

Council Members

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Bruce Huff

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

May 12, 2026
9:00 AM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S AGENDA

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Pastor Roderick Green - First African Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by the Lighthouse Leaders from Reese Road Leadership Academy

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for the April 28, 2026, Council Meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS:

2. Proclamation: Public Works Recognition Week

Receiving: Drale Short, Director of Public Works

3. Proclamation: Mental Health Month

Receiving: New Horizons Behavioral Health Staff

PRESENTATIONS:

4. Development Authority of Columbus – Missy Kendrick, President/CEO of Choose Columbus

CITY ATTORNEY’S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

- 1. 2nd Reading:** REZN-07-25-1259: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **6821 Mobley Road** (parcel # 190-014-020) from Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(As amended on 1st Reading.) (Councilor Davis)
- 2. 2nd Reading:** An ordinance to revise and clarify certain provisions of Chapter 2 of the Columbus Code which provide for meeting dates and procedures for the Columbus Council; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)
- 3. 1st Reading-** REZN 03-26-0356: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **3890 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 031-044-006) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)
- 4. 1st Reading:** REZN-03-26-0416: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **5385 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 188-020-001) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)
- 5. 1st Reading-** REZN-03-26-0663: An ordinance amending Sections 13.1.1, 4.2.18, 2.5.24, 3.2.6, 3.2.63, and 10.11.8 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia.(Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(Mayor Pro-Tem)
- 6. 1st Reading-** An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:
 - 1) 3219 Cusseta Road (Edward Francis, Owner)
 - 2) 945 Henry Avenue (Willie A. Callier Etal, Owner)
 - 3) 1103 Henry Avenue (Connell L. & Minnie L. Holloman, Owner)
 - 4) 4026 Oates Avenue (Blue Fox Goebell LLC, Owner)
 - 5) 917 38th Street (Winston S. Marchan Jr., Owner)
 - 6) 4010 6th Avenue (Nstream Properties LLC, Owner)

- 7) 1112 Bolton Avenue (Claudia & Harvey Joseph, Sr, Owner)
- 8) 2623 Clover Lane (Darrel G. Hicks Jr., Owner)
- 9) 2119 Munson Drive (Wendy Margarita Martinez, Owner)
- 10) 1118 Thyer Avenue (Nchotu Success, Owner)

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

- 7. 1st Reading-** An ordinance to provide for a levy of increase on ad valorem taxes for blighted property; to provide for identification of blighted property; to provide for remediation; to provide for a decrease on ad valorem taxes on property; and for other purposes. (Councilors Garrett and Davis)

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Ms. Annette Adams, Re: Data Center.
2. Mr. Paul Olson, Re: Public Agenda, First Amendments Rights Violation & Civil Rights Violations, Class Action Lawsuit, Open Meetings Act, and the Planning Advisory Commission.
3. Dr. Donald Moeller, Re: National Fire Protection Association Guidelines for Behavioral Health NFPA 1582 and the Columbus GA Fire and EMS System.
4. Dr. Marvin Broadwater, Sr., Re: Allocation of Additional Funds for the Elections and Registration Office During Election Cycles.
5. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: Affordability needs to addressed in 2027 budget. (*Referral from Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities*)
6. Mr. Corie Wilson, Re: Professionalism, Transparency and Trust from Elected Officials.
7. Ms. Alexa Johnson Anderson, Re: Data Center Proposals.
8. Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, Re: Data Center Concerns.
9. Dr. Natalie Nicole, representing Role Model Academy of Arts, Re: Legislative Process, Council Support, and Failed Local Bills.
10. Mr. Gregory Foster, Re: Stop Appeasing Data Center Opponents.
11. Rev. Mark Lawrence, Re: Steps to Moving Forward.

12. Mr. Mick Etchinson, Re: Concerns on Non-Renewable Energy Needed to Power the Project Ruby Hyperscale Data Center.
13. Mr. Gary Parker, Re: Hostile Environment in the Columbus Police Department.
14. Mrs. Jessica Warchal, Re: 1st Amendment Right to Speak During City Council Meetings Regarding City Leadership.
15. Mr. John Van Doorn, Re: I would like to speak on the timing of the first reading of the proposed technology overlay, and electoral accountability by Council and candidates for their position on the T.O. And Data Center.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. TSPLOST Projects, Band 3

Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the preconstruction requirements for Band 3 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Projects that will be handled locally, to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

2. Street Acceptance – Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms.

3. GDOT Street Lighting Agreement – SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project

Approval is requested to enter into an Agreement Between the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) for the purpose of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system that will be installed within the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project.

4. Columbus Lions Lease Agreement

Approval is requested to amend the five-year Agreement with Columbus Lions Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions, which is scheduled to remain in effect until 2028. The proposed amendment will include provisions regarding digital signage and grant the Lions a first refusal on any lease renewal for arena football beyond the current five-year term.

5. Public Art - Lakebottom Bandshell

Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with MidTown, Inc. and approve the final design of the mural at Lakebottom Park Bandshell.

6. PURCHASES

- A.** Contract Extension for Portable Toilet Rental and Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0054
- B.** Emergency Remediation and Reconstruction Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 26-0012
- C.** Tire Leasing Services for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0034
- D.** Oil & Lubricants for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0030
- E.** Used & Confiscated Firearms for Credit or Swap – RFB No. 26-0035
- F.** Service Agreement Amendment for the Automated Victim Notification System (VINE)
- G.** Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Flat Rock Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
- H.** Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Shirley Winston Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
- I.** Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Heath Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
- J.** Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at John Rigdon Park at Psalmound Road – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
- K.** Declaration of Surplus and Trade-In of Yamaha Golf Carts for Bull Creek Golf Course

EMERGENCY PURCHASES

7. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A.** Riverkeeper Trash Trap Updates - Henry Jacobs, Deputy Director, Chattahoochee Riverkeeper
- B.** Update on the STEM Carver Park Project - Katrina Long, Principal, Reese Road Elementary School

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY

- 1.** Upcoming Board Appointments: Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (KCBC)
- 2.** Upcoming Board Appointments: Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees

3. Upcoming Board Appointments: Region Six Regional Advisory Council for Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

4. Upcoming Board Appointments: Retirees' Health Benefits Committee

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

5. Honorary Street Designation: Application submitted by Jimmy Blanton, requesting to designate Prince Avenue, from St. Mary's Road to Murrelle Street, as *Dickerson Way* in honor of Dr. Tony R. Dickerson.

6. Resignation: William A. Taylor is resigning as the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. (*Mayor's Appointment*)

7. Resignation: Fran Carpenter is resigning from the Historic & Architectural Review Board (BHAR). (*Council's Appointment*)

8. **Minutes of the following board:**

Board of Tax Assessors # 15-26 & 16-26

Board of Water Commissioners 03-25-26

Columbus Airport Commission 02-17-26, 03-19-26 & 03-25-26

Columbus Golf Authority 03-17-26

Employee Benefits Committee 02-25-26 & 10-22-25

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. **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

B. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Mayor's Nominee: _____

10. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – LISTED FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. KEEP COLUMBUS BRAUTIFUL COMMISSION: Ashley Stanley was nominated to fill a vacant seat. (*Councilor Crabb's nominee – Recommended by KCBC*) Term Expires: June 30, 2029

11. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

Vacant
Columbus Homebuilders Association
Term Expires: January 31, 2028

Waiting on Nominee
(*Confirmed by Council*)

Vacant
Uptown Business Association
Term Expires: January 31, 2029
**Alan Udy is unable to serve currently. (Confirmed 02-10-2026)*

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: 1 Senatorial District 29: 2

12. 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)

Vacant

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

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

District 1 Nominee: _____	District 6 Nominee: _____
District 2 Nominee: _____	District 7 Nominee: _____
District 3 Nominee: _____	District 8 Nominee: _____

District 4 Nominee: _____

District 9 Nominee: _____

District 5 Nominee: _____

District 10 Nominee: _____

Councilor Huff (District 3) is nominating Zach Burgess, 7th Grade at Richards Middle School.

Councilor Cogle (District 7) is nominating Ezra Hollifield, 9th Grade at Brookstone

13. 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 FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:

Darlene Small
Eligible
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council’s Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	5 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Quarterly	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 2

Vacancies: 0

Senatorial District 29: 3

C. 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

D. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

Vacant

Term Expires: March 24, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 2 Year Term Limit: n/a

Meetings: As needed.

Women: 1 Senatorial District 15: 1

Vacancies: 1 Senatorial District 29: 3

E. COLUMBUS GOLF AUTHORITY:

Tommy Nobles

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Gerald Miley

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Alonzo Jones

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Ken Crumpler
Not Eligible
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

William Roundtree
Not Eligible
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Kenneth Davis
Not Eligible
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

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

F. COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:

Gerald Miley
Eligible
Golf Authority Rep.
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit:	2
Meetings:	Monthly		
Women:	2	Senatorial District 15:	4
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29:	5

G. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

Vacant
Term Expires: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant
Term Expires: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant

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

Term Expires: August 14, 2027

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

H. 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)

Nancy Schroeder

Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Sandra Gill

Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Senator Ed Harbison

Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

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

I. 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 April 28, 2026, Council Meeting.

COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

April 28, 2026
5:30 PM
Regular Meeting

MAYOR'S A G E N D A

PRESENT: Mayor B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III and Mayor Pro Tem R. Gary Allen and Councilors Travis L. Chambers, Joanne Cogle, Charmaine Crabb, Glenn Davis, R. Walker Garrett, Byron Hickey, Bruce Huff (arrived at 5:41 p.m.) and Toyia Tucker. Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Assistant City Attorney Lucy Sheftall, Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore, Deputy Clerk of Council Tameka Colbert and Assistant Deputy Clerk Brittney Jones.

ABSENT: Councilor John Anker was absent.

The following documents have been included as a part of the electronic Agenda Packet: (1) MA - Add-On : Proclamation - Muscogee County Prison Programming & Services; (2) CM#8(A): Paws Animal Services Division Paws Humane Society Year One Under the City Contract City Council Presentation; (3) CM#8(B): Muscogee County Jail RFQ 23-003 December 6, 2022

The following documents were distributed around the Council table: (1) CM#8(A): Paws Animal Services Division Paws Humane Society Year One Under the City Contract City Council Presentation; (2) PA#6 Wheelchair Swings a Case for Accessible Swings in Our Public Parks

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

INVOCATION: Offered by Father Kevin Braski - St. Anne Catholic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Taylor Hardcastle - Richards Middle School

MINUTES:

1. Approval of minutes for the April 14, 2026, Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Huff being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS

2. **Proclamation:** Columbus Police Department & District Attorney's Office Appreciation Day

Receiving: CPD & DA's Office

Councilor Byron Hickey read the proclamation into the record proclaiming Tuesday, April 28, 2026, as *Columbus Police Department & District Attorney's Office Appreciation Day*, honoring their professionalism, perseverance, and collaborative efforts in successfully resolving a long-term case and upholding justice within the community.

ADD-ON

Proclamation: National Correctional Officer Week

Receiving: Herbert Walker III, Warden, Muscogee County Prison

Mayor Pro Tem Gary Allen read the proclamation into the record proclaiming the week of May 3-9, 2026, as *National Correctional Officer Week*, recognizing and honoring correctional officers for their critical role in public safety, their professionalism in managing complex and high-risk situations, and their service despite often lacking recognition as first responders.

PRESENTATIONS:

3. **MAYOR'S FY2027 BUDGET PRESENTATION:** Mayor Henderson presents the Recommended FY2027 Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

Mayor Skip Henderson presented the FY27 recommended budget, highlighting a balanced plan of \$42.57 million in revenues and expenditures, reflecting a 2% increase over the prior year. He highlighted key components to include employee and retiree cost-of-living adjustments, stable millage rates, continued investment in public safety and staffing, and maintaining reserve levels above policy minimums. He also outlined future considerations.

Finance Director Angelica Alexander provided an overview of the FY27 budget review schedule, outlining primary meeting dates, locations, and deadlines, including budget work sessions in May, public hearings and ordinance readings in June, and expectations for department presentations.

Additionally, **Mayor Henderson** highlighted the inclusion of a list of capital improvement items and addressed the integrated waste fund, including a proposed \$2 fee increase with planned incremental increases in subsequent years.

CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. **Ordinance (26-011) - 2nd Reading:** REZN-02-26-0189: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **5306 Buena Vista Road** (parcel # 095-045-019) from Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) Zoning District to Residential Multifamily – 1 (RMF1) Zoning District with conditions. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(As amended on 1st Reading.)(Councilor Tucker) Councilor Tucker made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

2. **Ordinance (26-012) - 2nd Reading:** REZN-02-26-0346: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **9055 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 079-001-034) from Residential Office (RO) Zoning District to Residential Estate - 1 (RE1)(Planning Department and PAC recommend approval)(Councilor Davis) Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Hickey and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

3. **1st Reading:** REZN-07-25-1259: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **6821 Mobley Road** (parcel # 190-014-020) from Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(Continued on 1st Reading from 4-14-26.) (Councilor Davis)

Councilor Davis made a motion to amend the ordinance to add the following three (3) conditions: (1) Developer or successor in interest shall construct and maintain the property pursuant to the attached plat. (2) Only one curb cut onto King Place Drive shall serve the east parcel shown on said plat. (3) Developer or its successor in interest shall be limited to two dwelling units on the above-described property, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

Councilor Glenn Davis clarified for the record that the matter concerning Mobley Road does not prevent a property owner or developer from proposing future changes and stated that any such

changes would require returning to Council for a new public hearing and decision. (*NOTE: Statement made after public comment on Item CA#4.*)

- 4. 1st Reading:** An ordinance to revise and clarify certain provisions of Chapter 2 of the Columbus Code which provide for meeting dates and procedures for the Columbus Council; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- *Paul Olson* – expressed concerns regarding public agenda procedures, including time limits, application requirements, and restrictions on speaking on the same topic within a 60-day period.
 - *Natalie Nicole* – expressed concerns regarding public agenda procedures, emphasizing the need for clearer communication of requirements, recommending that expectations be explicitly included in the application process.
 - *Denise Cambridge* – expressed concerns regarding proposed public agenda changes, encouraging the City to expand rather than limit opportunities for citizen engagement.
- 5. 1st Reading-** An Ordinance amending Section 2-68 of the Columbus Code to provide that the internal auditor/compliance officer shall be subject to the direction of the Columbus Council acting though a designated member of Council, and for other purposes. (Councilor Tucker)

At the request of Councilor Tucker, Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to table the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Crabb and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Mr. George McDowell, Re: Public Trust in Local Governance.
2. Ms. Yaunita Arrington, Re: Concerns regarding due process violations, improper lien placement, and administrative failures related to Code Enforcement actions on my property, and to request corrective action and review.

3. Mr. Mike Watford, Re: Debris on Roaring Branch Creek from Bradley Park Drive. New Apartment Construction.
4. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: Developing a Peoples Budget. Access to Healthcare. *(Referral from Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities)*
5. Mr. Gregory Foster, Re: Corrupt Intent.
6. Mr. William Worley, Re: Wheelchair Swings.

Beck Summerlin, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, advised that while some wheelchair-accessible equipment exists at playgrounds, there are currently limited options available for children, and expressed interest in exploring additional opportunities and resources to expand inclusive playground amenities.

7. Mx. Erik Pitzer, Re: Skate Park Upgrade. *Not Present*
8. Mr. Carl Faulk, Re: Waste Pickup.
9. Mr. Marcello Ramirez, Re: Demolition of Property Located at 225 21st Avenue. *(Translator will be accompanying the applicant)*

Deputy City Manager Pam Hodge stated that the owner initially engaged with the Code and Inspections Department in June 2024 and indicated plans to repair the home, but no work was completed. The property subsequently went through the demolition process, was approved by Council in September 2025, and was demolished in December 2025, following ongoing concerns about its condition.

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Street Acceptance – Lavender Glen, Enclave Court, and Larkspur Place

Resolution (096-26) - A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, authorizing the acceptance of a deed to Lavender Glen, Larkspur Place, and Enclave Court located in the Enclave at Cartledge Creek, on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Councilor Garrett made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

2. GDOT Street Lighting Agreement – SR 22/US 80 @ SR 22 SPUR

Resolution (097-26) - A resolution of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, to enter into an agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the GDOT P.I. NO. 0015690, SR 22/us 80 @ SR 22 SPUR on behalf of Columbus, Georgia. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Davis and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

3. FY26 Local Road Assistance (LRA)

Resolution (098-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor to make application and receive the FY 2026 Local Road Assistance (LRA) grant from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

4. Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application

Resolution (099-26) - 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 Court and, if awarded, accept the grant and amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the grant award and enter into a memorandum of agreement with Evidence-Based Associates, LLC. The grant period is from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

5. 2025 Homeland Security Hazmat Grant – Fire/EMS

Resolution (100-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant for equipment in the amount of \$6,000.00 or as otherwise awarded, from the Homeland Security Hazmat Grant Program. These funds will be utilized for the purchase of new hazardous materials and equipment. The team responds to hazardous materials emergencies in Muscogee County as well as surrounding communities to provide hazardous material containment to include chemical, radiological, and biological incidents. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

6. 2025 Homeland Security GSAR (Georgia Search and Rescue) Grant – Fire/EMS

Resolution (101-26) - A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant for equipment in the amount of \$55,230.00 or as otherwise awarded, from the Homeland Security Georgia Search and Rescue (GSAR) Grant Program. These funds will be utilized for the purchase of new rescue equipment and Homeland Security Georgia Search and Rescue (GSAR) Grant Program training. This team is formed to improve responses to heavy rescue as well as water rescue emergencies to the citizens of Columbus and surrounding counties. Councilor Davis made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

7. PURCHASES

- A. Service Contract for Various Types of Transmissions for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0031

Resolution (102-26) – A resolution authorizing the execution of an annual contract with Reliable Transmission Service, Inc. (Branden, FL) to repair and rebuild transmissions for METRA. The services will be procured on an as-needed basis. Metra Transit System budgets \$60,000.00 annually for the services. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

- B. Alternators & Starters for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0029

Resolution (103-26) – A resolution authorizing an annual contract with Romaine Electric Corporation (Kent, WA), for the purchase, repair and rebuilding of alternators and starters for Metra, on an “as needed” basis. Metra anticipates an annual contract value of \$20,000.00 based on prior year’s usage and inflation. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

- C. Contract Extension for Leather Items (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0013

Resolution (104-26) – A resolution authorizing the extension of the annual contract with Galls, LLC (Lexington, KY) and Strack, Inc. (formerly Black Gear Industries) (Yorktown, VA), through August 31, 2026, for the purchase of Leather Items on an “as needed” basis. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the nine members present, with Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

- D. Amendment 9 for Space Planning and Programming & Design Professional Services for Columbus Consolidated Government Center Project – RFQ No. 20-0001

Resolution (105-26) – A resolution authorizing the execution of Amendment 9 with The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Inc., (Orlando, FL), formerly CBRE/Heery, Inc., in the amount of \$78,950.00 for additional design services for the new Judicial Center. 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 Anker being absent from the meeting.

In response to a question by Councilor Davis, **Inspections and Code Director Ryan Pruett** explained that the additional work is related to structural and design coordination for the plaza, and is not related to personnel. He stated that any future staffing changes could impact design and construction and would require updated cost estimates.

8. UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. PAWS Animal Services Division Contract Update - Courtney Pierce, Executive Director, PAWS & Donna McGinnis, Contract Administrator, Columbus Consolidated Government

Courtney Pierce, Executive Director, PAWS highlighted the organization’s first year of operating under contract, emphasizing efforts to build trust, improve operations, and implement a modern, community-focused animal services model.

Donna McGinnis, Contract Administrator, Columbus Consolidated Government provided comments summarizing the first year of contract performance, advising that operations have progressed well overall with transitional challenges addressed in a timely manner. She highlighted ongoing needs such as community education, capacity pressures, and continued system improvements.

Courtney Pierce, Executive Director, PAWS provided additional comments addressing ongoing challenges and future priorities, emphasizing that capacity constraints and stray animal concerns remain the most significant issues.

- B. Jail Update - Ryan Pruett, Director, Inspections & Code, Douglas Kleppin, AIA, LEED AP - Principal, The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Doug Shaw, AIA - Managing Member/Owner, Jericho Design Group, LLC, and Henry Painter - Senior Project Executive, Gilbane Building Company

Inspections & Code Director Ryan Pruett provided comments introducing the new jail project update, noting that the process began in 2022 with an RFP to evaluate options for renovating or expanding the existing facility versus constructing a new one, and that the current phase of work has been completed.

Douglas Kleppin, AIA, LEED AP - Principal, The S/L/A/M Collaborative provided an overview of the new jail study and planning process summarizing work completed since the project's initiation. He advised that the study was built upon prior assessments and included evaluation of infrastructure deficiencies, development of a space program for a 1,600-bed facility, and analysis of multiple site options. The consultant highlighted challenges associated with the existing site. He also referenced progression into schematic design to refine plans, validate program needs, and develop more accurate cost estimates for the proposed facility.

Doug Shaw, AIA - Managing Member/Owner, Jericho Design Group, LLC provided additional details on the refined jail program, explaining that further coordination with the Sheriff's Office led to a more detailed understanding of inmate classifications and operational needs, which resulted in adjustments to the facility design. He also noted the incorporation of program areas within housing units to deliver services more efficiently and securely.

Henry Painter - Senior Project Executive, Gilbane Building Company provided a cost estimate for the proposed jail project, stating that based on the 50% schematic design, the projected construction cost is approximately \$481.66 million, equating to about \$836 per square foot and \$300,289 per bed.

Muscogee County Sheriff Greg Countryman provided comments regarding jail capacity, stating that the facility is currently operating above its intended capacity, with populations approaching critical levels. He emphasized that ongoing overcrowding contributes to increased medical costs, safety concerns, and housing challenges. He further indicated that a proposed 1,600-bed facility would help alleviate current issues.

(NOTE: Councilor Hickey left the meeting at approximately 9:30 p.m.)

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:

- A request was made for additional information regarding estimated annual transportation costs associated with Site 1 of the proposed jail project. *(Councilor Cogle)*

- A request was made for information on the estimated annual maintenance and operational costs associated with the proposed jail project. (*Councilor Cogle*)

C. FY26 Sheriff's Office Budget Update - Sheriff Greg Countryman

Finance Director Angelica Alexander explained that, pursuant to Ordinance 13-39, the Sheriff's Office is required to request additional appropriations due to anticipated budget overages, including a request to utilize Community Care Fund resources to cover outside inmate medical expenses and any remaining invoices for the fiscal year.

Muscogee County Sheriff Greg Countryman explained that rising and largely uncontrollable costs, particularly related to inmate population increases, food service, overtime, and medical expenses, have placed significant strain on the department's budget, necessitating additional funding to maintain safe and effective jail operations through the remainder of the fiscal year.

