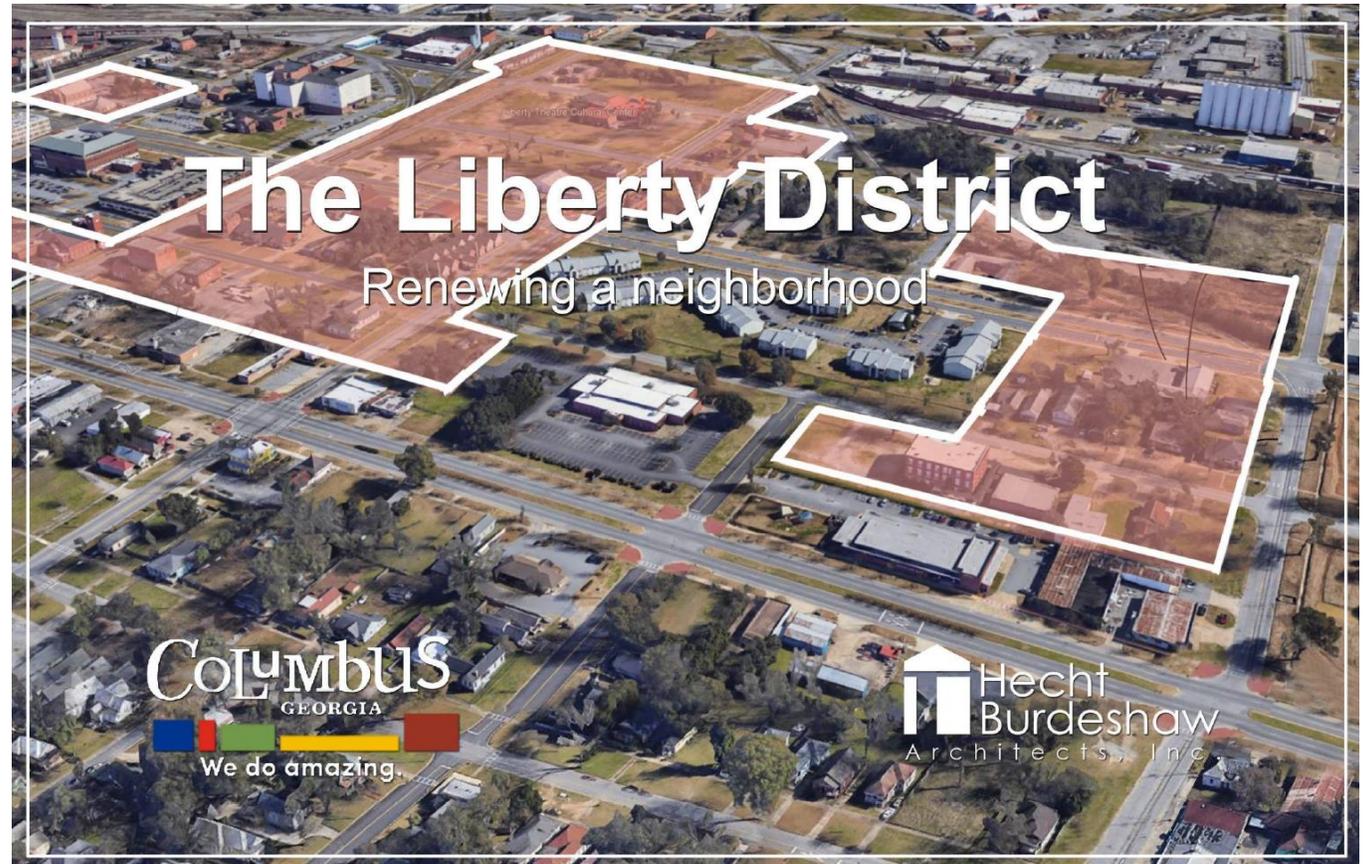


We do amazing.

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Burdeshaw
Architects, Inc.

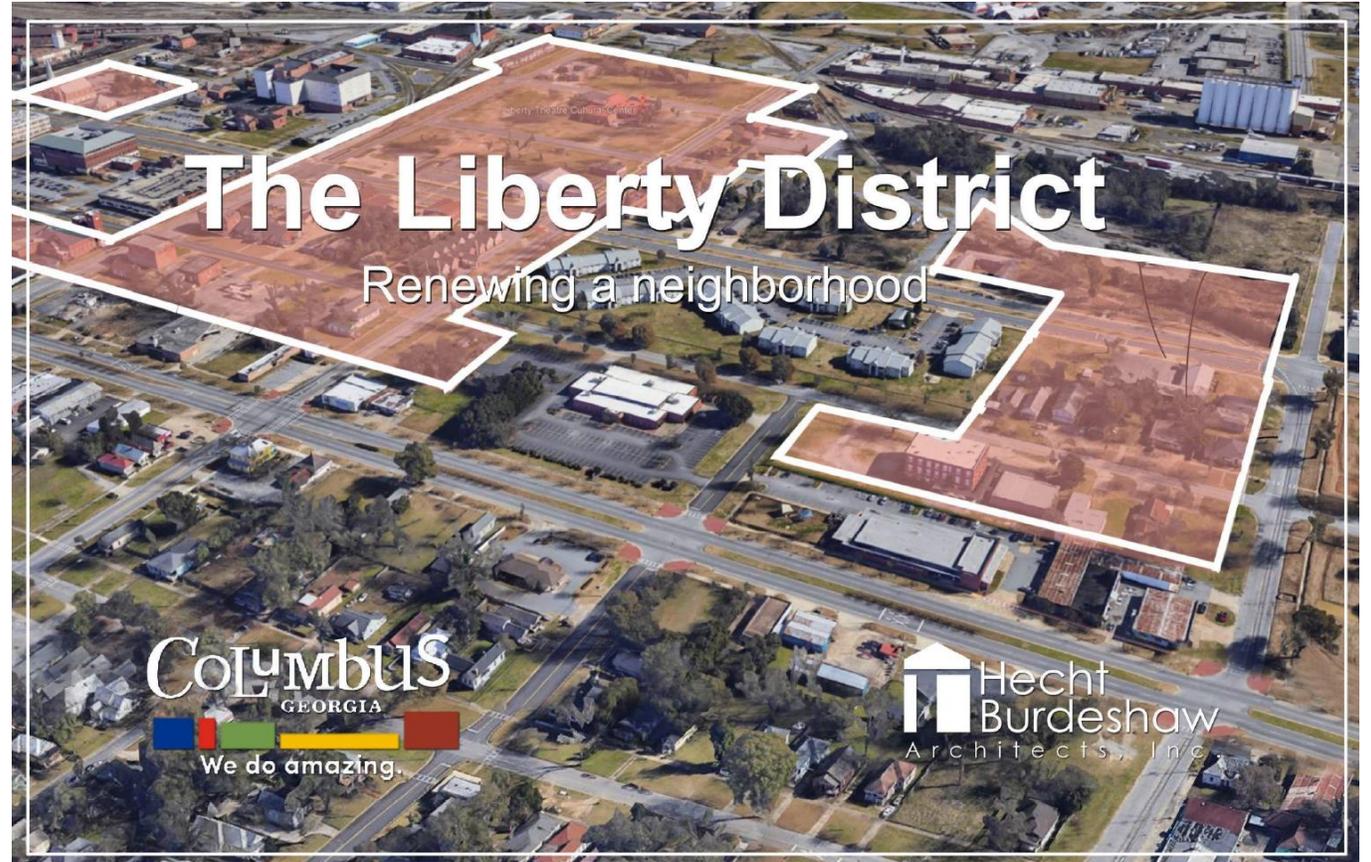
Liberty District Master Plan

- June 3, 2025 Liberty District Master Plan Approved per Resolution No. 179-25 after feedback from public meetings, interviews, private organizational and religious entity meetings and stakeholder input
- The implementation of the Master Plan is ready to move forward with the surplus of 14 city-owned lots to be developed into single family residential homes
- Master Plan calls for the preservation of community character as much as possible.



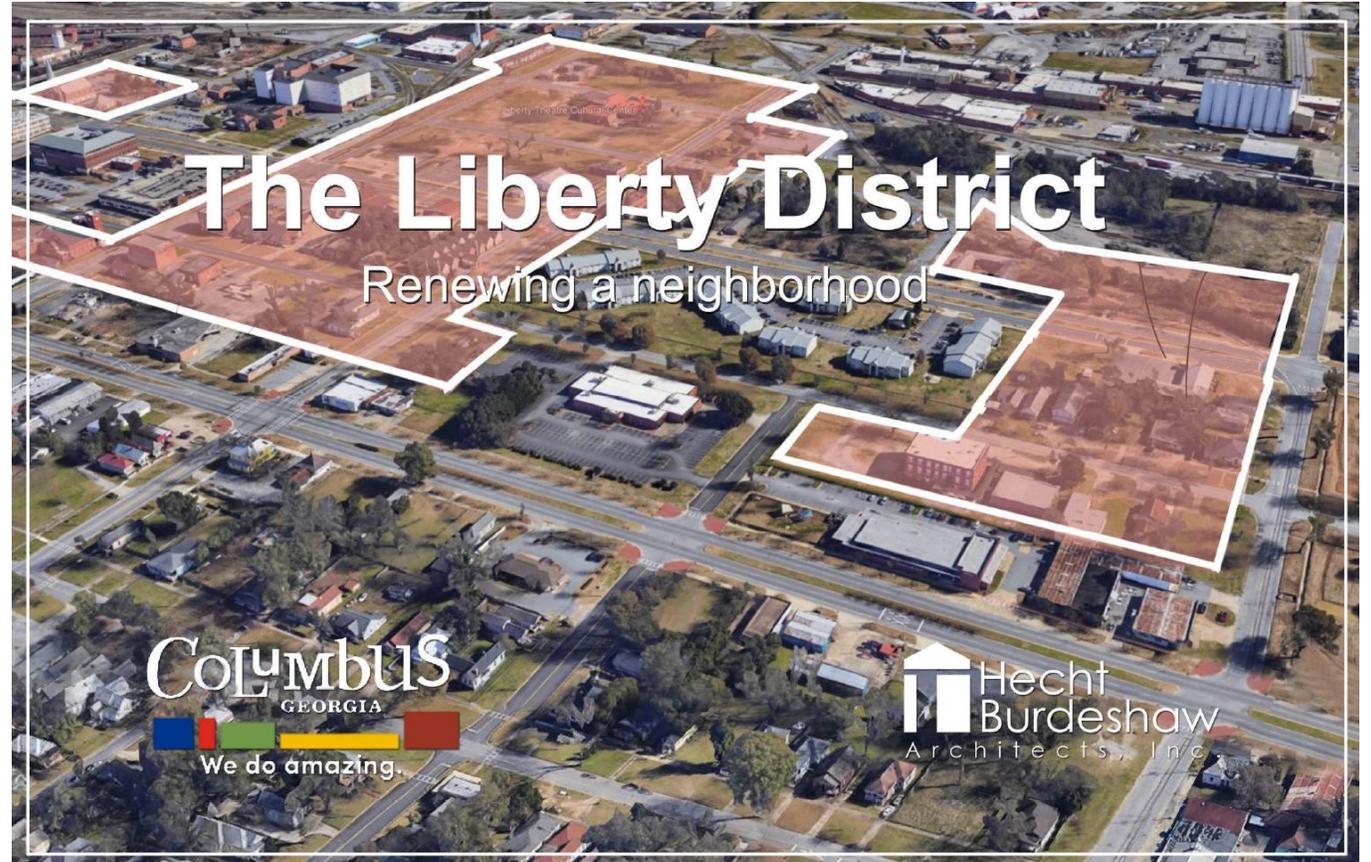
Liberty District Master Plan – Design Standards

- October 19, 2004, Liberty District Design Standards adopted
- The Design Standards calls for rezoning, replating, mixed-use development, etc., on the front end
 - 10 lots replated into 14 single family lots in Summer 2025
 - Said 14 lots rezoned to UPT (mixed-use) in October 2025
 - Buyer(s) of those 14 lots will be guided by the Design Standards for Single Family Residential in the Liberty District: home design, orientation, setbacks, scale, proportion, and shape.



Residential Structure Design Standard

- For single family residential housing, the Design Standards focus on four housing types: shotgun, Queen Anne, New South cottage, side hallway (2-story), and American Foursquare
- The housing styles were prominent in the Liberty District when it was a thriving community
- The Design Standards are a GUIDE, not LAW. Any housing design proposed for the 14 lots needs to be similar or appropriate for the District



Residential Structure Design Standard

- **Shotgun:** The shotgun house is a linear, one-story dwelling, one room in width and two or more rooms in depth. There is no hallway in a shotgun house but rather a consecutive series of passageways, beginning with the front door and continuing through the house to the back door. Most shotguns were built for low-income workers between the 1870s and 1920s, and feature front-gable roofs although hipped roofs are also seen. A porch may be recessed beneath the main roof (as in the sketch below) or attached to the front of the building



Residential Structure Design Standard

- **Queen Anne Cottage and House:** The Queen Anne cottage provided popular middle-class housing in the 1880s and 1890s. The style consists of a square main building mass with slightly projecting gables on the front and one side. There is no hallway (which differentiates this from the New South cottage) and rooms are arranged in an asymmetrical plan. The roof is usually pyramidal or hipped, and chimneys are usually located in the interior.



Residential Structure Design Standard

- **New South Cottage:** This was a very popular house type for middle- and upper-middle-income Georgians between the 1890s and 1920s. The New South cottage resembles the Queen Anne cottage, with its central square mass, usually with a hipped roof and gabled projections. Its main distinguishing trait is the emphasis on symmetry, the key element of which is the central hallway, which is flanked by pairs of room, one or both of which may project forward. A pair of gables in the façade, either over projecting rooms or flush with the wall of the main mass, frequently provided additional symmetry



Residential Structure Design Standard

- **Side Hallway (Two Story):** There are several varieties of side hallway houses, built mostly from about 1820 to 1850 in Georgia. Of the three subtypes of this house, the most common type in Columbus is known as the Augusta house, a detached dwelling two rooms in depth that lacks a basement and has a side hall on each floor.



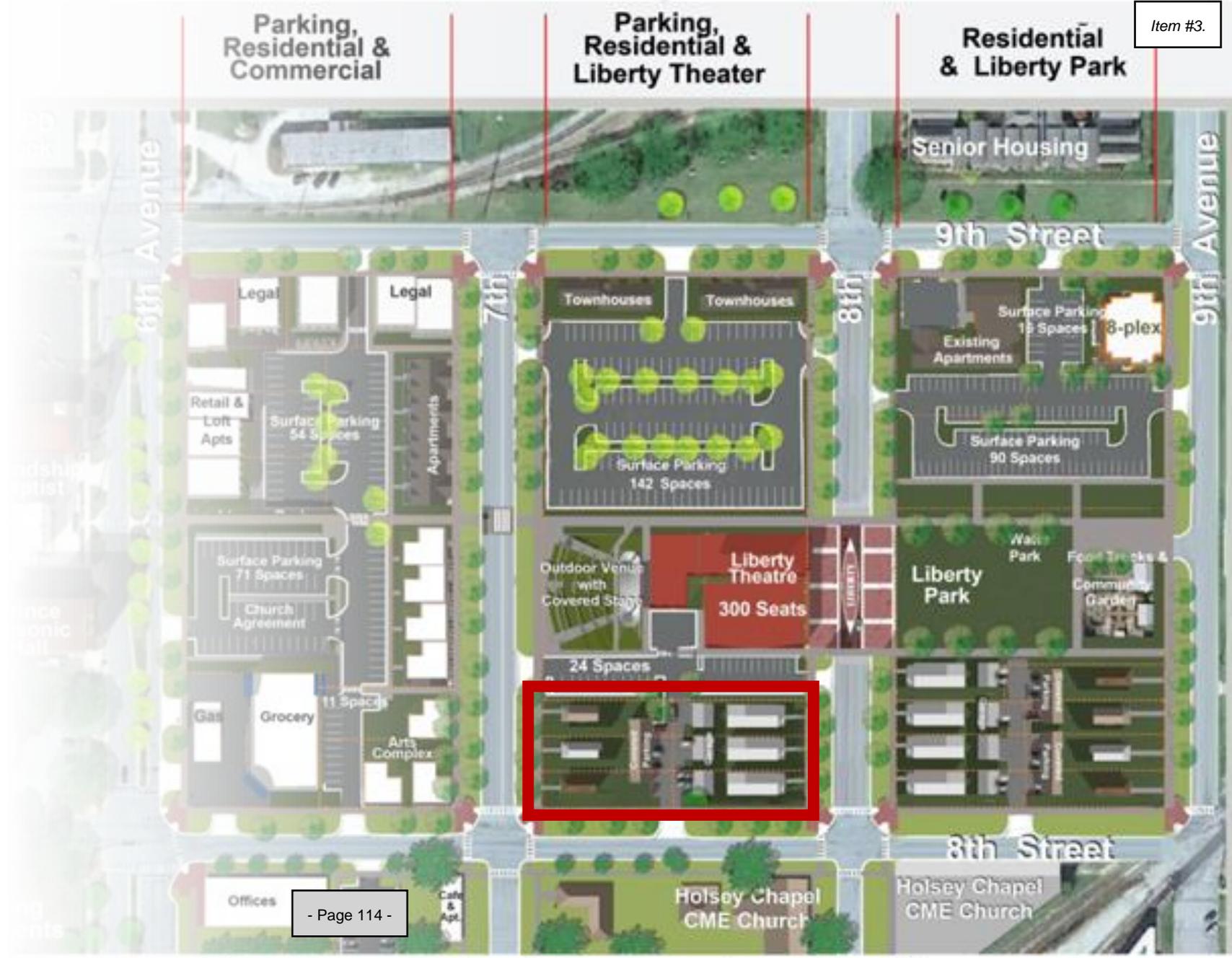
Residential Structure Design Standard

- **American Foursquare:** A very popular house type nationwide between 1915 and 1930, the type in Georgia appears mostly in urban settings. The style, consisting of a cubical mass capped by a pyramidal roof, was reputed to provide maximum interior space for the cost. There are four principal rooms on each floor. One of the front two rooms typically serves as the entry and stair hall.



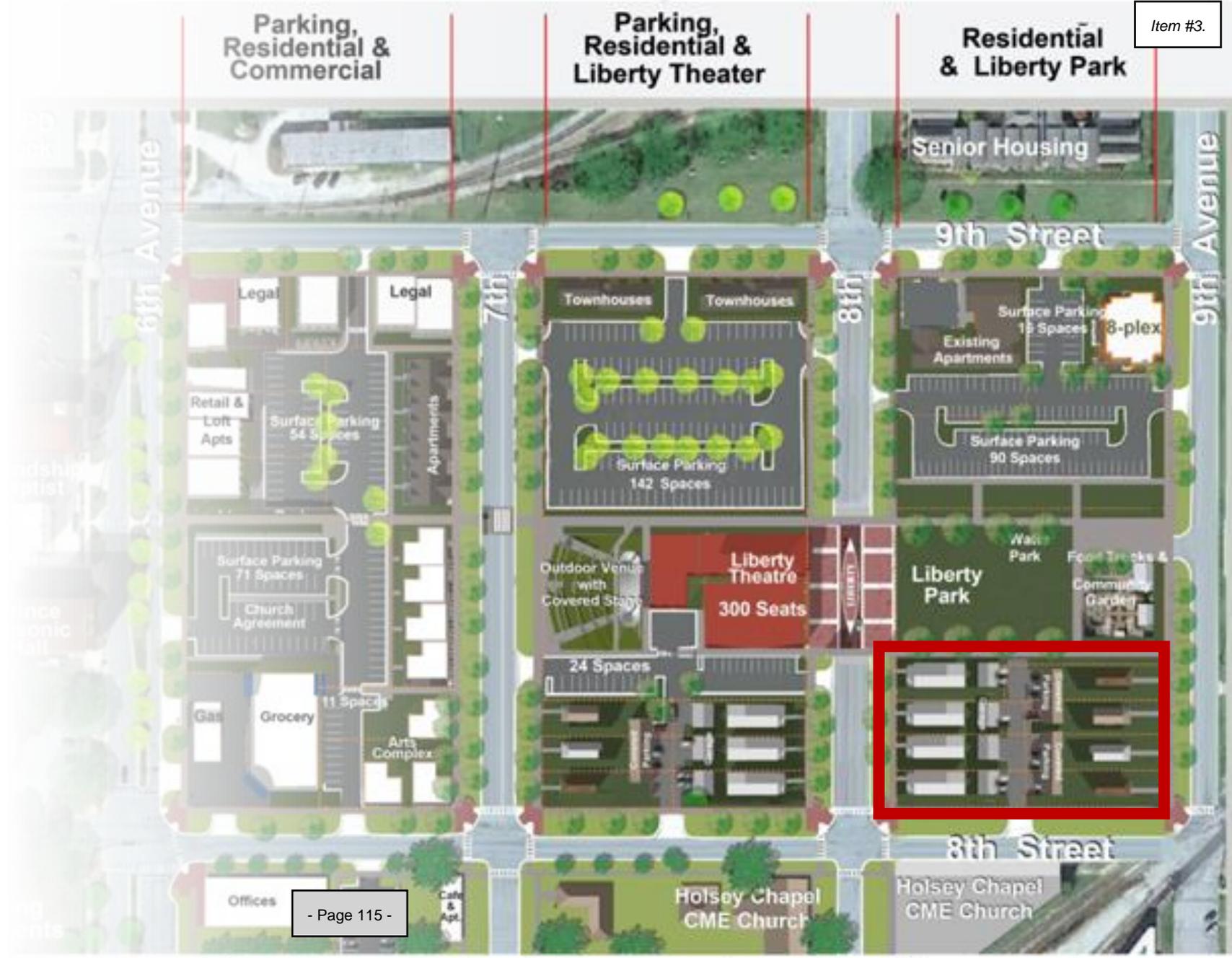
Surplus Properties

- 800 7th Ave
- 802 7th Ave
- 804 7th Ave
- 801 8th Ave
- 805 8th Ave
- 809 8th Ave



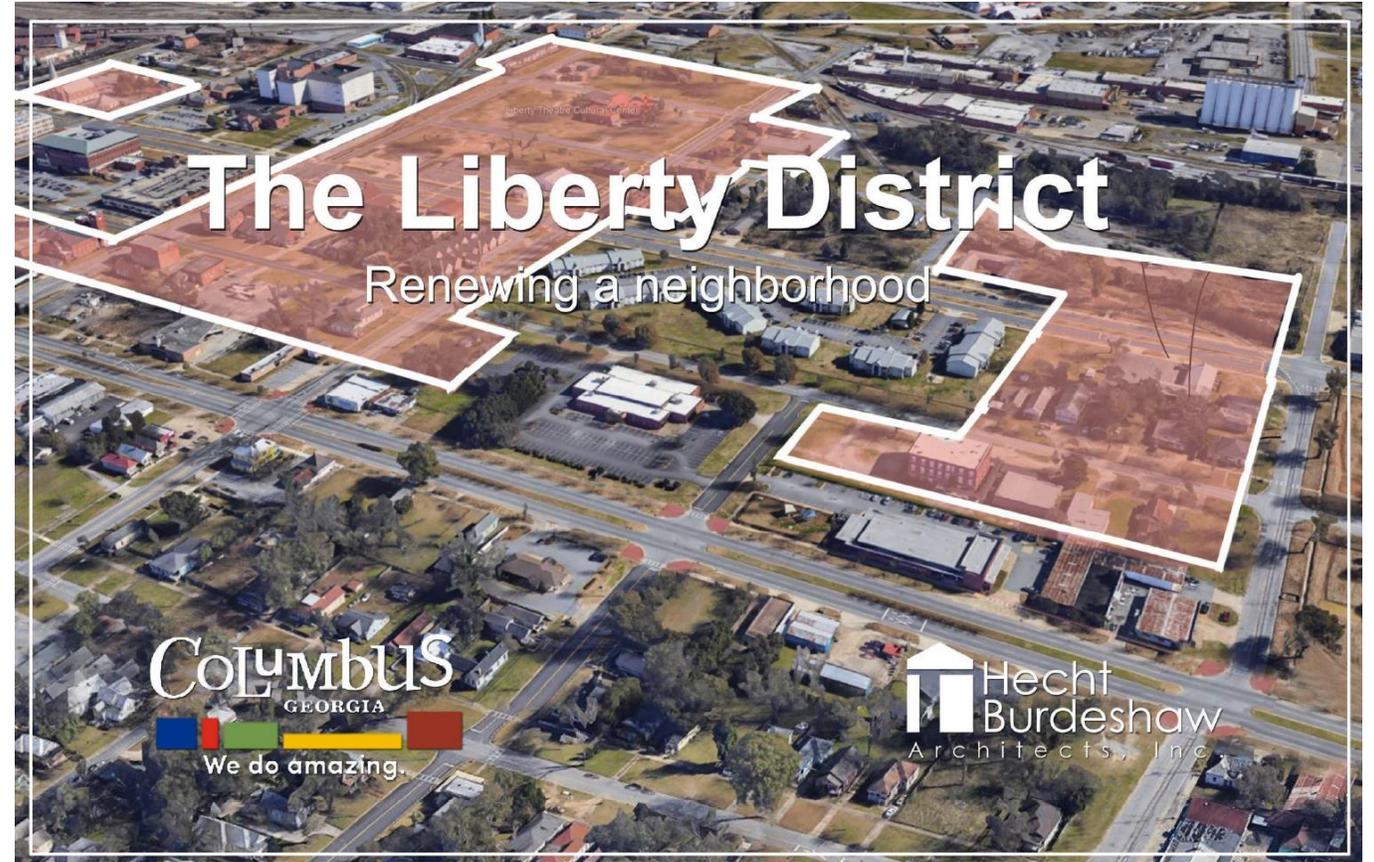
Surplus Properties

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- 811 9th Ave



Conclusion

- In February, City Council will be requested to approve the surplus of the 14 lots conforming to residential structure standards identified in the plan for the development of single-family residential homes.