Councilor Tucker made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation of \$310,059.75, along with any additional invoices for the remainder of FY26, from the Community Care Fund for the Sheriff's Office outside medical services, seconded by Councilor Chambers and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

Councilor Crabb requested that it be placed on the record that the additional \$4,000,000 in funding would be drawn from general fund reserves, utilizing approximately five and a half to six days of reserves, with the City currently maintaining approximately 74 days in reserve.

Councilor Crabb made a motion to approve the request for additional appropriation in the FY26 Budget for Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$4,000,000, seconded by Councilor Huff and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

REFERRAL(S):

FOR THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

- A request was made to assess and address street lighting outages along the corridor near Lamb Funeral Home extending toward Steam Mill Road, as well as to evaluate lighting conditions on Moy Road. (*Councilor Tucker*)

CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES - INFORMATION ONLY

1. Upcoming Board Appointments: Board of Family & Children Services
2. Upcoming Board Appointments: Columbus Golf Authority
3. Upcoming Board Appointments: Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority
4. Upcoming Board Appointments: New Horizons Behavioral Health- Mental Health, Addictive Diseases & Developmental Disabilities- Community Service Board

ENCLOSURES - ACTION REQUESTED

5. **Resolution (106-26)** - A Resolution changing the regularly scheduled Council meetings for the month of June 2026. *(These changes are made annually to ensure compliance with requirements necessary for the adoption of the fiscal year budgets.)* Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

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

Board of Tax Assessors #13-26

Board of Tax Assessors #14-26

Board of Zoning Appeals 03-04-26

Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority 03-09-26

Pension Board 10-08-25

Pension Board 11-12-25

Planning Advisory Commission 03-04-26

Planning Advisory Commission 03-18-26

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to receive the minutes of various boards, seconded by Councilor Tucker and carried unanimously by the eight members present, Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

ADD-ON:

Resolution (107-26) - A Resolution excusing Councilor John Anker from the April 28, 2026, Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilor Garrett and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. 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.

B. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the Youth Advisory Council (*Mayor's Nominee*). There were none.

8. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

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.

A nominee for a vacant seat (*Uptown Business Association*) for a term expiring on January 31, 2029, on the Historic & Architectural Review Board (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

9. 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 that expired on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 1 – Hickey*). There were none.

A nominee for the seat of Tracy Belt (*Not Eligible*) the District 4 Representative for a term that expired 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 that expired on March 27, 2026, on the Community Development Advisory Council (*District 5 – Crabb*). There were none.

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

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.

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

A nominee for the District 1 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 1 – Hickey*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 2 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 2 – Davis*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 3 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 3 – Huff*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 4 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 4 – Tucker*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 5 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 5 – Crabb*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 6 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 6 – Allen*).

A nominee for the District 7 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 7 – Cogle*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 8 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 8 – Garrett*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 9 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 9 – Anker*). There were none.

A nominee for the District 10 Representative on the Youth Advisory Council (*District 10 – Chambers*). There were none.

10. 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 that expired 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 expired on March 24, 2026, on the Building Authority of Columbus (*Council's Appointment*). There were none.

D. KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION:

A nominee for a vacant seat for a term expiring on June 30, 2026, on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (*Council's Appointment*). Clerk of Council McLemore announced that the Keep Columbus Commission is recommending Ashley Stanley. Councilor Crabb nominated Ashley Stanley to fill the vacant seat on the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission.

E. 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, 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.

F. 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.

G. 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.

Clerk of Council Lindsey G. McLemore stated for the record that the Columbus Botanical Garden withdrew its request for a refund, which is why the item was not included on the Clerk's agenda.

PUBLIC AGENDA (continued)

4. Ms. Theresa El-Amin, representing Southern Anti-Racism Network, Re: Developing a Peoples Budget. Access to Healthcare. (*Referral from Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities*)

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Skip Henderson entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion by Councilor Tucker to adjourn the April 28, 2026, Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and carried unanimously by the eight members present, with Councilor Hickey being absent for the vote, and Councilor Anker being absent from the meeting, with the time being 9:51 p.m.

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

File Attachments for Item:

1. 2nd Reading: REZN-07-25-1259: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **6821 Mobley Road** (parcel # 190-014-020) from Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(As amended on 1st Reading.) (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 **6821 Mobley Road** (parcel # 190-014-020) from Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) 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 Single Family Residential – 1 (SFR1) Zoning District to Single Family Residential – 2 (SFR2) Zoning District.

“All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Muscogee County, Georgia and being located in Land Lot 78 of the 8th District of said County, and being known and designated as "Parcel B" of a survey made for Louise D. Mobley March 15, 1982 of Part of Land Lot 78, 8th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia, by G. V. Carr & Co., Engineers, Surveyors, Columbus, Georgia which is recorded in Plat Book 80, Page 22 in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia containing 2.9595 acres, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake on the Northerly side of Mobley Road which is located North 04 degrees 40 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 2059.03 feet from the Southeast corner of Land Lot 78, 8th District and from said beginning point running North 55 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds West a distance of 246.73 feet to an iron stake; thence South 71 degrees 40 minutes 51 seconds West a distance of 143.14 feet to an iron stake located on the line dividing the property of Louise D. Mobley from the property of Fred Mobley; thence running Northerly 36 degrees 15 minutes 09 seconds West a distance of 399.08 feet to an iron stake; thence running southerly 89 degrees 28 minutes 06 seconds East a distance of 334.67 feet to an iron stake; run thence southerly 47 degrees 56 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 422.72 feet to an iron stake located on the Northwesterly line of Mobley Road; thence running Southerly along the Mobley Road 29 degrees 20 minutes 19 seconds West a distance of 149.02 feet to the Point of Beginning.”

Section 2.

The above-described property is rezoned subject to the following conditions:

1. Developer or successor in interest shall construct and maintain the property pursuant to the attached plat.
2. Only one curb cut onto King Place Drive shall serve the east parcel shown on said plat.
3. Developer or its successor in interest shall be limited to two dwelling units on the above-described property.

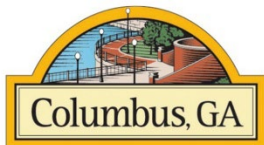
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Councilor Allen voting _____
 Councilor Anker voting _____
 Councilor Chambers voting _____

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



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COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

REZN-07-25-1259

Applicant:	Randall Scott Burkhalter
Owner:	Randall Scott Burkhalter
Location:	6821 Mobley Road
Parcel:	190-014-020
Acreage:	2.96 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Single Family Residential - 1
Proposed Zoning Classification:	Single Family Residential - 2
Current Use of Property:	Single Family Residential
Proposed Use of Property:	Replat at future date, if possible
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:	Rural 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.

Surrounding Zoning:

North	Single Family Residential - 2
South	Single Family Residential - 1
East	Single Family Residential - 2
West	Single Family Residential - 1

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

School Impact: N/A

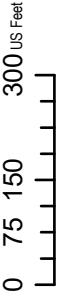
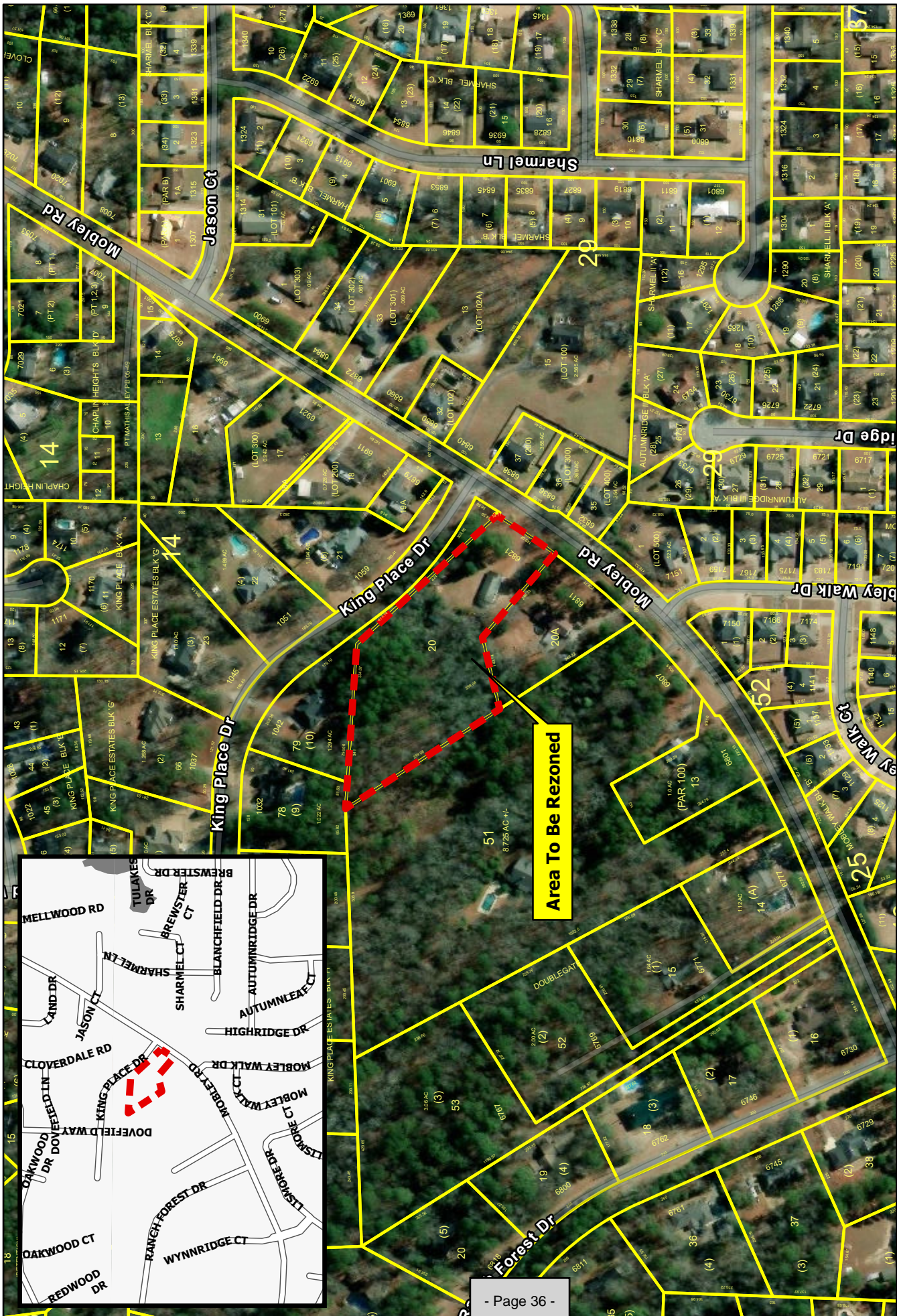
Buffer Requirement: N/A

Attitude of Property Owners: **Twenty-Two (22)** property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties were notified of the rezoning request. The Planning Department received one calls and/or emails regarding the rezoning.

Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Additional Information: Future redivision of two lots

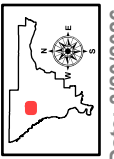
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Location Map
Zoning Map
Existing Land Use Map
Future Land Use Map
Flood Map

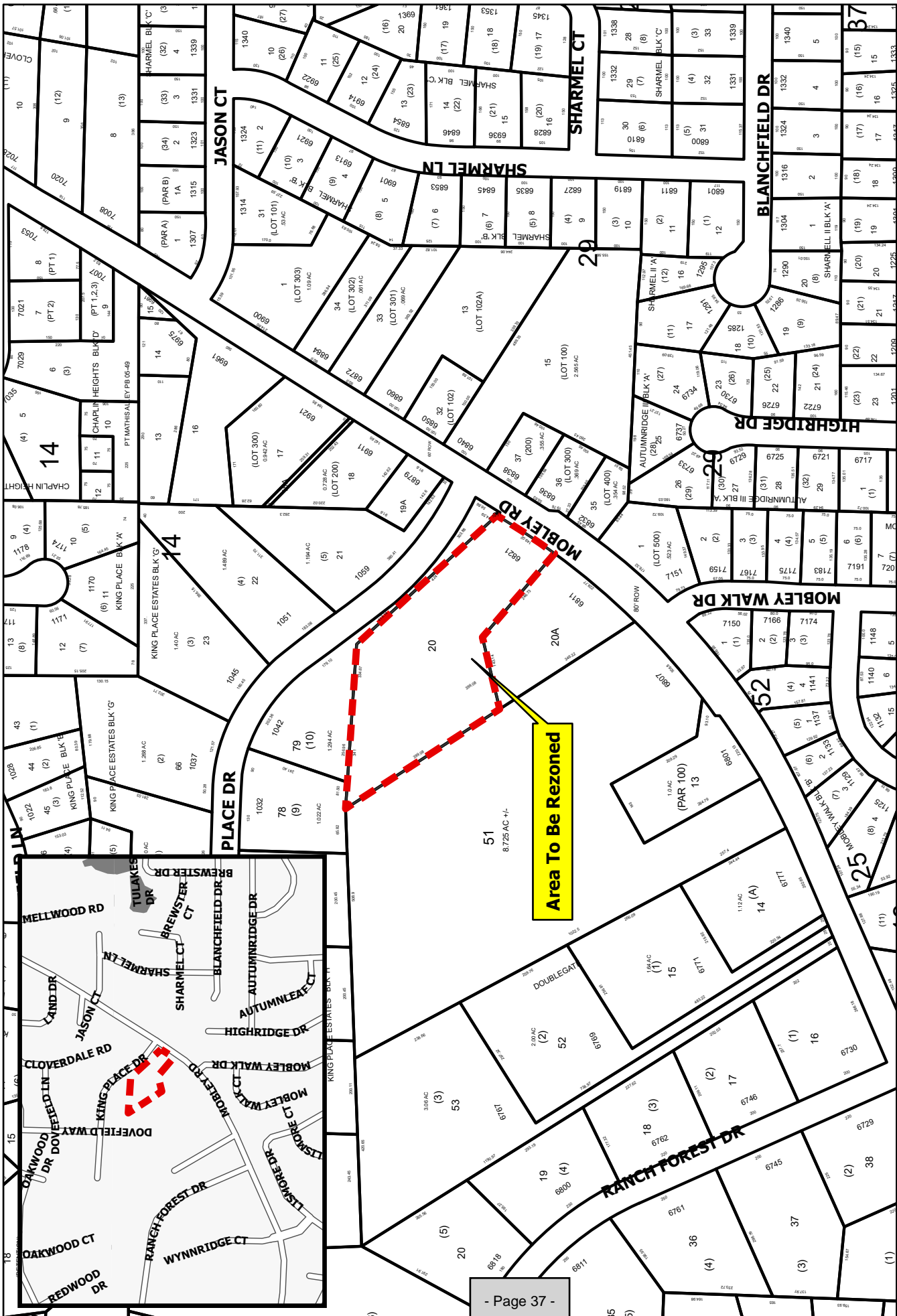


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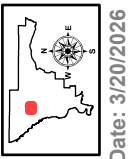


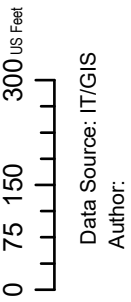
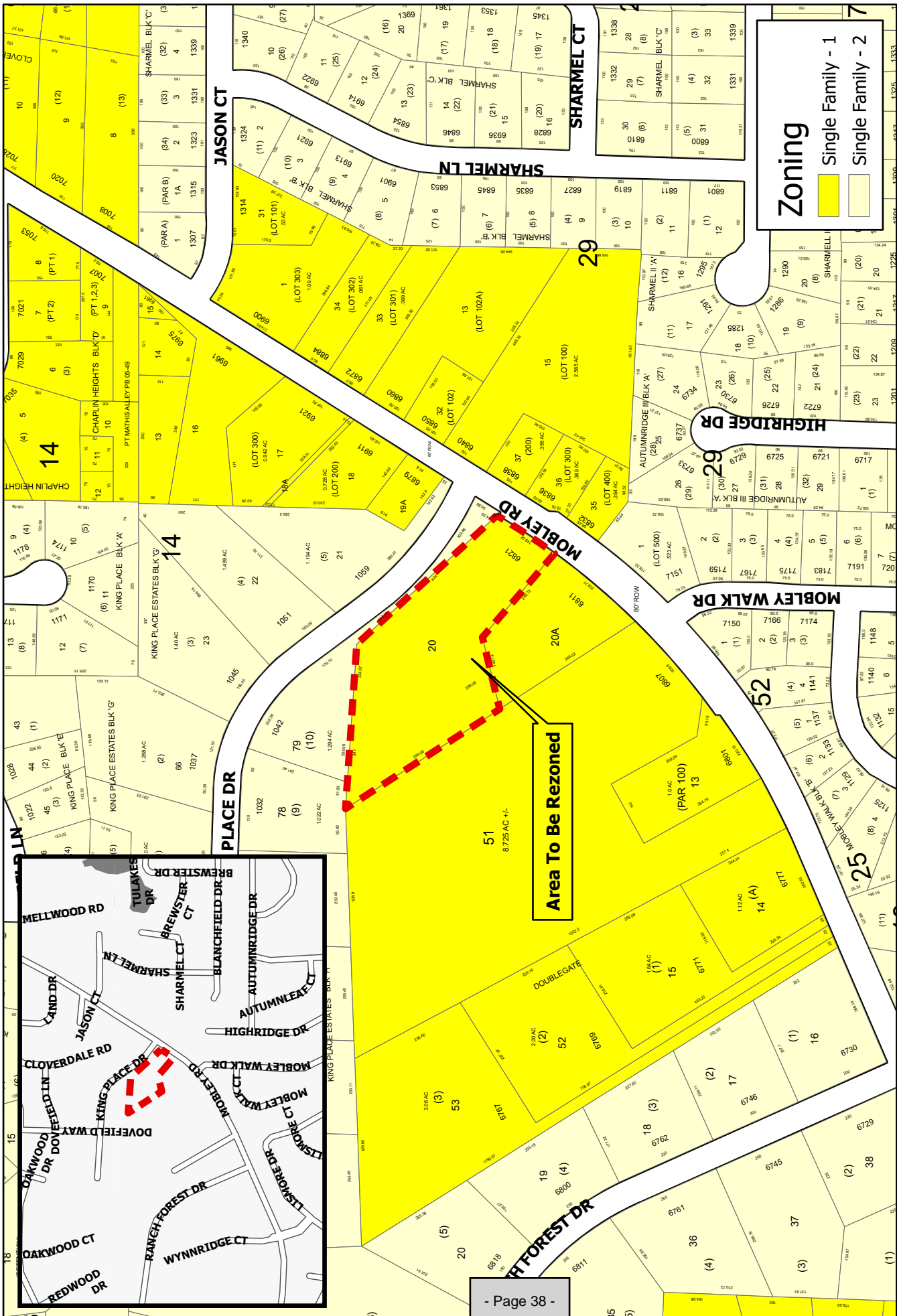


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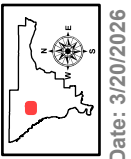


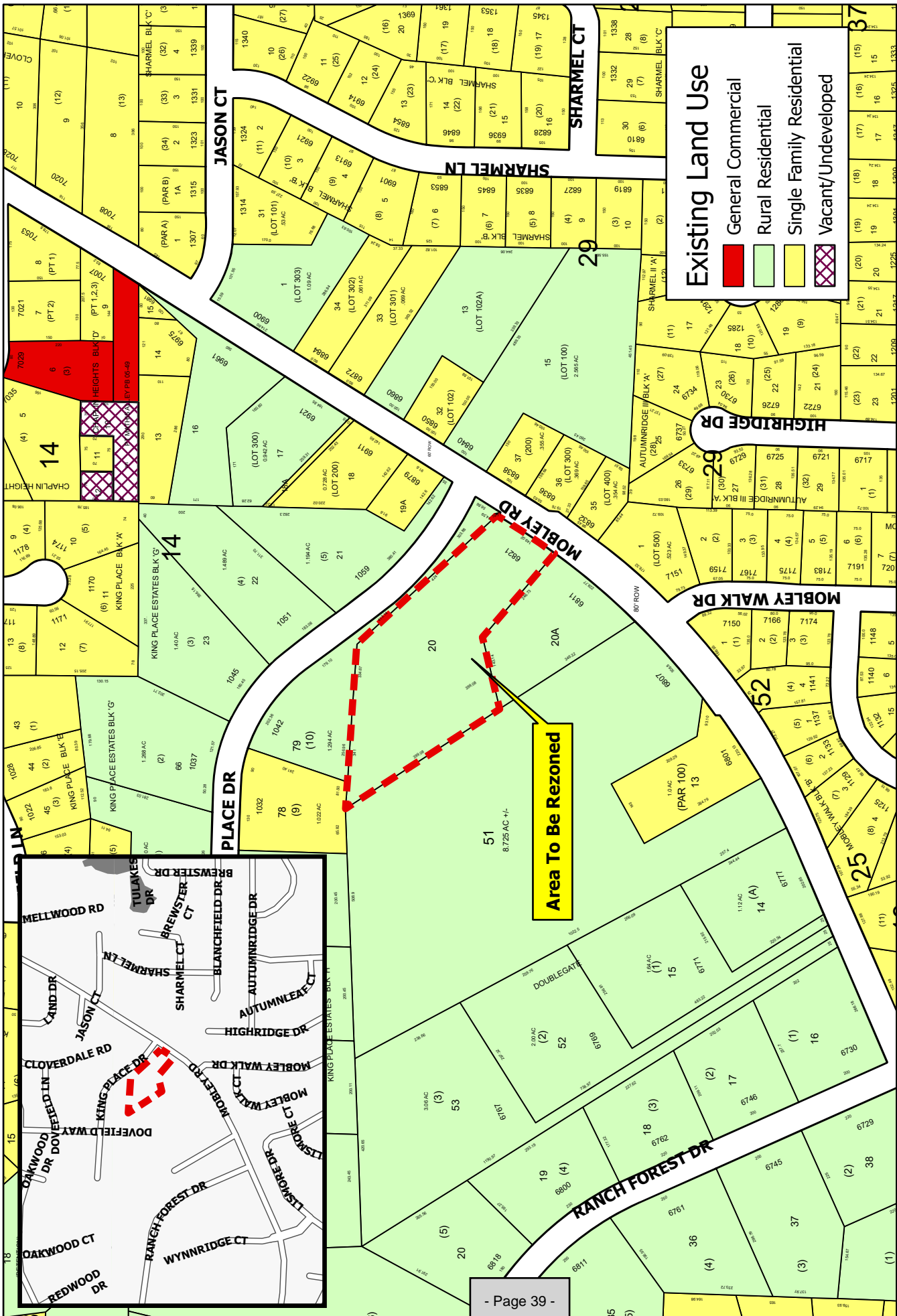


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Existing Land Use

- General Commercial
- Rural Residential
- Single Family Residential
- Vacant/Undeveloped