File Attachments for Item:

4. Cooperative Extension MOU Extension

Approval is requested for Columbus Consolidated Government to renew its contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, to continue providing Extension services to residents of Muscogee County. The agreement maintains current service levels with no change in City funding.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Cooperative Extension MOU Extension
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for Columbus Consolidated Government to renew its contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, to continue providing Extension services to residents of Muscogee County. The agreement maintains current service levels with no change in City funding.
INITIATED BY:	Cooperative Extension

Recommendation: Approval is requested for Columbus Consolidated Government to renew its contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, to continue providing Extension services to residents of Muscogee County. The agreement maintains current service levels with no change in City funding.

Background: The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service provides unbiased, research-based education and outreach programs in the areas of agriculture, food, families, environmental stewardship, and 4-H youth development. These programs support individuals, families, youth, and community organizations throughout Muscogee County.

Analysis: Approval of this contract will allow University of Georgia Extension Agents, Educators, and Program Assistants to continue delivering educational programming, outreach initiatives, and community-based services to residents. These services contribute to community development, youth engagement, and access to research-based resources.

Financial Considerations: There is no change in the City’s current funding allocation under this contract.

Legal Considerations: Any contract involving the City requires Council approval.

Recommendations/Actions: Approve the contract between the Columbus Consolidated Government and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service.

**RESOLUTION
NO.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, acting on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, and the Columbus Consolidated Government (CCG) desire to enter into a contract for the continued provision of educational outreach programs and Extension services to the residents of Muscogee County; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the contract is to define and clarify the respective roles and responsibilities of CCG and the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service in the delivery of such programs and services; and,

WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement, the University of Georgia will invoice CCG monthly for the City’s portion of designated personnel salaries associated with the provision of Extension services; and, **WHEREAS**, the executed contract agreement will become part of this resolution by reference and will be filed with the Clerk of Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor, or his designee, acting on behalf of CCG, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, acting on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, for educational outreach programs offered in the areas of agriculture and natural resources, family and consumer sciences, and 4-H youth development.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Anker voting _____.
- Councilor Chambers voting _____.
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- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between
THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
by and on behalf of
THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
and Muscogee COUNTY

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is made between the Board of Regents of the University of System of Georgia by and on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension (hereinafter “UGA Extension”) and Columbus, Georgia/Muscogee County, a City-County Consolidated Government and a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, by and through the Council of Columbus, Georgia, (hereinafter the “County”), for the provision of Cooperative Extension Services and Personnel in Muscogee County, Georgia.

WHEREAS, through the Smith-Lever Act of the U.S. Congress of 1914, an Agreement was created between The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, the University of Georgia, the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to allow for Extension work to be conducted in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, for over 100 years UGA Extension has offered services in all 159 counties in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, through county offices throughout the state, UGA Extension continues to offer reliable information and programs in the areas of agriculture, food, families, the environment and 4-H youth development; and

WHEREAS, UGA Extension is able to maintain and operate these programs through the use of UGA Extension personnel; and

WHEREAS, UGA Extension and the County agree that the services provided by UGA Extension Personnel are invaluable to the County’s citizens and community; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Columbus, Georgia is authorized under Article 9, Section 3, Paragraph 1, and Article 9, Section 4, Paragraph 2, of the Constitution of the State of Georgia as amended in 1983, and by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-62 and O.C.G.A. § 48-5-220 to enter into agreements providing for these types of services; and

WHEREAS, all parties agree that it is necessary and appropriate to define the types of UGA Extension operations and personnel and establish parameters for compensation so that all parties are clear on their respective responsibilities and duties;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

I. OPERATIONS

UGA Extension and the County will support all County Extension personnel operationally as set forth in this MOU regardless of employee compensation status.

A. UGA EXTENSION agrees to the following:

1. UGA Extension shall annually appoint a member of the County Extension personnel to serve as the County Extension Coordinator. The Coordinator shall be responsible for the total County Extension program, staff coordination and supervision, and all communications and transactions between the County and the County Extension staff.
2. UGA Extension shall provide County Extension personnel with the necessary educational materials needed for an effective program. UGA Extension also agrees to plan, implement and conduct training as necessary to keep County Extension personnel adequately prepared to conduct effective, relevant Extension programs.
3. UGA Extension shall reimburse all County Extension personnel directly for expenses incurred for officially designated travel authorized by the District Extension Director.
4. UGA Extension shall support County Extension personnel and the Extension program in the County with necessary assistance of District and State subject matter and supervisory personnel and other resources as available from the University of Georgia, the University System of Georgia, and other agencies and organizations with whom UGA Extension cooperates.
5. UGA Extension shall report to the Council of Columbus, Georgia, at regular intervals on the nature of the County Extension program and progress being made.

B. The COUNTY agrees to the following:

1. ***Office and Infrastructure.*** The County shall provide a suitable County Extension office with the suitability of the office to be agreed on by all parties. As a part of the County's budgeting process, the County further agrees to provide sufficient funds to pay for all necessary office supplies, office equipment, telephone, utilities, data communication/networking (including broadband internet connectivity, where available), postage, demonstration materials, janitorial service and other items necessary for the operation of an effective Extension education program. See **Addendum D** for Information Technology (IT) systems and support specifications.
2. ***Vehicles and Travel.*** The County shall furnish a county government vehicle or reimburse the travel expenses of County Extension personnel for official travel in the county or on behalf of Muscogee County. The reimbursement shall be paid by the County directly to County Extension personnel unless some other method is agreed upon in writing by UGA Extension and the County.
3. ***Annual Review.*** The County shall evaluate financial support to the operations of UGA Extension annually, including compensation of personnel, make adjustments as necessary

for continued effective support, and shall notify the UGA Extension of these adjustments. The County Extension Coordinator will prepare and submit for approval an annual operating budget to the County according to standards set by the Council of Columbus, Georgia for all city departments.

II. COMPENSATION

The UGA Cooperative Extension personnel shall be categorized based on the method of compensation they are associated with, as set forth in the attached addendums (A, B, and C). UGA Extension and the County shall identify and agree upon the appropriate compensation method and personnel relationship for each employee. The following three options are available (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):



A. COOPERATIVE DIRECT PAY

In choosing Cooperative Direct Pay, the County desires for the County Extension Personnel to receive compensation from both the County and from UGA Extension. The amount of compensation to County Extension Personnel under this option, as well as the County's and UGA Extension's responsibility for the County Extension Personnel's withholding and payment of federal and state taxes and contributions toward retirement benefits, shall be divided proportionally between the County and UGA Extension as set forth in Addendum "A".



B. COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PAY

In choosing Cooperative Contract Pay, the County desires for County Extension Personnel to receive their compensation from UGA Extension payroll. The amount of compensation to County Extension Personnel under this option, as well as the County's and UGA Extension's responsibility for the County Extension Personnel's withholding and payment of federal and state taxes and contributions toward retirement benefits, shall be divided proportionally between the County and UGA Extension as set forth in Addendum "B". However, for administrative purposes the County Extension Personnel's compensation will come directly from UGA Extension, with the County reimbursing UGA Extension for the County's proportionate share.



C. COUNTY FUNDED EXTENSION PERSONNEL

In choosing County Funded Extension Personnel, the County desires for the County Extension Personnel to be an employee of the County receiving compensation from only the County, as set forth in Addendum "C". The County shall be solely responsible for the County Extension Personnel's salary, benefits (including but not limited to health insurance), withholding of federal and state taxes, and retirement benefits (if any).

III. AGREEMENT

1. This MOU shall take effect when it is executed by both **Muscogee** County and UGA Extension.
2. In instances of conflict between University of Georgia/University System of Georgia and County policies, the University of Georgia/University System of Georgia policies shall govern.
3. The term of this MOU shall be from the date of execution until terminated by either party by written notice of such intent provided ninety (90) days in advance.
4. This MOU may be modified by written agreement of the parties hereto.
5. Neither party to this agreement will discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, color, disability, genetic information, national origin race, religion, sex, or veteran status.
6. All notices provided for or permitted to be given pursuant to this MOU shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been properly given or served by personal delivery or by depositing in the United States Mail, postpaid and registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the addresses set forth below.

County Personnel		
Primary Contact	Mayor Skip Henderson	Address:1111 1 st Avenue Columbus, GA 31901 Email: skiphenderson@columbusga.org Telephone:706-653-4712
HR/Personnel Contact	Ola Terrell, Director	Address:1111 1 st Avenue Columbus, GA 31901 Email: terrell.ola@columbusga.org Telephone:706-653-4059
IT Contact	Forrest Toelle, Director	Address:1111 1 st Avenue Columbus, GA 31901 Email:ftoelle@columbusga.org Telephone:706-225-3015
Finance/Billing Contact	Angelica Alexander, Director	Address:1111 1 st Avenue Columbus, GA 31901 Email:aalexander@columbusga.org Telephone: 706-225-3050

UGA Personnel		
Primary Contact	Von Baker, Director	Address:1111 1 st Avenue Columbus, GA 31901 Email:vbaker@uga.edu Telephone:706-225-4200
HR/Personnel Contact	Clinton McRae, District Director	Address:1109 Experimental Street, Flynt Bldg Rm# 227, Griffin, GA 30223 Email:clinton.mcrae@uga.edu Telephone:770-228-7274
IT Contact	Travis Zetterower, Chief Information Security Officer	Address:124 Hoke Smith Annex Bldg. Athens, GA 30602 Email:tzetter@uga.edu Telephone:706-542-2025
Finance/Billing Contact	Tami Boyle, Business Manager II	Address:1109 Experimental Street, Flynt Bldg Rm#227, Griffin, GA 30223 Email:tadams@uga.edu Telephone:770-229-3131

By giving written notice to the Primary Contact listed above, either party hereto shall have the right from time to time and at any time during the term of this MOU to change any of the above information, including points of contact, address and other contact information.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this MOU to be properly executed by their duly authorized officers, effective as of the day and year first above written.

Mayor of Columbus, Georgia, **Muscogee** County

Date: _____

County Extension Coordinator, **Muscogee** County

Date: _____

Vice President for Public Service and Outreach, or their designee
University of Georgia

Date: _____

Addendum A

COOPERATIVE DIRECT PAY

In choosing Cooperative Direct Pay, the County desires for the County Extension Personnel to receive compensation from both the County and from UGA Extension. The amount of compensation to County Extension Personnel under this option, as well as the County's and UGA Extension's responsibility for the County Extension Personnel's withholding and payment of federal and state taxes and contributions toward retirement benefits, shall be divided proportionally between the County and UGA Extension as set forth in an annual Financial Agreement. Such annual Financial Agreement shall be contingent upon funding as a part of the County's annual budget process.

1. UGA Extension shall employ and supervise County Extension personnel. It shall be the responsibility of the UGA Extension to establish minimum qualifications for County Extension personnel, certify the qualifications of all applicants, and to determine the total salary applicants are to be paid.
2. UGA Extension shall serve as the employer of record and therefore:
 - a. Provide legally required health insurance; and
 - b. Provide legally required worker's compensation insurance
3. UGA Extension shall appoint County Extension personnel in compliance with Equal Employment Opportunity regulations and subject to the approval of the County. The County will provide UGA Extension with written reasons for each disapproval of an appointment recommendation.
4. In the event the work of any County Extension staff member becomes unsatisfactory to the County, it shall be the responsibility of the County to communicate this dissatisfaction to the District Extension Director of the UGA Extension in writing within a reasonable time frame. It shall then be the responsibility of the UGA Extension to address the County's dissatisfaction and advise the County of action taken, if any. UGA Extension shall have the right to terminate or transfer personnel from the County. UGA Extension may select a replacement for the County, following the procedure described above.
5. UGA Extension shall keep at all times an accurate record of all funds received and disbursed under this agreement including all support documents. UGA Extension shall retain such records for a period of three (3) years unless an audit has begun but not been completed or if the audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the three (3) year period. In such cases, the records shall be retained until the audit is complete or until the resolution of the audit findings, whichever is later. UGA Extension will provide the County with a copy of any and all such audits relating to the County Extension office, personnel, and/or operations upon request by the County.

6. UGA Extension shall carry out all work under this agreement in accordance with the administrative and other requirements, including those related to personnel matters, established by the University of Georgia, federal and state laws, regulations, and standards.
7. UGA Extension shall pay its portion of the salary and associated benefits of County Extension personnel at a rate in compliance with the Board of Regents and the UGA Extension salary administration policies.
8. The County shall provide the agreed upon portion of the salaries and associated benefits of County Extension personnel as set forth in the annual Financial Agreement. Benefits, including leave, shall be calculated according to policies established by the Board of Regents.

The County portion of salary shall be paid monthly by the County directly to County Extension personnel. The County will collect and remit FICA taxes on the County portion of the salary. UGA Extension shall provide monthly statements to the County reflecting the County portion of the employer contribution to the employee's retirement benefit with Teachers Retirement System of Georgia. The reimbursement to UGA Extension for the County's portion of this benefit will be made to the UGA Extension in the full amount within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the statement.

The County portion of employee salaries should be adjusted annually based on performance and/or cost of living increases typical of other County employees in accordance with the County's generally applicable rules or conditions for such adjustments. This adjustment should be reported to UGA Extension 30 days prior to effective date. UGA will not allocate any percentage salary increase on the County portion of the employee's salary.

9. The County agrees to pay its share of the annual leave payment in accordance with University of Georgia and UGA Extension leave policies when an employee terminates employment through resignation or retirement during the term of this MOU and chooses to take a lump-sum payment for accumulated annual leave. Such County share shall be based solely on the individual's time serving the County in his or her capacity as part of the County Extension office.

Addendum D

IT Systems and Support

- a. *Internet Connectivity*: The County shall furnish internet connectivity with adequate speed and capacity to support the operations and programming of the Extension Office. Access to required Extension programming resources, social media systems, and UGA mandated resources shall remain unfiltered and unblocked.
- b. *Intraoffice Network*: The County shall provide wired data connections for all computers and network devices within the Extension Office.
- c. *Network Equipment*: The County shall provide and maintain networking equipment sufficient for required Extension operations.
- d. *Wi-Fi*: The County shall provide secure Wi-Fi coverage within the Extension office, preferably with the ability to interact with the wired network devices such as central printers/copiers.
- e. *Network Changes*: Any modifications affecting the UGA Extension Office's data network infrastructure shall be communicated to local Extension staff for awareness.
- f. *Computer Hardware & Device Support*: The County shall provide IT support for devices assigned to UGA Extension.
- g. *Computer Hardware & Device Procurement*: UGA Extension computers shall be purchased through County IT channels with the County agreeing to work with UGA Extension to procure equipment needed for programming and special projects as needed even if funded from UGA resources.
- h. *Software Licensing*: UGA Extension IT shall provide licenses for UGA productivity software if County licensing does not cover the UGA Extension office. Extension IT agrees to cooperate with County IT when needed to facilitate software installations for UGA licensed products. County-specific software required for access to County resources shall be provided and supported by the County.
- i. *File Sharing & Data Storage*: Extension IT has online storage available to all UGA Extension employees and agrees to assist with its setup as needed, including working with County IT on installation/deployment. County IT agrees to include UGA Extension in any county-based file sharing system if UGA Extension staff indicate interest or if county operations require it.
- j. *Office Relocations, Construction, Renovations (IT concerns)*: The County shall notify UGA Extension staff and Extension IT of any plans for office relocation, construction, or renovations to ensure IT infrastructure requirements are addressed. Physical move of

IT-related county-owned equipment shall be handled by the County.

The County shall have its IT Contact listed in Section III.6 review and confirm the above requirements.

File Attachments for Item:

5. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Outdoor Warning Sirens

Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant award, in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, for the purchase, installation and programming of six additional outdoor warning sirens, compatible with the existing 47 sirens and controls, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

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Item #5.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Outdoor Warning Sirens
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant award, in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, for the purchase, installation and programming of six additional outdoor warning sirens, compatible with the existing 47 sirens and controls, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.
INITIATED BY:	Homeland Security/Emergency Management Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant award, in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, for the purchase, installation and programming of six additional outdoor warning sirens, compatible with the existing 47 sirens and controls, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

Background:

The 47 outdoor warning sirens in Columbus were initially installed around 2003. The placement of the sirens were based on populated areas, outdoor venues, and more. Although the current 47 sirens are in great working order and received monitored maintenance through a communications contract with Motorola, upon reviewing the locations of the current sirens, it became apparent that additional sirens would be a good idea to mitigate loss of life by covering areas of the city/county that have become more populated and received additional residents/visitors through residential and/or commercial growth.

Columbus Homeland Security and Emergency Management is requesting to apply for a Federal Emergency Management Agency hazard mitigation grant through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency to purchase and install six new outdoor warning sirens. The new sirens will be added into the same operating system as the current sirens and will also be included on the maintenance contract with Motorola with no additional charge at this time

Analysis:

This purchase is needed to provide better siren coverage in areas that may still hear the sirens but fall outside of the recommended coverage area of an existing siren.

The funds will need to be allocated to the Multi-governmental Fund budget.

Financial Considerations: This is not a budgeted item, and the 25% match would need to be budgeted once the application is approved. The 25% match will need to come from the General Fund.

Legal Considerations: There are no legal considerations known at this time.

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Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant award, in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, for the purchase, installation and programming of six additional outdoor warning sirens, compatible with the existing 47 sirens and controls, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount of the award.

A RESOLUTION

Item #5.

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND HOMELAND SECURITY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$368,809.00, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, WITH A LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$92,202.25 AND AMEND THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND BUDGET BY THE AMOUNT AWARDED.

WHEREAS, Columbus Homeland Security and Emergency Management is requesting to apply for a Federal Emergency Management Agency hazard mitigation grant through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency to purchase and install six new outdoor warning sirens; and,

WHEREAS, this purchase is needed to provide better siren coverage in areas that may still hear the sirens but fall outside of the recommended coverage area of an existing siren; and,

WHEREAS, the new sirens will be added into the same operating system as the current sirens and will also be included on the maintenance contract with Motorola with no additional charge at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor or his designee is authorized to apply for and accept, if awarded, a State Homeland Security grant from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$368,809.00, or as otherwise awarded, with a local match requirement of \$92,202.25, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund budget by the amount awarded.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the ____ day of _____, 2026, and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
- Councilor Anker voting _____
- Councilor Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____
- Councilor Davis voting _____
- Councilor Garrett voting _____
- Councilor Hickey voting _____
- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G McClemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

6. Congressionally Directed Spending Grant – Fire & EMS

Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded from the Congressionally Directed Spending program to go toward the purchase of a public safety robot. There are no matching funds required.

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Item #6.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Congressionally Directed Spending Grant – Fire & EMS
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded from the Congressionally Directed Spending program to go toward the purchase of a public safety robot. There are no matching funds required.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

Recommendation: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded from the Congressionally Directed Spending program to go toward the purchase of a public safety robot. There are no matching funds required.

Background: Funds will be requested from the Congressionally Directed Spending grant program to fund the purchase of a public safety robot – Spot. The acquisition of this robot represents a strategic investment in public safety infrastructure. Robotics is part of the Fire-EMS Department’s Digital Vanguard Initiative – a bold step forward in technology to support public safety in Columbus and Muscogee County. Spot is engineered to navigate challenging terrains and environments, making it an invaluable asset for emergency response teams. Equipped with advanced sensors and cameras, Spot can assess hazardous situations—such as chemical spills, structurally compromised buildings, or areas with potential explosive threats—without endangering human personnel. This capability allows first responders to obtain critical situational awareness remotely, facilitating informed decision-making and enhancing the safety of both the public and emergency personnel. By integrating Spot into our public safety operations, the city council is embracing innovative technology to proactively address complex emergencies, ultimately aiming to save lives and reduce risk.

Analysis: Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services is requesting funds for the purchase of a Spot robot to support all of public safety.

Financial Considerations: The grant is for the purchase of a Spot robot with public safety payloads. The total amount requested is \$412,154.95, with no matching funds required

Legal Considerations: The Consolidated Government of Columbus is eligible to receive these funds.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant in the amount of \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded from the Congressionally Directed Spending program to go toward the purchase of a public safety robot. There are no matching funds required.