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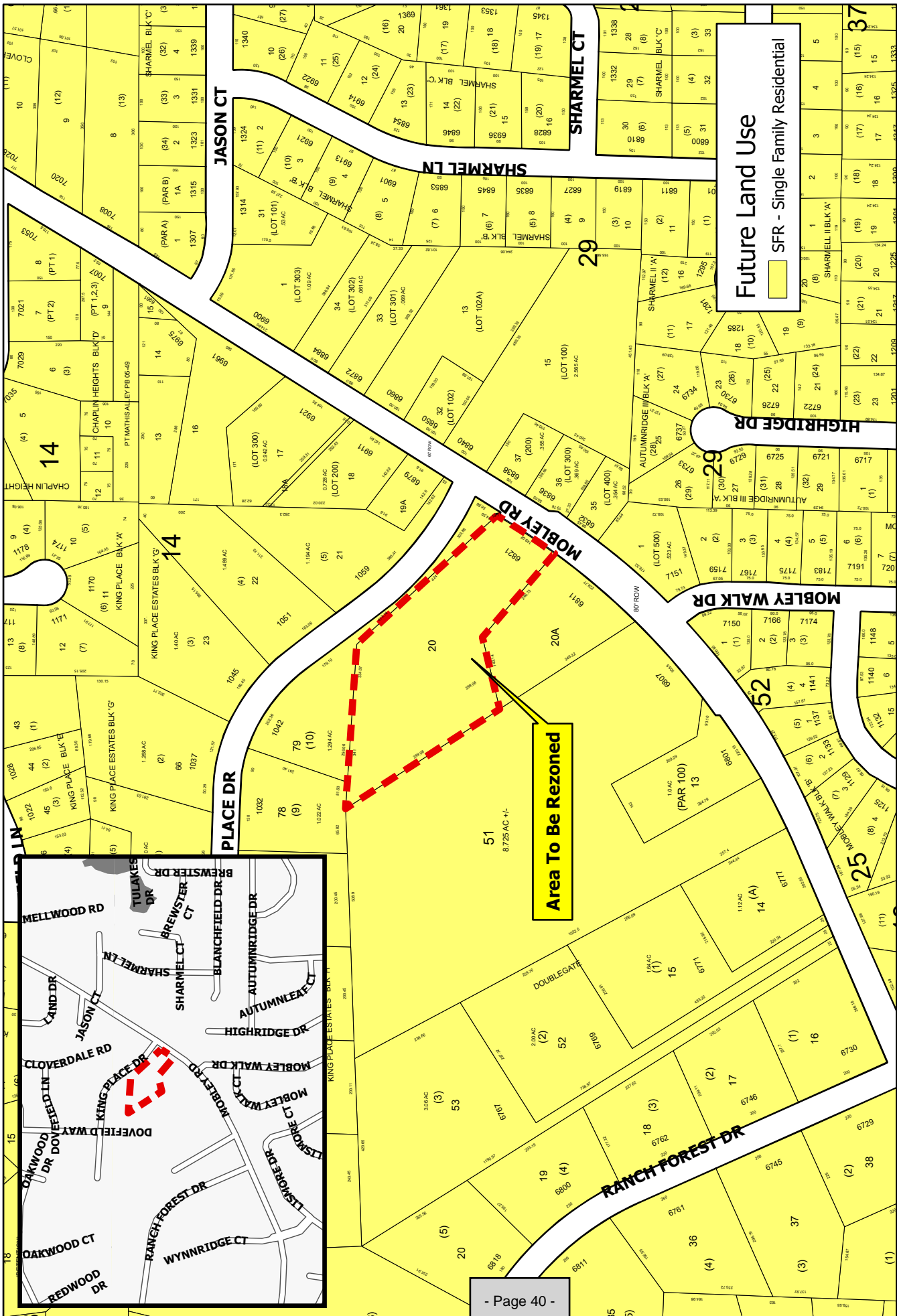
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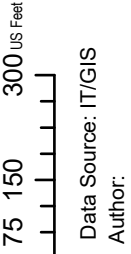
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Future Land Use
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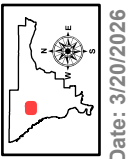
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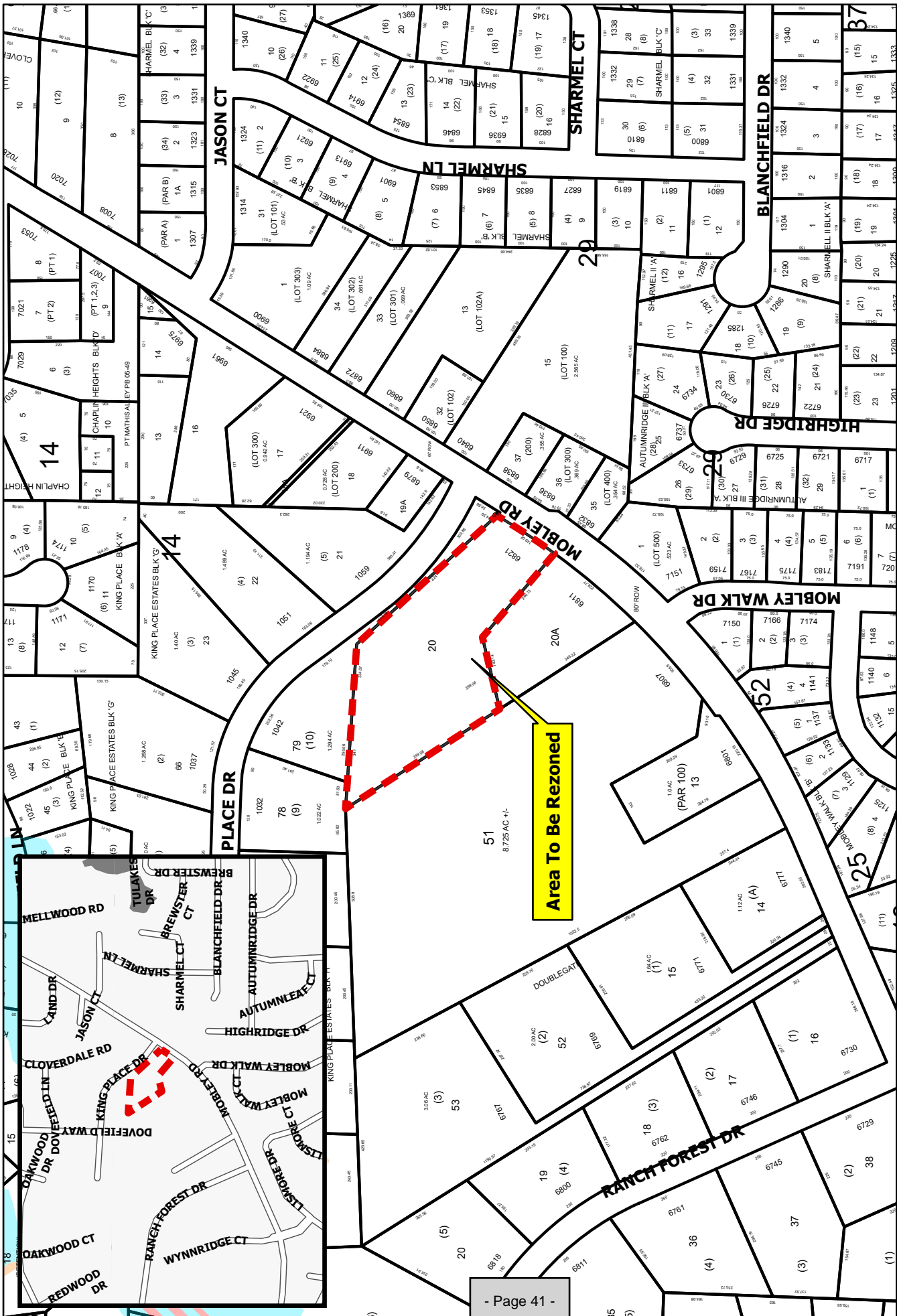
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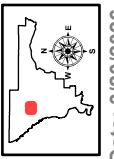
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Flood Hazard Map for For REZN 07-2- 1259
Map 190 Block 014 Block 045 Lot 020
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Date: 3/20/2026

File Attachments for Item:

2. 2nd Reading: An ordinance to revise and clarify certain provisions of Chapter 2 of the Columbus Code which provide for meeting dates and procedures for the Columbus Council; and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Ordinance No. _____

An ordinance to revise and clarify certain provisions of Chapter 2 of the Columbus Code which provide for meeting dates and procedures for the Columbus Council; and for other purposes.

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

SECTION 1.

Paragraphs (d) of Section 2-3 of the Columbus Code which deals with public comment at Columbus Council rules of procedure is hereby revised to read as follows:

“(d) All persons desiring to appear before the Council of Columbus, Georgia, except with respect to a 1st Reading of an Ordinance or other designated public hearing, shall make written application to the Clerk of Council not later than 12:00 noon on Friday preceding the meeting, giving his or her name and the subject matter to be discussed. **Subject matter will be limited to topics relevant/germane to the business of the Columbus Consolidated Government and pertain to matters over which Council has authority.** Said information may be submitted through the online application process, mailed or delivered to the Clerk of Council’s Office in person or by a third party. **The Clerk of Council, as directed by the mayor, in his or her capacity as presiding officer, shall promulgate administrative public agenda guidelines with the application materials that are consistent with the governmental interest of conducting orderly, efficient meetings of public bodies.** The Clerk of Council shall prepare an agenda for the Council to include a public agenda and those individuals listed on the public agenda shall be heard immediately after the city attorney's agenda upon recognition by the mayor.”

SECTION 2.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 28th day of April 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting held on 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:

3. 1st Reading- REZN 03-26-0356: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **3890 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 031-044-006) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)

AN ORDINANCE

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An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **3890 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 031-044-006) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) 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 Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District.

“All those lots, tracts or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the State of Georgia, County of Muscogee, City of Columbus, being known and designated as PARTS OF LOTS SEVENTEEN (17), EIGHTEEN (18), NINETEEN (19) AND TWENTY (20), of that certain subdivision of land known as VINEVILLE TERRACE, according to a map or plat of said Vineville Terrace, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia, in Deed Book 71, Folio 469, and being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at an iron stake located on the easterly margin of the Columbus-Manchester Expressway, where it intersects the southerly margin of 40th Street (the entrance of 40th Street to said expressway is closed); thence South 03 degrees 56 minutes west and along the easterly margin of said expressway, a distance of 100.25 feet to an iron stake located on the northerly margin of Lot 21 of said Vineville Terrace Subdivision; thence south 85 degrees 00 minutes east along the northerly margin of Lots 21 and 16, of said Vineville Terrace Subdivision, a distance of 65.25 feet to an iron stake; thence north 05 degrees 00 minutes east a distance of 100.00 feet to an iron stake located on the southerly margin of 40th Street; thence north 85 degrees 00 minutes west along the southerly margin of said 40th street, a distance of 67.1 feet to the point of beginning.

Situated upon said property is Commercial Building numbered 3980 Manchester Expressway, Columbus, Georgia. A Survey of said property as prepared by Duncan & Associates, Inc., December 10, 1976, is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia in Plat Book 73 Page 53. (As stated above, the eastern entrance to 40th street from Columbus-Manchester Expressway is closed.)

This conveyance is hereby made subject to all valid and enforceable restrictive covenants and easements or record applicable thereto; and subject, also, to all valid and enforceable zoning ordinances and regulations applicable thereto so long as said ordinances and regulations remain in full force and effect.”

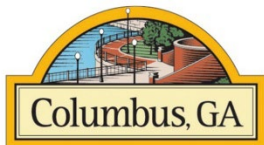
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Mayor



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COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

REZN-03-26-0356

Applicant:	TomCat Holdings, LLC
Owner:	TomCat Holdings, LLC
Location:	3980 Veterans Parkway
Parcel:	031-044-006
Acreage:	0.15 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Neighborhood Commercial
Proposed Zoning Classification:	General Commercial
Current Use of Property:	Vacant building
Proposed Use of Property:	Tattoo Studio
Council District:	District 8
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 F
Current Land Use Designation:	Single Family Residential

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	Neighborhood Commercial
South	Neighborhood Commercial
East	Neighborhood Commercial
West	Neighborhood Commercial

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

School Impact: N/A

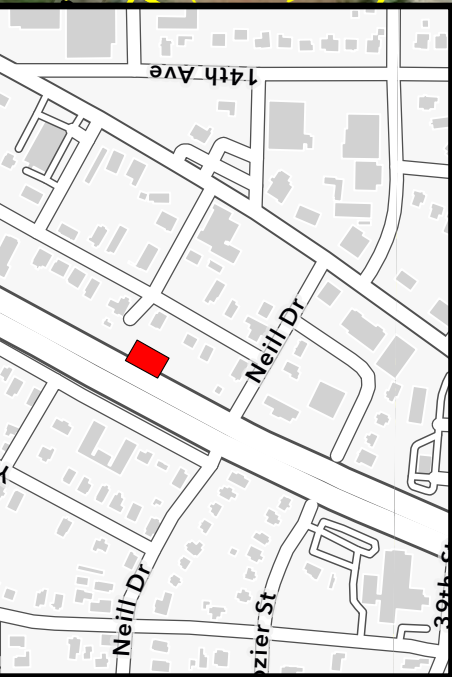
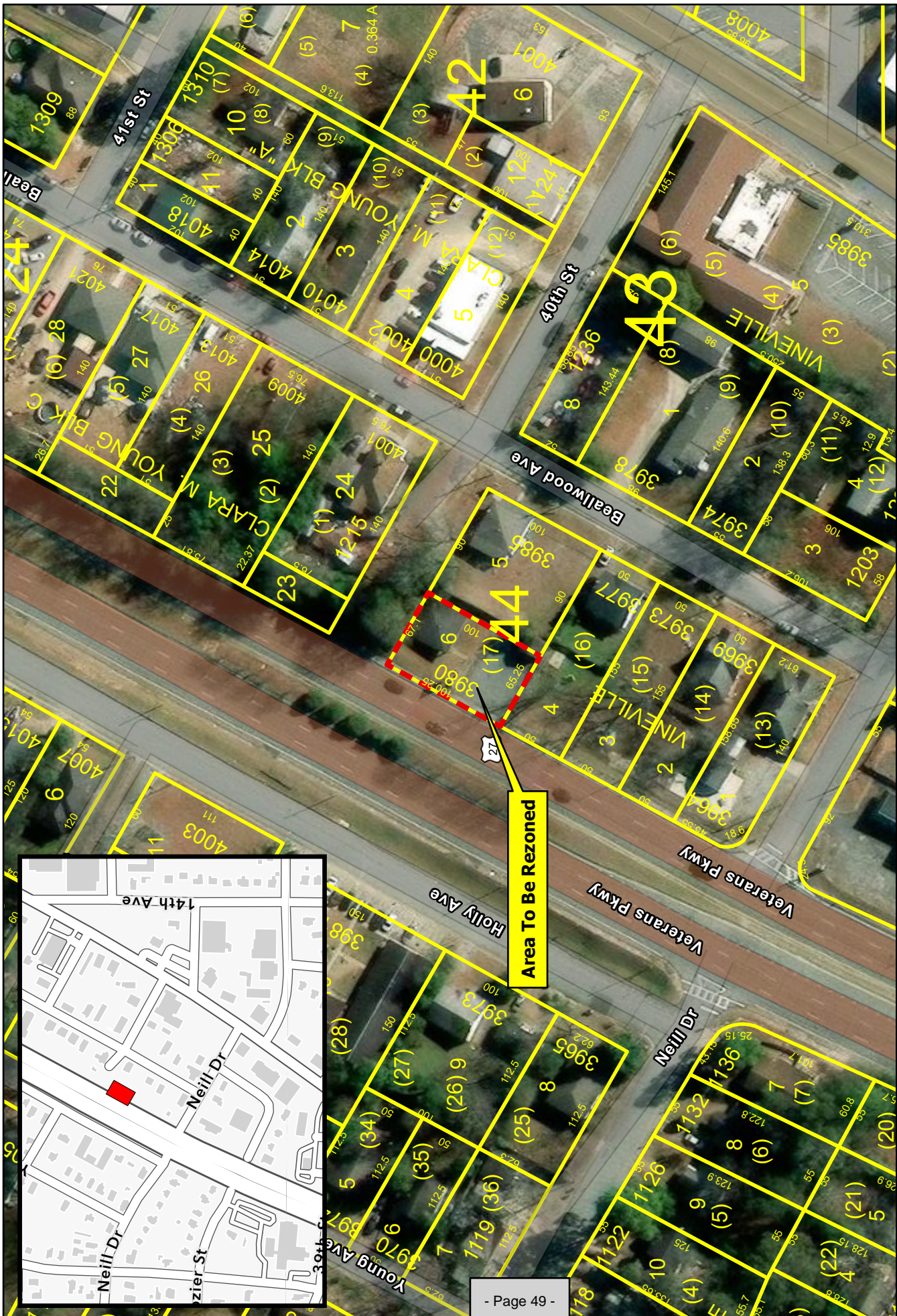
Buffer Requirement: N/A

Attitude of Property Owners: **50** 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

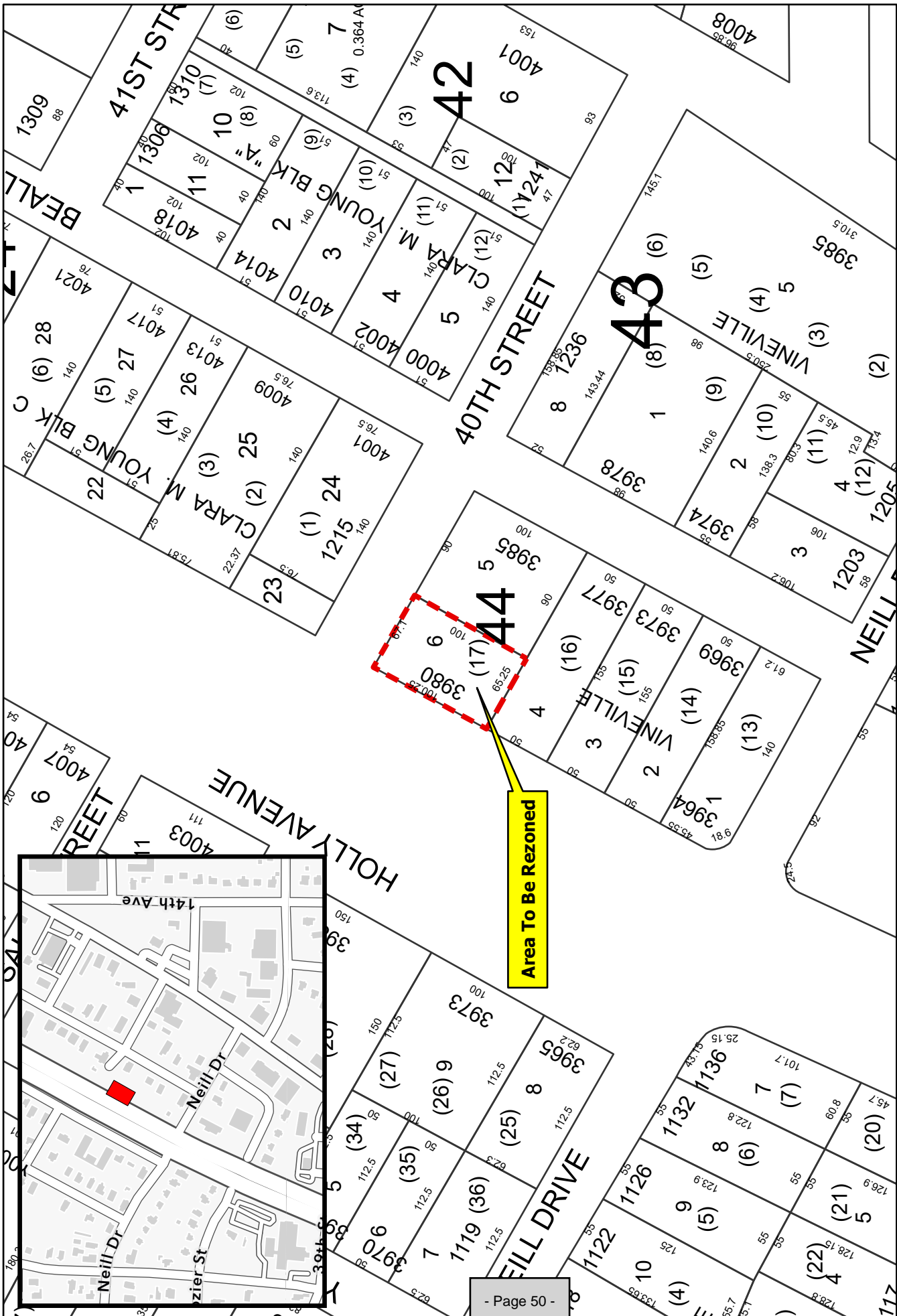
Additional Information: Existing building