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED A GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SPOT ROBOT WITH PUBLIC SAFETY PAYLOADS FOR \$412,154.95, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FROM THE CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING GRANT PROGRAM WITH NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED. THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WILL BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CFEMS) is requesting funds for the purchase of a robot and public safety payloads for a total of \$412,154.95; and,

WHEREAS, the robot is part of the Fire-EMS Department’s Digital Vanguard Initiative designed to support **all** public safety; and,

WHEREAS, the acquisition of robotics in public safety represents a bold step forward in responder safety and the prudent utilization of technology to support public safety; and,

WHEREAS, this grant proposal will require no matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to approve the Congressionally Directed Spending grant program application for the purchase of a Spot robot for Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services for \$412,154.95 or as otherwise awarded, with no matching funds required.
- 2) That the Multi-Governmental Fund will be amended by the amount of the award.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____, 2026, and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____
 Councilor Anker voting _____
 Councilor Chambers voting _____
 Councilor Cogle voting _____
 Councilor Crabb voting _____
 Councilor Davis voting _____
 Councilor Garrett voting _____
 Councilor Hickey voting _____
 Councilor Huff voting _____
 Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. Mclemore, Clerk of Council

P.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

7. Muscogee County Sheriff's Office Back the Blue Act Donation

Approval is requested to accept a donation in the amount of \$5,735.28 from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Inc as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1

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Item #7.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Muscogee County Sheriff's Office Back the Blue Act Donation
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to accept a donation in the amount of \$5,735.28 from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Inc as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1
INITIATED BY:	Muscogee County Sheriff's Office

Recommendation: Approval is requested to accept a donation from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Inc. in the amount of \$5,735.28 as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act Funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1.

Background: The Back the Blue Act was initiated by Lt. Governor Burt Jones in 2024. The purpose of the Back the Blue Fund is to provide bonus payments to certified peace officers employed under a sheriff in the State of Georgia.

Analysis: The Back the Blue Fund provides discretionary funding to duly elected or appointed sheriffs of each county that can be used to hire and/or retain law enforcement officers in an effort to promote public safety and restore trust and goodwill between communities and law enforcement officers.

Financial Considerations: Money distributed from the Back the Blue Fund shall only be used for bonus payments to certified peace officers employed under a sheriff and shall be distributed equitably and fairly. Such fund shall not be used to supplement a sheriff's salary nor to supplant or replace funding by the county governing authority for the operation of the office of sheriff.

Legal Considerations: The Sheriff shall have sole discretion in determining the allocation of bonus payments to certified peace officers under his authority per O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1. Also, Council approval required to accept the donated funds required per Columbus Code Section 2-3.8.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to accept a donation from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Inc. in the amount of \$5,735.28 as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act Funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM THE GEORGIA SHERIFF’S ASSOCIATION, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,735.28 AS PART OF THE 2025 DISBURSEMENT FROM THE BACK THE BLUE ACT FUNDS DEFINED IN O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1.

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the Back the Blue Fund is to provide bonus payments to certified peace officers employed under a sheriff in the State of Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, the bonus payments shall be distributed equitably and fairly and shall not be used to supplement a sheriff’s salary nor to supplant or replace funding by the county governing authority for the operation of the office of sheriff; and,

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has sole discretion in determining the allocation of bonus payments to certified peace officers under his authority in accordance with O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to accept a donation in the amount of \$5,735.28 from the Georgia Sheriff’s Association, Inc. in the amount of \$5,735.28 as part of the 2025 disbursement from the Back the Blue Act Funds defined in O.C.G.A. 40-2-26.1 for the Muscogee County Sheriff’s Office.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the ___ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ___ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Anker voting _____.
- Councilor Chambers voting _____.
- Councilor Cogle voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor Hickey voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson, III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

A. Three (3) Chevrolet Silverado Trucks for Fire & EMS Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
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TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Three (3) Chevrolet Silverado Trucks for Fire & EMS Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of three (3) Chevrolet Silverado Trucks for the Fire & EMS Department from Hardy Automative Fleet (Dallas, Georgia) at a unit price of \$49,096.00 and a total cost of \$147,288.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001.

The Silverado trucks will be used by Battalion Fire Chiefs in support of their managerial duties. This will facilitate their tasks and ensure timely support across all sites. These are new vehicles.

Georgia State Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001 is a cooperative contract whereby Hardy Automative Fleet is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Administrative Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through June 15, 2027. These contracts are available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7722 – 54152-20250.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) CHEVROLET SILVERADO TRUCKS FOR THE FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT FROM HARDY AUTOMOTIVE FLEET (DALLAS, GA) AT A UNIT PRICE OF \$49,096.00 AND A TOTAL COST OF \$147,288.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA GEORGIA STATEWIDE CONTRACT #99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001.

WHEREAS, the Silverado Trucks will be used by Battalion Fire Chiefs in support of their managerial duties within the Columbus Consolidated Government. This will facilitate their tasks and ensure timely support across all sites. These are new vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001 is a cooperative contract whereby Hardy Automative Fleet is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Administrative Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through June 15, 2027. The contract is available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase three (3) Chevrolet Silverado Trucks for the Fire & EMS Department from Hardy Automative Fleet (Dallas, GA) at a unit price of \$49,096.00 and a total cost of \$147,288.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST –21 SPLOST Public Safety – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7722 – 54152-20250.

_____ Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
- Councilor Anker voting _____
- Councilor Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____
- Councilor Davis voting _____
- Councilor Garrett voting _____
- Councilor Hickey voting _____
- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

B. Ten (10) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Sheriff's Office – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
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TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Ten (10) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Sheriff's Office – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of ten (10) Ford Explorer Interceptors for the Sheriff's Office from Wade Ford (Smyrna, Georgia) at a unit price of \$50,675.00 and a total cost of \$506,750.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0006.

The Ford Explorer Interceptors will be used by Sheriff Deputies on patrol. This will facilitate their tasks and ensure timely support across all sites. These are new vehicles.

Georgia State Contract #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit & Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through June 15, 2027. These contracts are available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety –Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Sheriff ; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7722 – 54153-20260.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TEN (10) FORD EXPLORER INTERCEPTOR FOR THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE FROM WADE FORD (DALLAS, GA) AT A UNIT PRICE OF \$50,675.00 AND A TOTAL COST OF \$506,675.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA GEORGIA STATEWIDE CONTRACT #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0006.

WHEREAS, the Ford Explorer Interceptors will be used by Sheriff Deputies on patrol. These are new vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit & Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through June 15, 2027. The contract is available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase ten (10) Ford Explorer Interceptors for the Sheriff Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at a unit price of \$50,675.00 and a total cost of \$506,750.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia State Contract #99999-001-SPD-SPD0000218-0006. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Sheriff; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7722 – 54153-20260.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
- Councilor Anker voting _____
- Councilor Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____
- Councilor Davis voting _____
- Councilor Garrett voting _____
- Councilor Hickey voting _____
- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

C. Four (4) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
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TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Four (4) Ford Explorer Interceptors for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of four (4) 2025 Ford Explorer Interceptors for the Columbus Police Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at a unit price of \$49,670.00 and a total cost of \$ 198,680.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contracts # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006 and 99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0006.

The vehicles will be used by Columbus Police Department officers to perform patrol duties. These are new vehicles.

Georgia Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit and Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through January 3, 2027. The contract is available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funding in the amount of \$133,942.29 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567- 696 – 3111 - STPS -7722-54151-**20250**.

Funding in the amount of \$64,737.71 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567-696-3111-STPS 7722-54151-**20260**.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) 2025 FORD EXPLORER INTERCEPTORS FOR THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM WADE FORD (SMYRNA, GA) AT A UNIT PRICE OF \$49,670.00 AND A TOTAL COST OF \$ 198,680.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA GEORGIA STATEWIDE CONTRACT # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006.

WHEREAS, the vehicles will be used by Columbus Police Department officers to perform patrol duties. These are new vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, Georgia Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit and Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through January 3, 2027. The contract is available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase four (4) 2025 Ford Explorer Interceptors for the Columbus Police Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at a unit price of \$49,670.00 and a total cost of \$ 198,680.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006.

Funding in the amount of \$133,942.29 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567- 696 – 3111 - STPS -7722-54151-**20250**.

Funding in the amount of \$64,737.71 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567-696-3111-STPS 7722-54151-**20260**.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
- Councilor Anker voting _____
- Councilor Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____
- Councilor Davis voting _____
- Councilor Garrett voting _____
- Councilor Hickey voting _____
- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

D. One (1) Ford Explorer Interceptor for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	One (1) Ford Explorer Interceptor for Columbus Police Department – Georgia Statewide Contract Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of one (1) 2026 Ford Explorer Interceptor for the Columbus Police Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at total cost of \$ 50,675.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006.

The vehicle will be used by Columbus Police Department officers to perform patrol duties. This is a new vehicle.

Georgia Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit and Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through January 3, 2027. The contract is available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Light Trucks – Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567-696-3111-STPS
7722-54151-20260

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2026 FORD EXPLORER INTERCEPTOR FOR THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM WADE FORD (SMYRNA, GA) AT A TOTAL COST OF \$ 50,675.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA GEORGIA STATEWIDE CONTRACTS # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006.

WHEREAS, the vehicle will be used by Columbus Police Department officers to perform patrol duties. This a new vehicle; and,

WHEREAS, Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-001-SPD0000183-0006 is a cooperative contract whereby Wade Ford is one of the awarded vendors contracted to provide Police Pursuit and Special Services Vehicles. The term of the contract is good through January 3, 2027. Georgia Statewide Contracts are available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase one (1) 2026 Ford Explorer Interceptor for the Columbus Police Department from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) at a total cost of \$ 50,675.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Georgia Statewide Contracts # 99999-001-SPD0000183-0006. Funding is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund- 2021 SPLOST- 21 SPLOST Public Safety- Light Trucks-Vehicles/Equipment – Police; 0567-696-3111-STPS-7722-54151-20260.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____
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- Councilor Hickey voting _____
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- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

E. Contract Extension for Inmate Medical & Pharmacy Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 18-0022

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Contract Extension for Inmate Medical & Pharmacy Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 18-0022
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the extension of the annual contract with CorrectHealth Muscogee, LLC (Atlanta, GA), through September 30, 2026 for comprehensive medical and pharmacy services for inmates incarcerated in the Muscogee County Prison.

The vendor provides all necessary staffing, supplies, in-clinic contracts, systems and administration to provide the services at a level of quality that meets the standards published in the NCCHC Guidelines for both Jails and Prisons. The medical and pharmacy services shall be provided in accordance with all State and Federal laws and guidelines.

Per Resolution No. 315-18, dated August 28, 2018, Council authorized the execution of a 5-year annual contract with CorrectHealth Muscogee, LLC. The contract expired on September 30, 2023. However, in accordance with Article 3-109 (Annual Contracts: Price Agreement and Service Contracts) of the Procurement Ordinance, and at the request of the Muscogee County Prison, the contract was extended for one year, through September 30, 2024. The contract was extended for one additional year, through September 30, 2025, per Resolution No. 402-24. An additional six months, through March 31, 2026, was requested while the specifications for the next RFP were updated by the Muscogee County Prison, per Resolution No. 232-25. An additional six (6) month extension is needed to complete the RFP process and award a new contract. Contract extensions beyond one year require Council approval.

Funding is available for this ongoing expense: General Fund – Muscogee County Prison – Warden – Consulting and Medical Services Inmates; 0101-420-1000-MCCI-6315 and 6320.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF THE ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH CORRECTHEALTH MUSCOGEE, LLC (ATLANTA, GA), THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, FOR COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL AND PHARMACY SERVICES FOR INMATES INCARCERATED IN THE MUSCOGEE COUNTY PRISON.

WHEREAS, the vendor provides all necessary staffing, supplies, in-clinic contracts, systems and administration to provide the services at a level of quality that meets the standards published in the NCCHC Guidelines for both Jails and Prisons. The medical and pharmacy services shall be provided in accordance with all State and Federal laws and guidelines; and,

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 315-18, dated August 28, 2018, Council authorized the execution of a 5-year annual contract with CorrectHealth Muscogee, LLC. The contract expired on September 30, 2023. However, in accordance with Article 3-109 (Annual Contracts: Price Agreement and Service Contracts) of the Procurement Ordinance, and at the request of the Muscogee County Prison, the contract was extended for one year, through September 30, 2024. The contract was extended for one additional year, through September 30, 2025, per Resolution No. 402-24. An additional six months, through March 31, 2026, was requested while the specifications for the next RFP were updated by the Muscogee County Prison, per Resolution No. 232-25; and,

WHEREAS, an additional six (6) month extension is needed to complete the RFP process and award a new contract. Contract extensions beyond one year require Council approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to extend the annual contract with CorrectHealth Muscogee, LLC (Atlanta, GA), through September 30, 2026, for comprehensive medical and pharmacy services for inmates incarcerated in the Muscogee County Prison. Funding is available for this ongoing expense: General Fund – Muscogee County Prison – Warden – Consulting and Medical Services Inmates; 0101 – 420 – 1000 – MCCI - 6315 and 6320.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

F. Traffic Light Preemption System (Including Software and Equipment) for Fire & EMS – State of Georgia/Department of Transportation (GDOT) Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Traffic Light Preemption System (Including Software and Equipment) for Fire & EMS – State of Georgia/Department of Transportation (GDOT) Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of a traffic light preemption system (including software and equipment) from Temple, Inc. (Decatur, AL) in the amount of \$164,961.64. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via State of Georgia/Department of Transportation (GDOT) Contract #48400 197 DOT0002307 012. Approval is also requested for the purchase of future upgrades of the equipment and software.

Temple, Inc will provide the Glance Preempt & Priority System. The system is designed to adjust traffic signals, granting priority to emergency vehicles during responses. This technology allows emergency vehicles to securely command traffic signals to turn green as they approach, improving response times and enhancing intersection safety. Using GPS, infrared, or radio, the system will halt conflicting traffic, allowing responders to navigate safely.

State of Georgia/GDOT Contract #48400 197 DOT0002307 012 is a cooperative contract whereby Temple, Inc is contracted to provide Traffic Signal Electrical Facilities. The term of the contract is good through June 1, 2026, and any additional renewals awarded by the State. Georgia Statewide contracts are available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Under \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7763 – 54152-20250.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT PREEMPTION SYSTEM (INCLUDING SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT) FROM TEMPLE, INC. (DECATUR, AL) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$164,961.64. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA STATE OF GEORGIA/DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT) CONTRACT #48400 197 DOT0002307 012. APPROVAL IS ALSO REQUESTED FOR THE PURCHASE OF FUTURE UPGRADES OF THE EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE.

WHEREAS, Temple, Inc will provide the Glance Preempt & Priority System. The system is designed to adjust traffic signals, granting priority to emergency vehicles during responses. This technology allows emergency vehicles to securely command traffic signals to turn green as they approach, improving response times and enhancing intersection safety. Using GPS, infrared, or radio, the system will halt conflicting traffic, allowing responders to navigate safely; and,

WHEREAS, State of Georgia/GDOT Contract #48400 197 DOT0002307 012 is a cooperative contract whereby Temple, Inc is contracted to provide Traffic Signal Electrical Facilities. The term of the contract is good through June 1, 2026, and any additional renewals awarded by the State. Georgia Statewide contracts are available for use by any Georgia governmental entity. The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase a traffic light preemption system (including software and equipment) from Temple, Inc. (Decatur, AL) in the amount of \$164,961.64. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via State of Georgia/Department of Transportation (GDOT) Contract #48400 197 DOT0002307 012. The Mayor and/or his designee is further authorized to purchase future upgrades of the equipment and software. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Under \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7763 – 54152-20250.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

G. Ambulances for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Ambulances for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of three (3) ambulances from ETR/Emergency-Tactical-Rescue Vehicles (Sandford, FL) in the total amount of \$586,899.00. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #122123-RVG. The purchase consists of the following:

Vehicle Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
Ford E-350 6.7L Wheeled Coach Ambulance	2	\$215,995.00	\$431,990.00
Ford Transit T350 HR Type II Ambulance	1	\$154,909.00	\$154,909.00
GRAND TOTAL	3		\$586,899.00

The decision to add new ambulances to the Fire & EMS fleet is a strategic investment to improve operational efficiency and reliability, directly addressing the critical issue of excessive downtime for maintenance and repair.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 122123, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Wheeled Coach (Winter Park, FL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Ambulance and Emergency Medical Service Vehicles. ETR/Emergency-Tactical-Rescue Vehicles (Sandford, FL) is an authorized dealer for Wheeled Coach. The contract, which commenced March 3, 2024, is good through February 28, 2028. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City’s Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funding in the amount of \$60,626.63 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Heavy Trucks - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7723 – 54152-**20250**.

Funding in the amount of \$526,272.37 is available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Heavy Trucks - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 6

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) AMBULANCES FROM ETR/EMERGENCY-TACTICAL-RESCUE VEHICLES (SANDFORD, FL) IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$586,899.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #122123-RVG. THE PURCHASE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
FORD E-350 6.7L WHEELED COACH AMBULANCE	2	\$215,995.00	\$431,990.00
FORD TRANSIT T350 HR TYPE II AMBULANCE	1	\$154,909.00	\$154,909.00
GRAND TOTAL	3		\$586,899.00

WHEREAS, the decision to add new ambulances to the Fire & EMS fleet is a strategic investment to improve operational efficiency and reliability, directly addressing the critical issue of excessive downtime for maintenance and repair; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 122123, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Wheeled Coach (Winter Park, FL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Ambulance and Emergency Medical Service Vehicles. ETR/Emergency-Tactical-Rescue Vehicles (Sandford, FL) is an authorized dealer for Wheeled Coach. The contract, which commenced March 3, 2024, is good through February 28, 2028. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City’s Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase three (3) ambulances from ETR/Emergency-Tactical-Rescue Vehicles (Sandford, FL) in the total amount of \$586,899.00. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #122123-RVG. The purchase consists of the following:

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GRAND TOTAL	3		\$586,899.00
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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

H. Cardiac Monitor Defibrillators with Accessories for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Cardiac Monitor Defibrillators with Accessories for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of two (2) cardiac monitor defibrillators with accessories, for Fire & EMS, from Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) in the amount of \$109,560.56. The Purchase will be made by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041823-STY.

The new monitor/defibrillators will be installed in new ambulances to improve survival rates in cardiac emergencies.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 041823, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Critical Care and EMS Equipment. The contract, which commenced September 15, 2023, is good through June 30, 2027. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City's Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City's Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7761 – 54152-20260.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) CARDIAC MONITOR DEFIBRILLATORS WITH ACCESSORIES, FOR FIRE & EMS, FROM STRYKER SALES, LLC (CHICAGO, IL) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,560.56. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #041823-STY.

WHEREAS, the new monitor/defibrillators will be installed in new ambulances to improve survival rates in cardiac emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 041823, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Critical Care and EMS Equipment. The contract, which commenced September 15, 2023, is good through June 30, 2027. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City’s Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase two (2) cardiac monitor defibrillators with accessories, for Fire & EMS, from Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) in the amount of \$109,560.56. The Purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041823-STY. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7761 – 54152-20260.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

I. Power Load Stretchers with Components for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Power Load Stretchers with Components for Fire & EMS – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of two (2) power load stretchers with components, for Fire & EMS, from Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) in the amount of \$71,420.49. The Purchase will be made by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041823-STY.

The new power load stretchers will be installed in new ambulances to enhance patient safety and reduce musculoskeletal injuries in EMS personnel. These battery-powered hydraulic systems automatically lift and load, accommodating up to 870 lbs to prevent back pain and reduce manual lifting

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 041823, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Critical Care and EMS Equipment. The contract, which commenced September 15, 2023, is good through June 30, 2027. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City's Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City's Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7761 – 54152-20260.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) POWER LOAD STRETCHERS WITH COMPONENTS, FOR FIRE & EMS, FROM STRYKER SALES, LLC (CHICAGO, IL) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,420.49. THE PURCHASE WILL BE MADE BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #041823-STY.

WHEREAS, the new power load stretchers will be installed in new ambulances to enhance patient safety and reduce musculoskeletal injuries in EMS personnel. These battery-powered hydraulic systems automatically lift and load, accommodating up to 870 lbs to prevent back pain and reduce manual lifting; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) 041823, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Critical Care and EMS Equipment. The contract, which commenced September 15, 2023, is good through June 30, 2027. The contract available under Sourcewell has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City’s Procurement Ordinance; additionally, The City’s Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase two (2) power load stretchers with components, for Fire & EMS, from Stryker Sales, LLC (Chicago, IL) in the amount of \$71,420.49. The Purchase will be made by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #041823-STY. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: 2021 Sales Tax Project Fund – 2021 SPLOST – 21 SPLOST Public Safety – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000 - Public Safety Vehicles/Equipment – Fire/EMS; 0567 – 696 – 3111 - STPS – 7761 – 54152-20260.

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

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File Attachments for Item:

A. AJ McClung Stadium Update – Holli Browder, Director, Parks & Recreation, Scott Allen, Senior Principal, Partner, 2WR

A.J. McCLUNG MEMORIAL STADIUM

Item #A.

RENOVATION COST BREAKOUT

2WR ARCHITECTS



SCOPE AREAS 1 & 2

Item #A.

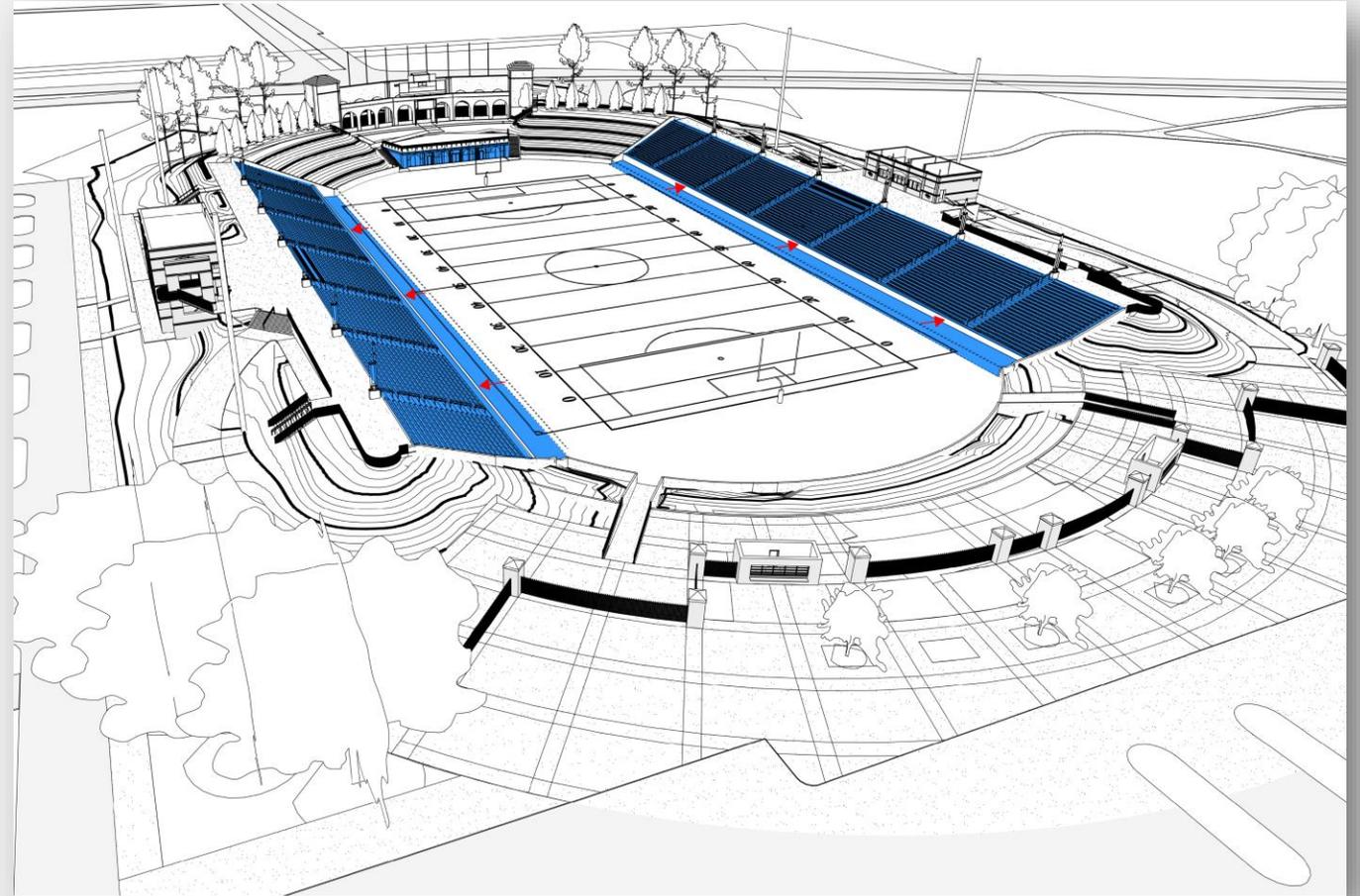
Reconstruct Concrete Bleachers to Widen Field and Install Turf

\$10 - \$12 million*

- Removal and disposal of existing sod
- New turf installation with underlayment pad
- New Field Goals
- Field striping
- Replace aluminum benching
- Replace VIP seats
- Address underground drainage
- Replace steel hand/guardrails
- Replace damaged concrete sidewalks and steps

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:
No allowance for price escalation included

11,423 seats +/- Reduction of 800 Seats



*Reduction of \$3-4 million for stabilization of Existing Stands with Helical Piers only

SCOPE AREAS 1 & 2

Item #A.