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



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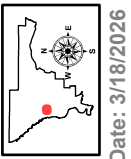
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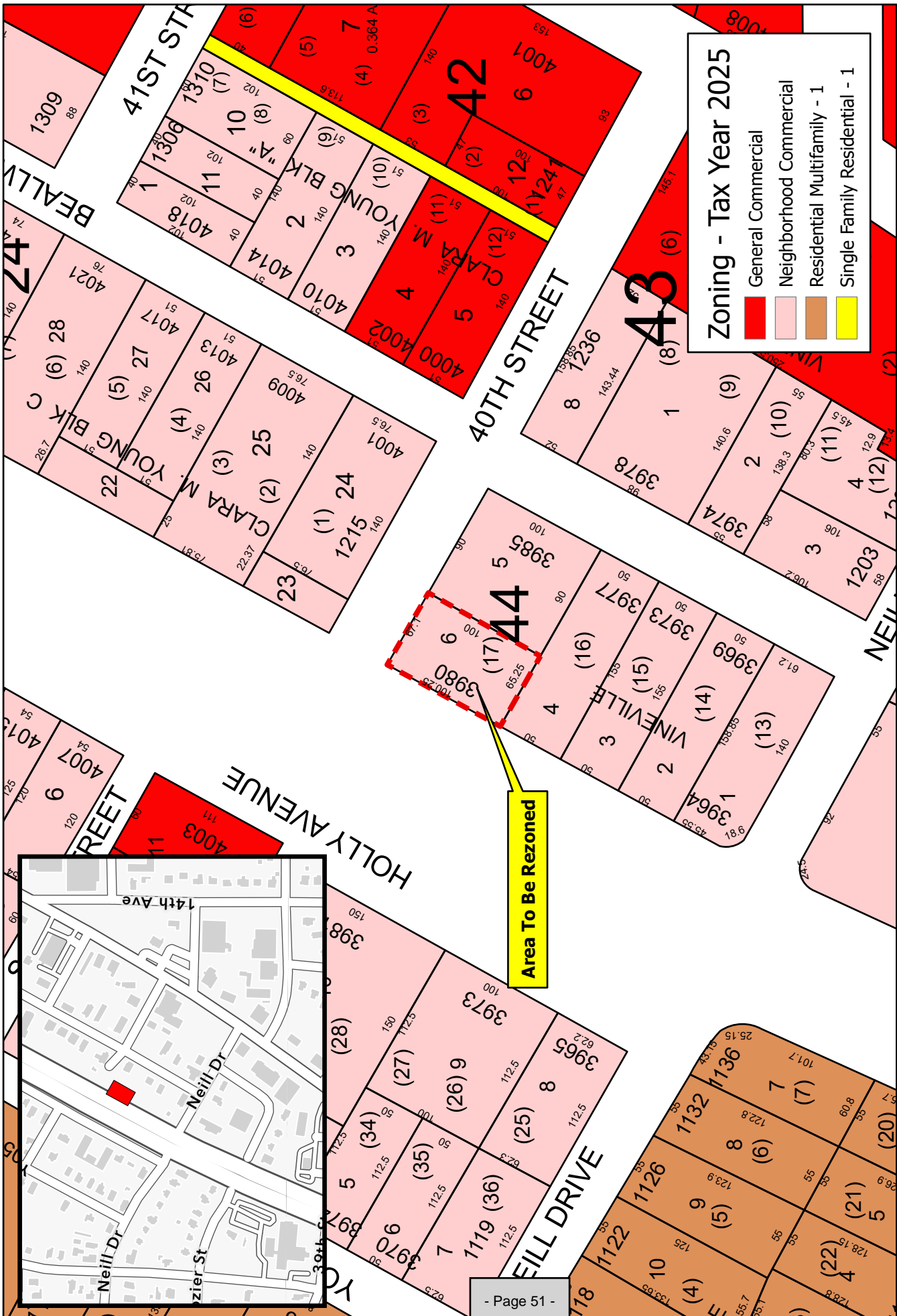
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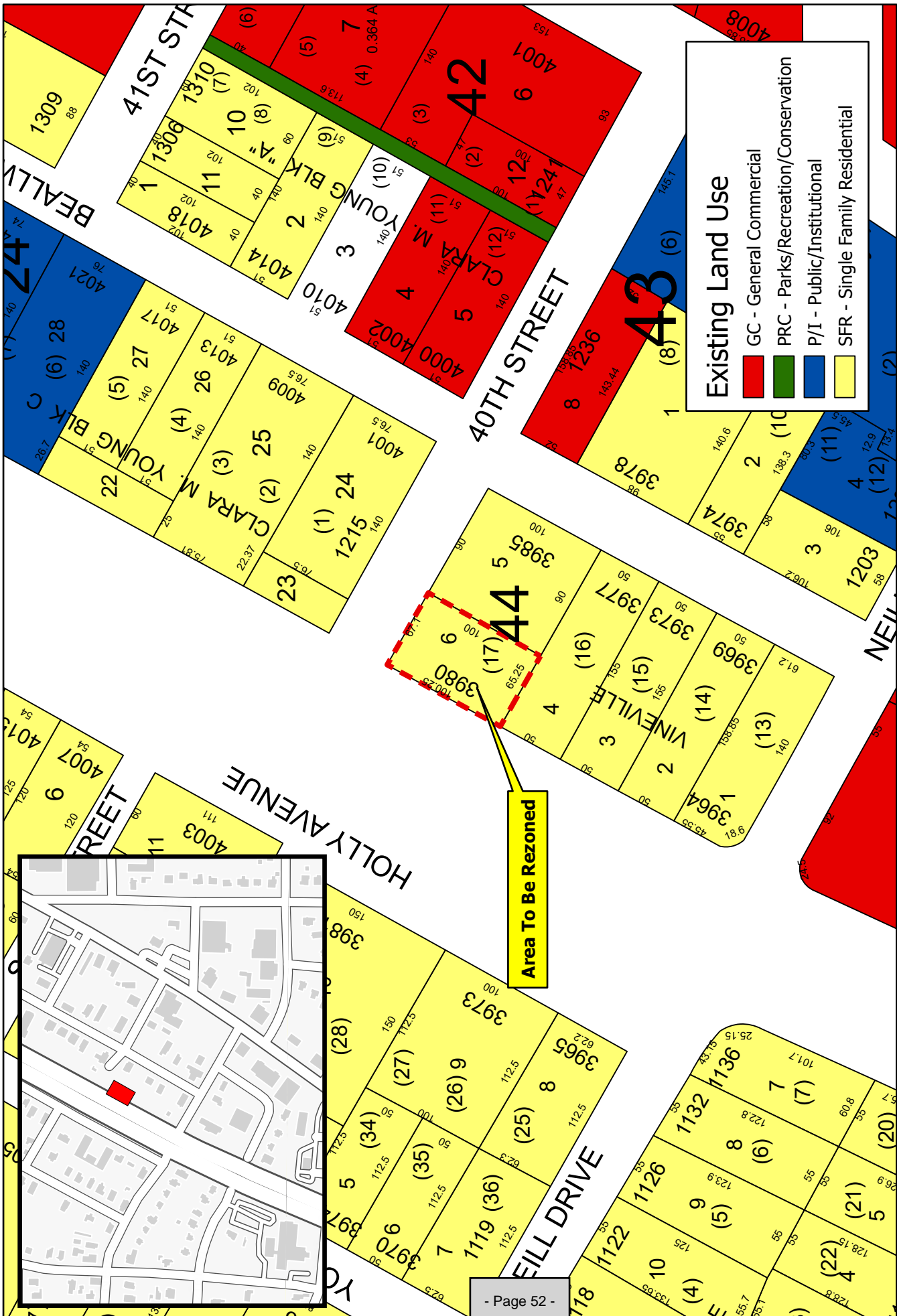
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Existing Land Use

- GC - General Commercial
- PRC - Parks/Recreation/Conservation
- P/I - Public/Institutional
- SFR - Single Family Residential

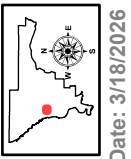
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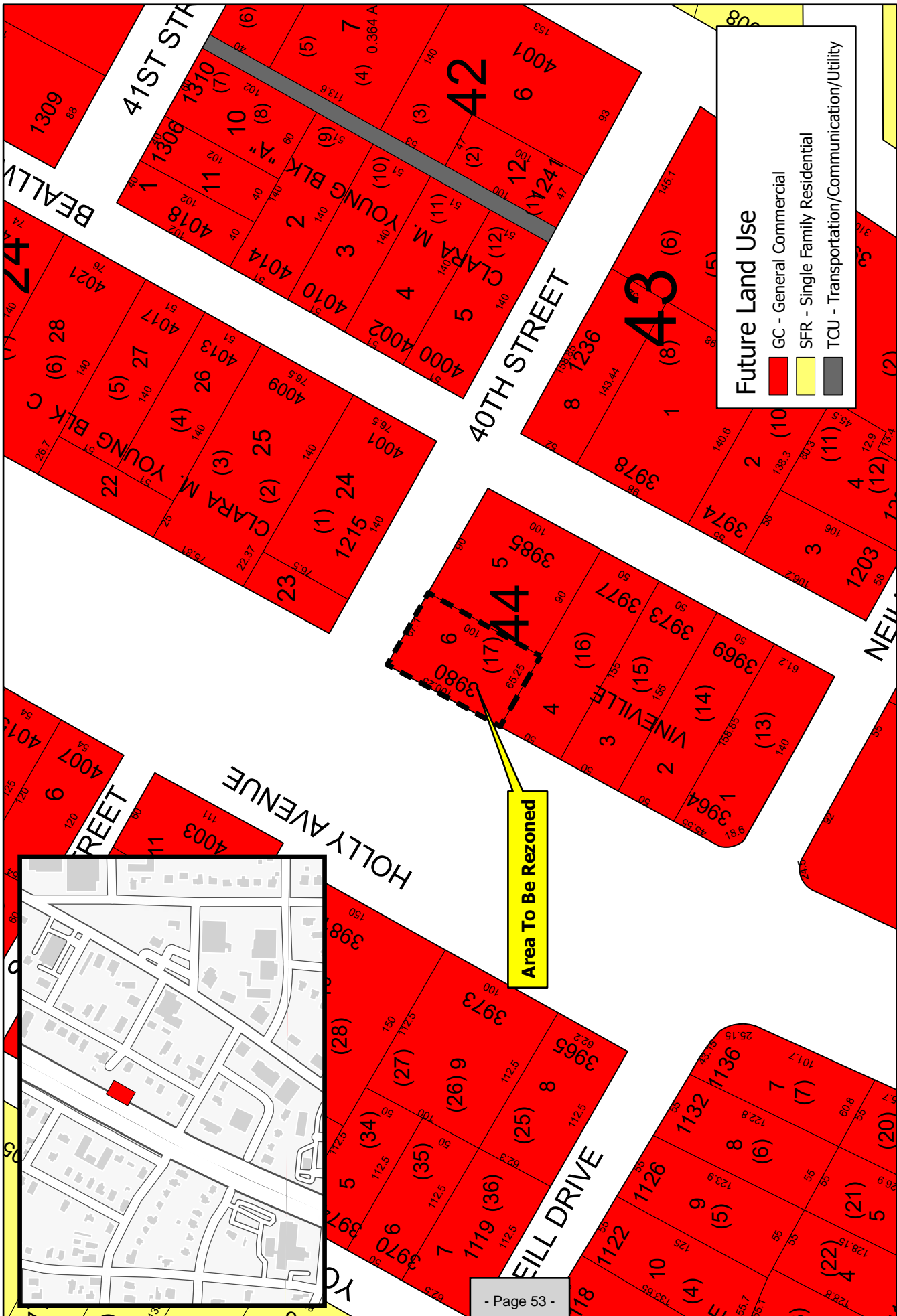


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Future Land Use

- GC - General Commercial
- SFR - Single Family Residential
- TCU - Transportation/Communication/Utility

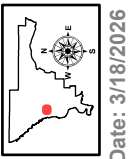
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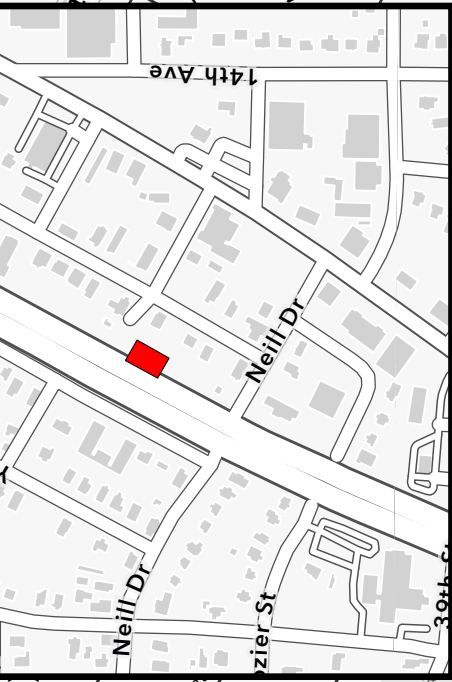
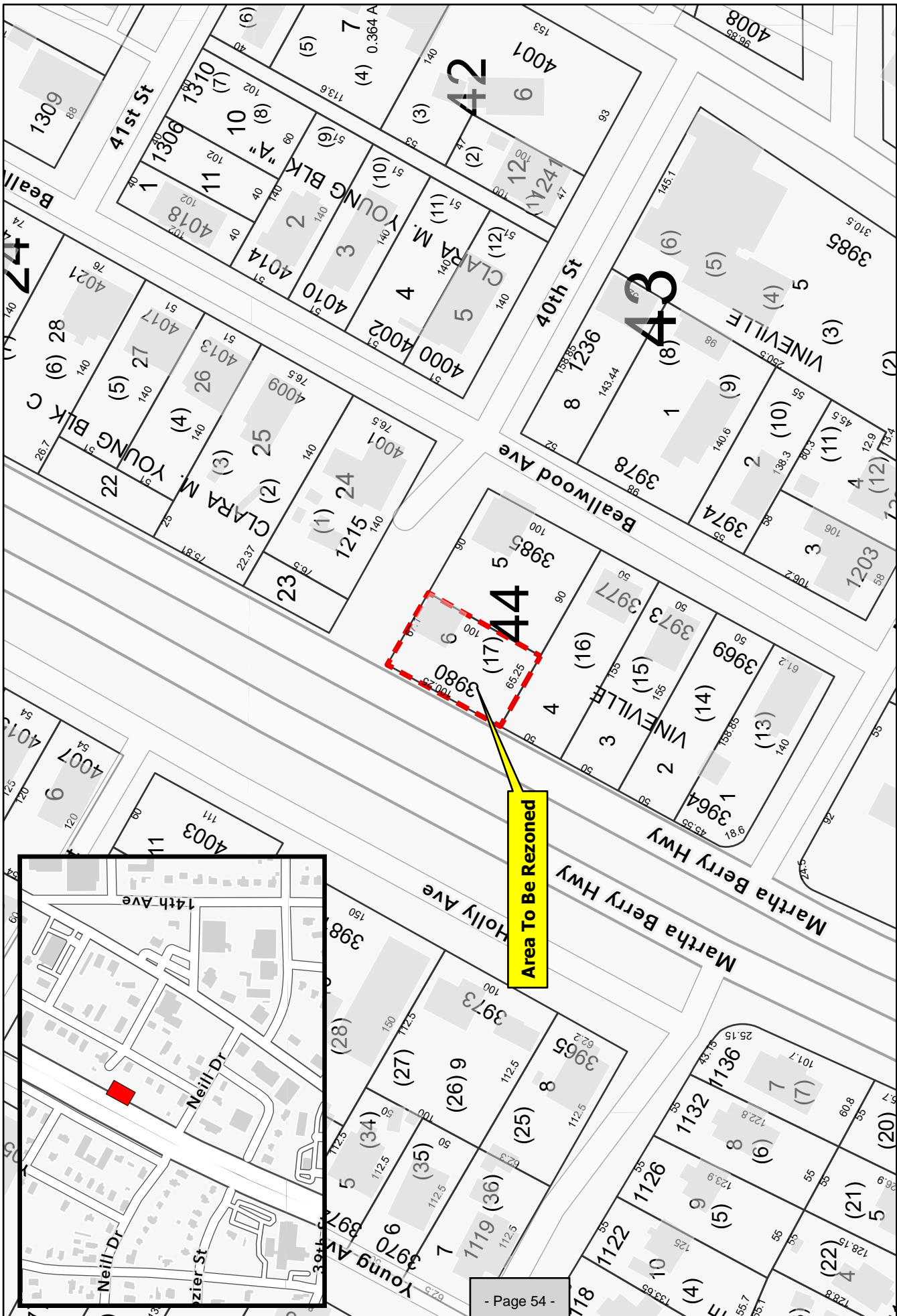


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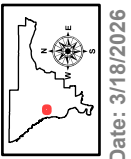




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File Attachments for Item:

4. 1st Reading: REZN-03-26-0416: An Ordinance amending the Zoning Atlas of the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to change certain boundaries of a district located at **5385 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 188-020-001) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District. (Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.) (Councilor Garrett)

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 **5385 Veterans Parkway** (parcel # 188-020-001) from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) 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 Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District to General Commercial (GC) Zoning District.

“All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the State of Georgia and County of Muscogee, being part of Land Lot 55 of the Eighth Land District of Muscogee County, Georgia, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a concrete monument located at the easternmost terminus of the southerly margin of the 50-foot right-of-way of 54111 Street where said southerly margin of said SO-foot right-of-way intersects Veterans Parkway (formerly known as Beallwood Connector), said concrete monument being located at the westernmost terminus of the mitered intersection formed thereby, and running thence South 37 degrees 54 minutes East for a distance of 64.85 feet to a concrete monument; running thence in a southwesterly direction along the northwesterly margin of the right-of-way of said Veterans Parkway for a distance of 200 feet to an iron stake; running thence North 58 degrees 08 minutes West for a distance of 138.8 feet to an iron stake; running thence North 00 degrees 55 minutes East for a distance of 154.24 feet to an iron slake located on the southerly margin of the right-of-way, of 54th Street; running thence South 89 degrees 05 minutes East along the southerly margin of the 50-foot right-of-way of 54th Street for a distance of 175 feet to the point of beginning; less and except the access rights conveyed to the Department of Transportation by Deed dated May 19, 1986 and recorded in Deed Book 2614. page 50, in the Office of the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia.

Said tract or parcel of land herein conveyed is shown as Lot 102 on a map or plat recorded in Plat Book 55, Page 81 in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia, said map or plat being a part of this description by reference thereto.”

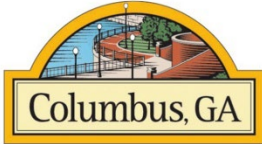
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COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

REZN-03-26-0416

Applicant:	Highland Asset Veterans Parkway LLC
Owner:	Highland Asset Veterans Parkway LLC
Location:	5385 Veterans Parkway
Parcel:	188-020-001
Acreage:	0.85 Acres
Current Zoning Classification:	Neighborhood Commercial
Proposed Zoning Classification:	General Commercial
Current Use of Property:	Vacant
Proposed Use of Property:	Convenience Store with Gas Sales
Council District:	District 8
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 E
General Land Use:	Consistent Planning Area F

Current Land Use Designation: General Commercial

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

Surrounding Zoning:

North	Neighborhood Commercial
South	General Commercial
East	Neighborhood Commercial
West	Neighborhood Commercial

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

School Impact: N/A

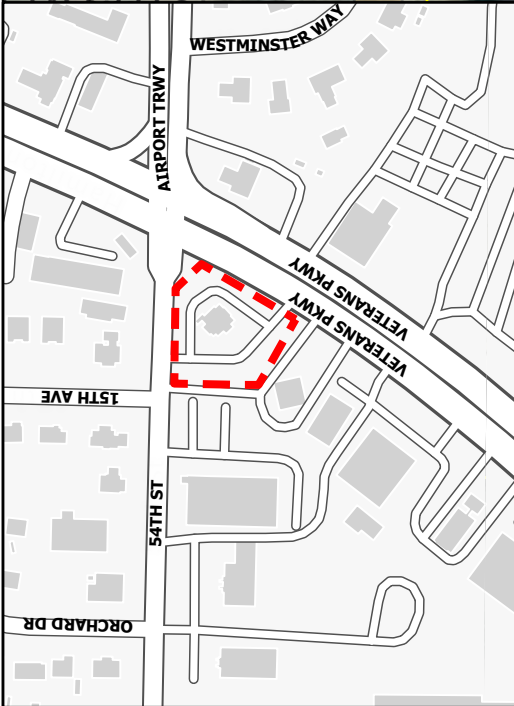
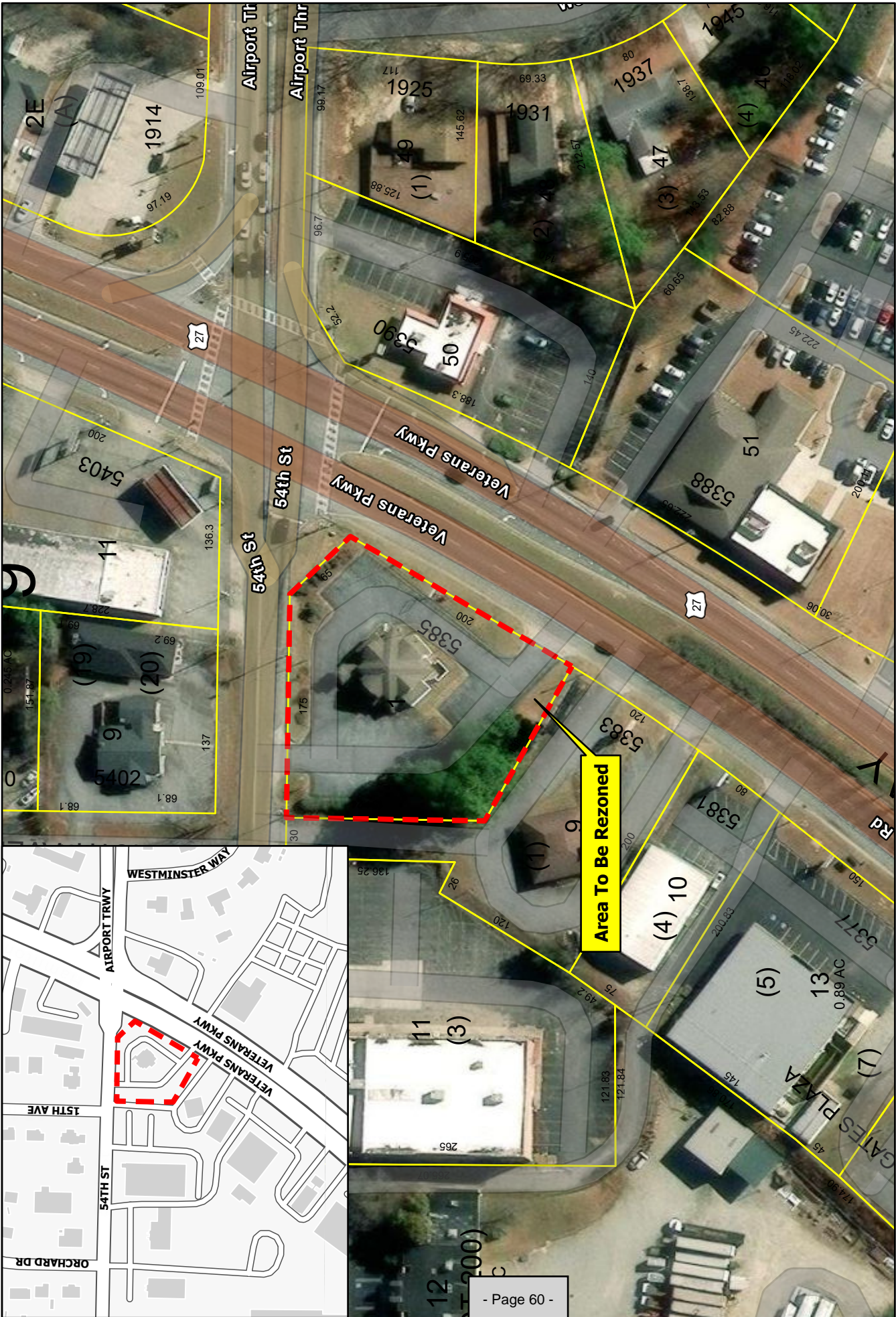
Buffer Requirement: N/A

Attitude of Property Owners: **27** 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.