Renovate existing North Locker Room

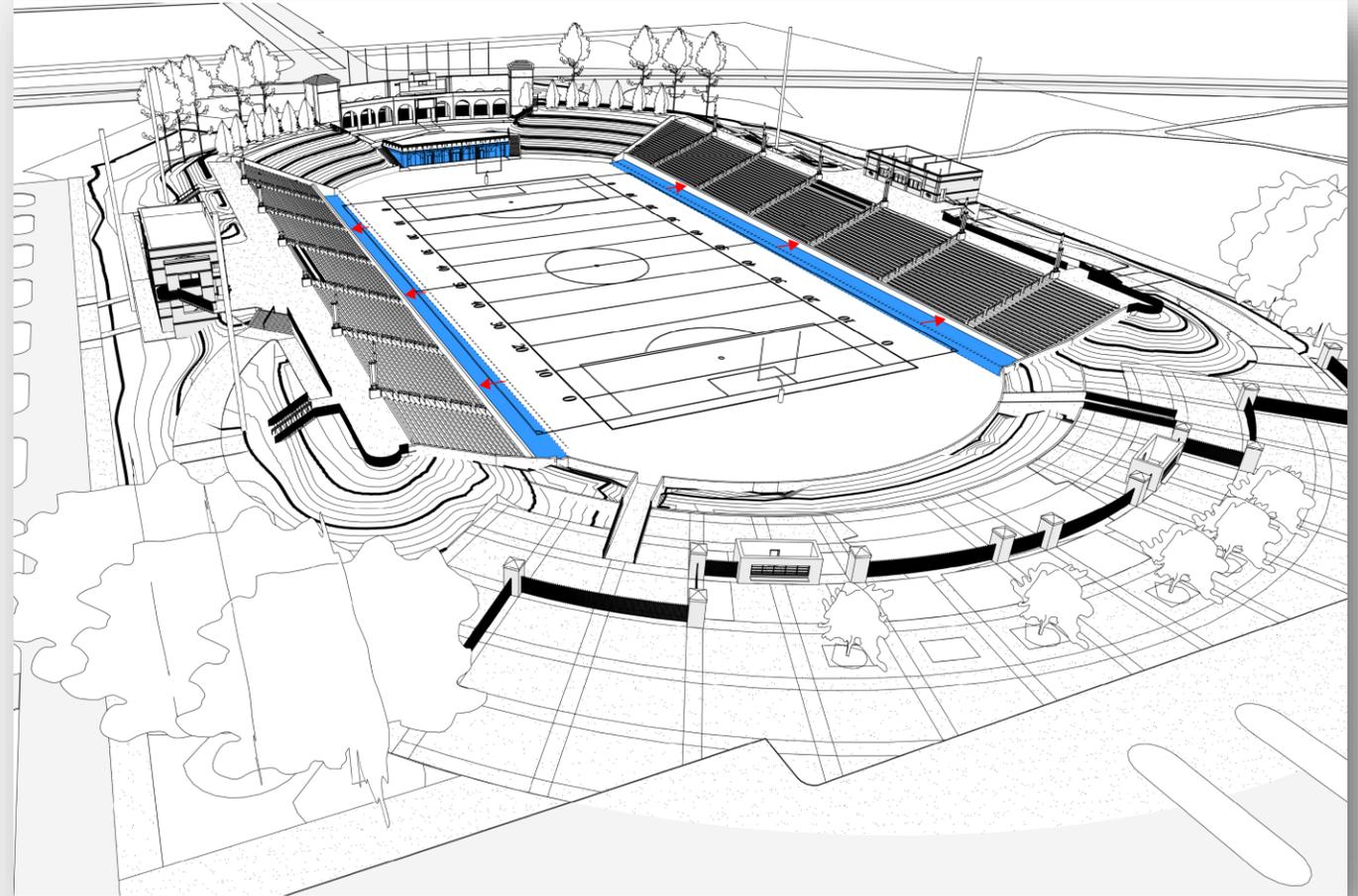
Renovation provides for single-team use only

- 81 lockers
- Replace HVAC System
- 3 toilets, 4 urinals, 3 lavatories, 1 shower
- Taping room
- New finishes

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$600,000-\$800,000

No allowance for price escalation included



SCOPE AREA 3

Item #A.

Construct All New North + South Locker Rooms

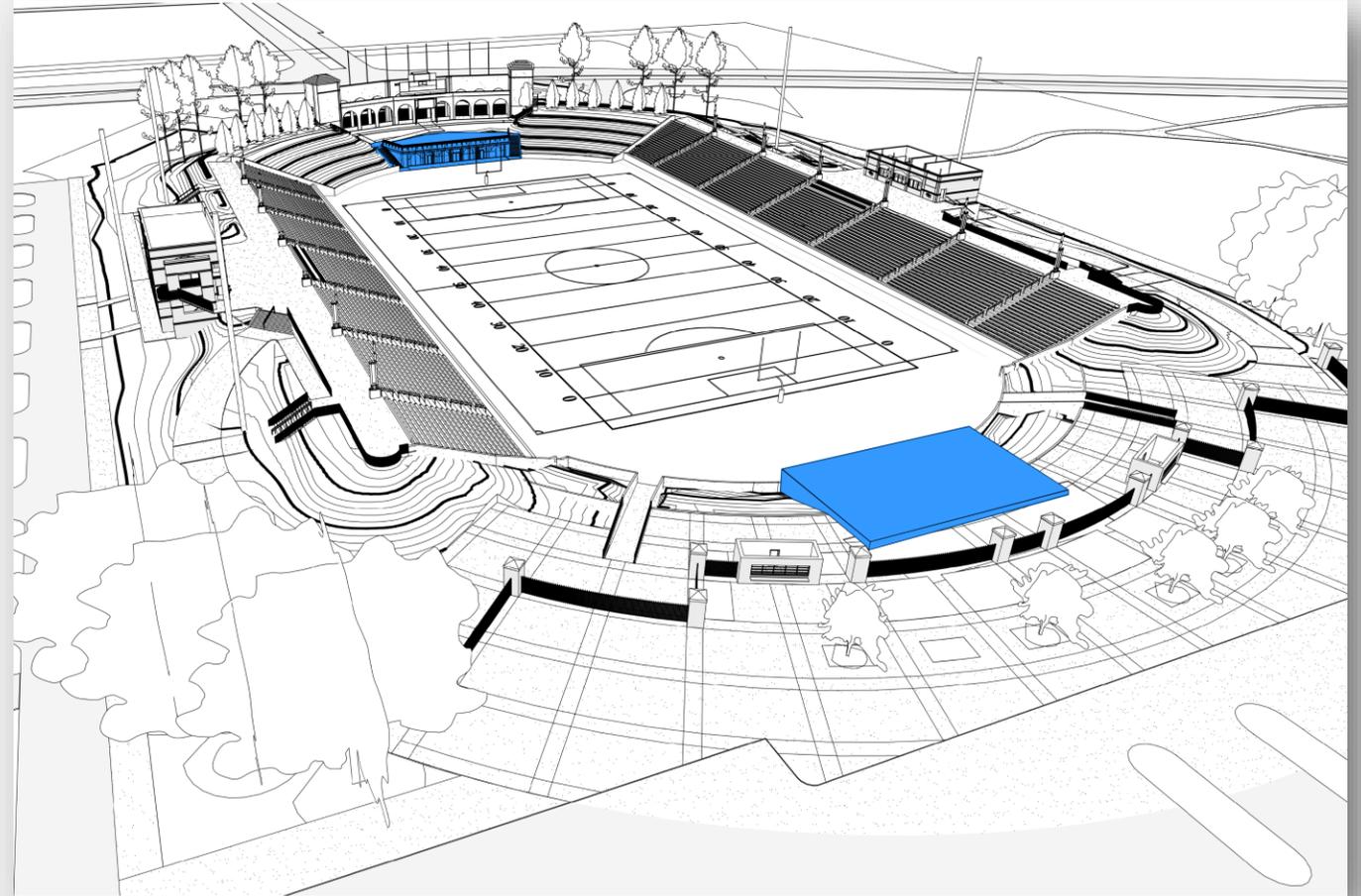
Renovation provides for two separate team facilities

- 106 lockers each
- New HVAC Systems
- 5 toilets, 3 urinals, 3 lavatories, 2 shower each
- Large Taping room
- New finishes
- On-Field Storage areas

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$4-\$5 million for both

No allowance for price escalation included



SCOPE AREA 4

Item #A.

Digital LED Scoreboard

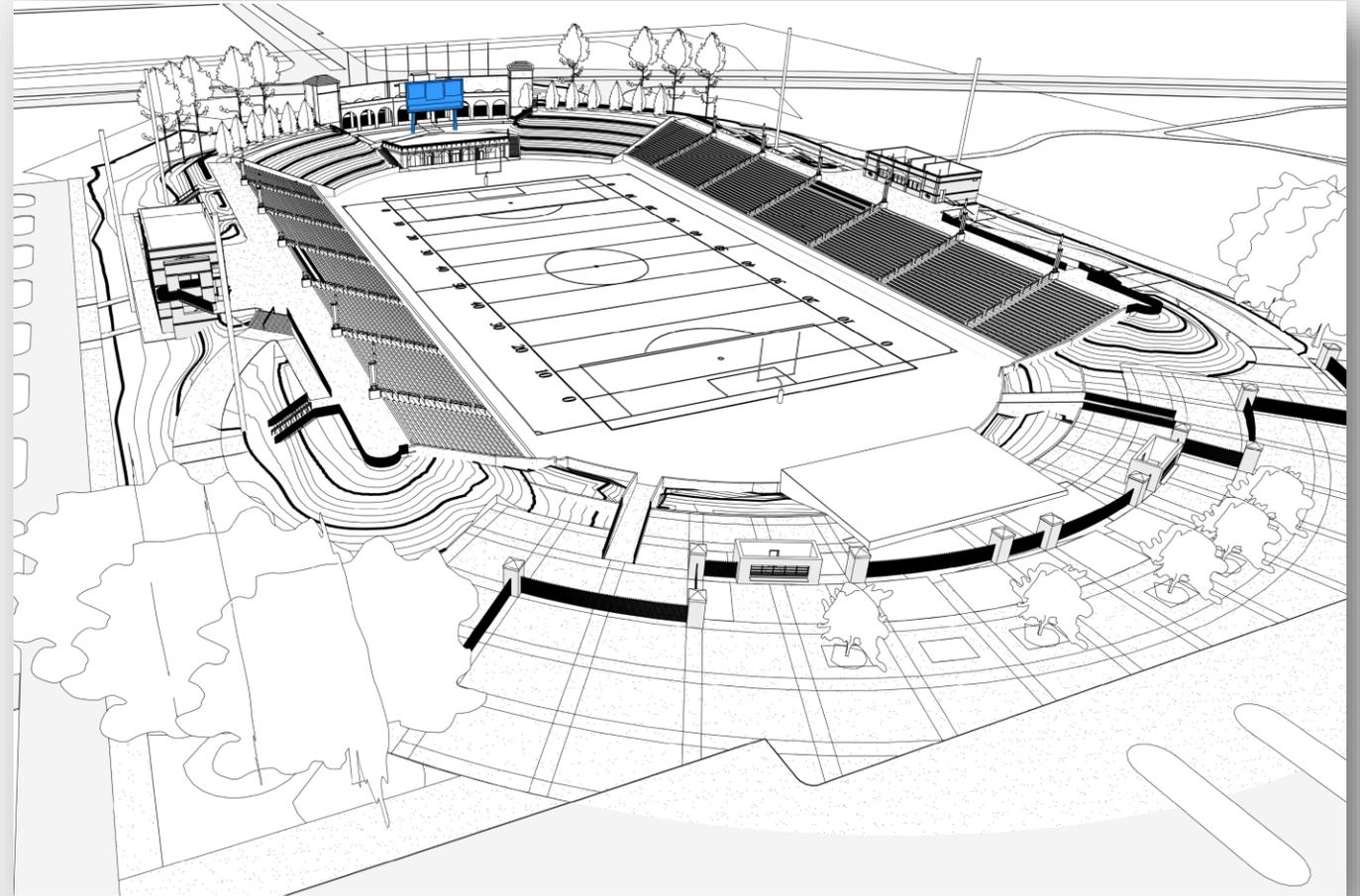
Self-Supported Structure behind North Locker Room

- 24'x48' LED digital scoreboard
- Sound System
- Control computers and software
- (2) 4'x4' Game Stop clocks
- Back Lit Stadium Signage

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$1-1.5 million fully installed

No allowance for price escalation included



SCOPE AREA 5

Item #A.

New Referee/Officials Building on top of new North Locker Room

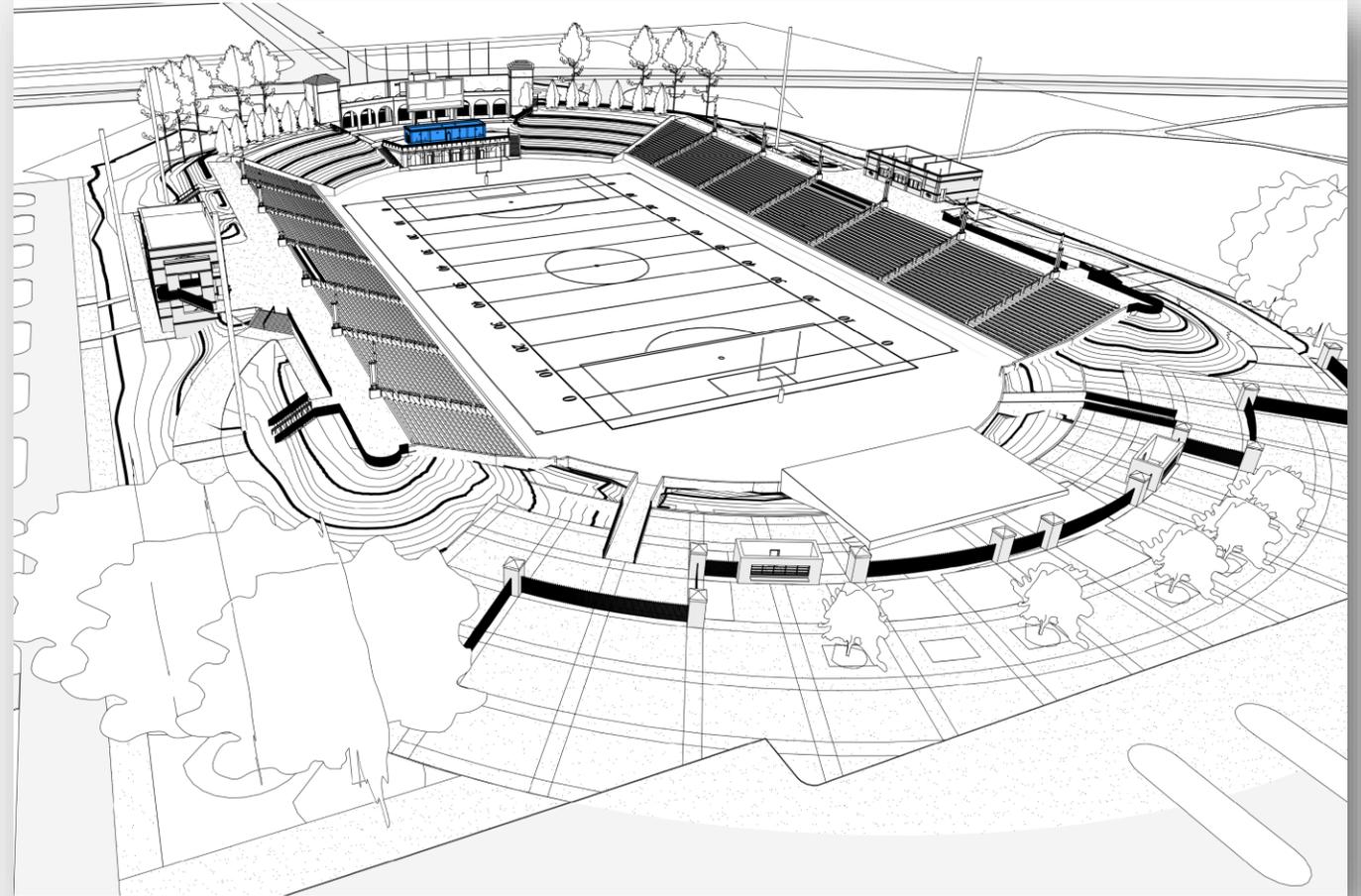
Currently located in Historic Promenade interior room

- 2 New Public toilets
- Male and Female Official's Pregame Areas
- 1 New Shower and 7 Locker changing area Male and Female
- 1 New Private Toilet
- Wet Bar Area

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$1-\$1.5 million

No allowance for price escalation included



SCOPE AREAS 6 & 7

Item #A.

Existing Press box/Hospitality Suite Renovation

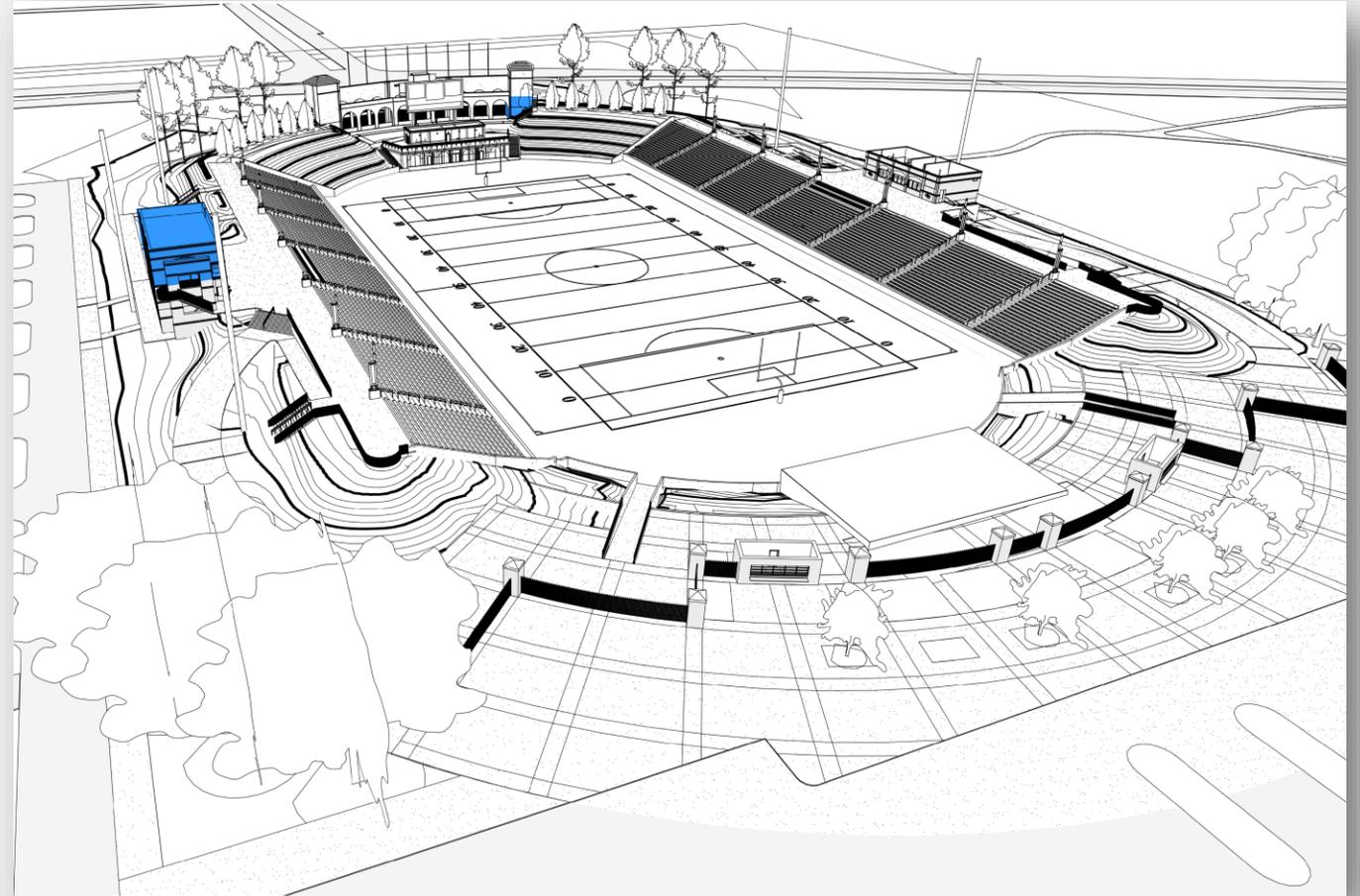
Currently located on 3rd floor above Concessions

- New Floor Finishes
- Painting
- New Ceilings
- Plumbing Fixture replacements
- Countertop Replacements
- HVAC upgrades
- LED lighting replacement

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$400,000 - \$500,000

No allowance for price escalation included



SCOPE AREAS 6 & 7

Item #A.

Officials Room Renovation (Not needed if new is constructed)

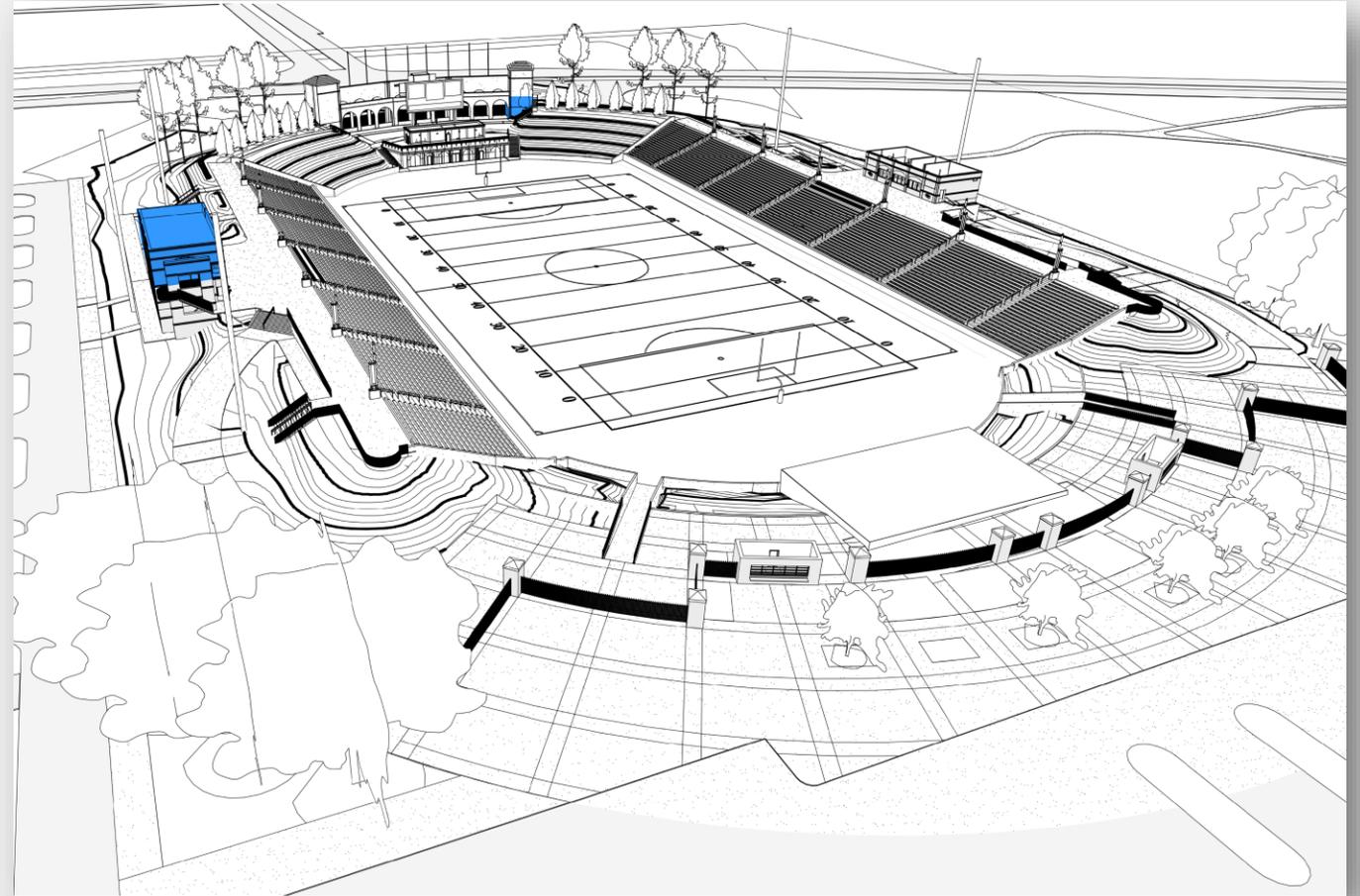
Currently using a single room in North end Historic tower

- New Floor Finishes
- Painting
- New Ceilings
- Plumbing Fixture replacements
- Countertop Replacements
- HVAC upgrades
- LED lighting replacement

Estimated cost with General Conditions and Contingency:

\$400,000 - \$500,000

No allowance for price escalation included

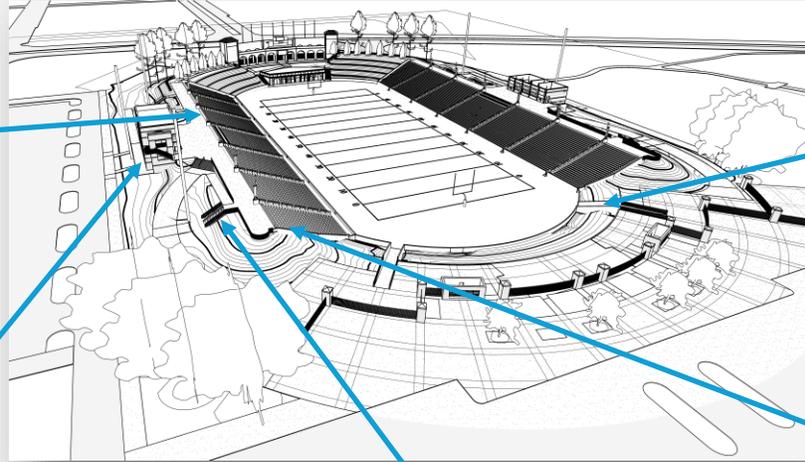


Total Cost Breakdown

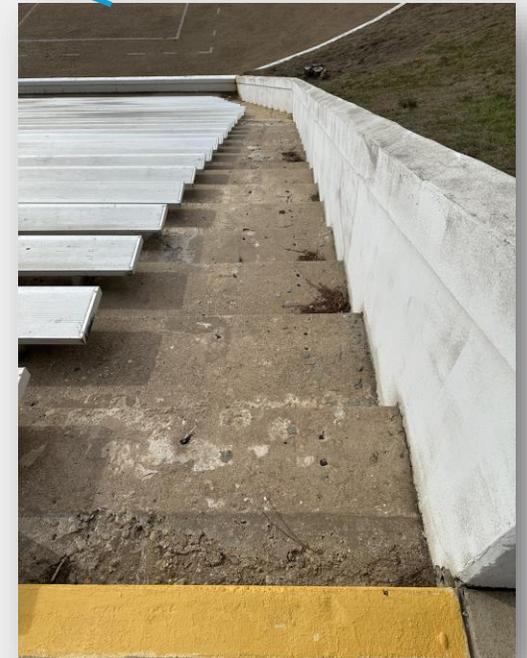
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Scope Area	Scope Description	Estimated Cost
1	Concrete Bleachers, Field Widened and Installation of Turf	\$7-\$12 million
2	Renovation of Existing North Locker Room	\$600,000-\$800,000
3	Construction of New North + South Locker Rooms	\$4-\$5 million
4	Digital LED Scoreboard	\$1-\$1.5 million
5	New Referee/Official Building	\$1-\$1.5 million
6	Press Box / Hospitality Suite Renovation	\$400,000-\$500,000
7	Officials Room Renovation	\$400,000-\$500,000
Totals	Renovation Options	\$10.4 million - \$14.8 million
Totals	New Construction Options	\$13.4 million - \$20 million

General Site Conditions

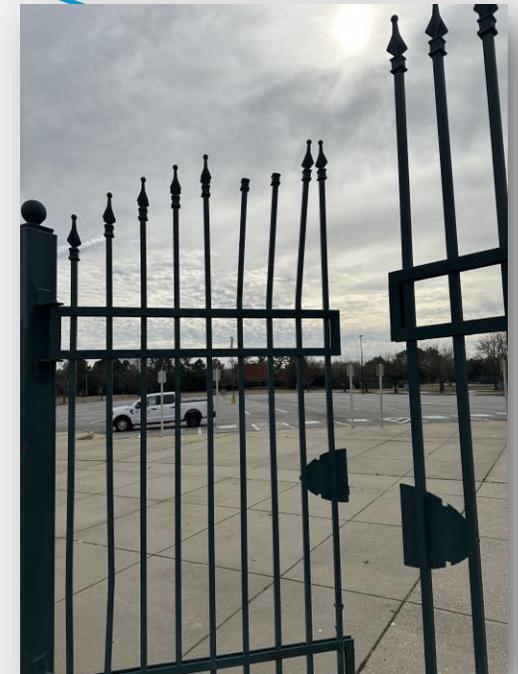
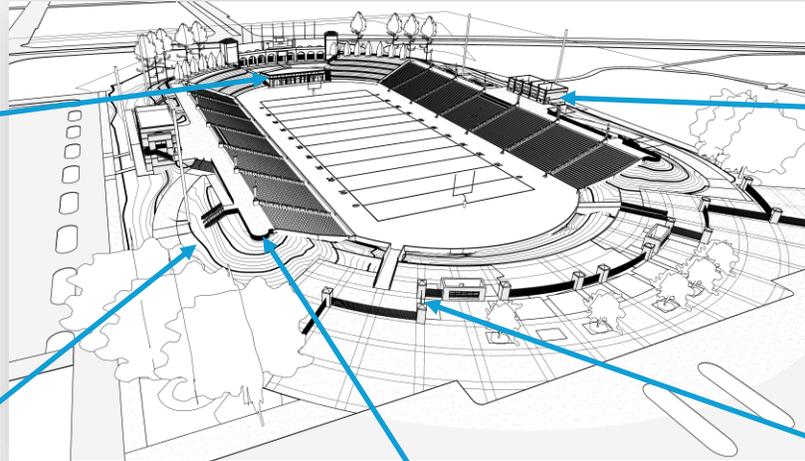


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General Site Conditions

Item #A.





CONCESSIONS + PRESS BOX BUILDING / AUDIO VISUAL ACCESS





PRESS BOX / HOSPITALITY SUITE





PUBLIC RESTROOM FACILITIES





CONCESSIONS FACILITIES

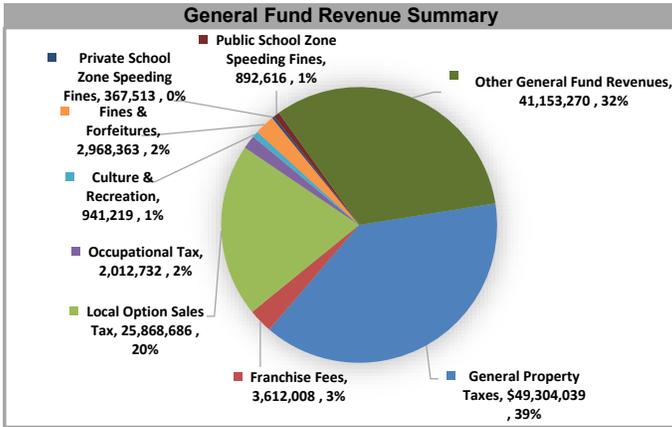


File Attachments for Item:

B. Finance Update - Angelica Alexander, Director, Finance

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Monthly Financial Snapshot (Unaudited)
FY2026 - January 2026**

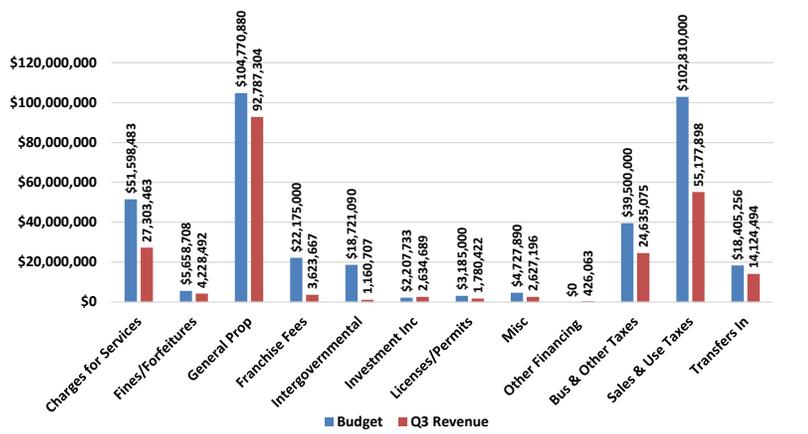
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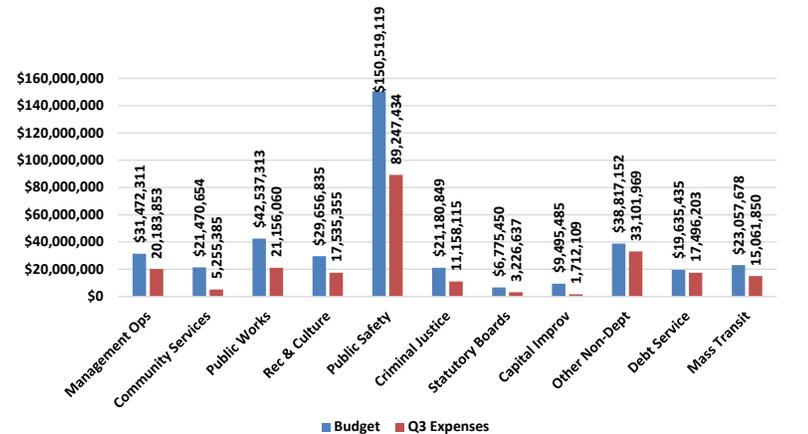
Revenues	Budget	Year-to Date	%
General Property Taxes	\$59,280,201	\$49,304,039	83.17%
Franchise Fees	22,175,000	3,612,008	16.29%
Local Option Sales Tax	49,000,000	25,868,686	52.79%
Occupational Tax	19,300,000	2,012,732	10.43%
Culture & Recreation	1,234,900	941,219	76.22%
Fines & Forfeitures	4,634,000	2,968,363	64.06%
Private School Zone Speeding Fines	285,141	367,513	128.89%
Public School Zone Speeding Fines	739,567	892,616	120.69%
Other General Fund Revenues	52,270,946	41,153,270	78.73%
Total Revenues	\$208,919,755	\$127,120,445	60.85%

Expenditures	Budget	Year-to Date	Goal =>42%
City Council	\$475,245	\$228,718	52%
Clerk of Council	417,492	167,016	60%
Internal Audit	404,288	222,639	45%
Mayor's Office	381,065	222,305	42%
City Attorney - Operating	644,882	314,308	51%
City Attorney - Litigation	1,300,000	788,359	39%
City Manager	2,416,200	1,242,247	49%
Finance	3,492,408	1,470,400	58%
Information Technology	10,199,943	5,482,469	46%
Human Resources	1,603,327	907,427	43%
Employee Benefits	1,130,347	878,305	22%
Inspections & Codes	3,608,509	1,481,511	59%
Planning	403,917	191,775	53%
Real Estate	304,475	182,206	40%
Engineering	1,618,848	723,466	55%
Public Works	7,707,045	4,767,269	38%
Facilities Maintenance	8,063,713	5,224,425	35%
Parks & Recreation	16,391,209	7,948,252	52%
Cooperative Extension	138,621	67,808	51%
Tax Assessor	2,432,506	1,107,642	54%
Elections	1,458,997	628,678	57%
Police	32,114,244	16,806,463	48%
Fire	38,126,753	20,330,649	47%
MCP	11,804,336	6,225,746	47%
Homeland Security	471,191	291,659	38%
Superior Court Judges	1,955,647	916,585	53%
District Attorney	3,395,974	1,834,728	46%
Juvenile Court	1,548,786	779,179	50%
Jury Manager	510,391	227,978	55%
Victim Witness	227,616	77,944	66%
Clerk of Superior Court	3,168,440	1,479,642	53%
State Court Judges	740,449	401,607	46%
State Court Solicitor	1,649,243	755,864	54%
Public Defender	2,688,798	1,811,994	33%
Municipal Court Judge	739,370	334,507	55%
Clerk of Municipal Court	916,758	427,593	53%
Probate Court	977,289	445,198	43%
Sheriff	43,295,105	27,353,471	37%
Tax Commissioner	2,436,943	1,206,994	50%
Coroner	526,819	277,098	47%
Recorder's Court	2,016,617	986,590	51%
Non-Categorical	14,980,727	10,376,377	31%
Parking Management	193,596	62,511	68%
Total Expenditures	\$228,878,129	\$127,657,603	44%

Operating Funds	Jan-2026	Jan-2025	% Change
General Fund	\$127,120,445	\$121,203,533	4.88%
Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$27,009,823	\$26,581,307	1.61%
Stormwater (Sewer) Fund	\$6,597,590	\$6,701,567	-1.55%
Paving Fund	\$18,014,066	\$18,360,704	-1.89%
Community Care Fund	\$6,247,725	\$12,421,656	-49.70%
Integrated Waste Fund	\$8,993,275	\$8,252,998	8.97%
Emergency Telephone Fund	\$1,697,767	\$1,691,115	0.39%
Economic Development Authority Fund	\$2,747,645	\$2,890,860	-4.95%
Debt Service	\$18,483,084	\$16,730,606	10.47%
Transportation Fund	\$5,647,313	\$5,656,130	-0.16%
Trade Center Fund	\$2,330,235	\$2,237,285	4.15%
Bull Creek Golf Course Fund	\$1,491,214	\$1,304,759	14.29%
Oxbow Creek Golf Course Fund	\$399,080	\$316,704	26.01%
Civic Center/Sports Authority Fund	\$3,730,208	\$3,166,924	17.79%



Operating Funds	Jan-2026	Jan-2025	% Change
General Fund	\$127,657,603	\$122,194,083	4.47%
Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$36,087,181	\$40,567,617	-11.04%
Stormwater (Sewer) Fund	\$3,421,975	\$2,852,021	19.98%
Paving Fund	\$10,714,416	\$8,282,146	29.37%
Community Care Fund	\$138,694	\$159,335	-12.95%
Integrated Waste Fund	\$10,625,148	\$10,015,720	6.08%
Emergency Telephone Fund	\$2,372,794	\$3,243,556	-26.85%
Economic Development Authority Fund	\$1,527,136	\$2,722,368	-43.90%
Debt Service	\$17,438,484	\$15,871,468	9.87%
Transportation Fund	\$15,326,689	\$8,707,008	76.03%
Trade Center Fund	\$2,451,476	\$1,815,171	35.05%
Bull Creek Golf Course Fund	\$1,308,190	\$1,514,840	-13.64%
Oxbow Creek Golf Course Fund	\$358,105	\$353,992	1.16%
Civic Center/Sports Authority Fund	\$5,707,079	\$5,889,377	-3.10%



File Attachments for Item:

Bid Advertisements

DATE: March 10, 2026

Item #

TO: Mayor and Councilors

FROM: Finance Department

SUBJECT: Advertised Bids/RFPs/RFQs

March 11, 2026

1. Comprehensive Generator Services (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0023

Scope of RFB

It is the intent of the Columbus Consolidated Government to establish an annual contract with a qualified licensed contractor to provide, maintain and/or repair generators at various locations. The contract term shall be for three (3) years with the option to renew for two (2) additional twelve-month periods.

2. Alternators & Starters for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB 26-0029

Scope of RFB

Provide alternators and starters for METRA Transit System on an “as needed” basis. The contract term will be for three years.

3. Oil & Lubricants for METRA (Annual Contract)

Provide various oil and lubricants for METRA Transit System on an “as needed” basis. The contract term will be for three years.

March 27, 2026

1. Pine Grove Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Phase 5: Cells 5A – 5C – RFP No. 26-0017

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (Owner) is soliciting proposals from Proposers to provide the Work associated with the construction of the Pine Grove MSW Landfill, Phase 5 Cells 5A–5C as designed by Atlantic Coast Consulting, Inc. (Engineer).

The Project consists of construction of approximately 195,500 CY of excavation, 50,110 CY of structural fill; 492,400 SF of low permeability linear base, HDPE geomembrane and leachate collection layer material; 1,998 LF of leachate collection pipe; 1,908 LF of dual-contained HDPE forcemain; leachate pump station; sediment pond cleaning; 9,217 square yards of all-weather access road, and erosion and sedimentation control items.

A Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference is scheduled for 1:00 PM on March 11, 2026, in the Columbus Recycling and Sustainability Center, which is located at **8001 Pine Grove Way, Columbus, Georgia 31907**. Any vendors who are not present for the mandatory pre-proposal conference/site visit, shall not be allowed to participate any further in the bid process.

April 1, 2026

1. Used & Confiscated Firearms for Credit or Swap -RFB No. 26-0035

Scope of RFB

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) Police Department is offering used and confiscated firearms for sale to a licensed firearms dealer who can issue a credit to purchase or swap for Heckler & Koch MRA4 rifles with accessories.

April 3, 2026

1. On-Call Roofing Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 26-0027

Scope of RFP

It is the intent of the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) to establish an annual contract with a Primary and a Secondary contractor to provide all labor, equipment and materials to provide on-call roofing services.

The contract will be for two (2) years with an option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods. Contract renewal shall be contingent upon the mutual agreement of the City and the Contractor.

File Attachments for Item:

1. Upcoming Board Appointments: Development Authority



Clerk of Council's Office

Columbus Consolidated Government



Item #1.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Development Authority of Columbus

Purpose and Functions

- Finances private industrial and business projects by issuing bonds.
- Promote trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities for the public good.
- Efforts are aimed at supporting economic development and the general welfare of the community.

Legal Authority / References

- [O.C.G.A. § 36-62-4](#)
- [Columbus Code, Section 2-61 through 2-65](#)
- [Ordinance No. 72-76](#)
- [Ordinance No. 14-042](#)
- [Resolution No. 372-97](#)

(Resolution No. 372-97 allows for joint service on the Development Authority and Downtown Development Authority)

Membership

- Composed of 7 members

Appointments & Terms

- Council Appointments
- Term length: 4 years
- Term limit: 2 terms

Name	Term	End Date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
Laura Q Grower	Partial	04/30/2026	Council		SD-29	YES
Doug Jenkins	Partial	04/30/2026	Council		SD-29	YES
Audrey Tillman	1	04/30/2028	Council		SD-15	YES
William H. White	1	04/30/2028	Council		SD-29	YES
Geniece R. Granville	1	04/30/2028	Council		SD-15	YES
Charles R. Sheffield	1	04/30/2028	Council		SD-29	YES
Selvin Hollingsworth	2	04/30/2028	Council		SD-15	NO

 Expiring Term

 Vacant Seat

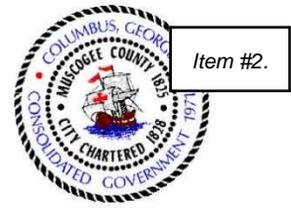
File Attachments for Item:

2. Upcoming Board Appointments: Housing Authority of Columbus



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Columbus Consolidated Government



Item #2.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Housing Authority of Columbus

Purpose and Functions

- Responsible for all public housing projects
- Works in conjunction with the Department of Community Development
- Responsible for various urban renewal projects

Legal Authority / References

- 📎 [O.C.G.A. §8-3-50](#)
- 📎 [Columbus Charter, Sec. 4-620](#)
- 📎 [Ordinance No. 11-023](#)
- 📎 [Resolution No. 444-99](#)

Membership

- Composed of 7 members.
 - 1 Resident Member

Appointments & Terms

- Mayor's Appointments
- Term length: 5-year terms
 - Resident Position serves a 1-year term
 - Term limits: Ordinance No. 11-23 removes the two-term limit.