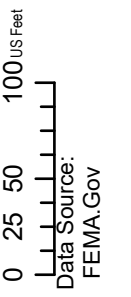
Approval	0 Responses
Opposition	0 Responses

Additional Information: Convenience store with 10 fuel pumps

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

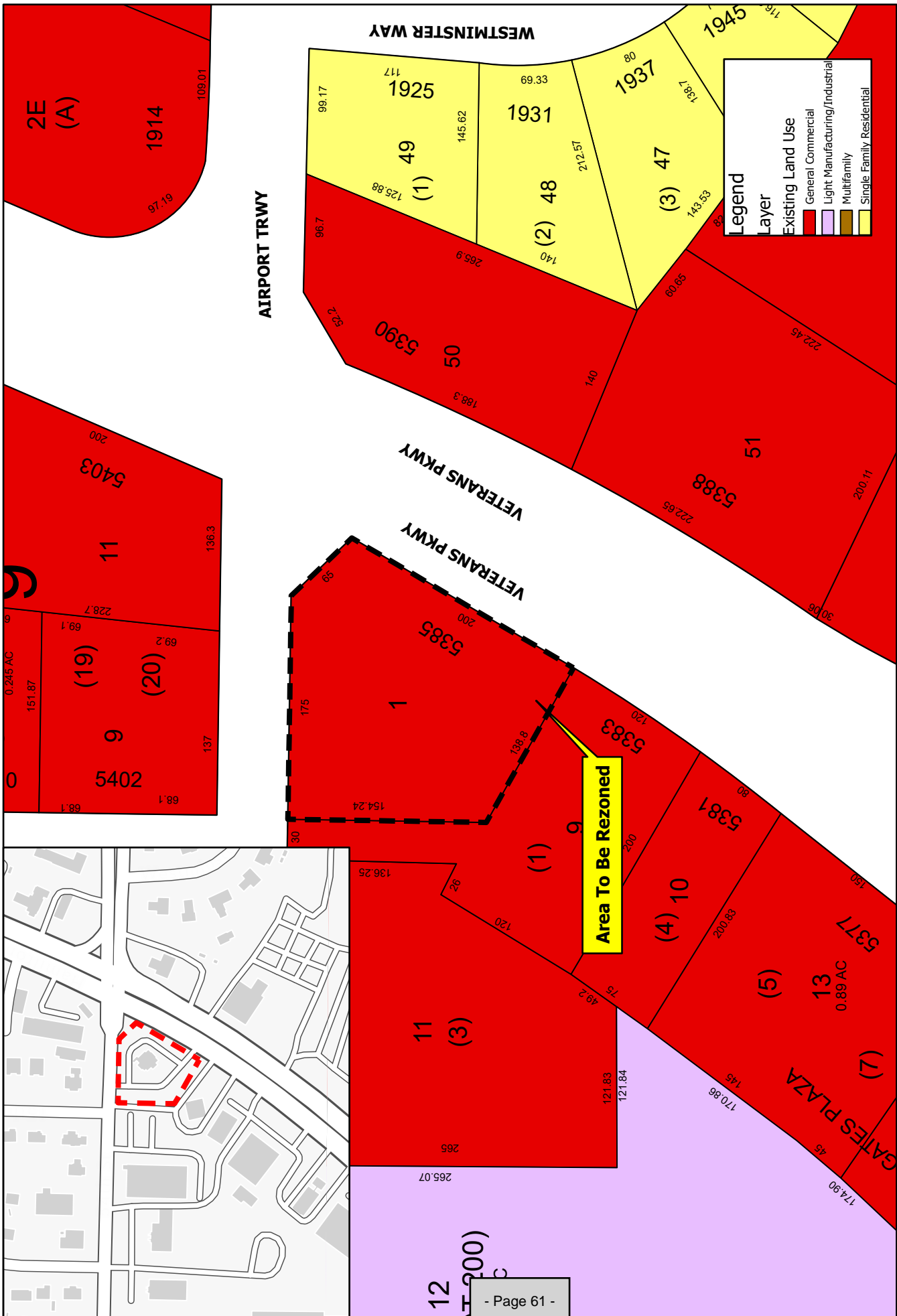


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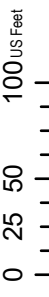


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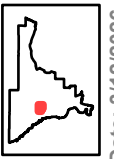
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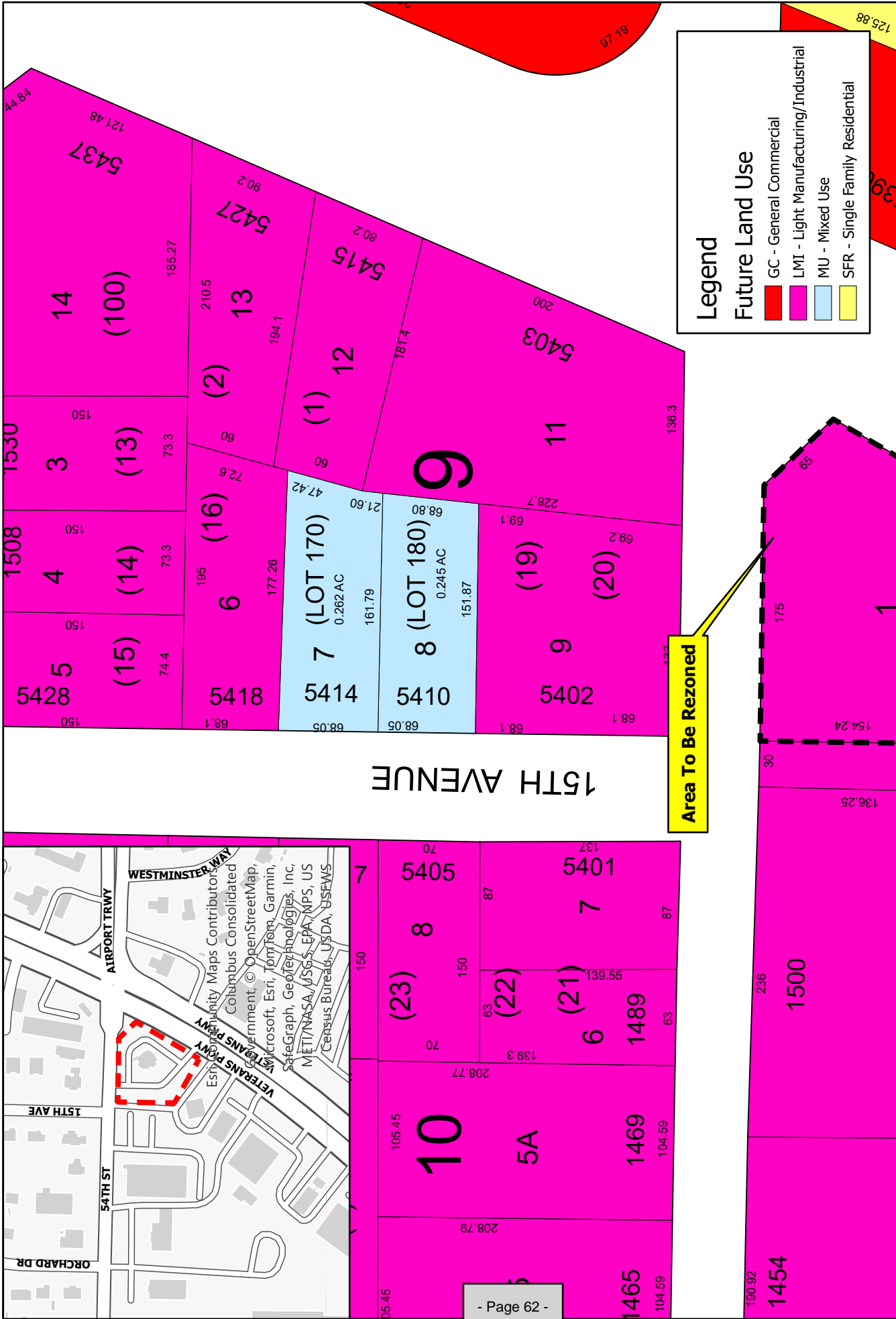
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Area To Be Rezoned

Legend

Future Land Use

- GC - General Commercial
- LMI - Light Manufacturing/Industrial
- MU - Mixed Use
- SFR - Single Family Residential

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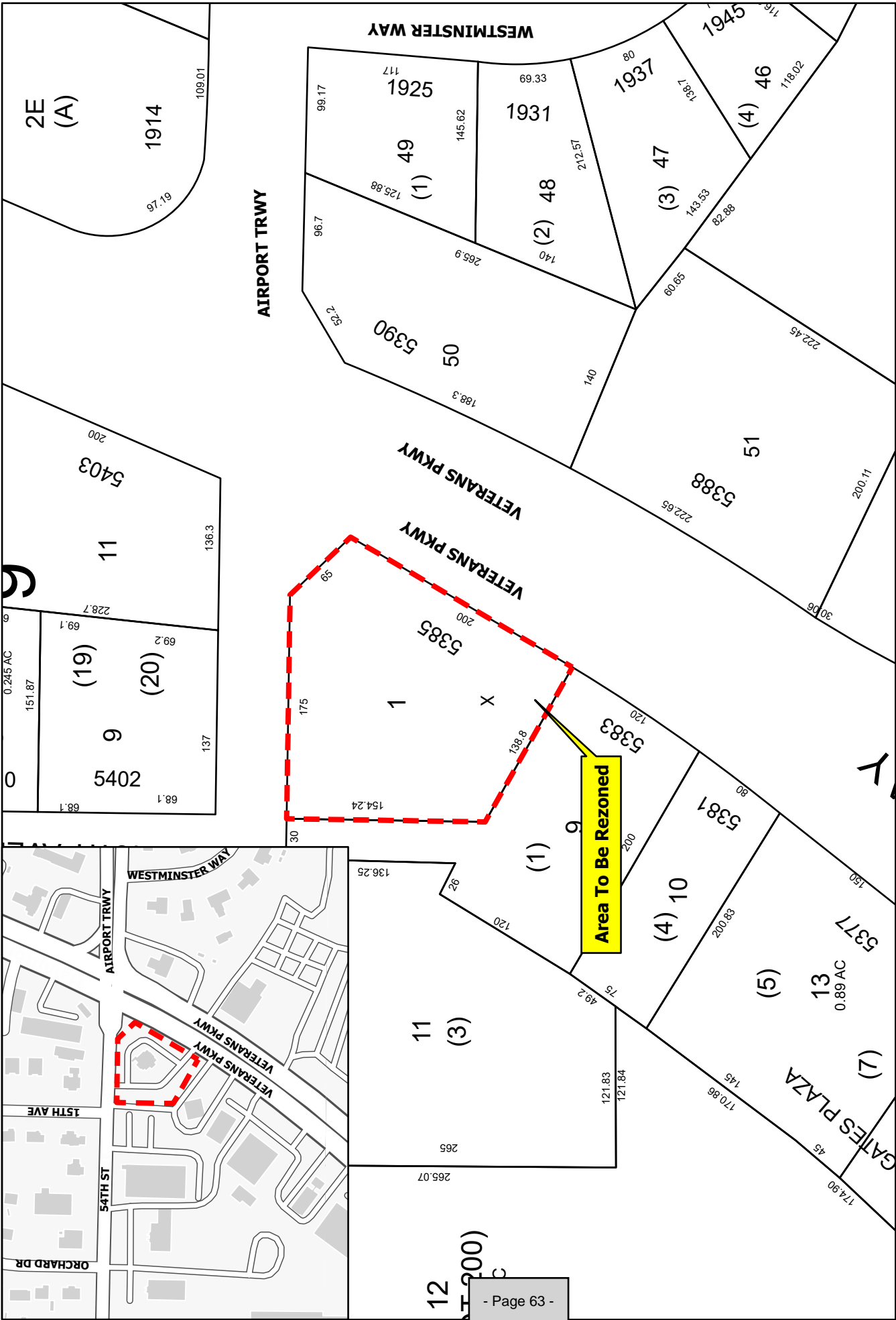
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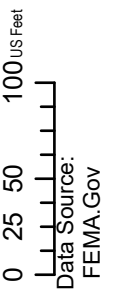
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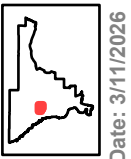


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Date: 3/11/2026

REZONING MEMORANDUM
5385 Veterans Parkway
Columbus, Georgia
Parcel ID: 188 020 001

Applicant: Edward French of Highland Asset Veterans Pkwy LLC

Request: Rezoning from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to GC (General Commercial) with Special Exception

Ordinance Reference: Ordinance No. 24-069

I. Property Overview

The subject property consists of approximately 0.85 acres located at 5385 Veterans Parkway in Columbus, Georgia (Parcel ID 188 020 001). The site fronts Veterans Parkway, a major arterial corridor serving established commercial development in north Columbus.

The applicant seeks to rezone the property from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to GC (General Commercial) to allow for development of a convenience store with fuel sales consistent with the character and intensity of the surrounding corridor.

II. Compliance with Ordinance No. 24-069

Section 1(G) – Separation from Existing Fuel Sales

Ordinance 24-069 requires a minimum 2,000-foot separation between convenience stores with fuel sales located on the same side of the street.

The property line-to-property line distance between the subject property and the nearest existing convenience store with fuel sales located on the same side of Veterans Parkway (5731 Veterans Parkway – Chevron) exceeds 2,300 feet.

Accordingly, the subject property satisfies and exceeds the required same-side separation standard under Ordinance 24-069.

Section 1(H) – Major Arterial Requirement

The subject property fronts Veterans Parkway, which is classified as a major arterial roadway. This requirement is fully satisfied.

Section 1(I) – Special Exception (Lot Size)

The subject parcel contains approximately 0.85 acres.

Section 1(I)(2) allows for a special exception for parcels between one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre and one (1) acre. The applicant respectfully requests this special exception as part of this application.

Section 1(J) – Pump Count Requirement

The ordinance requires that a qualifying convenience store with fuel sales include six (6) or more fueling positions.

The proposed site plan includes ten (10) fueling positions. This requirement is fully satisfied.

III. Alcohol Distance Compliance (Future Beer & Wine Sales)

Although not part of the zoning request itself, the applicant has reviewed applicable alcohol distance requirements for future licensing compliance.

The door-to-door travel distance from the proposed store entrance to the nearest church exceeds 300 feet, satisfying the applicable separation requirement.

With respect to residential separation provisions, the surrounding corridor is predominantly zoned GC and NC. The UDO provides that the 200-foot private residence restriction does not apply where a majority of land within the prohibited distance is zoned UPT, NC, GC, RO, LMI, HMI, or PMUD. The subject property is located within a commercially zoned corridor meeting this standard.

The proposed development is compliant with applicable local alcohol distance provisions.

IV. Corridor Character & Consistency

Veterans Parkway is a developed commercial arterial corridor characterized by General Commercial (GC) zoning, Neighborhood Commercial (NC) zoning, established retail and service uses, and existing commercial infrastructure.

Rezoning the subject property to GC aligns the zoning classification with the functional character of the corridor and permits a use contemplated under Ordinance 24-069.

The request does not introduce an incompatible land use but instead reflects the established commercial pattern along Veterans Parkway.

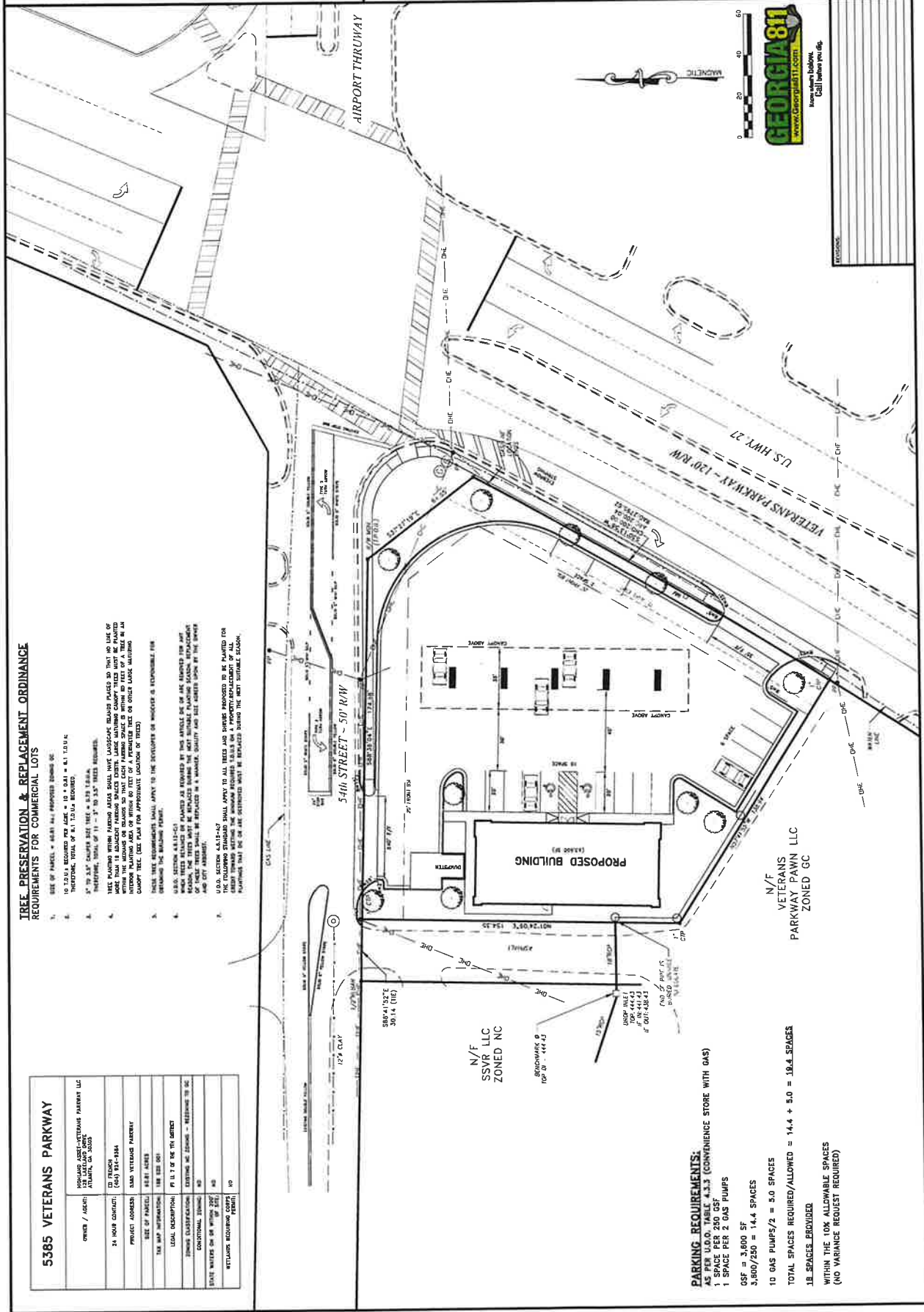
V. Conclusion

The requested rezoning from NC to GC with Special Exception:

- Meets separation requirements under Ordinance 24-069
- Satisfies arterial frontage requirements
- Qualifies for special exception lot size consideration
- Meets pump count requirements
- Is consistent with the commercial character of the Veterans Parkway corridor
- Complies with applicable alcohol distance standards

The applicant respectfully requests approval of the rezoning and associated special exception.

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TREE PRESERVATION & REPLACEMENT ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL LOTS

1. SIZE OF PARCEL = 6.61 AC. PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PLACED ON PARCEL = 41,100 SF.
2. TOTAL AREA OF TREES TO BE PRESERVED = 1,230.00 SQUARE FEET.
3. TOTAL AREA OF TREES TO BE REPLACED = 1,230.00 SQUARE FEET.
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5385 VETERANS PARKWAY	
OWNER / AGENT:	SSVR LLC, VETERANS PARKWAY LLC, ATLANTA, GA 30325
24 HOUR CONTACT:	(706) 328-7000
PROJECT ADDRESS:	5385 VETERANS PARKWAY
DATE OF PARCEL:	18.01.2016
TAX MAP INFORMATION:	188.000.001
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	PT 1/2 OF THE 100 AC
ZONING CLASSIFICATION:	SSVR - ZONING - RESIDENTIAL
CONDITIONAL ZONING:	N/A
STATE WATER OR AIR WAYS:	200'
WETLANDS (COLORADO STATE):	10

PARKING REQUIREMENTS:
 AS PER U.D.O. TABLE 4.3.3 (COMMERCIAL STORE WITH GAS)
 1 SPACE PER 250 GSF
 1 SPACE PER 2 GAS PUMPS
 GSF = 3,600 SF
 3,600/250 = 14.4 SPACES
 10 GAS PUMPS/2 = 5.0 SPACES
 TOTAL SPACES REQUIRED/ALLOWED = 14.4 + 5.0 = 19.4 SPACES
 18 SPACES PROVIDED
 WITHIN THE 10% ALLOWABLE SPACES
 (NO VARIANCE REQUEST REQUIRED)

File Attachments for Item:

5. 1st Reading- REZN-03-26-0663: An ordinance amending Sections 13.1.1, 4.2.18, 2.5.24, 3.2.6, 3.2.63, and 10.11.8 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia.(Planning Department and PAC recommend approval.)(Mayor Pro-Tem)

AN ORDINANCE

NO. _____

An ordinance amending Sections 13.1.1, 4.2.18, 2.5.24, 3.2.6, 3.2.63, and 10.11.8 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia:

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 13 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising the definition of *Personal services* to add the following two sentences to the end of the definition:

“This use category also includes the provision of microblading, permanent (or semi-permanent) makeup, and other cosmetic pigmentation services when performed in compliance with all applicable state and local health regulations. Such cosmetic tattooing services may be offered as a primary or accessory service within a personal-services establishment.”

SECTION 2.

Chapter 13 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising the definition of *Retail Sales, General* to remove liquor and package sales and read as follows:

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SECTION 3.