Name	Term	End date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
Larry Cardin	5	30-Apr-26	Mayor	Chairman	SD-29	Eligible
William J. Burgin	1	30-Apr-26	Mayor		SD-15	Eligible
Tiffany N. Stacy	8	16-Nov-26	Mayor	Resident Position	SD-15	Eligible
Jeanella Pendleton	3	30-Apr-27	Mayor		SD-29	Eligible
Ryan Clements	1	30-Apr-28	Mayor		SD-15	Eligible
Linda U. Hadley	2	30-Apr-29	Mayor		SD-29	Eligible
Gwendolyn H. Ruff	1	30-Apr-30	Mayor		SD-29	Eligible

 Expiring Term

 Vacant Seat

File Attachments for Item:

3. Request to Declare Vacancy: Memo from the Clerk of Council requesting Council declare the seat of Mike Welch, District 9 Representative, vacant on the Community Development Advisory Council (CDAC).

COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

Georgia's First Consolidated Government

Post Office Box 1340
Columbus, Georgia 31902-340

Memorandum

To: City Council

From: Lindsey McLemore, Clerk of Council

Date: 03/10/2026

Re: Request to Declare Vacancy – Community Development Advisory Council (District 9 Representative)

BACKGROUND Mr. Mike Welch was originally appointed to serve on the Community Development Advisory Council (CDAC) on September 26, 2023, and was subsequently reappointed on January 9, 2024, as the District 9 Representative.

On April 8, 2025, Mr. Welch was confirmed by Council to serve as the Commercial Businessperson representative on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority.

On February 24, 2026, the Clerk of Council contacted Mr. Welch regarding his service on both boards. During that communication, Mr. Welch stated that he desires to continue serving on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority.

REQUEST In light of Mr. Welch's decision to continue his service on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority, Council is requested to formally declare the District 9 Representative seat on the Community Development Advisory Council vacant.

This request is being submitted for accurate record-keeping purposes.

Upon declaration of the vacancy, the seat will be listed as vacant on the Clerk of Council's Agenda in accordance with Council's established procedures.

Attachment(s):

n/a

File Attachments for Item:

4. Minutes of the following boards:

Airport Commission 01-28-26

Board of Tax Assessors #06-26

Board of Tax Assessors #07-26

Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) 01-21-26

Golf Authority 02-09-26

Hospital Authority of Columbus 01-27-26

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 07-16-25

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 08-20-25

Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) 10-01-25

**MINUTES AT THE MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
COMMISSION HELD AT THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28th, 2026**

The following commission members were present for the entire meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Mrs. Delois Marsh, Chairwoman	December 31, 2027
Ms. Dannel Marks, Vice Chairwoman	December 31, 2026
Mr. Philip Badcock, Treasurer	December 31, 2029
Mr. James Barker, Secretary	December 31, 2028
Mr. Philip Thayer, Commissioner	December 31, 2030

Staff Members Present:

Amber Clark, Airport Director
Carolyn Mills, HR Manager
Timothy Strickland, Finance Director
Darryl Graham, FBO Manager
Josh Patton, Maintenance Manager
Sonya Overton, Director of Marketing & Air Service Development
Jarred Hubbard, Chief Public Safety Officer
Joe Owen, Airfield Operations
Erik Lawrence, Airfield Operations
Zack Lundy, Administrative Coordinator

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Mr. Barker called the January 8th, 2026, Commission Meeting to order at 6:03pm

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SLATE OF OFFICERS

Mr. Barker asked to consider the approval of the slate of officers; Chairwoman Delois Dee Marsh, Vice Chairwoman Dannel Marks, Treasurer Philip Badcock, Secretary James Badcock, Commissioner Philip Thayer, Assistant Secretary Amber Clark, and Assistant Treasurer Timothy Strickland.

Motion by Mr. Badcock to approve the slate of officers, seconded by Mrs. Marsh and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE COMMISSION MEETING ON DECEMBER 17th, 2025

Mrs. Marsh asked to consider the adoption of the Minutes for the Commission meeting on December 17th 2025

Motion by Mr. Barker and seconded by Mr. Badcock and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CALLED COMMISSION MEETING ON JANUARY 8TH, 2026

Mrs. Marsh asked to consider the adoption of the Minutes for the Commission meeting on January 8th 2026.

Motion by Mr. Badcock and seconded by Mr. Barker and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TSYS AND GLOBAL PAYMENTS LEASE ASSIGNMENT

Counselor Auten explained the lease assignment and explain needed Commission approval and consent.

Mr. Badcock motions to approve the lease assignment seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AFLAC LEASE

Ms. Clark explained the lease. Mrs. Marks asked to consider the approval of the Aflac lease.

Motion by Mr. Badcock and seconded by Mr. Barker and unanimously approved by the Commission Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

DIRECTOR'S UPDATES

Finance

Mr. Timothy Strickland gave the finance report, wherein he discussed November and December financials.

Flightways

Mr. Darryl Graham gave the Flightways report, wherein he discussed the fuel volume report, vacant hangars, tenant socials, equipment updates, and employee updates. The fuel comparison report is attached hereto.

Fuel Price Comparison				DATE:	
Airport Identifier	Name	Jet A +	AvGas	SS100LL	FBO COMPANY NAME
CSG		Premixed			
	updated on 01/20/2026	\$6.56	\$6.40	\$5.55	Flightways Columbus
MCN (478) 310-4689	Macon	\$5.23	\$5.01	\$4.51	Highnote Aviation
GVL (678) 989-2395	Gainesville	~	\$7.59	\$6.59	Lanier Flight Center
HSV (256) 772-9341	Huntsville	\$6.69	\$6.48	~	Signature
DHN (334) 983-4541	Dothan	\$6.25	\$6.79	~	Aero One Aviation

ECP (850) 233-4717	Panama City	\$7.12	\$6.91	~	Sheltair
CHA (423) 855-2299	Chattanooga	\$6.87	\$7.12	~	Wilson Air Center
MDQ (256) 828-1403	Dwntwn Huntsville	\$6.20	\$5.80	~	Excutive Flight Center
VPC (770) 382-9800	Cartersville	\$5.54	\$5.90	~	Phoenix Air
FFC (770) 487-2225	Falcon Field	\$5.72	\$5.79	~	Atlanta Regional Airport
<u>AVERAGE</u>		<u>\$6.20</u>	<u>\$6.38</u>	<u>\$5.55</u>	
PIM (706) 663-2083	Pine Mountain	\$5.99	\$5.00	\$4.59	
EUF (334) 687-2051	Eufaula	\$5.02	~	\$5.53	
LGC (706) 884-2121	Lagrange	\$5.35	\$4.95	\$4.45	

Human Resources

Ms. Carolyn Mills gave the human resources report, wherein she discussed workforce, recruiting/onboarding, training and development, policy and compliance, employee engagement, and strategic planning.

Maintenance

Mr. Joshua Patton gave the maintenance report, wherein he gave updates on airfield operations, facilities maintenance, and work orders.

Marketing

Mrs. Sonya Overton gave the marketing report, wherein she gave updates on the runway 6-24 project, air service development, and social media statistics

Public Safety

Chief Hubbard gave the public safety report, wherein he discussed updates on the department's operations, professional development, and law enforcement training.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission meeting moved to executive session. Mr. Barker motioned to move out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes:3 No:0

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Barker motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 3 No: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09PM

APPROVED:



Zack Lundy,
Administrative Coordinator



Delois Dee Marsh, Chairwoman



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

GEORGIA'S FIRST CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

Item #4.

City Services Center
3111 Citizens Way
Columbus, GA 31906

Mailing Address:
PO Box 1340
Columbus, GA 31902

Telephone (706) 653-4398, 4402
Fax (706) 225-3800

Board Members

Jayne Govar
Chairman

Kathy Jones
Assessor

Clay Hood
Assessor

Doug Jefcoat
Assessor

Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Vice Chairman

Chief Appraiser
Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #06-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, Feb 11th, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT ARE:

Chairman Jayne Govar
Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Assessor Kathy Jones
Assessor Doug Jefcoat
Assessor Clay Hood
Chief Appraiser/Secretary Suzanne Widenhouse
Recording Secretary Katrina Culpepper

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to accept the agenda with noted changes. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Assessor Jefcoat motions to accept minutes as presented. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Chairman Govar received letter from Dept of Revenue acknowledging public utilities and that the info was sent to Tax Commissioner David Britt.

At 9:05, Personal Property Manager Stacy Pollard presents to the Board:

- BOE Results - placed into record.
- No Change Audit Results - placed into record.

At 9:08, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Homesteads - #092 025 056; 007 011 010 - Signed & Approved.
- Board Requested Item - discussion only.

At 9:45, Real Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- BOE Results - placed into record.

At 9:54, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Map Split - will be brought back next week.
- Non-Disclosure Request - Signed & Approved.

At 9:56, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Legislative Update - Discussion only.

Assessor Jones motions to excuse Assessor Jefcoat from the Feb 18th meeting. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

Assessor Hood motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries. At 10:22, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: _____

J. GOVAR
CHAIRMAN

K. JONES
ASSESSOR

ABSENT

D. JEFCOAT
ASSESSOR

C. HOOD
ASSESSOR

L. SANDIFER HICKS
VICE CHAIRMAN

MIN# 07 - 26 FEB 25 2026



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

Item #4.

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Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
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Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #07-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, Feb 18th, 2026 at 9:07 A.M.

PRESENT ARE:

Chairman Jayne Govar
Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Assessor Kathy Jones
Assessor Clay Hood
Chief Appraiser/Secretary Suzanne Widenhouse
Recording Secretary Katrina Culpepper

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Assessor Hood motions to accept the agenda. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to accept minutes as presented. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:13, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Homesteads - #026 011 002; 181 006 005 56; 101 019 005; 100 032 008 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:19, Real Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- BOE Results - placed into record.
- Waiver & Release - #073 022 018 46 - signed by Chairman Govar.

At 9:24, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Map Splits - # 175 001 001; 164 001 006 - Signed & Approved.

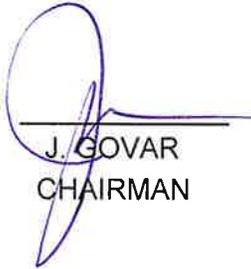
At 9:26, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Settlement Conference Results - discussion only.
- Legislative Update - discussion only.

Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. At 9:46, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

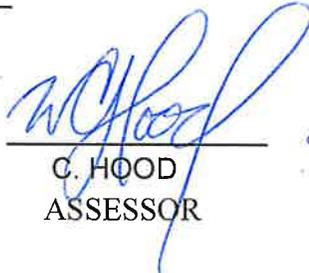
Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED:  2/25/2026


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ASSESSOR


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ASSESSOR


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ASSESSOR


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VICE CHAIRMAN

MIN# 08 - 26 MAR 04 2026



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Commissioners Present: Pace Halter, Chair; Sherricka Day, Vice Chair; Dan Gilbert, Secretary/Treasurer; Pete Jones, Miller Robinson, Michelle Spivey, and Mayor Skip Henderson (Outgoing Commissioners Present: Lauren Becker and Miles Greathouse)

Commissioners Absent: Amy Bryan and Alex Naik

Staff Present: Ashley Woitena, Danielle Ackerman, and Kim Gonzalez

Special Invitees Present: Craig Howard; Columbus Sports Council and Steve Morse: Uptown Columbus, Inc.

Call to OrderAshley Woitena

- The January 2026 meeting was called to order by Ashley Woitena at 8:30 am for the annual election of officers. Ms. Woitena presented the slate of officers to remain the same as the prior year with Pace Halter as Chair, Sherricka Day as Vice Chair, and Dan Gilbert as Secretary/Treasurer. She then asked for nominations from the floor and there being none, a motion was made by Michelle Spivey and seconded by Pete Jones to accept the slate of officers as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion was passed. Ms. Woitena then adjourned the meeting and turned it over to Pace Halter.

Call to OrderPace Halter

- The meeting was reconvened by Pace Halter at 8:32am.

Secretary Treasurer Report.....Dan Gilbert

- Dan Gilbert presented the consent agenda that included minutes for the November 2025 meeting and financials for November & December 2025. He asked if there were any questions or discussion. There being none, a motion was made by Michelle Spivey to approve the minutes and financials, seconded by Pete Jones. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

Chair Report.....Pace Halter

- Mr. Halter welcomed new Board Member Miller Robinson. He noted that one Board seat remains vacant and that the Mayor’s office is engaged in a final candidate for appointment.
- He then thanked outgoing Board Members, Lauren Becker and Miles Greathouse, for their dedicated years of service on the VisitColumbusGA Board.

- Pace Halter asked the Board to review and sign the Conflict-of-interest, and the Board Agreement documents before leaving the meeting.

President’s Report.....Ashley Waitena

- Ashley Waitena turned the meeting over to Danielle Ackerman to present the FY 2025 End of Year Analysis.
- Ms. Waitena discussed the upcoming Board Retreat, February 17th-18th, and Strategic Plan Update.
- She then informed the Board of the **new** Delinquency report received from the City each month. This report shows hotels and vacation rentals that are delinquent in filing their monthly tax reports.
- Next, Ashley presented recent VisitColumbusGA accolades and awards.

Adjournment.....Pace Halter

- With no further business, Mr. Halter adjourned the meeting at 9:36am.

COLUMBUS GOLF AUTHORITY MINUTES CALLED MEETING FEBRUARY 9, 2026

Chairman William Roundtree called to order the meeting to discuss proposed items for the FY 2026-27 fiscal year budget to be presented to the city for consideration.

Director of Golf Jim Arendt noted that the Golf Authority had already approved a preliminary budget plan, but additional items needed to be addressed, including possible pay adjustments for the next fiscal year.

The budget projects a potential revenue total of more than \$2.87 million for Bull Creek Golf Course and more than \$769,000 for Oxbow Creek, he said. The \$2 price increase approved at the last Authority meeting, applied across about 58,000-60,000 rounds played per year, will add about \$106,000 in revenue at Bull Creek and about \$48,000 at Oxbow Creek.

When anticipated maintenance, operations, labor costs and Godwin Creek expenses are added together, about \$535,308 is available to cover cost allocation and other approved expenses at Bull Creek. Maintenance, operations and labor expenses projected at Oxbow Creek leave about \$91,020 remaining for allocation costs and other expenses there, Arendt said.

The director will recommend three separate \$1 fee increases to help cover all costs and project a “break-even year” financially at the golf facilities.

Another area of finances needing to be addressed in the budget, he said, is the cost of restructuring and repositioning employee pay with the retirement next summer of longtime Superintendent Steve Brown.

He proposed that upon Brown’s retirement, Assistant Superintendent Charles Lewis be promoted to Superintendent with a projected pay raise to \$80,000 annually; a new Assistant Superintendent be hired at a salary of \$55,000; a part-time spray technician be hired at a pay rate of up to \$26,000, based on an hourly pay plan; an Ambassador Captain be hired at a part-time pay totaling about \$20,000 a year; and that a new position of Director of Agronomy be created beginning the last six months of the FY26-27 fiscal year, a position supervising all the maintenance and turf management operations at all golf facilities, with a salary impact of up to \$55,000 for that six-month period.

After lengthy discussion of the proposed plan, a motion by Tommy Nobles, seconded by Ken Davis, was approved that would pay Charles Lewis \$75,000 annually with a compensation review in one year.

A motion by Ken Davis, seconded by Gerald Miley, was approved to pay the new Assistant Superintendent \$55,000 a year.

A motion by Gerald Miley, seconded by Richard Mahone, was approved to pay a part-time spray technician \$23.50 an hour.

A motion by Gerald Miley, seconded by Tommy Nobles, was approved to create a post of Ambassador Captain at a part-time rate totaling up to \$20,000 a year.

A motion by Gerald Miley, seconded by Alonzo Jones, was approved to create the post of Director of Agronomy at a salary of up to \$55,000 for the six-month period of January-June 2027.

Director Arendt also informed the Authority he is exploring options for replacing the rental golf car fleet when the current 3-year lease on 104 carts expires. The goal is to move to electric carts when the new Bull Creek clubhouse is built, and two cart manufacturers – E Z Go and Yamaha – have already provided demonstration carts to test in anticipation of the conversion to electric.

Meanwhile, the director said he is proposing a \$70,000 addition to the budget to lease the gas cart fleet for the additional time needed before the new clubhouse completion allows conversion to electric.

A motion by Alonzo Jones, seconded by Stephanie Leohr, was approved to add the \$70,000 cart rental costs to the budget proposal.

Tommy Nobles said the city has completed the process of approving the bridge bid submitted for replacement of the missing structure at Oxbow Creek. The bid of \$215,000 as presented by the city was approved by the Authority following a motion by Gerald Miley, seconded by Alonzo Jones.

Nobles also reported that the bid submitted to the city for renovation of the Oxbow Creek Clubhouse follows the plan previously presented to the Authority for that project. Nobles made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Leohr, for the Authority to accept the bid as presented.

Both the bridge and clubhouse renovation are being funded as part of the most recent Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax that provided up to \$5 million for those projects, plus a new bridge and a new clubhouse to be constructed at Bull Creek Golf Course.

A motion to adjourn, made by Ken Crumpler and seconded by Ken Davis, was passed unanimously.

Attending this meeting were Chairman William Roundtree, Vice Chairman Richard Mahone, Ken Crumpler, Stephanie Leohr, Tommy Nobles, Alonzo Jones, Ken Davis, Gerald Miley and Secretary Jim Houston.

BOARD MINUTES
OF THE
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
January 27, 2026

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of the Hospital Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HAC) was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, January 27, 2026. The meeting was held in the conference room at Orchard View on Whitesville Road in Columbus, Georgia. A notice was emailed to each member of the Board more than 48 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the notice was posted more than 24 hours before the meeting on the door of the building in which the meeting was held.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Chuck Hecht, Vice Chairwoman Sarah Banks-Lang, and members Warner Kennon, Jr., Bob Jones, Tony Floyd, Wayne Joiner, Dr. John Kingsbury, Dr. Linn Storey, and Dr. Sharen Kelly.

Britt Hayes, CEO, Rick Alibozek, CFO, and Jack P. Schley, Secretary/Attorney, were present at the meeting.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order by Chuck and Britt opened the meeting with a prayer.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

It was determined that a quorum was present.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the October 28, 2025, Board meeting were reviewed. Dr. Kingsbury moved to approve the Minutes as presented and Bob seconded the motion. The October 2025 Minutes were unanimously approved.

BOARD BUSINESS

Jack asked if there were any nominations for officers, and Wayne presented the following slate: Chuck for Chair, Sarah for Vice-Chair, and Wayne for Secretary/Treasurer. Bob moved to approve the slate as presented and Dr. Kingsbury seconded the motion. Following a brief discussion, the nominations were unanimously adopted and Chuck was approved as the Chair of the Board, Sarah as Vice-Chair, and Wayne as Secretary/Treasurer for 2026.

Jack announced that pursuant to the Georgia Hospital Authorities Law and the Board's By-Laws, the assets of HAC may not personally benefit a member of the Board. Therefore, Jack presented the previously distributed vendor list for HAC (2025) and a form for disclosure of potential conflicts of interest. Jack asked the members of the Board to review the vendor list and questions on the disclosure form, fill-in their responses, and sign and date the form. Jack collected the signed forms from all members of the Board.

As duly noticed to the Board, amendments to the By-Laws have been proposed and presented. Bob moved to approve and adopt the amendments, and Dr. Kingbury seconded the motion. Sarah requested clarification on the hiring of counsel as stated in Article Seven, and Warner and Wayne commented on the amendments to the committees as stated in Article Eight. Following further discussion, Bob moved to table the vote until the next meeting in February, and Dr. Kingsbury seconded the motion. The Board unanimously voted to consider the amendments at the next meeting.

Chuck asked if there were any objections to re-scheduling the February meeting from the 25th to the 17th of February. Bob moved to re-schedule the regular meeting in February to the 17th of that month, and Dr. Storey seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the next meeting date as February 17, 2026, at 11:00 AM at Orchard View.

CFO'S REPORT

Rick presented the Statistical and Financial Reports:

Statistical Report: Attached to these Minutes is the FY 2026 YTD Statistical Report.

Financial Report: Attached to these Minutes is the Hospital Authority of Columbus Consolidated Income Statement and Summary Report through December 31, 2025.

Rick reported that census was trending down at the end of the year, but the current census is 293, and Britt commented that census in January 2025 was 260. There were 49 admissions and 42 discharges in December 2025. Rick reported current balance sheet figures, and announced efforts continue through a consultant to obtain contracts with Humana, Aetna, and the VA. Also, efforts continue to be made to claim the balance of the Employee Retention Credit (about \$400,000). Rick indicated that an unusual delay has occurred in the fourth quarter payment of Nursing Home Supplemental Reimbursement (UPL) proceeds for 2025, but Rick expects about a million dollars to be paid to HAC once the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid approve the payment. The Workers' Compensation renewal was level with 2025 in spite of an increase in salary expense. Health insurance renewal included a 14% increase, which Rick and Britt explained was reasonable under the circumstances of HAC being self-insured. Typical increases for fully-insured holders is 30-50%. Rick reported his understanding that the 2017-2018 ad valorem tax issue for the Bibb Mill parcel has been resolved with a correction of the tax bills to \$0.00. Rick thanked Tony and Jack for their attention to and assistance with resolving the issue through the Tax Assessor and Tax Commissioner's offices.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Britt Hayes gave the President's report:

Insurance Renewals: Britt referred to Rick's report on the small increases to Workers' Compensation and Health insurance renewals.

Annual Surveys: Britt reported that a Joint Commission survey took place at Ridgecrest on December 4-5, and was followed by an annual survey on December 5-7. According to Britt, a Joint Commission certification includes financial benefits to the facility plus good publicity. A typical Joint Commission survey yields between 30-40 recommendations, and Ridgecrest received only 8 with recommendations and directions for small corrections, which have been completed and Ridgecrest received a Joint Commission Certificate. The annual state survey that followed resulted in only one tag being issued, and Ridgecrest was returned to compliance on January 22.

Brookstone Parcel: Britt announced he had an update on the Brookstone parcel. Wayne moved to go into Executive Session to discuss potential real estate transactions, and Sarah seconded the motion. The Board then went into Executive Session.

Staffing Mandate Removed: Britt reported the federal staffing mandate was repealed in December and no longer presents a concern.

New Initiatives: Britt reported savings by switching from Elder Care to Pharmerica for resident medications. The benefits of the switch include a difference in cost by 7% and \$22/day less. Also, Pharmerica delivers on Sundays, which was not previously available. Britt reported further a savings of \$50,000/year by switching food vendor group purchasing organizations to Incite. Sarah and Wayne recommended to Britt and Rick that potential savings be researched through a 3-40-B designation for indigent care, if applicable. Rick indicated he would look into it.

Community Outreach: According to Britt, Orchard View and Muscogee Manor participated in the Columbus Christmas parade and other holiday events. HAC leadership will attend a Health Fair on January 28 at 4th Street Church. Ridgecrest was named Legacy Business of the month,

which Britt anticipates will be a good source of publicity for the facility within the community. Britt also reported that he is speaking and performing at the GHCA Winter Convention in February, and that he will begin his tenure on the Board of Directors for the Springer Opera House next month.

Accolades: Britt announced that all three facilities have been recognized as Certified Centers of Excellence for Wound Management by Vohra Wound Physicians, which is a national recognition.

NEXT MEETING

Pursuant to the Board's approval, the next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 11:00 AM at Orchard View.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



JACK P. SCHLEY
Secretary/Attorney



CHARLES K. HECHT, III
Chairman

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS
 CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY REPORT
 MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Orchard View	Home Office	Ridgecrest	Muscogee Manor	Total Nursing Home	Cobis PCH	Muscogee Home Health	River Mill	Consolidated
BALANCE SHEET									
Cash	\$ 6,030,045	\$ -	\$ 7,109,589	\$ 5,738,351	\$ 18,877,985	\$ 58,106	\$ 513,946	\$ 3,784,537	\$ 23,234,574
Other Current Assets	4,137,913	-	1,943,634	3,606,150	9,687,697	4,473	270	-	9,692,440
Intercompany Balances	16,513,856	-	(4,231,652)	(5,651,025)	9,631,179	(6,389,957)	(2,318,704)	(922,518)	-
Noncurrent Assets	30,122,499	-	30,459,655	6,717,041	67,299,195	144,406	83,642	-	67,527,243
Total Assets	\$ 56,804,313	\$ -	\$ 38,281,226	\$ 10,410,517	\$ 105,496,056	\$ (6,182,972)	\$ (1,720,846)	\$ 2,862,019	\$ 100,454,257
Current Liabilities	\$ 2,577,419	\$ -	\$ 1,269,953	\$ 1,496,592	\$ 5,343,964	\$ -	\$ 19	\$ -	\$ 5,343,983
Non-current Liabilities (excluding bonds)	8,759,939	-	3,123,591	4,956,117	16,839,647	360,100	450,668	-	17,650,415
Bonds Payable	17,612,105	-	27,993,361	-	45,005,466	-	-	-	45,005,466
Total Liabilities	28,949,463	-	31,786,905	6,452,709	67,189,077	360,100	450,687	-	67,999,864
Fund Balance	27,854,850	-	6,494,321	3,957,808	38,306,979	(6,543,072)	(2,171,533)	2,862,019	32,454,393
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 56,804,313	\$ -	\$ 38,281,226	\$ 10,410,517	\$ 105,496,056	\$ (6,182,972)	\$ (1,720,846)	\$ 2,862,019	\$ 100,454,257
INCOME STATEMENT									
Revenue	\$ 1,710,292	\$ 110,166	\$ 641,703	\$ 1,042,375	\$ 3,504,536	\$ 2,003	\$ 13,665	\$ 7,190	\$ 3,527,394
Operating Expenses	1,561,177	132,661	650,754	1,142,531	3,487,123	719	79	-	3,487,921
Net Profit (Loss) before Noncash expense	149,115	(22,495)	(9,051)	(100,156)	17,413	1,284	13,586	7,190	39,473
Provision for Bad debts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest expense	(29,522)	-	(74,757)	-	(104,279)	-	-	-	(104,279)
Depreciation and Amortization	(83,762)	-	(92,042)	(8,886)	(184,690)	(275)	-	-	(184,965)
Current Month Income (loss)	\$ 35,831	\$ (22,495)	\$ (175,850)	\$ (109,042)	\$ (271,556)	\$ 1,009	\$ 13,586	\$ 7,190	\$ (249,771)
YTD Income (loss)	\$ 214,945	\$ (263,658)	\$ (637,842)	\$ (222,670)	\$ (909,225)	\$ 6,380	\$ 71,417	\$ 45,061	\$ (786,367)
Monthly Net Income (loss)	\$ 35,831	\$ (22,495)	\$ (175,850)	\$ (109,042)	\$ (271,556)	\$ 1,009	\$ 13,586	\$ 7,190	\$ (249,771)
Add: Depreciation	83,762	-	92,042	8,886	184,690	275	-	-	184,965
Add: Interest Expense	29,522	-	74,757	-	104,279	-	-	-	104,279
Less: Monthly bond payment	(185,453)	-	(66,608)	-	(252,061)	-	-	-	(252,061)
Less: Property & Equipment Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cash Flow	\$ (36,338)	\$ (22,495)	\$ (75,659)	\$ (100,156)	\$ (234,648)	\$ 1,284	\$ 13,586	\$ 7,190	\$ (212,588)

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS
FY 2026 YTD Statistical Report

	June	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sept	August	July	Average	Prior Year
Orchard View														
% Occupancy	72.32%	73.70%	68.58%	67.10%	65.10%	61.24%	68.01%	62.87%	68.01%	67.10%	65.10%	61.24%	68.01%	62.87%
Medicaid%	80.78%	76.91%	78.43%	74.99%	72.89%	75.22%	76.54%	75.46%	76.54%	74.99%	72.89%	75.22%	76.54%	75.46%
Medicare%	3.68%	6.45%	3.69%	4.84%	6.39%	7.64%	5.45%	7.06%	5.45%	4.84%	6.39%	7.64%	5.45%	7.06%
Private %	9.41%	8.73%	8.16%	7.90%	7.80%	8.72%	8.45%	9.06%	8.45%	7.90%	7.80%	8.72%	8.45%	9.06%
Hospice %	2.90%	3.78%	4.99%	4.10%	3.87%	3.08%	3.79%	3.86%	3.79%	4.10%	3.87%	3.08%	3.79%	3.86%
ADV %	3.23%	4.13%	4.73%	8.17%	9.05%	5.34%	5.78%	4.56%	5.78%	8.17%	9.05%	5.34%	5.78%	4.56%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	10.00	15.60	11.54	17.47	20.09	15.90	15.10	14.72	15.10	17.47	20.09	15.90	15.10	14.72
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	211.22	199.11	192.93	196.02	192.17	186.04	196.25	179.57	196.25	196.02	192.17	186.04	196.25	179.57
Ridgecrest														
% Occupancy	59.68%	58.89%	59.33%	57.02%	57.22%	57.49%	58.27%	46.00%	58.27%	57.02%	57.22%	57.49%	58.27%	46.00%
Medicaid%	60.88%	61.12%	63.50%	60.96%	57.18%	52.57%	59.37%	58.73%	59.37%	60.96%	57.18%	52.57%	59.37%	58.73%
Medicare%	11.45%	7.95%	2.46%	7.17%	9.19%	10.82%	8.17%	8.33%	8.17%	7.17%	9.19%	10.82%	8.17%	8.33%
Private %	21.30%	22.91%	23.75%	21.92%	20.54%	20.57%	21.83%	21.91%	21.83%	21.92%	20.54%	20.57%	21.83%	21.91%
Hospice %	3.99%	4.58%	4.92%	7.17%	8.32%	9.69%	6.45%	6.30%	6.45%	7.17%	8.32%	9.69%	6.45%	6.30%
ADV %	2.38%	3.44%	5.37%	2.78%	4.77%	6.35%	4.18%	4.73%	4.18%	2.78%	4.77%	6.35%	4.18%	4.73%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	6.94	5.63	3.91	4.76	6.71	8.29	6.04	5.09	6.04	4.76	6.71	8.29	6.04	5.09
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	68.67	61.95	60.58	62.62	59.58	61.65	61.65	45.53	61.65	62.62	59.58	61.65	61.65	45.53
Muscogee Manor														
% Occupancy	44.37%	46.17%	45.05%	45.63%	45.16%	46.08%	45.41%	49.12%	45.41%	45.63%	45.16%	46.08%	45.41%	49.12%
Medicaid%	87.95%	86.74%	89.62%	90.35%	91.62%	91.93%	89.70%	90.32%	89.70%	90.35%	91.62%	91.93%	89.70%	90.32%
Medicare%	1.48%	1.10%	2.08%	1.45%	1.09%	0.14%	1.22%	1.56%	1.22%	1.45%	1.09%	0.14%	1.22%	1.56%
Private %	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.11%	0.19%	1.67%	0.19%	0.00%	0.00%	1.11%	0.19%	1.67%
Hospice %	10.57%	12.16%	8.29%	8.20%	7.29%	6.82%	8.89%	6.29%	6.82%	8.20%	7.29%	6.82%	8.89%	6.29%
ADV %	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.15%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.15%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	1.29	1.00	1.84	1.30	0.97	1.09	1.66	1.66	1.66	1.30	0.97	1.09	1.66	1.66
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	150.07	140.17	138.55	138.36	136.71	148.26	142.02	139.74	142.02	138.36	136.71	148.26	142.02	139.74

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS
12 MONTH MOVING STATISTICAL REPORT

	Dec-25	Nov-25	Oct-25	Sep-25	Aug-25	Jul-25	Jun-25	May-25	Apr-25	Mar-25	Feb-25	Jan-25	Dec-24	12 Mth Average	Prior Year Avg
Orchard View															
% Occupancy	71.32%	73.72%	68.55%	67.10%	65.10%	61.24%	58.05%	56.77%	58.87%	61.89%	65.13%	63.37%	67.61%	64.55%	62.87%
Medicaid%	80.78%	76.91%	78.43%	74.99%	72.69%	75.22%	76.68%	76.85%	76.67%	76.88%	71.57%	76.94%	74.74%	76.12%	75.46%
Medicare%	3.68%	6.65%	3.65%	4.84%	6.39%	7.64%	6.32%	6.05%	7.45%	7.14%	9.40%	6.72%	8.06%	6.44%	7.06%
Private %	9.41%	8.73%	8.16%	7.90%	8.72%	8.72%	3.82%	9.12%	8.18%	8.26%	8.95%	9.47%	8.25%	8.68%	9.06%
Hospice %	2.90%	3.78%	4.95%	4.10%	3.87%	3.08%	4.68%	4.22%	5.80%	5.66%	3.45%	2.49%	2.70%	3.98%	3.86%
ADV %	3.23%	4.13%	4.73%	8.17%	9.05%	5.94%	2.53%	3.78%	1.30%	2.06%	6.69%	4.38%	6.25%	4.79%	4.56%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	10.00	11.60	11.54	17.47	20.09	15.90	10.30	11.16	11.00	11.39	20.82	14.06	19.35	14.51	14.72
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	211.22	199.11	192.53	196.02	192.17	186.03	180.05	179.26	172.00	169.72	176.75	194.45	187.00	187.47	179.57
Ridgcrest															
% Occupancy	59.68%	58.83%	50.33%	57.02%	57.22%	57.45%	50.83%	50.69%	49.29%	46.77%	46.43%	45.43%	43.01%	51.47%	46.00%
Medicaid%	60.85%	61.24%	62.50%	60.96%	57.18%	52.57%	60.11%	59.93%	58.13%	55.47%	53.94%	57.40%	53.84%	58.07%	58.73%
Medicare%	11.45%	7.55%	2.45%	7.17%	9.19%	10.82%	13.90%	9.70%	2.17%	6.24%	9.52%	9.21%	10.98%	8.52%	8.33%
Private %	21.80%	21.31%	23.75%	21.52%	20.44%	20.57%	15.30%	19.39%	19.81%	22.66%	21.61%	20.12%	21.16%	20.85%	21.91%
Hospice %	3.99%	4.58%	4.92%	7.17%	8.13%	9.69%	7.42%	7.05%	3.05%	7.54%	9.34%	7.86%	3.88%	7.34%	6.30%
ADV %	2.38%	3.44%	5.37%	2.78%	4.77%	6.35%	3.28%	3.94%	11.84%	8.05%	5.59%	5.41%	4.64%	5.22%	4.73%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	6.94	5.63	3.91	4.76	6.71	8.29	7.33	5.81	5.80	5.61	5.89	5.56	5.65	5.82	5.09
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	69.57	61.95	60.58	62.62	59.58	56.51	53.33	51.62	50.89	47.67	46.18	46.44	49.45	55.19	45.53
Muscarege Manor															
% Occupancy	44.37%	46.37%	45.05%	45.63%	45.16%	46.08%	47.06%	48.05%	47.82%	48.06%	48.34%	48.91%	49.06%	46.90%	49.12%
Medicaid%	87.5%	86.74%	89.62%	89.62%	91.62%	91.62%	91.13%	90.05%	89.02%	91.95%	91.48%	92.33%	91.11%	90.45%	90.32%
Medicare%	1.48%	1.10%	2.08%	1.45%	1.09%	0.14%	0.87%	1.41%	3.02%	1.37%	1.06%	0.00%	1.63%	1.28%	1.56%
Private %	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.11%	1.06%	1.06%	1.60%	1.06%	1.06%	1.00%	1.04%	0.70%	1.67%
Hospice %	10.57%	11.85%	8.29%	8.20%	7.29%	6.82%	6.94%	7.51%	5.76%	5.62%	5.64%	6.63%	6.24%	7.53%	6.29%
ADV %	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.57%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.15%
Daily Medicare and ADV Census	1.29	1.00	1.84	1.30	0.97	0.13	0.80	1.32	2.83	1.29	1.54	1.22	1.55	1.22	1.66
Employment (Full Time Equivalents)	150.07	140.17	138.55	138.36	136.71	148.26	150.02	137.54	140.04	136.52	136.41	146.61	153.48	143.52	159.74



MINUTES

A meeting of the Planning Advisory Commission was held Tuesday, July 16, 2025 in the Council Chambers of the Citizen Service Center.

Commissioners Present:

Chairperson: Brad Baker

Vice Chairperson:

Commissioners: Zarome Lackey, Larry Derby, Rick Stallings, Patrick Steed, Gloria Thomas, Lakshmi Karthik

Absent: Michael Ernst

Staff Members: John Renfroe, Assistant Planning Director and Will Johnson, Planning Director

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Baker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. He explained the rezoning process to the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairperson Baker asked for a motion on the minutes from May 21, 2025. Chairperson Mason made a motion to submit the minutes as accepted. No changes or additions by other commissioners. Motion carries, minutes accepted.

ZONING CASES:

- 1. REZN-03-25-0489:** A request to rezone 2.21 acres of land located at 4389 Weems Road. Current zoning is Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) zoning district. Proposed zoning is Residential Multifamily - 1 (RMF1) zoning district. The proposed use is Multifamily Development (24 Townhomes). P & B Holdings, LLC is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 5 (Crabb).

John Renfroe read the staff report.

Applicant: P&B Holdings, LLC

Owner: Am Home Builders, LLC

Location: 4389 Weems Road

Parcel:	082-018-026
Acreage:	2.21 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Single Family Residential – 2
Proposed Zoning Classification:	Residential Multifamily – 1
Current Use of Property:	Single Family Residential
Proposed Use of Property:	Multifamily Residential
General Land Use:	Inconsistent Planning Area A
Current Land Use Designation:	Rural Residential
Future Land Use Designation:	Single Family Residential
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	No
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Engineering:	This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.
Buffer Requirement:	The site shall include a Category B buffer along all property lines bordered by the SFR2 zoning district. The 3 options under Category B are: 1) 15 feet with a certain amount of canopy trees, under story trees, and shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet. 2) 10 feet with a certain amount of shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet and a wood fence or masonry wall. 3) 20 feet undisturbed natural buffer

Surrounding Zoning:

North	Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2)
South	Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2)
East	Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2)
West	Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Thirty-Seven (37)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received three calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	3 Responses

Additional Information: 24 Townhomes proposed

Applicant: Reduced to 18 units; agreed to 8-ft fence and no Section 8 housing; rents \$1,400–\$1,600 for 2-bed/2.5-bath.

Public Comments:

- For: None.
- Against: Multiple speakers (Ricky Jones, Mike Rich, Barbara, Tim Martinez, Mary McBride) cited watershed protection, traffic, privacy, runoff, crime, property values, and opposition to density; referenced past assurances land was undevelopable.

Commission Discussion: Confirmed no gating decided; addressed water concerns with detention pond; noted reduction from 24 units and neighbor meetings.

Motion: Deny (incompatible with existing uses) made by Commissioner Stallings. Commissioner Steed Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous denial 6-0. (Case may proceed to City Council.)

2. REZN-05-25-1002: A request to rezone 0.20 acres of land located at 4306 3rd Avenue. Current zoning is Light Manufacturing / Industrial (LMI) zoning district. Proposed zoning is Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) zoning district. The proposed use is Residential. Jeff Holloway is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 8 (Garrett).

John Renfro read the staff report.

Applicant: Jeff Holloway

Owner: Impecunious Investors, LLC

Location: 4306 3rd Avenue

Parcel: 013-001-031

Acreage: 0.20 Acres

Current Zoning Classification: Light Manufacturing / Industrial (LMI)

Proposed Zoning Classification: RMF1 (Residential Multifamily 1) with conditions:

- 1) Front setback reduced to 5'.

Current Use of Property: Residential

Proposed Use of Property: Residential

General Land Use: Consistent Planning Area 8 (Garrett)

Current Land Use Designation: Single Family Residential

Future Land Use Designation: Single Family Residential

Compatible with Existing Land-Uses: Yes

Environmental Impacts: The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.

City Services: Property is served by all city services.

Traffic Impact: Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will increase by 0 trips if used for residential use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level A.

Traffic Engineering: This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.

Buffer Requirement: The site shall include a Category A buffer along all property lines bordered by the RMF1 zoning district. The 3 options under Category A are:

- 1) **5 feet** with a certain amount of canopy trees, under story trees, and shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet.
- 2) **10 feet** with a certain amount of shrubs /

ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet and a wood fence or masonry wall.

3) 20 feet undisturbed natural buffer.

Surrounding Zoning:	North	Light Manufacturing / Industrial (LMI)
	South	Light Manufacturing / Industrial (LMI)
	East	Light Manufacturing / Industrial (LMI)
	West	Residential Multifamily 2 (RMF2)

Attitude of Property Owners: Thirty (30) property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Applicant: Owned since 2012 as single-family rental; believes LMI zoning was erroneous; renovations complete.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve by Commissioner Karthik. Seconded by Commissioner Thomas.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

- 3. **REZN-05-25-1001:** A request to rezone 0.20 acres of land located at 2112 11th Avenue. Current zoning is General Commercial (GC) zoning district. Proposed zoning is Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) zoning district. The proposed use is Single Family Residential. Plex Capital Investors, LLC is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 7 (Cogle).

John Renfroe read the staff report.

Applicant:	Plex Capital Investors, LLC
Owner:	Same
Location:	2112 11th Avenue
Parcel:	028-023-010
Acreage:	0.20 Acres

Current Zoning Classification:		GC (General Commercial)
Proposed Zoning Classification:		RMF1 (Residential Multifamily 1)
Current Use of Property:		Vacant
Proposed Use of Property:		Residential
General Land Use:		Inconsistent Planning Area 7 (Cogle)
Current Land Use Designation:		Single Family Residential
Future Land Use Designation:		Office/Professional
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:		Yes
Environmental Impacts:		The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:		Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Impact:		Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will decrease to 11 trips from 54 trips if used for Residential use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level A.
Traffic Engineering:		This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.
Buffer Requirement:		The site shall include a Category A buffer along all property lines bordered by the SFR3 zoning district. The 3 options under Category A are: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) 5 feet with a certain amount of canopy trees, under story trees, and shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet.2) 10 feet with a certain amount of shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet and a wood fence or masonry wall.3) 20 feet undisturbed natural buffer.
Surrounding Zoning:	North South East West	General Commercial (GC) Residential Mutlifamily 1 (RMF1) General Commercial (GC) Residential Office (RO)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Thirty (30)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval 0 Responses
Opposition 0 Responses

Applicant **(Austin Gibson):** Zoned GC in 1970s but used as single-family; seeks to align with actual use.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve by Commissioner Stallings. Seconded by Commissioner Thomas.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

- 4. REZN-05-25-0929:** A request to rezone 3.72 acres of land located at 5674 Whittlesey Boulevard. Current zoning is PUD (Planned Unit Development) / General Commercial (GC) zoning district. Proposed zoning is General Commercial (GC) zoning district. The proposed use is lot split for stormwater detention. Sons Mini Real Estate, LLC is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 8 (Garrett).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Applicant: Sons Mini Real Estate, LLC
Owner: SONS Automotive Group
Location: 5674 Whittlesey Blvd
Parcel: 072-016-002
Acreage: 3.72 Acres
Current Zoning Classification: Planned Unit Development (PUD) / General Commercial (GC)
Proposed Zoning Classification: General Commercial (GC)
Current Use of Property: Vacant
Proposed Use of Property: Stormwater Detention Facility

General Land Use: Consistent
Planning Area 8 (Garrett)

Current Land Use Designation: Vacant/Undeveloped

Future Land Use Designation: General Commercial

Compatible with Existing Land-Uses: Yes

Environmental Impacts: The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.

City Services: Property is served by all city services.

Traffic Engineering: This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.

Surrounding Zoning:

North	General Commercial (GC)
South	Planned Unit Development (PUD)
East	Planned Unit Development (PUD)
West	Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Five (5)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Applicant **(Austin Gibson):** Part of 50+ acre tract for Suns Chevrolet; separates detention into own lot.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner Derby. Commissioner Steed Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

5. **REZN-05-25-0928:** A request to rezone 11.82 acres of land located at 5674 Whittlesey Boulevard. PUD (Planned Unit Development) / General Commercial (GC)

zoning district. Proposed zoning is Residential Office (RO) zoning district. The proposed use is Multifamily Development. Steven Campisi is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 8 (Garrett).

John Refroe read the staff report.

- Applicant:** Steven Campisi
- Owner:** SONS Automotive Group
- Location:** 5674 Whittlesey Blvd
- Parcel:** 072-016-002
- Acreage:** 11.82 Acres
- Current Zoning Classification:** Planned Unit Development (PUD) / General Commercial (GC)
- Proposed Zoning Classification:** Residential Office (RO)
- Current Use of Property:** Undeveloped
- Proposed Use of Property:** Multifamily
- General Land Use:** Inconsistent Planning Area 8 (Garrett)
- Current Land Use Designation:** Vacant/Undeveloped
- Future Land Use Designation:** General Commercial
- Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:** Yes
- Environmental Impacts:** The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
- City Services:** Property is served by all city services.
- Traffic Impact:** Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will increase to 531 trips up from 11 trips if used for Commercial use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level B.

Traffic Engineering: This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.

Surrounding Zoning: **North** General Commercial (GC)
 South Planned Unit Development (PUD)
 East Planned Unit Development (PUD)
 West Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Five (5)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval 0 Responses
Opposition 0 Responses

Applicant **(Austin Gibson):** Adds to PUD for 88 townhomes + 336 apartments (Class A, market-rate); no access via Oberlin Dr.; rents ~\$1,500 for 2-bed. Developer (Marcus Weedar, Hillpointe LLC) emphasized attainable housing for essential workers.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner Steed. Commissioner Thomas Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval.

- 6. **REZN-06-25-1133:** A request to rezone 3.29 acres of land located at 3564 Forrest Road. NC (Neighborhood Commercial) / SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2) zoning district. Proposed zoning is SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2) zoning district. The proposed use is Church with School. Charles A Rossi, III is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 1 (Hickey).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Applicant: Charles A Rossi, III
Owner: Edgewood Baptist Church
Location: 3564 Forrest Road
Parcel: 067-018-012 / 067-018-006

Acreage:	3.29 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	NC (Neighborhood Commercial) / SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2)
Proposed Zoning Classification:	SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2)
Current Use of Property:	Church
Proposed Use of Property:	Church with School
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area E
Current Land Use Designation:	Public / Institution
Future Land Use Designation:	Single Family Residential
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	Yes
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Impact:	Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will increase to 324 trips from 40 trips if used for Church use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level B.
Traffic Engineering:	This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.
Buffer Requirement:	The site shall include a Category C buffer along all property lines bordered by the NC zoning district. The 3 options under Category A are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 20 feet with a certain amount of canopy trees, under story trees, and shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet. 2) 10 feet with a certain amount of shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet and a wood fence or masonry wall. 3) 30 feet undisturbed natural buffer.