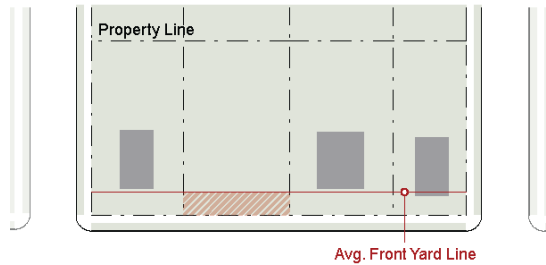
Chapter 4 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising Section 4.2.18 **Required Yards** by adding a new Paragraph 8 *Front Yard Standards* to read as follows:

F. *Front Yard Standards*

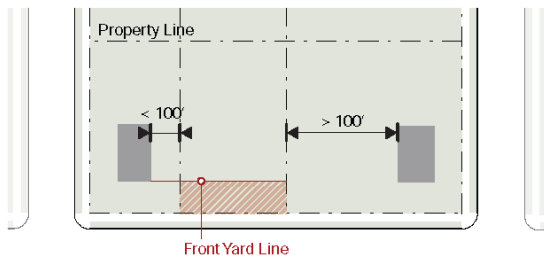
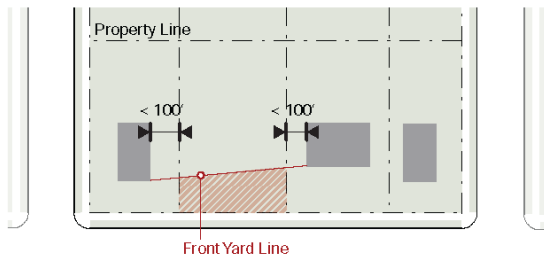
1. **Average Front Yard**

- a. Where 40% or more of the frontage on the same side of a street between two intersecting streets is developed with buildings that have (with a variation of 5 feet

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- b. Where 40% or more of the frontage on one side of a street between two intersecting streets is developed that do not have a front yard as described above, then:
 - i. Where a building is to be erected on a parcel of land that is within 100 feet of existing buildings on both sides, the minimum front yard shall be a line drawn between the two closest front corners of the adjacent buildings; or
 - ii. Where a building is to be erected on a parcel of land that is within 100 feet of an existing building on one side only, the building may be erected as close to the street as the existing adjacent building.



SECTION 4.

Chapter 2 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising Section 2.5.24.C.6.(B) to establish a height minimum for shingle signs in the 2nd Avenue Overlay District:

“(B) *Shingle Signs.* A sign that is suspended, parallel, or perpendicular from a building wall, roof, façade, canopy, marquee, or porch by means of brackets, hooks, or chains and the like. The sign area shall be no more than 24 inches in height and 36 inches in length. The sign area can be both front and back. Said sign shall be a minimum of 7 feet from the ground for pedestrian clearance.”

SECTION 5.

Chapter 3 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising Sections 3.2.6 and 3.2.7 by adding a new subsection C regarding repair work to each code section to read as follows:

Section 3.2.6. Auto/Truck Repair, Major.

“A major auto repair facility shall comply with the standards listed below.

- A. *Bay or Garage Doors.* Bay or garage doors shall comply with the requirements of Section 4.2.5.
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Wall or fencing shall completely screen all junk or inoperable vehicles from public view.

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- D. *Determination of Use.*
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 1. Vehicles are stored for longer than 30 days without documented repair activity;
 2. Vehicles are dismantled or used primarily for parts;
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And

“Section 3.2.7. Auto/Truck Repair, Minor.

A minor auto repair facility shall comply with the standards listed below.

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C. *Repair Work.* All repair work shall occur within an enclosed structure.”

SECTION 6.

Section 3.2.63. of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby repealed and replaced with a new Section 3.2.63. to read as follows:

“Section 3.2.63. Temporary Use or Special Event.

A temporary use or special event shall comply with the standards listed below.

Review.

- A. A temporary use or special event is a short-term activity or operation occurring on private property that is not part of the permanent or primary use of the site and that is intended to operate for a limited duration. Temporary uses or special events may include, but are not limited to, outdoor sales, festivals, markets, exhibits, seasonal merchandise sales, gatherings, performances, or public-serving activities of any duration. Unless otherwise provided herein, the City Manager or designee may approve an application for a temporary use or special event conducted on private property.

Temporary uses or special events proposed on public property, including but not limited to public streets, parks, rights-of-way, and City-owned facilities, shall require review and approval by the appropriate City Department. Such events may also require approval by the City Council and coordination with the Police Department or other public safety agencies, as determined necessary by the City.

- B. *Location.* A temporary use or special event shall be located as provided below:
1. Properties possessing a nonresidential zoning district designations; or
 2. Properties within residential zoning districts or residential portions of PUDs that are public-serving sites such as public or private schools, places of worship public parks or other public property.
- C. *Duration.* An event shall not exceed seven consecutive days. The City Manager may authorize one administrative time extension of up to three days. The Council shall approve any event more than ten days in length.
1. *Exemption.* The following events shall be exempt from the ten day limitation.
 - (A) *Community Fairs.* Community fairs shall not exceed 14 days of operation and being open to the public, excluding time to set up or dismantle the fair.
 - (B) *Religious Meetings.* Religious meetings of a temporary nature shall not exceed 14 days in length, excluding time to set up or dismantle the meeting facilities.
 - (C) *Seasonal Holiday Décor Sales.* Seasonal holiday décor sales, including but not limited to Christmas trees, pumpkins, and similar holiday-related items, shall be permitted from September 1 through December 31 each year. During all other times of the year, such seasonal holiday décor sales may be permitted for periods not exceeding 14 consecutive days at a time.
 - (D) *Fireworks Sales.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted for the following:
 - 1) *Independence Day.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted thirty (30) days prior to July 4.
 - 2) *New Year's Day.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted thirty (30) days prior to January 1.
- D. *Number per Year.* Not more than three temporary events in any calendar year shall be held on the same location, unless otherwise approved by the Council following a recommendation by the City Manager.

1.Recurring Farmers Markets.
 A recurring farmers market held on weekends at a church, school, or other similar qualifying property shall be considered one temporary special event for the purposes of annual event limits, provided that the farmers market operates under a single seasonal authorization and maintains consistent hours, layout, and participating vendors throughout its operating season. Individual weekend market days shall not be counted as separate temporary events.

- E. *Compliance.* If a violation occurs at an event permitted by the City, the City Manager may deny permits to the operator for similar temporary events for a period of not more than 18 months.
- F. *Review.* The City Manager may require review of a temporary event permit by members of City staff.
- G. *General Standards.* Temporary uses or special events shall comply with the standards listed below.
 - 1. *Access.* Vehicular access from a collector or arterial roadway shall be provided. Access from a local street is prohibited, unless approved by City Manager as the only feasible access available to a site.
 - 2. *Setbacks.* The minimum setbacks indicated in Table 3.2.9 shall apply to all parking areas, mobile homes or similar temporary dwellings or offices, tents, mechanical devices, carnival rides, and animals associated with such activities.

Table 3.2.9.

Minimum Setbacks for Special Events

Setback ¹	Residential Zoning District	Nonresidential Zoning District
Front	25 feet	25 feet
Side	50 feet	25 feet
Side Corner	35 feet	20 feet
Rear	200 feet	25 feet

Note and Additional Standards.¹Setback to be measured from activity or structure to the nearest residential property line if event located within a residential zoning district.

- 3. *Traffic Control.* Use of city police or acceptable alternative to direct and control traffic may be required.
- 4. *Sanitation and Public Health.* Plans for sanitation and public health protection including temporary bathroom facilities, inspection of food facilities, drainage, and garbage and litter control, shall be approved by the City Manager.
- 5. *Application Requirements.* Applications for a temporary use or special event authorization shall be submitted to the Director of Inspections and Codes.
 - (A) *Submittal.* Applications shall be filed at least 15 days prior to the opening day of the use or event.
 - (B) *Contents.* The application shall contain such information as required by the Director of Inspections and Codes, and shall include the items listed below.
 - (1) *Authority.* Evidence the property owner authorizes the use of the site for a special event.
 - (2) *Site Plan.* A general site plan for the event, including property boundaries, road access, location of tents or other structures, location of rides, location of parking, location of temporary dwellings or offices, and proposed setbacks of activities, tents, booths, etc., from adjacent properties.
 - (3) *Statement of Use.* A general statement of use, including but not limited to sponsor, planned activities, duration of event, hours of operation, anticipated attendance, temporary lighting to be provided onsite, security, utilities, use of generators, and other information that may be required by the Director.
 - (4) *Signs.* A general sign plan, including proposed number, size, location, and dates of installation and removal of all signs associated with the event.

- (5) *Other Materials.* Other materials and documentation as may be required by the Director.
6. *Surety.* The City Manager or designee may require the operator of an event to post a cash surety, or other form of security, to provide funds to cleanup or otherwise mitigate a site following a temporary event. The Manager shall approve the amount of surety.
 7. *Insurance.* The City Manager or designee may require the operator of an event to provide evidence of a general liability policy in an amount of at least \$1,000,000, with the City named as an additional insured. The City may require proof of additional insurance.
 8. *Authorization.* The City Manager or designee shall issue written approval for a temporary use or special event, including any conditions or restrictions placed on the proposed activities. Conditions or restrictions may affect or include planned activities, duration of event, hours of operation, temporary lighting to be provided onsite, security, traffic control, garbage and litter control, bathroom facilities, utilities, security, and use of generators.”

SECTION 7.

Chapter 10 of the Unified Development Ordinance is hereby amended by revising amending Sections 10.11.8.G.8 (C) and (D) and 10.11.8.G.9(B) regarding the tabling of cases for BZA to read as follows:

Section 10.11.8.G.8.(C) *Effect of Tie Vote.*

(C) *Effect of Tie Vote.* A tie vote on a motion for approval of an appeal shall be deemed a denial of the appeal. A tie vote on any other motion shall be deemed to be no action, and another motion would be in order; however, if the appeal has previously been tabled once by the Board, a tie vote or no action at the subsequent meeting shall result in the appeal being automatically denied.

And

Section 10.11.8.G.8.(D) *Failure to Act.*

(D) *Failure to Act.* If no action is taken on an appeal, it shall be considered tabled and action deferred to the next regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals. An appeal may be tabled only once. If the appeal has previously been tabled and the Board fails to take action at the next regular meeting, the appeal shall be automatically denied.

And

Section 10.11.8.G.9. *Board of Zoning Appeals Actions.*

9. *Board of Zoning Appeals Actions.* In taking action on an appeal, the Board of Zoning Appeals may:
 - (A) Approve, approve with changes, approve with conditions, or deny the request; or
 - (B) Table the appeal for consideration at its next scheduled meeting; provided, however, that an appeal may be tabled only once. If the appeal has been previously tabled and the Board encounters a tie vote or takes no action at the

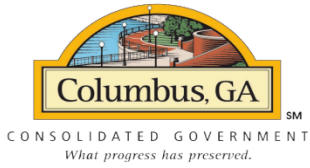
next regular meeting, the appeal shall be automatically denied.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 12th day of May 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 _____
- 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



Planning Department

May 1, 2026

Honorable Mayor and Councilors
 City Manager
 City Attorney
 Clerk of Council

This application comes at the request of Columbus Consolidated Government.

A request to amend the text of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for various items.

UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE REVISIONS
 (Explanation of Revisions)

1. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Section 13.1.1 by amending the definition of Personal Services.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE	PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE
<p>Sec. 13.1.1. Definitions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section 13.1.1</p> <p><i>Personal services</i> means an establishment providing services of a personal nature that are necessary on a frequent or recurring basis. Personal services may include the accessory retail sale of items related to service rendered. Personal services typically include beauty and barbershops; clerical services; dog grooming; garment repair; informational, instructional, personal improvement,</p>	<p>Sec. 13.1.1. Definitions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section 13.1.1</p> <p><i>Personal services</i> means an establishment providing services of a personal nature that are necessary on a frequent or recurring basis. Personal services may include the accessory retail sale of items related to the service rendered. Personal services typically include beauty and barbershops; clerical services; dog grooming; garment repair; informational, instructional, personal improvement,</p>

<p>or services of a similar nature; fortune telling and similar psychic services; and dry cleaning drop-off and pick-up stations; limited repair services; manicurists; photography studios; spas; shoe repair and shoeshine parlors; tailoring; and tanning salons. XXX</p>	<p>or services of a similar nature; fortune telling and similar psychic services; and dry-cleaning drop-off and pick-up stations; limited repair services; manicurists; photography studios; spas; shoe repair and shoeshine parlors; tailoring; and tanning salons. This use category also includes the provision of microblading, permanent (or semi-permanent) makeup, and other cosmetic pigmentation services when performed in compliance with all applicable state and local health regulations. Such cosmetic tattooing services may be offered as a primary or accessory service within a personal-services establishment.</p>
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2. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Section 13.1.1 by amending the definition of Retail Sales, General to remove liquor and package sales.

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3. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Section 4.2.18. by adding *Front Yard Standards*.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE	PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE
<p>Article 2. – GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS</p> <p>Section 4.2.18. Required Yards</p> <p>Section 4.2.18. Required Yards.</p> <p>In all zoning districts, the standards listed below shall apply to required yards.</p> <p>A. <i>Obstructions or Encroachments Prohibited.</i> Unless otherwise provided in this Section, all yards shall be unobstructed from the ground to the sky.</p> <p>B. <i>Double Counting Prohibited.</i> A required yard for one use or structure shall not be counted as part of the required yard for another use or structure.</p> <p>C. <i>Encroachments.</i> An encroachment of not more than four feet into a required yard may be allowed for one or more of the following structural features: awnings, balconies, belt courses, cornices, eaves, gutters, lintels, open porches, outside staircases, sills, and similar architectural or structural features.</p> <p>D. <i>Double Frontage Lots.</i> The main entrance to the building shall determine the front yard for lots with two or more street frontages.</p>	<p>Article 2. – GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS</p> <p>Section 4.2.18. Required Yards</p> <p>Section 4.2.18. Required Yards.</p> <p>In all zoning districts, the standards listed below shall apply to required yards.</p> <p>A. <i>Obstructions or Encroachments Prohibited.</i> Unless otherwise provided in this Section, all yards shall be unobstructed from the ground to the sky.</p> <p>B. <i>Double Counting Prohibited.</i> A required yard for one use or structure shall not be counted as part of the required yard for another use or structure.</p> <p>C. <i>Encroachments.</i> An encroachment of not more than four feet into a required yard may be allowed for one or more of the following structural features: awnings, balconies, belt courses, cornices, eaves, gutters, lintels, open porches, outside staircases, sills, and similar architectural or structural features.</p> <p>D. <i>Double Frontage Lots.</i> The main entrance to the building shall determine the front yard for lots with two or more street frontages.</p> <p>E. <i>Alleys.</i> One-half of the width of an alley abutting a side or rear yard may be included as part of the required yard.</p>

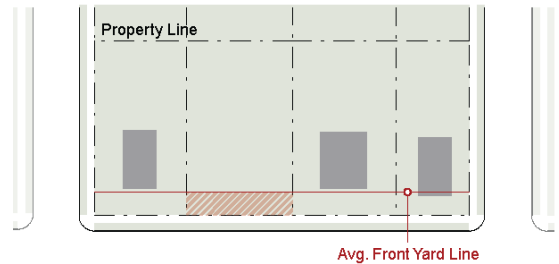
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F. Front Yard Standards

1. Average Front Yard

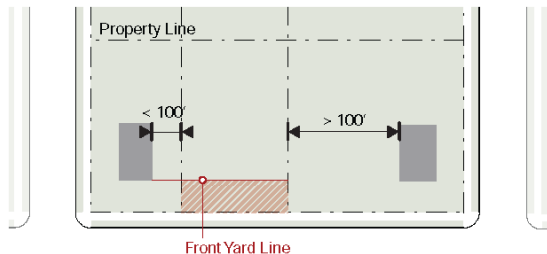
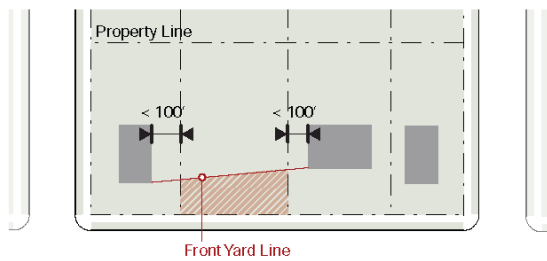
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4. Explanation of Revisions: Add a height minimum for shingle signage in the 2nd Avenue Overlay District.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE	PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE
<p>Sec. 2.5.24 2nd Avenue Overlay District.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section C.6.(B)</p> <p>(B) <i>Shingle Signs.</i> A sign that is suspended, parallel, or perpendicular from a building wall, roof, façade, canopy, marquee, or porch by means of brackets, hooks, or chains and the like. The sign area shall be no more than 24 inches in height and 36 inches in length. The sign area can be both front and back. XXX</p>	<p>Sec. 2.5.24 2nd Avenue Overlay District.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section C.6.(B)</p> <p>(B) <i>Shingle Signs.</i> A sign that is suspended, parallel, or perpendicular from a building wall, roof, façade, canopy, marquee, or porch by means of brackets, hooks, or chains and the like. The sign area shall be no more than 24 inches in height and 36 inches in length. The sign area can be both front and back. Said sign shall be a minimum of 7 feet from the ground for pedestrian clearance.</p>

5. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Sections 3.2.6 and 3.2.7 by adding a subsection C regarding repair work.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE	PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE
<p>Sec. 3.2.6. Auto/Truck Repair, Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section 3.2.6.C</p> <p>Section 3.2.6. Auto/Truck Repair, Major.</p> <p>A major auto repair facility shall comply with the standards listed below.</p>	<p>Sec. 3.2.6. Auto/Truck Repair, Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Section 3.2.6.C</p> <p>Section 3.2.6. Auto/Truck Repair, Major.</p> <p>A major auto repair facility shall comply with the standards listed below.</p>

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Section 3.2.7.C

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Sec. 3.2.7. Auto/Truck Repair, Minor

Section 3.2.7.C

Section 3.2.7. Auto/Truck Repair, Minor.

A minor auto repair facility shall comply with the standards listed below.

<p>B. <i>Fencing, Walls and Hedges.</i> An opaque wall, consistent with the requirements of Section 4.2.14 shall be provided for all repair services that store wrecked, junked, abandoned or inoperative vehicles. Fencing consistent with the requirements of Section 4.2.14 shall be provided if an opaque wall is not required.</p> <p>XXX</p>	<p>A. <i>Bay or Garage Doors.</i> Bay or garage doors shall comply with the requirements of Section 4.2.5.</p> <p>B. <i>Fencing, Walls and Hedges.</i> An opaque wall, consistent with the requirements of Section 4.2.14 shall be provided for all repair services that store wrecked, junked, abandoned or inoperative vehicles. Fencing consistent with the requirements of Section 4.2.14 shall be provided if an opaque wall is not required.</p> <p>C. <i>Repair Work.</i> All repair work shall occur within an enclosed structure.</p>
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6. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Sections 10.11.8.G.8.(C) & (D) and 9.(B) regarding the tabling of cases.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE	PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE
<p>Section 10.11.8. Process for Granting Appeals</p> <p>Section 10.11.8.G Board of Zoning Appeals Public Hearing</p> <p>Section 10.11.8.G.8.(C) <i>Effect of Tie Vote.</i></p> <p>(C) <i>Effect of Tie Vote.</i> A tie vote on a motion for approval of an appeal shall be deemed a denial of the appeal. A tie vote on any other motion shall be deemed to be no</p>	<p>Section 10.11.8. Process for Granting Appeals</p> <p>Section 10.11.8.G Board of Zoning Appeals Public Hearing</p> <p>Section 10.11.8.G.8.(C) <i>Effect of Tie Vote.</i></p> <p>(C) <i>Effect of Tie Vote.</i> A tie vote on a motion for approval of an appeal shall be deemed a denial of the appeal. A tie vote on any other motion shall be deemed to be no</p>

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	the appeal shall be automatically denied or
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7. Explanation of Revisions: Amend Section 3.2.63. Temporary Use or Special Event regarding several issues (see attached).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

N/A

Recommendations:

The Planning Advisory Commission (PAC) considered this text amendment at their meetings on April 15, 2026. PAC recommended **approval** by a vote of

The Planning Department recommends **approval**.

Sincerely,

Will Johnson
Planning Director

Section 3.2.63. Temporary Use or Special Event.

A temporary use or special event shall comply with the standards listed below.

Review.

- A. A temporary use or special event is a short-term activity or operation occurring on private property that is not part of the permanent or primary use of the site and that is intended to operate for a limited duration. Temporary uses or special events may include, but are not limited to, outdoor sales, festivals, markets, exhibits, seasonal merchandise sales, gatherings, performances, or public-serving activities of any duration. Unless otherwise provided herein, the City Manager or designee may approve an application for a temporary use or special event conducted on private property.

Temporary uses or special events proposed on public property, including but not limited to public streets, parks, rights-of-way, and City-owned facilities, shall require review and approval by the appropriate City Department. Such events may also require approval by the City Council and coordination with the Police Department or other public safety agencies, as determined necessary by the City.

- B. *Location.* A temporary use or special event shall be located as provided below:

1. Properties possessing a nonresidential zoning district designations; or
2. Properties within residential zoning districts or residential portions of PUDs that are public-serving sites such as public or private schools, places of worship public parks or other public property.

- C. *Duration.* An event shall not exceed seven consecutive days. The City Manager may authorize one administrative time extension of up to three days. The Council shall approve any event more than ten days in length.

1. *Exemption.* The following events shall be exempt from the ten day limitation.

- (A) *Community Fairs.* Community fairs shall not exceed 14 days of operation and being open to the public, excluding time to set up or dismantle the fair.
- (B) *Religious Meetings.* Religious meetings of a temporary nature shall not exceed 14 days in length, excluding time to set up or dismantle the meeting facilities.
- (C) *Seasonal Holiday Décor Sales.* Seasonal holiday décor sales, including but not limited to Christmas trees, pumpkins, and similar holiday-related items, shall be permitted from September 1 through December 31 each year. During all other times of the year, such seasonal holiday décor sales may be permitted for periods not exceeding 14 consecutive days at a time.

- (D) *Fireworks Sales.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted for the following:

- 1) *Independence Day.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted thirty (30) days prior to July 4.
- 2) *New Year's Day.* Fireworks sales shall be permitted thirty (30) days prior to January 1.

D. *Number per Year.* Not more than three temporary events in any calendar year shall be held on the same location, unless otherwise approved by the Council following a recommendation by the City Manager.

1. *Recurring Farmers Markets.*

A recurring farmers market held on weekends at a church, school, or other similar qualifying property shall be considered one temporary special event for the purposes of annual event limits, provided that the farmers market operates under a single seasonal authorization and maintains consistent hours, layout, and participating vendors throughout its operating season. Individual weekend market days shall not be counted as separate temporary events.

E. *Compliance.* If a violation occurs at an event permitted by the City, the City Manager may deny permits to the operator for similar temporary events for a period of not more than 18 months.

F. *Review.* The City Manager may require review of a temporary event permit by members of City staff.

G. *General Standards.* Temporary uses or special events shall comply with the standards listed below.

1. *Access.* Vehicular access from a collector or arterial roadway shall be provided. Access from a local street is prohibited, unless approved by City Manager as the only feasible access available to a site.
2. *Setbacks.* The minimum setbacks indicated in Table 3.2.9 shall apply to all parking areas, mobile homes or similar temporary dwellings or offices, tents, mechanical devices, carnival rides, and animals associated with such activities.