Surrounding Zoning: **North** NC (Neighborhood Commercial)
 South SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2)
 East SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2)
 West RO (Residential Office)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Twenty-five (25)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval 0 Responses
Opposition 0 Responses

Applicant **(Chuck Rossi):** Aligns entire footprint under SFR2.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner Stallings . Commissioner Thomas Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

7. EXCP-06-25-1134: A request for a Special Exception Use for 3.29 acres of land located at 3564 Forrest Road. Current zoning is NC (Neighborhood Commercial) / SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2) zoning district. The proposed use is to allow Places of Worship, 250 or more seat and Schools, Public or Private in the SFR2 (Single Family Residential 2) zoning district. Rivendell Academy, Inc is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 1 (Hickey).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Staff Report: Adequate access/services; minimal impacts; 25 owners notified, no responses.

Applicant **(Douglas Dyer):** Reopen 1999-built school; exception needed due to prior vacancy >6 months.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner . Commissioner Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

8. **REZN-06-25-1135:** A request to rezone 24.20 acres of land located at 0 Cusseta Road. LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial) zoning district. Proposed zoning is RMF2 (Residential Multifamily 2) zoning district. The proposed use is Multifamily Apartments. Cussetawood, LLC is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 7 (Cogle).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Applicant:	Cussetawood, LLC
Owner:	Same
Location:	0 Cusseta Road
Parcel:	024-022-002 / 024-022-001
Acreage:	24.20 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
Proposed Zoning Classification:	RMF2 (Residential Multifamily 2)
Current Use of Property:	Vacant
Proposed Use of Property:	Multifamily Apartments
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area C
Current Land Use Designation:	Vacant / Undeveloped
Future Land Use Designation:	Light Manufacturing / Industrial
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	Yes
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Impact:	Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will decrease to 856 trips from 3472 trips if used for commercial

use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level A.

Traffic Engineering:

This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.

Buffer Requirement:

The site shall include a Category C buffer along all property lines bordered by the LMI zoning district. The 3 options under Category C are:

- 1) **20 feet** with a certain amount of canopy trees, under story trees, and shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet.
- 2) **10 feet** with a certain amount of shrubs / ornamental grasses per 100 linear feet and a wood fence or masonry wall.
- 3) **30 feet** undisturbed natural buffer.

Surrounding Zoning:

North
South
East
West

LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)

Attitude of Property Owners:

Twenty-three (23) property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval **0 Responses**
Opposition **0 Responses**

Applicant

(Scott Hoy): Owned 50 years; low-income tax credit apartments; compatible with nearby housing.

Public Comments:

None explicitly noted.

Motion:

Motion to Approve Commissioner Derby . Commissioner Steed Seconded.

Vote:

5-1, Commissioner Thomas voting against.

9. **REZN-06-25-1136:** A request to rezone 0.96 acres of land located at 1222 5th Avenue. LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial) zoning district. Proposed zoning is UPT (Uptown) zoning district. The proposed use is Apartments and Small Offices. Union Station, LLC is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 7 (Cogle).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Applicant:	Union Station, LLC
Owner:	Same
Location:	1222 5 th Avenue
Parcel:	018-010-010
Acreage:	0.96 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
Proposed Zoning Classification:	UPT (Uptown)
Current Use of Property:	Vacant
Proposed Use of Property:	Apartments / Small Offices
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area D
Current Land Use Designation:	Vacant
Future Land Use Designation:	High Mixed Use
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	Yes
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Impact:	Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will increase to 291 up from 18 trips if used for mixed use use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level B.
Traffic Engineering:	This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of

the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.

Surrounding Zoning:	North	GC (General Commercial)
	South	LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
	East	LMI (Light Manufacturing / Industrial)
	West	UPT (Uptown)

Attitude of Property Owners: **Thirty-five (35)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner Thomas . Commissioner Karthik Secoded.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

10. EXCP-06-25-1138: A request for a Special Exception Use for 32.00 acres of land located at 7701 River Road. Current zoning is RE1 (Residential Estate 1) zoning district. The proposed use is to allow Places of Worship, 250 or more seat in the RE1 (Residential Estate 1) zoning district. Church of the Highlands is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 2 (David).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Church of the Highlands has submitted an application for the Special Exception Use cited above. The property is located in a RE1 (Residential Estate 1) zoning district. The site for the proposed Places of Worship, 250 or more seat located at 7701 River Road. The purpose of the Special Exception Use is to allow for the operation of a Places of Worship, 250 or more seat located within the RE1 (Residential Estate 1) zoning district:

(1) Access: Is or will the type of street providing access to the use be adequate to serve the proposed special exception use?

River Road is an undivided arterial. It will provide adequate free flow movement.

(2) Traffic and Pedestrian Safety: Is or will access into and out of the property be adequate to provide for traffic and pedestrian safety, the anticipated volume of the

traffic flow, and access by emergency vehicles?

Access into and out of the property in question will provide for adequate traffic and pedestrian safety and emergency access.

(3) Adequacy of Public Facilities: Are or will public facilities such as school, water, or sewer utilities and police and fire protection be adequate to serve the special exception use?

Services such as water, utilities, police, and fire protection are adequate.

(4) Protection from Adverse Affects: Are or will refuse, service, parking and loading areas on the property be located or screened to protect other properties in the area from such adverse effects as noise, light, glare or odor?

The property is surrounded by SFR2. Noise, light, flare and odor should be limited due to the nature of the structure.

(5) Hours of Operation: Will the hours and manner of operation of the special exception use have no adverse effects on other properties in the area?

The hours of operation for this use will not have an adverse impact on the neighboring properties in the area.

(6) Compatibility: Will the height, size, or location of the buildings or other structures on the property be compatible with the height, size, character, or location of buildings or other structures on neighboring properties?

This structures height, size and location should match the uses found in other RE1 (Residential Estate 1) properties.

Council District: District 2 (Davis)

Twenty-five (25) property owners within 300 feet of the property have been notified by mail of the proposed Special Exception Use. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Motion to Approve Commissioner Thomas . Commissioner Karthik Seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval, 6-0.

11. REZN-06-25-1179: A request to rezone 143.90 acres of land located at 9101 Macon Road. PMUD (Planned Mixed Used Development) zoning district. Proposed zoning PMUD (Planned Mixed Used Development) with conditions zoning district. The proposed use is Mixed Use. Midland Downs Development is the applicant. The property is located in Council District 6 (Allen).

John Refroe read the staff report.

Applicant:	Midland Downs Development
Owner:	Same
Location:	9101 Maco Road
Parcel:	131-001-038 / 128-017-017 / 131-001-024
Acreage:	143.90 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	PMUD (Planned Mixed Use Development)
Proposed Zoning Classification:	PMUD (Planned Mixed Use Development) with conditions: 1) Increase multifamily density
Current Use of Property:	Mixed Use
Proposed Use of Property:	Mixed Use
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area B
Current Land Use Designation:	Mixed Use
Future Land Use Designation:	Mixed Use
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	Yes
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Impact:	Average Annual Daily Trips (AADT) will increase to 3395 trips up from 2341 trips if used for mixed use. The Level of Service (LOS) will remain at level B.
Traffic Engineering:	This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for commercial usage.

Surrounding Zoning:	North South East West	HMI (Heavy Manufacturing / Industrial) RE1 (Residential Estate 1) GC (General Commercial) PMUD (Planned Mixed Used Development)
Attitude of Property Owners:	Fifty-one (51) property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.	
	Approval Opposition	0 Responses 0 Responses
Staff Report:	Consistent; increases trips (Level B); no school impact; 51 owners notified, 3 calls (concerns re: traffic, schools, density); online petition with ~398 signatures against.	
Applicant	(Austin Gibson/Philip Theer): Increases from 214 to 342 units (market-rate, gated, 2-3 stories); donates 12 acres green space; maintains buffers; neighborhood meeting scheduled July 22 at Salmon Road Rec Center.	
Public Comments:	None.	
For:	None.	
Against:	Multiple speakers (e.g., Mallorie Faxo, Carmen Vasquez, Jessica Carden, Chris Osborne, Daniel Walker, Shenikua Musa, Eddie Stalworth, spouse, Danny Ervinia) cited traffic, schools overcrowding, drainage/runoff, wildlife/privacy, crime, buffers, property values; requested tabling until after meeting; petition with 361 signatures; concerns re: notification, developer transparency.	
Commission Discussion:	Confirmed prior 2011 approval for 214 units; buffers unchanged; no wildlife studies by planning; stormwater managed by engineering.	
Motion:	Motion to Approve Commissioner Steed . Commissioner Stallings Seconded.	
Vote: Approved (opposition noted; vote count not specified).		
NEW BUSINESS: N/A		

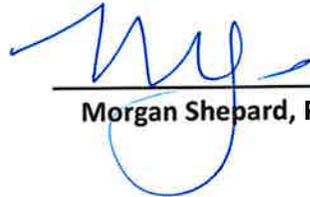
OLD BUSINESS: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: 11:21 A.M.

RECORDING: Planning Advisory Community Meeting 07-16-2025 - YouTube



Brad Baker, Chairperson



Morgan Shepard, Principal Planner



MINUTES

A meeting of the Planning Advisory Commission was held Wednesday, August 20, 2025 in the Council Chambers of the Citizen Service Center.

Commissioners Present:

Chairperson: Brad Baker

Vice Chairperson:

Commissioners: Zarome Lackey, Gloria Thomas, Lakshmi Karthik, Rick Stallings

Absent: Michael Ernst, Patrick Steed

Staff Members: John Renfroe, Assistant Planning Director and Morgan Shepard, Principal Planner

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Baker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. He explained the rezoning process to the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairperson Baker asked for a motion on the minutes from July 16, 2025. No changes or additions by other commissioners. Motion carries, minutes accepted.

ZONING CASES:

- REZN-06-25-1190:** A request to rezone 0.09 acres of land located at 2506 Riverside Drive. Current zoning is Residential Multifamily – 2 (RMF2). Proposed zoning Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) with conditions. The proposed use is Single Family Residential. Marian Taylor is the applicant. This property is located in Council District 8 (Garrett).

Morgan Shepard read the staff report.

Applicant: Charly Vazquez

Owner: Charly Vazquez

Location: 1420 Wynnton Road

Parcel: 026-024-001

Acreage: 1.24 Acres

Current Zoning Classification:		Residential Office
Proposed Zoning Classification:		Single Family Residential - 2
Current Use of Property:		Vacant
Proposed Use of Property:		Single Family Residential
General Land Use:		Consistent Planning Area D
Current Land Use Designation:		Single Family Residential
Future Land Use Designation:		Single Family Residential
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:		Yes
Environmental Impacts:		The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:		Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Engineering:		This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for residential usage.
Traffic Impact:		<p>The proposed rezoning from RO to SFR2 for a single-family house at 1420 Wynnton Road will result in a significant reduction in traffic compared to potential office development under the current zoning.</p> <p>The projected trip generation of 9 daily trips and 1 trip per peak hour will have a negligible impact on the existing LOS B of Wynnton Road. The development aligns with the residential character of the surrounding community and is unlikely to exacerbate traffic or congestion issues.</p>
Surrounding Zoning:	North	Residential Office
	South	Single Family Residential – 2
	East	Residential Office
	West	Residential Office

Attitude of Property Owners:

Thirty Five (35) property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received no calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval 0 Responses
Opposition 0 Responses

Additional Information:

Existing Single Family residence. Property is within the Wynns Hill Overlook Historic District and subject to regulations.

Applicant: Charly Vazquez described his plans to rebuild the house in accordance with the original plans. He will act as the general contractor

Public Comments: Steve Anthony shared his concerns with the feasibility of the rebuild based on his expertise as a home builder. He discussed the history, the damage and that this is a massive undertaking.

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Commissioner Stallings moved to approve the rezoning as requested. Commissioner Thomas seconded.

Vote: Unanimously approved, 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: 9:17 A.M.

RECORDING: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B11u_YxHI58



Brad Baker, Chairperson



Morgan Shepard, Principal Planner



Planning Advisory Commission

October 1, 2025

MINUTES

A meeting of the Planning Advisory Commission was held Wednesday, October 1, 2025 in the Council Chambers of the Citizen Service Center.

Commissioners Present:

Chairperson: Brad Baker
 Vice Chairperson: Michael Ernst
 Commissioners: Rick Stallings, Haley Lyman, Anthony Smith, Zarome Lackey
Absent: Gloria Thomas, Patrick Steed, Lakshmi Karthik
Staff Members: Morgan Shepard, Principal Planner

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Baker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. He explained the rezoning process to the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairperson Baker asked for a motion on the minutes from September 3, 2025. No changes or additions by other commissioners. Motion carries, minutes accepted.

ZONING CASES:

- EXCP-09-25-1728:** A request for A Special Exception Use of 31.77 acres of land located at 1650 Hubbard Road. Current zoning is Residential Estates – 1 (RE1). The proposed use is a Resource Conservation Subdivision. Edgar Hughston Builder, Inc is the applicant. This property is located in Council District 2 (Davis).

Morgan Shepard read the staff report.

Edgar Hughston Builder, Inc has submitted an application for the Special Exception Use cited above. The property is located in a Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) zoning district. The site for the proposed Conservation Subdivision is located at 1650 Hubbard Road. The purpose of the Special Exception Use is to allow for the operation of a Resource Conservation Subdivision located within the Residential Estate – 1 (RE1) zoning district:

(1) Access: Is or will the type of street providing access to the use be adequate to serve the proposed special exception use?

Hubbard Road will provide adequate free flow movement.

(2) Traffic and Pedestrian Safety : Is or will access into and out of the property be adequate to provide for traffic and pedestrian safety, the anticipated volume of the traffic flow, and access by emergency vehicles?

Access into and out of the property in question will provide for adequate traffic and pedestrian safety and emergency access.

(3) Adequacy of Public Facilities: Are or will public facilities such as school, water, or sewer utilities and police and fire protection be adequate to serve the special exception use?

Services such as water, utilities, police, and fire protection are adequate.

(4) Protection from Adverse Affects: Are or will refuse, service, parking and loading areas on the property be located or screened to protect other properties in the area from such adverse effects as noise, light, glare or odor?

The property is surrounded by Single Family Residential use. Noise, light, flare and odor should be limited due to the nature of the use.

(5) Hours of Operation: Will the hours and manner of operation of the special exception use have no adverse effects on other properties in the area?

N/A

(6) Compatibility: Will the height, size, or location of the buildings or other structures on the property be compatible with the height, size, character, or location of buildings or other structures on neighboring properties?

The maximum height and lot coverage are consistent with the surrounding zoning regulations.

Council District: District 2 (Davis)

Additional Information: 30 single family residential parcels proposed.

Applicant Presentation: Tyler Finley (Houston Homes, 6053 Veterans Parkway, Suite 300) and Brandon Bolt (Bolt Engineering, 400 Second Avenue, Local 364) provided details. The plan mimics the adjacent Heer Horn Farms, offering 62% raw open space, buffers (30-50 feet along Hubbard Road, 480 feet west, 80 feet east, 80-400 feet south), and density/lot yield equivalent to standard RE1 (no extra lots). Minimum lot size: 13,000 square feet.

Public Input: No speakers for or against.

Commission Discussion: Commissioners inquired about lot sizes (confirmed as similar to RE1, around half-acre or third-acre equivalents).

Motion: Commissioner Ernst moved to recommend approval the special exception use, Commissioner Lackey seconded.

Vote: Unanimous (5-0)

- 2. **REZN-07-25-1260:** A request to rezone 21.70 acres of land located at 8828 Veterans Parkway. Current zoning is Planned Unit Development (PUD). Proposed zoning Planned Unit Development (PUD) with conditoin change. The proposed use is Single and Multifamily Residential Development. Tiger Creek Development is the applicant. This property is located in Council District 6 (Allen).

Morgan Shepard read the staff report.

Applicant:	Tiger Creek Development, Inc
Owner:	Tiger Creek Development, Inc
Location:	8828 Veterans Parkway & 4885 Charleston Way
Parcel:	079-002-002A/3/7/8..cont'd..
Acreage:	21.70 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Planned Unit Development
Proposed Zoning Classification:	Planned Unit Development
Current Use of Property:	Single Family Residential
Proposed Use of Property:	Single Family & Multifamily Residential
General Land Use:	Inconsistent Planning Area A
Current Land Use Designation:	Single Family Residential
Future Land Use Designation:	Mixed Use
Compatible with Existing Land-Uses:	Yes (Proposed Single Family Parcel only)
Environmental Impacts:	The property does not lie within the floodway and floodplain area. The developer will need an approved drainage plan prior to issuance of a Site Development permit, if a permit is required.
City Services:	Property is served by all city services.
Traffic Engineering:	This site shall meet the Codes and regulations of the Columbus Consolidated Government for

residential usage.

Traffic Impact:

The proposed development of 50 single-family houses and 80 townhomes at 8828 Veterans Parkway and 4885 Charleston Way will generate approximately 1,048 daily trips, with 79 AM peak and 99 PM peak trips.

The impact on Veterans Parkway is minimal (4.2% increase), maintaining LOS C. Charleston Way will experience a significant increase (38.4%), potentially degrading LOS to B, which remains acceptable but warrants mitigation.

Buffer Requirement:

Per PUD Ordinance

Surrounding Zoning:

North
South
East
West

Residential Estate - 1
Planned Unit Development
Planned Unit Development
Residential Estate - 1

Attitude of Property Owners:

Thirty (33) property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received several calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning and a petition.

Approval
Opposition

0 Responses
102 Responses

Additional Information:

Modify approved PUD Site Plan:

- Single Family Residential lots on 11.49 acres consistent with SFR2, approximately 16 lots with access from Sullivans Drive.
- Multifamily townhomes with access from Charleston Way on 18.10 acres, approximately 83 townhomes consistent with RMF1.

Applicant Presentation: Dave Ericson (Tiger Creek Development, 4 Bradley Park Court) explained the request. Emphasized PUD's flexibility for diverse character, green space, and amenities. Not increasing overall density but reallocating: larger single-family lots in Plat A (targeting 3,000-3,400 sq ft homes, priced high \$400s to low \$500s) and townhomes in Plat B (reduced from 83 to 78 units; upscale/luxury with two-car garages, overflow parking; maintenance-provided with common sprinklers and landscaping). Plat B to follow RMF1 standards within PUD. Additional features: 100-foot open space buffer under power easement

separating sections; no amenities in open space per community consensus. Addressed changing economics, housing affordability, and consistency with comprehensive plan. Noted consultations with neighbors, resulting in modifications. Traffic: Subdivision designed for 5,000 daily trips; townhomes generate ~25% less traffic than single-family (6.5 vs. 8.5-9 trips/unit). Veterans Parkway widening to four lanes with turn lanes. Connectivity via Oriana Street to The Promenades. Proposed conditions: Extend fence along north boundary of Plat A by 200 feet; separate HOA subset for Plat B maintenance; optional speed table on Charleston Way (subject to engineering approval).

Public Input (Opposition):

- **Ben Sorrel (8647 Blackman Road):** Family owns adjacent 11-acre RE1 property. Noted 11-year history; original 2014 approval for ~40 single-family homes in Plat B after heated discussions. Opposed doubling density to 78-83 units, citing increased noise, traffic, congestion. Argued developer delayed Phase 3 start until 2020 (post-COVID), changing economics shouldn't override good-faith agreements.
- **Henry Lee Holloway (5112 Sumpter Court; HOA board member):** Original owner since 2021; chose area for single-family homes, community diversity, safety. Developer initially marketed as single-family; recent visit omitted townhome details until end. Petition gathered due to concerns over home values, equity, fairness. Emphasized opposition from Charleston Place, The Promenades, and Blackman Road. Not against development but broken promises; urged denial to protect cohesion and trust.
- **Steve Dunn (8828 Sullivan's Drive; HOA President):** Emphasized foundation as single-family homes per zoning and covenants. Opposed as departure from character/density. Beyond metrics, it's about trust in plans. As real estate professional, understood economics but argued not residents' burden. Sets dangerous precedent; urged denial to honor original plan.

Applicant Rebuttal: Dave Ericson clarified speed tables optional and subject to engineering. Addressed delays due to external events; economics necessitate changes for affordability (e.g., can't replicate 2020-2021 homes at 3% rates). Townhomes allow high-quality product at consistent price points (~\$330-360k), protecting values vs. smaller/cheaper single-family alternatives. Challenged claims of value drops from new construction. Emphasized mission for community needs, not just profit.

Motion: Commissioner Stallings commissioner moved to deny the request due to inconsistency with current land use, Commissioner Lackey seconded.

Vote: Unanimous (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: 9:51 A.M.

RECORDING: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEM77mYwXG4>



Brad Baker, Chairperson



Morgan Shepard, Principal Planner

File Attachments for Item:

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**Columbus Consolidated Government
Board Appointments – Action Requested**

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND CULTURAL LIAISON ENCOUNTERS (CIRCLE):

Vacant
Term Expires: March 1, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Mayor’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 4 Year Term Limit: 2
Meetings: Monthly – 3rd Tuesday
Women: 6 Senatorial District 15: 5
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 5

B. PENSION FUND, EMPLOYEES’ BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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 – 1st Wednesday
Women: 4 Senatorial District 15: 9
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 2

6. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. AIRPORT COMMISSION:

Vacant
Term Expires: December 31, 2026

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 5 Year Term Limit: n/a
Meetings: Monthly – 4th Wednesday
Women: 1 Senatorial District 15: 3
Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 1

B. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

Vacant

Board of Realtors

Term Expires: January 31, 2026

**Councilor Crabb is nominating Tracy N. Dean*

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Vacant

Columbus Homebuilders Association

Term Expires: January 31, 2028

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 3 Year Term Limit: 2
Meetings: Monthly – 2nd Monday
Women: 5 Senatorial District 15: 7
Vacancies: 2 Senatorial District 29: 2

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

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Vacant

Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 1 – Hickey)

Tracy Belt

Not Eligible

Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 4 -Tucker)

Vacant

Open for Nominations
(District 5 – Crabb)

Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Mike Welch

Eligible

Term Expires: March 27, 2026

Open for Nominations
(District 9 -Anker)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year (Mayor Appts); 2 Year (Council Appts)	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Quarterly – 2nd 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

Eligible

Term Expired: October 31, 2025

**Not interested in serving another term.*

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 – 3 rd Thursday	
Women:	3	Senatorial District 15: 4
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29: 3

8. 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

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

(Animal Rescue Shelter Representative)

Term Expires: October 15, 2026

Recommendations are submitted by a licensed animal shelter.

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:	7	Senatorial District 15:	3
Vacancies:	3	Senatorial District 29:	4

B. BOARD OF HEALTH:

Yasmine Cathright

Not Eligible

Term Expires: December 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(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

C. 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

D. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

Vacant

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Term Expired: August 14, 2026

Vacant
Term Expired: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant
Term Expired: August 14, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Civic Center Director Recommendation / Confirmed by Council)

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: 4 Senatorial District 29: 4

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

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: 2
Vacancies: 0 Senatorial District 29: 1

F. 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

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

(Alternate Member 3)
Term expires: December 31, 2027

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