Table 3.2.9.
Minimum Setbacks for Special Events

Setback ¹	Residential Zoning District	Nonresidential Zoning District
Front	25 feet	25 feet
Side	50 feet	25 feet
Side Corner	35 feet	20 feet
Rear	200 feet	25 feet
Note and Additional Standards. ¹ Setback to be measured from activity or structure to the nearest residential property line if event located within a residential zoning district.		

3. *Traffic Control.* Use of city police or acceptable alternative to direct and control traffic may be required.
4. *Sanitation and Public Health.* Plans for sanitation and public health protection including temporary bathroom facilities, inspection of food facilities, drainage, and garbage and litter control, shall be approved by the City Manager.
5. *Application Requirements.* Applications for a temporary use or special event authorization shall be submitted to the Director of Inspections and Codes.
 - (A) *Submittal.* Applications shall be filed at least 15 days prior to the opening day of the use or event.
 - (B) *Contents.* The application shall contain such information as required by the Director of Inspections and Codes, and shall include the items listed below.

- (1) *Authority.* Evidence the property owner authorizes the use of the site for a special event.
 - (2) *Site Plan.* A general site plan for the event, including property boundaries, road access, location of tents or other structures, location of rides, location of parking, location of temporary dwellings or offices, and proposed setbacks of activities, tents, booths, etc., from adjacent properties.
 - (3) *Statement of Use.* A general statement of use, including but not limited to sponsor, planned activities, duration of event, hours of operation, anticipated attendance, temporary lighting to be provided onsite, security, utilities, use of generators, and other information that may be required by the Director.
 - (4) *Signs.* A general sign plan, including proposed number, size, location, and dates of installation and removal of all signs associated with the event.
 - (5) *Other Materials.* Other materials and documentation as may be required by the Director.
6. *Surety.* The City Manager or designee may require the operator of an event to post a cash surety, or other form of security, to provide funds to cleanup or otherwise mitigate a site following a temporary event. The Manager shall approve the amount of surety.
 7. *Insurance.* The City Manager or designee may require the operator of an event to provide evidence of a general liability policy in an amount of at least \$1,000,000, with the City named as an additional insured. The City may require proof of additional insurance.
 8. *Authorization.* The City Manager or designee shall issue written approval for a temporary use or special event, including any conditions or restrictions placed on the proposed activities. Conditions or restrictions may affect or include planned activities, duration of event, hours of operation, temporary lighting to be provided onsite, security, traffic control, garbage and litter control, bathroom facilities, utilities, security, and use of generators.

(Ord. No. 09-52, § 1, 11-10-09; Ord. No. 11-55, § 1, 11-8-11)

File Attachments for Item:

6. 1st Reading- An ordinance providing for the demolition of various structures located at:

1) 3219 Cusseta Road (Edward Francis, Owner)2) 945 Henry Avenue (Willie A. Callier Etal, Owner)3) 1103 Henry Avenue (Connell L. & Minnie L. Holloman, Owner)4) 4026 Oates Avenue (Blue Fox Goebell LLC, Owner)5) 917 38th Street (Winston S. Marchan Jr., Owner)6) 4010 6th Avenue (Nstream Properties LLC, Owner)7) 1112 Bolton Avenue (Claudia & Harvey Joseph, Sr, Owner)8) 2623 Clover Lane (Darrel G. Hicks Jr., Owner)9) 2119 Munson Drive (Wendy Margarita Martinez, Owner)10)1118 Thyer Avenue (Nchotu Success, Owner)

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

AN 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 property 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:

- 1) **3219 Cusseta Road** (Edward Francis, Owner)
- 2) **945 Henry Avenue** (Willie A. Callier Etal, Owner)
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in the total amount of **\$145,941.82** 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 hearing 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 12th day of May 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said council held on the ____ day of May 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

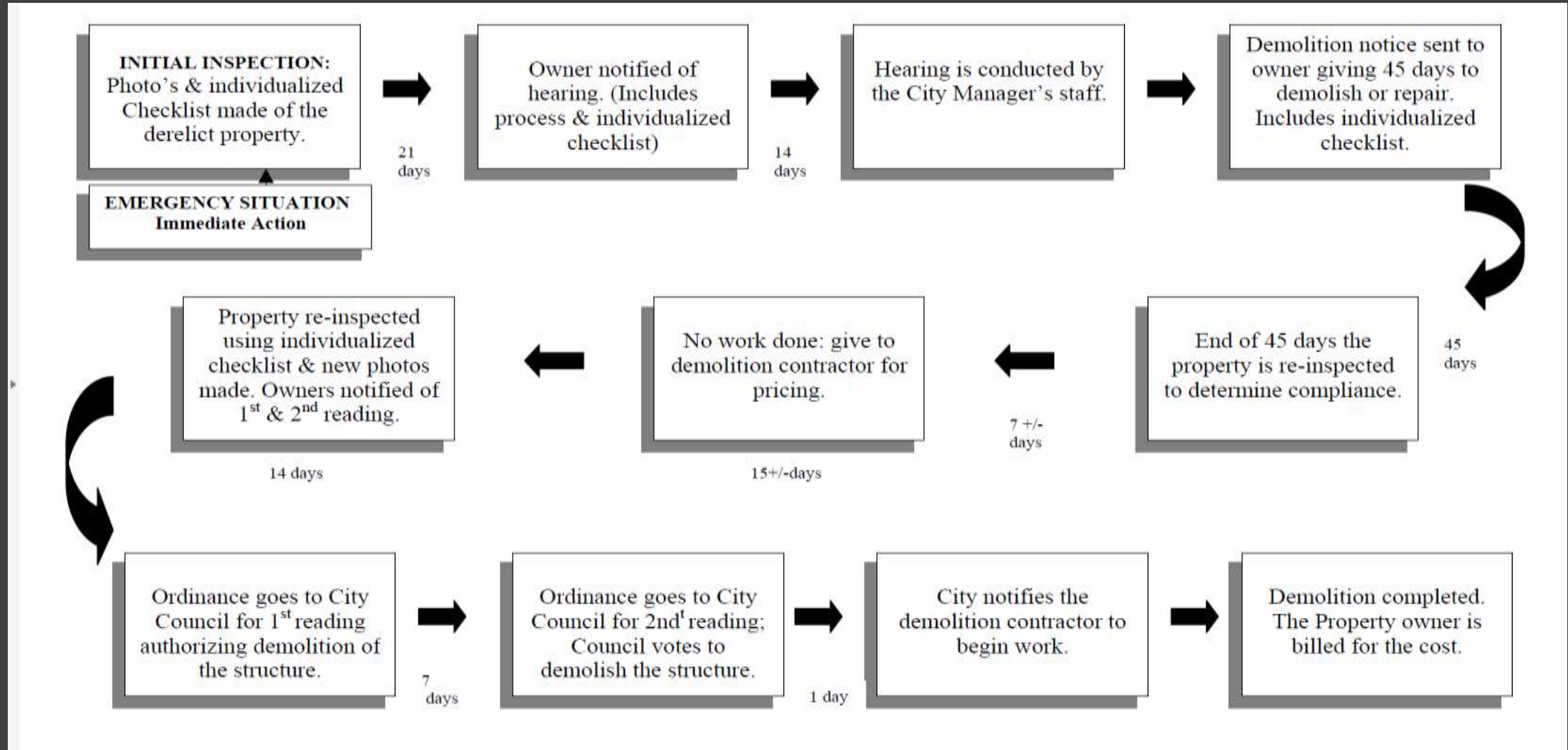
May 2026 Demolition Bid Tabulation Sheet	
Property	Demolition Amount
1) 3219 Cusseta Road (Edward Francis, Owner)	\$11,616.72
2) 945 Henry Avenue (Willie A. Callier Etal, Owner)	\$9,308.16
3) 1103 Henry Avenue (Connell L. & Minnie L. Holloman, Owner)	\$14,305.36
4) 4026 Oates Avenue (Blue Fox Goebell LLC, Owner)	\$12,912.72
5) 917 38th Street (Winston S. Marchan Jr., Owner)	\$18,712.98
6) 4010 6th Avenue (Nstream Properties LLC, Owner)	\$8,471.40
7) 1112 Bolton Avenue (Claudia & Harvey Joseph, Sr, Owner)	\$15,733.56
8) 2623 Clover Lane (Darrel G. Hicks Jr., Owner)	\$15,303.32
9) 2119 Munson Drive (Wendy Margarita Martinez, Owner)	\$12,808.24
10) 1118 Thyer Avenue (Nchotu Success, Owner)	\$26,769.36
TOTAL	\$145,941.82



INSPECTIONS & CODE DEPARTMENT

Demolition Properties

Demolition Process



Tabulation Bid Sheet – WT Miller May 2026

Proposed
Properties to
be Demolished

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3219 Cusseta Road (Edward Francis, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2025

945 Henry Avenue (Willie A. Callier Etal, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2016-2025

1103 Henry Avenue (Connell L. & Minnie L.
Holloman, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2023-2025

4026 Oates Avenue (Blue Fox Goebell LLC, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2025

917 38th Street (Winston S. Marchan Jr., Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2021-2025

4010 6th Avenue (Nstream Properties LLC, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2025

1112 Bolton Avenue (Claudia & Harvey Joseph, Sr, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Up to date

2623 Clover Lane (Darrel G. Hicks Jr., Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2022-2025

2119 Munson Drive (Wendy Margarita Martinez, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Up to date

1118 Thyer Avenue (Nchotu Success, Owner)



Property Tax Status: Delinquent for 2024 & 2025



INSPECTIONS & CODE DEPARTMENT

Questions?

File Attachments for Item:

7. 1st Reading- An ordinance to provide for a levy of increase on ad valorem taxes for blighted property; to provide for identification of blighted property; to provide for remediation; to provide for a decrease on ad valorem taxes on property; and for other purposes. (Councilors Garrett and Davis)

Ordinance

No. _____

An ordinance to provide for a levy of increase on ad valorem taxes for blighted property; to provide for identification of blighted property; to provide for remediation; to provide for a decrease on ad valorem taxes on property; and for other purposes.

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

SECTION 1.

Chapter 8 of the Columbus Code is amended by adding a new Article, to be numbered Article VII, which shall include the following language:

Article VII Blighted Property- Identification, tax increase and tax reduction

Sec. 8-91. Purpose.

The existence of real property which is maintained in a blighted condition increases the burden of the state and local government by increasing the need for government services, including but not limited to social services, public safety services, and code enforcement services. Rehabilitation of blighted property decreases this need for such government services.

In recognition of the need for enhanced governmental services and in order to encourage private property owners to maintain their real property and the buildings, structures and improvement thereon in good condition and repair, and as an incentive to encourage community redevelopment, a community redevelopment tax incentive program is hereby established as authorized by Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(d) of the 1983 Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Sec. 8-92. Definitions.

- (a) 'Blighted property', 'blighted', or 'blight' means any urbanized or developed property which:
 - (1) Presents two or more of the following conditions:
 - (A) Uninhabitable, unsafe, or abandoned structure;
 - (B) Inadequate provisions for ventilation, light, air, or sanitation;
 - (C) An imminent harm to life or other property caused by fire, flood, hurricane, tornado, earthquake, storm, or other natural catastrophe respecting which the governor has declared a

state of emergency under the state law or has certified the need for disaster assistance under federal law; provided, however, this division shall not apply to property unless the relevant public agency has given notice in writing to the property owner regarding specific harm caused by the property and the owner has failed to take reasonable measures to remedy the harm;

- (D) A site identified by the federal Environmental Protection Agency as a superfund site pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 9601, et seq., or having environmental contamination to an extent that requires remedial investigation or a feasibility study;
 - (E) Repeated illegal activity on the individual property of which the property owner knew, should have known, or has been made aware; or
 - (F) The maintenance of the property is below state, county, or municipal codes for at least one year after written notice of the code violation to its owner; and
- (2) Is conducive to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, or crime in the immediate proximity of the property or otherwise detrimental to the health or safety of the public.

Property shall not be deemed blighted solely because of esthetic conditions.

- (b) ‘Building inspector’ means a certified inspector possessing the requisite qualifications to determine minimal code compliance.
- (c) ‘Community redevelopment’ means any activity, project, or service necessary or incidental to achieving the redevelopment or revitalization of a redevelopment area or portion thereof designated for redevelopment through an urban redevelopment plan or thorough local ordinances relating to the repair, closing, and demolition of buildings and structures unfit for human habitation.
- (d) ‘Governing authority’ means the Council of Columbus, Georgia, a consolidated city-county government.
- (e) ‘Millage’ or ‘millage rate’ means the levy, in mills, which is the general millage rate established by the governing authority for purposes of financing, in whole or in part, the levying jurisdiction's general maintenance and operations expenses for the fiscal year (“the M&O millage”).

- (f) 'Person' means such individual(s), partnership, corporations, business entities and associations which return real property for ad valorem taxation or who are chargeable by law for the taxes on the property.
- (g) 'Public officer' means Building Official as defined in this Chapter or such officer or employee of the city as designated by the city manager to perform the duties and responsibilities hereafter set forth in this article.

Sec. 8-93. Ad Valorem Tax Increase on Blighted Property

- (a) There is hereby levied on all real property within the city which has been officially identified on or before January 1 of the tax year as maintained in a blighted condition an increased ad valorem tax by applying a factor of seven (7.0) to the millage rate applied to the property, so that such property shall be taxed at a higher millage rate generally applied in the municipality, or otherwise provided by general law; provided, however, real property on which there is situated a dwelling house which is being occupied as the primary residence of one or more persons shall not be subject to official identification as maintained in a blighted condition and shall not be subject to increased taxation.
- (b) Such increased ad valorem tax shall be applied and reflected in the first tax bills after the increased ad valorem tax is levied pursuant to paragraph (a) above.
- (c) Revenues arising from the increased rate of ad valorem taxation shall, upon receipt, be deposited in the general fund. at Council's election some or all of the funds may be designated to be used for community redevelopment purposes, as identified in an approved urban redevelopment program, including defraying the cost of the city's program to close, repair, or demolish unfit building and structures.

Sec. 8-94. Identification of Blighted Property.

- (a) In order for a parcel of real property to be officially designated as maintained in a blighted condition and subject to increased taxation, the following steps must be completed:
 - (1) An inspection must be performed on the parcel of property. In order for an inspection to be performed,
 - (A) A request may be made by the public officer or by at least five residents of the city for inspection of a parcel of property, said inspection to be based on the criteria as delineated in ordinance, or

- (B) The public officer may cause a survey of existing housing conditions to be performed, or may refer to any such survey conducted or finalized within the previous five years, to locate or identify any parcels which may be in a blighted condition and for which a full inspection should be conducted to determine if that parcel of property meets the criteria set out in this article for designation as being maintained in a blighted condition.
- (2) A written inspection report of the findings for any parcel of property inspected pursuant to subsection (1) above shall be prepared and submitted to the public officer. Where feasible, photographs of the conditions found to exist on the property on the date of inspection shall be made and supplement the inspection report. Where compliance with minimum construction, housing, occupancy, fire and life safety codes in effect within the city are in question, the inspection shall be conducted by a certified inspector possessing the requisite qualifications to determine minimal code compliance.
- (3) Following completion of the inspection report, the public officer shall make a determination, in writing, that a property is maintained in a blighted condition, as defined by this article, and is subject to increased taxation.
- (4) The public officer shall cause a written notice of his determination that the real property at issue is being maintained in a blighted condition to be served upon the person(s) shown on the most recent tax digest of Muscogee County as responsible for payment of ad valorem taxes assessed thereon; provided, however, where through the existence of reasonable diligence it becomes known to the public officer that real property has been sold or conveyed since publication of the most recent tax digest, written notice shall be given to the person(s) known or reasonably believed to then own the property or be chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes thereon, at the best address available. Service in the manner set forth at O.C.G.A. § 41-2-12 shall constitute sufficient notice to the property's owner or person chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes for purpose of this section, except that posting of the notice on the property will not be required.
- (b) The written notice given to the person(s) chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes shall notify such person of the public officer's determination the real property is being maintained in a blighted condition and shall advise such person of the hours and location at which the person may inspect and copy the public officer's determination and any supporting documentation. Persons notified that real property of which the person(s) is chargeable with

the payment of ad valorem taxes shall have 30 days from the receipt of notice in which to request a hearing before the Environmental Division of the Recorder's Court of Columbus, Georgia. Written request for hearing shall be filed with the public officer and shall be date-stamped upon receipt. Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the public officer shall notify the municipal court and the building inspector or person who performed the inspection and prepared the inspection report.

- (c) Within 30 days of the receipt of a request for hearing, the Recorder's court clerk shall set a date, time and location for the hearing and shall give at least ten business days' notice to the person(s) requesting the hearing, the public officer and the building inspector or person who performed the inspection and prepared the inspection report. Notice of scheduled hearings shall be published as a legal advertisement in at least one newspaper of general circulation in Columbus, Georgia, and posted on the Columbus Consolidated Government web-site, at least five days prior to the hearing. Hearings may be continued by the Recorder's court judge upon request of any party, for good cause.
- (d) At the hearing, the public officer shall have the burden of demonstrating by a preponderance of the evidence that the subject property is maintained in a blighted condition, as defined by this article. The Recorder's Court judge shall cause a record of the evidence submitted at the hearing to be maintained. Upon hearing from the public officer and/or their witnesses and the person(s) requesting the hearing and/or their witnesses, the judge of Recorder's Court shall make a determination either affirming or reversing the determination of the public officer. The determination shall be in writing and copies thereof shall be served on the parties by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery. The determination by the court shall be deemed final. A copy of such determination shall also be served upon the Tax Commissioner of Muscogee County, who shall include the increased tax on the next regular tax bill rendered on behalf of the city.
- (e) Persons aggrieved by the determination of the court affirming the determination of the public officer may petition the Superior Court of Muscogee County for a writ of certiorari within 30 days of issuance of the court's written determination.

Sec. 8-95. Remediation or Redevelopment.

- (a) A property owner or person(s) who is chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes on real property which has been officially designated pursuant to this article as property maintained in a blighted condition may petition the public officer to lift the designation, upon proof of compliance with the following:

- (1) Completion of work required under a plan of remedial action or redevelopment approved by the city's planning and development director which addresses the conditions of blight found to exist on or within the property, including compliance with all applicable minimum codes; or
 - (2) Completion of work required under a court order entered in a proceeding brought pursuant to Article _____, Unfit Buildings and Structures, of Chapter _____ of the Code of _____, Georgia.
- (b) Before action on a petition to lift the designation, the public officer shall cause the property to be thoroughly inspected by a building inspector who, by written inspection report, shall certify that all requisite work has been performed to applicable code in a workmanlike manner, in accordance with the specifications of the plan of remedial action or redevelopment, or applicable court order. Upon finding required work to be satisfactorily performed, the public officer shall issue a written determination that the real property is no longer maintained in a blighted condition. Copies of this determination shall be served upon the person(s) chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes, and upon the Board of Tax Assessors and the Tax Commissioner of Muscogee County.
- (c) All plans for remedial action or redevelopment shall be in writing, signed by the person(s) chargeable with the payment of ad valorem taxes on the real property and the director of the city's planning and development department, and contain the following:
- (1) The plan shall be consistent with the city's comprehensive plan and all laws and ordinances governing the subject property, and shall conform to any urban redevelopment plan adopted for the area within which the property lies;
 - (2) The plan shall set forth in reasonable detail the requirements for repair, closure, demolition, or restoration of existing structures, in accordance with minimal statewide codes; where structures are demolished, the plan shall include provisions for debris removal, stabilization and landscaping of the property;
 - (3) On parcels of five acres or greater, the plan shall address the relationship to local objectives respecting land uses, improved traffic, public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities, and other public improvements;
 - (4) The plan shall contain verifiable funding sources which will be used to complete its requirements and show the feasibility thereof;

- (5) The plan shall contain a timetable for completion of required work; and
- (6) Any outstanding ad valorem taxes (state, school, county and city, including the increased tax pursuant to this article) and governmental liens due and payable on the property must be satisfied in full.

Sec. 8-96. Decrease of Tax Rate.

- (a) Real property which has had its designation as maintained in a blighted condition removed by the public officer, as provided in Section 8-94, Identification of Blighted Property, of this Article, shall be eligible for a decrease in the rate of city ad valorem taxation by applying a factor of 0.5 to the city millage rate applied to the property, so that such property shall be taxed at a lower millage rate than the millage rate generally applied in the municipality or otherwise provided by general law; such decreased rate of taxation shall be applied beginning with the next tax bill rendered following removal of official designation of a real property as blighted. The decreased rate of taxation may be given in successive years, depending on the amount of cost expended by the person(s) chargeable with payment of ad valorem taxes on the property to satisfy its remediation or redevelopment, with every \$25,000.00 or portion thereof equaling one year of tax reduction; provided, however, that no property shall be entitled to reduction in city ad valorem taxes for more than four successive years.
- (b) In order to claim entitlement for a decreased rate of taxation, the person(s) chargeable with payment of ad valorem taxes on the property shall submit a notarized affidavit to the public officer, supported by receipts or other evidence of payment, of the amount expended. The value of qualifying remediation expenses shall be certified annually by the Public Officer. In determining costs which may be considered ineligible to support a claim the Public Officer shall use the list of ineligible costs defined in O.C.G.A. §48-5-7.6(a)(4)

Sec. 8-97. Notice to Board of Tax Assessors and Tax Commissioner.

It shall be the duty of the public officer to notify the Board of Tax Assessors and the Tax Commissioner of Muscogee County in writing as to designation or removal of designation of a specific property as maintained in a blighted condition. Such notice shall identify the specific property by street address and tax map, block and parcel number, as assigned by the Muscogee County Tax Assessor's Office. The public officer shall cooperate with the tax commissioner to assure accurate tax billing of those properties subject to increased or reduced ad valorem taxation under this article.

SECTION 2.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 12th day of May 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting 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:

1. TSPLOST Projects, Band 3

Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the preconstruction requirements for Band 3 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Projects that will be handled locally, to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #1.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	TSPLOST Projects, Band 3
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the preconstruction requirements for Band 3 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Projects that will be handled locally, to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.
INITIATED BY:	Planning Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the preconstruction requirements for Band 3 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Projects that will be handled locally to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

Background: In May 2022, voters in the River Valley District, of which Columbus is a part, approved a regional transportation special purpose local option sales tax (TSPLOST). This is also known as the Transportation Investment Act of 2010. This legislation authorized the funding of designated transportation projects as determined by a regional roundtable committee of local elected officials from the region and approved by the citizens. The collection of TSPLOST began January 1, 2023. The following list of Band 3 TSPLOST projects have been identified, budget estimates provided, managed by the city, and funded through 2022 TSPLOST:

Double Churches Road Improvements - \$12,200,000

Bull Creek Dragonfly Connector - \$8,400,000

The remaining Band 3 projects will be managed by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Airport Commission of Columbus. The GDOT projects include Williams Road Widening and Improvements, Cusseta Road Widening and Improvements, and Manchester Expressway/County Line Road Interchange Improvements.

Analysis: The completion of the pre-construction activities for road improvements, safety, and alternative transportation projects is required prior to the project being authorized for competitive bids.

Financial Considerations: Funding for said projects will be funded with the 2022 TSPLOST.

Legal Considerations: The City Attorney approves this resolution.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the preconstruction requirements for Band 3 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Projects that will be handled locally to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

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A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO PROCEED WITH EXECUTING AND FUNDING THE PRE-CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT, SAFETY, AND ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (TSPLOST) FUNDS, TO INCLUDE RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION, PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS, UTILITY RELOCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL

MITIGATION, AND OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO PREPARE THE PROJECTS FOR CONSTRUCTION.

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WHEREAS, the completion of pre-construction activities for road improvement projects is required prior to the project being authorized for competitive bid; and,

WHEREAS, these activities include, but not limited to, right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, and environmental mitigation; and,

WHEREAS, the following list of road improvement, safety, and alternative transportation projects have been identified, budget estimates provided, and funded through TSPLOST, Band 3,

Double Churches Road Improvements- \$12,200,000

Bull Creek Dragonfly Connector - \$8,400,000; and,

WHEREAS, funding for pre-construction and construction services for the above projects is available through the TSPLOST.

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

The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to proceed with the executing and funding the pre-construction requirements for the road improvement, safety and alternative transportation projects funded through TSPLOST as identified above to include right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation and other necessary agreements to prepare the projects for construction.

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 _____.
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- Councilor Tucker voting _____.

TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT ACT OF 2010 PROJECT AGREEMENT



By and Between

THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

and

COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

CONTRACT ID: IGTIA2602167

This Agreement, made and entered into as of _____, ("Effective Date"), by and between the GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, an agency of the State of Georgia, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT", and COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT, acting by and through its Mayor and City Council or Board of Commissioners, as the case may be, hereinafter referred to as the "LOCAL GOVERNMENT".

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-8-240 *et seq.*, the General Assembly adopted the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 which creates twelve (12) special districts of the State and authorized elections to be held in each special district which would allow each special district independently of any other district to approve and authorize the imposition of a special district transportation sales and use tax to fund transportation projects within the special district; and

WHEREAS, four (4) of the twelve (12) special tax districts voted to levy the special district sales and use tax by voter referendum: the Central Savannah River Area special tax district, the River Valley special tax district, the Heart of Georgia Altamaha special tax district, and the Southern Georgia special tax district; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 48-8-249(b)(1) and an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department and the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission dated January 1, 2013, and thereafter amended, the Department is authorized to manage the execution, schedule, budget and delivery of the Projects on the Approved Investment List(s) for the special districts; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT desires to deliver all or part of the scope for the following project(s) as set forth in Exhibit B:

Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531

hereinafter individually referred to as "PROJECT" and collectively referred to as "PROJECTS"; and

WHEREAS the PROJECT was approved by the final regional transportation roundtable for the special district and provided to the Director of Planning in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 48-8-243(b); and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT has indicated that it is qualified and experienced to provide such services necessary for all or part of the scope of the PROJECT and the DEPARTMENT has relied upon such representations; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 48-8-249(c)(4), the DEPARTMENT has made the determination that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT has the requisite experience to undertake the PROJECT as set forth in the Local Project Delivery Application form, Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT has been approved by the DEPARTMENT to deliver these PROJECT; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to provisions of O.C.G.A. § 48-8-249(b), GSFIC is authorized to dispense special district transportation sales and use tax proceeds, hereinafter referred to as "TIA PROCEEDS", upon the receipt of certified invoices from the DEPARTMENT of the completion of an Eligible PROJECT Cost, as herein defined, as reimbursement to the DEPARTMENT; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Constitution authorizes intergovernmental agreements whereby state and local entities may contract with one another "for joint services, for the provision of services, or for the joint or separate use of facilities or equipment; but such contracts must deal with activities, services or facilities which the parties are authorized by law to undertake or provide." Ga. Constitution Article IX, §III, ¶I(a).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and the benefits to flow from one to the other, the DEPARTMENT and the LOCAL GOVERNMENT do hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I SCOPE AND PROCEDURE

A. **General Scope and Procedures.** The SCOPE AND PROCEDURE for the PROJECT is set forth in "Exhibit B", Scope and Procedure, attached hereto and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be responsible for assuring that the PROJECT will be economically feasible and that the design and construction will be based upon sound engineering principles, meet American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials ("AASHTO") Guidelines and will be sensitive to ecological, environmental and archaeological issues. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall also be responsible for assuring that the PROJECT meets and comply with the scope as defined in the Approved Investment List.

It is understood and agreed that the reimbursement for the PROJECT shall be dependent on the DEPARTMENT's review and approval of the certified vouchers and contingent upon the availability of TIA PROCEEDS as more specifically set forth in Article VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall work with the DEPARTMENT or its designees, as may be designated by the DEPARTMENT at a later date, who will advise the LOCAL GOVERNMENT on the work scope and provide guidance and required approvals during implementation of the PROJECT.

B. **Local Project Delivery Application.** The LOCAL GOVERNMENT has submitted its Local Project Delivery Application to administer the PROJECT attached hereto as Appendix A. The DEPARTMENT'S State TIA Administrator has reviewed, confirmed and approved the Local Project Delivery Application for the LOCAL GOVERNMENT to develop the PROJECT within the scope of its certification. Expenditures incurred by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT prior to the execution of this AGREEMENT or expenditures made pursuant to other funding agreements shall not be reimbursed by the DEPARTMENT.

C. **Applicable Laws, Regulations and Standards.** During the duration of the PROJECT and this Agreement, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT has and will take into consideration, and has and will comply with, as applicable, the DEPARTMENT'S Transportation Investment Act of 2010 Manual – Processes and Procedures, available on the DEPARTMENT's website, and as may be amended or supplemented from time to time and including addenda (hereinafter referred to as "TIA Manual"), and other standards and guidelines as may be applicable to the PROJECT. The DEPARTMENT may in its sole discretion waive certain requirements set forth in the TIA Manual unilaterally or upon receipt of a written request from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

D. **Notices to Proceed.** The work shall be carried on in accordance with the schedule attached to this Agreement as "Exhibit A" WORK SCHEDULE with the understanding that unforeseen events may make necessary some minor variations in that schedule. The DEPARTMENT may request additional or updated information and documentation regarding the WORK SCHEDULE from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT at any time.

No work on any phase of the PROJECT shall begin without a written notice to proceed from the DEPARTMENT to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for each of the following separate phases:

- 1) Preliminary Engineering Activities – Concept Report Approval
- 2) Preliminary Engineering Activities – Field Plan Review Approval
- 3) Right of Way
- 4) Construction – Notice to Advertise
- 5) Construction – Notice to Proceed
- 6) Transit – Operations Per Year (if applicable)

Each Notice to Proceed will contain a Completion Date for that phase, which shall be binding. If unforeseen conditions are encountered and an extension of the completion date is warranted, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT may request in writing an extension of the completion date for written approval by the DEPARTMENT.

E. **Preliminary Engineering Activities.** The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for the Preliminary Engineering (“PE”) activities for the PROJECT. The PE activities shall be accomplished in accordance with the ACT, the DEPARTMENT’s TIA Manual, and all applicable design guidelines and policies of the DEPARTMENT in order to produce a cost effective PROJECT. Failure to follow the TIA Manual and all applicable guidelines and policies will jeopardize the reimbursement of TIA PROCEEDS in some or all categories outlined in this Agreement, and it shall be the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for any loss of funding.

F. **Right of Way Acquisition.** The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for Right of Way Acquisition. The Right of Way (hereinafter referred to as “ROW”) activities shall be accomplished in accordance with the ACT, the DEPARTMENT’s TIA Manual, and all applicable design guidelines and policies of the DEPARTMENT in order to produce a cost effective PROJECT. Failure to follow the TIA Manual and all applicable guidelines and policies will jeopardize the reimbursement of TIA PROCEEDS in some or all categories outlined in this Agreement, and it shall be the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for any loss funding.

Upon approval of the ROW plans by the DEPARTMENT, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT may begin the acquisition of the necessary ROW for the PROJECTS. ROW acquisition can occur concurrently with the environmental process once final impacts are known, provided that the DEPARTMENT has provided a written notice to proceed to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT to stake the ROW and proceed with all pre-acquisition ROW activities. LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall acquire ROW, if required, and related ROW services for the PROJECTS. Further, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be responsible for making all changes to the approved ROW plans, as deemed necessary by the DEPARTMENT, for whatever reason, as needed to purchase the ROW or to match actual conditions encountered.

Reimbursement of acquisition expenses will be eligible on a monthly basis. After completion of all land and improvement acquisition; completion of all property management; completion of all demolition; and, after all occupants have relocated off the PROJECTS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall certify in writing to the DEPARTMENT that title to all parcels, whether acquired by deed or condemnation, has been quitclaimed from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT to the DEPARTMENT where PROJECTS are located on a federal or state route, and that all property management, all demolition and all relocation has been completed. Said certification will include a statement that “All parcels are vacant and immediately available for construction purposes”.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees to pay for the defense of any and all suits, if any should arise, involving property titles and/or contaminated properties associated with the acquisition of ROW by deed or condemnation. To the extent allowed by law, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the DEPARTMENT, the State of Georgia and its departments, agencies and instrumentalities and all of their respective officers, members, employees and directors from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, due to due to liability to a third party or Parties, arising from, related to, or caused by property titles and/or contaminated properties associated with the acquisition of ROW by deed or condemnation.

G. **Utility/Railroad Activities.** The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for the Utility/Railroad Activities for the PROJECT. The Utility/Railroad Activities shall be accomplished in accordance with the ACT, the DEPARTMENT’s TIA Manual, and all applicable design guidelines and policies of the DEPARTMENT in order to produce a cost effective PROJECT. Failure to follow the TIA Manual and all applicable guidelines and policies will jeopardize the reimbursement of TIA PROCEEDS in some or all categories outlined in this Agreement, and it shall be the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for any loss of funding.

H. **Construction.** The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for Construction. Construction shall be accomplished in accordance with the ACT, the DEPARTMENT’s TIA Manual, and all applicable design guidelines and policies of the DEPARTMENT in order to produce a cost effective PROJECT. Failure to follow the TIA Manual and all applicable guidelines and policies will jeopardize the reimbursement of TIA PROCEEDS in some or all categories outlined in this Agreement, and it shall be the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for any loss of funding.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall ensure that all contracts as well as any subcontracts for the construction and implementation of the PROJECTS shall comply with the applicable State legal requirements imposed on the DEPARTMENT and any amendments thereto. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT is required and does agree to abide by those provisions governing the DEPARTMENT's authority to contract Sections 32-2-60 through 32-2-77 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; the DEPARTMENT's Rules and Regulations governing the Prequalification of Prospective Bidders, Chapter 672-5; the DEPARTMENT's *Standard*

Specifications and Special Provisions, Current Edition, as amended in the DEPARTMENT's *Supplemental Specifications Book*, current edition; and any Supplemental Specifications and Special Provisions as applicable for the PROJECTS.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for letting the PROJECT to construction, for the execution of all applicable agreements, and for securing and awarding the construction contract for the PROJECT after the following items have been completed and submitted by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT to the DEPARTMENT:

1. Submittal of acceptable PE activity deliverables for the PROJECT as noted in the TIA Manual; and
2. Providing the necessary certifications as set forth in the TIA Manual.

The work can be performed by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT or can be subcontracted through the appropriate procurement process to a private contractor or government entity as may be appropriate. If the work is performed by a private contractor, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT is responsible for preparing the bid contract documents and letting the work out for bid in accordance with the express limitations as provided in Part 2 of Chapter 4 of Article 3 of Title 32 or any other applicable provisions of State law. Upon opening bids, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall award the PROJECTS to the lowest reliable bidder. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall provide the above deliverables and certifications and shall follow the requirements of the DEPARTMENT's TIA Manual.

Prior to award of the PROJECT, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall submit to the DEPARTMENT a bid tabulation and the LOCAL GOVERNMENT's recommendation for awarding the PROJECT. The DEPARTMENT will review the information focusing on budget proposals and issue a written recommendation to award or reject the bids. If a recommendation to award is given by the DEPARTMENT a written Notice to Proceed with Construction will be issued. No work shall begin until this Notice to Proceed has been issued to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT will be responsible for performing the construction, inspection, supervision and documentation. At the discretion of the DEPARTMENT, spot inspection and material testing will be performed by the DEPARTMENT when deemed necessary by the DEPARTMENT and pursuant to the TIA Manual.

- I. **RESERVED.**
- J. **RESERVED.**
- K. **Reporting.** During each phase of the PROJECT, on a monthly basis, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT must submit to the DEPARTMENT the Estimated Costs to Complete and the Estimated Costs at Completion.

ARTICLE II REVIEW OF WORK

Authorized representatives of the DEPARTMENT, GSFIC and the Citizens Review Panel as defined in O.C.G.A. § 48-8-251 may at all reasonable times review and inspect the activities and data collected under the terms of this Agreement and amendments thereto, including but not limited to, all reports, drawings, studies, specifications, estimates, maps, and computations, prepared by or for the LOCAL GOVERNMENT. The DEPARTMENT reserves the right for reviews and acceptance on the part of affected public agencies, railroads and utilities insofar as the interest of each is concerned.

Acceptance shall not relieve the LOCAL GOVERNMENT of its obligation to correct, at its expense, any of its errors in the work. The DEPARTMENT's review recommendations shall be incorporated into the work activities of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall keep accurate records in a manner approved by the DEPARTMENT with regard to the PROJECTS and submit to the DEPARTMENT, upon request, such information and documentation as is required in order to ensure compliance with this Article and the ACT.

**ARTICLE III
TERM OF AGREEMENT AND TIME OF PERFORMANCE**

A. **Term of Agreement.** This Agreement will commence on the Effective Date as defined above and continue through December 31, 2040 unless terminated earlier by either Party in accordance with the termination provisions set forth in Article XI below.

B. **Time of Performance.** TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE IN THIS AGREEMENT. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall perform its responsibilities for the PROJECT, commencing upon receipt from the DEPARTMENT of written Notice to Proceed for each Phase as outline in Article I.D above.

C. The work shall be carried on expeditiously, it being understood, however, that this Agreement may be extended or continued in force by mutual consent of the parties and evidenced by a written amendment thereto. If, for any reason, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT does not produce acceptable deliverables in accordance with the approved schedule, the DEPARTMENT reserves the right to take control of the PROJECT and to complete the PROJECTS through its own process.

**ARTICLE IV
RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLAIMS AND LIABILITY**

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall, to the extent permitted by law, be responsible for any and all damages to property or persons and shall indemnify and save harmless the DEPARTMENT, its officers, agents and employees from all suits, claims, actions or damages of any nature whatsoever resulting from the negligence of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT in the performance of the work under this Agreement.

It is understood by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT that claims, damages, losses, and expenses may include monetary claims made by the construction contractor for the PROJECT, and its related facilities, that are a result of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT's negligence or improper representation in the plans.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall ensure that all provisions of this Article are included in all contracts and subcontracts.

These indemnities shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage held by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT or the LOCAL GOVERNMENT's contractors or subcontractors as allowed by law.

**ARTICLE V
INSURANCE**

It is understood that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT (indicate by checking which is applicable):

is self-insured and all claims against LOCAL GOVERNMENT will be handled through _____

OR

shall, prior to beginning work, obtain and furnish to the DEPARTMENT certificates and the endorsement page for the minimum amounts of insurance indicated below.

Prior to beginning work, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall cause its engineering firms, contractors and subcontractors to obtain and furnish certificates and the endorsement page to the DEPARTMENT for the minimum amounts of insurance indicated below.

MINIMUM INSURANCE

- A. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.
- B. Public Liability Insurance in an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for injuries, including those resulting in death to any one person, and in an amount of not less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) on an account of any one occurrence.
- C. Commercial General Liability Insurance of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence \$3,000,000 aggregate, including Automobile Comprehensive Liability Coverage with bodily injury in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limits each occurrence. GDOT shall be named as an additional insured and a copy of the policy endorsement shall be provided with the insurance certificate. Valuable Papers Insurance in an amount sufficient to assure the restoration

of any plans, drawings, field notes, or other similar data relating to the work covered by the PROJECT.

- D. Where applicable, professional Liability (Errors and Omissions) Insurance with limits not less than the following:
 - i. For Professionals – \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 in aggregate coverage;
 - ii. For Sub-consultant Engineers and Architects – \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 in aggregate coverage;
 - iii. For Other Consultants – \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 in aggregate coverage.
 - iv. Professional liability insurance that shall be either a practice policy or project-specific coverage. Professional liability insurance shall contain prior acts coverage for services performed for this PROJECT. If project-specific coverage is used, these requirements shall be continued in effect for two years following final completion for the PROJECTS.

The above listed instrument(s) of insurance shall be maintained in full force and effect during the life of the Agreement and until final completion of the PROJECTS.

**ARTICLE VI
COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT**

A. 100% TIA Funded Project.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE PROJECTS ARE 100% FUNDED WITH TIA PROCEEDS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THE ACT AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT’S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO THE PROJECTS ARE STRICTLY LIMITED AS SET FORTH HEREIN. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NO ENTITY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA OTHER THAN THE DEPARTMENT HAS ANY OBLIGATIONS TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RELATED TO THESE PROJECTS.

THE OBLIGATION OF THE DEPARTMENT TO PAY OR REIMBURSE ANY INCURRED COST IS EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO THE AMOUNT OF TIA PROCEEDS REMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY GSFIC AND DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROJECTS. THIS AGREEMENT DOES NOT OBLIGATE THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE ANY PAYMENT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM ANY FUNDS OTHER THAN THOSE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT FROM TIA PROCEEDS BY GSFIC AND DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROJECTS. IN THE EVENT THE FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT FROM TIA PROCEEDS ARE INSUFFICIENT FOR THE PROJECTS AS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT’S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AVAILABILITY OF SUCH TIA PROCEEDS AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT AT ITS SOLE DISCRETION TO TERMINATE THIS AGREEMENT IMMEDIATELY UPON NOTICE TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITHOUT FURTHER OBLIGATION OF THE DEPARTMENT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE OBLIGATIONS EXCEED THE AVAILABILITY OF SUCH TIA PROCEEDS FOR THE PROJECTS AS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT’S CERTIFICATION AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF TIA PROCEEDS AS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROJECTS SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE.

Any payments shall be made to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT after receipt of such TIA PROCEEDS from GSFIC. The parties agree that the provisions of the Georgia Prompt Pay Act, O.C.G.A. § 13-11-1 *et seq.*, do not control and that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT waives any and all rights it may have under said Act.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall ensure that the provisions of this Article are included in all contracts and subcontracts.

To the extent practically possible, the DEPARTMENT will provide notification to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT that this Agreement will be terminated or that the work will be suspended as set forth in Subsection VI.E below, three (3) months prior to the date of the termination or suspension.

- B. **Eligible Project Costs.** Any LOCAL GOVERNMENT cost must meet the definition of ELIGIBLE PROJECT COST as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 48-8-242(2) and the Intergovernmental Agreement between GDOT and GSFIC in order to be compensated.
- C. **Budget Estimate and Reimbursement.**

It is understood and agreed that the total cost of the PROJECT is the amount established in the Approved Investment List plus any additional funds added with the approval of the DEPARTMENT. This cost or BUDGET ESTIMATE, as shown below, is the maximum amount of TIA PROCEEDS that can be made available

for the PROJECT, contingent upon the provisions set forth herein. The BUDGET ESTIMATE shall include any claims by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for all costs incurred by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT in the conduct of the entire scope of work for the PROJECT. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be solely responsible for any and all amounts in excess of the BUDGET ESTIMATE or for amounts not available from TIA PROCEEDS.

The DEPARTMENT agrees to reimburse the LOCAL GOVERNMENT **Not to Exceed the following amounts for each PROJECT** for ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS, contingent upon the availability of TIA PROCEEDS as more specifically set forth in Article VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT:

Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531; TWELVE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$12,200,000.00)

Costs eligible for reimbursement are those ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS as defined in Article VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT. If the PROJECTS costs are less than the BUDGET ESTIMATE, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT will only be compensated for those incurred ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS.

D. Process For Payment.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall submit to the DEPARTMENT monthly payment vouchers containing Project Number and PI number for ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS. Payment Vouchers will be made monthly on the basis of calendar months. In the event a monthly payment voucher is \$500.00 or less, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall forgo the submission of the monthly voucher until such time that the sum of amounts earned less previous partial payments exceeds \$500.00. The DEPARTMENT shall, at the request of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, review such payment vouchers. If approved, the vouchers shall be certified by the Commissioner of Transportation or the Commissioner's designee and submitted to GSFIC along with the DEPARTMENT'S certification. After reimbursement from GSFIC, payment shall be made to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, subject to the provisions set forth herein.

Should the work for the PROJECTS begin within any one month, the first voucher shall cover the partial period from the beginning date of the work through the last date of the month in which it began. The vouchers shall be numbered consecutively and subsequent vouchers submitted each month until the work is completed.

Payment will be made in the amount of sums earned less previous partial payments, contingent entirely upon the availability of TIA FUNDS as set forth herein. If an error is found in a previously paid invoice which resulted in overbilling by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and/or an overpayment to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, future payments will be made in the amount of sums earned less this error, contingent entirely upon the availability of TIA FUNDS as set forth herein.

The final payment voucher shall reflect the actual cost of work accomplished by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT under the terms of this Agreement, and shall be the basis for final payment. The final payment voucher shall include all ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS incurred by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT in all phases. See ARTICLE VII, FINAL PAYMENT for further detail. The final payment voucher for the PROJECTS must contain a certification from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT that all work has been completed in accordance with this Agreement in accordance with the scope as defined in the Approved Investment List, using the form provided by the DEPARTMENT.

Should the work under this Agreement be terminated by the DEPARTMENT, pursuant to the provisions of ARTICLE XI, TERMINATION, or subsection E. herein, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be paid based upon the percentage of work completed at the point of termination, notwithstanding any just claims by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, and contingent entirely upon the availability of TIA PROCEEDS as set forth herein.

E. Insufficient TIA FUNDS.

If the DEPARTMENT determines that there are insufficient TIA PROCEEDS remitted to the Department by GSFIC and designated by the Department for the PROJECTS, the DEPARTMENT may at in its sole discretion:

- 1) Terminate this Agreement immediately (and not pursuant to the provisions of Article XI) upon notice to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and without further obligation on the part of the DEPARTMENT; or

2) Direct the Local Government to stop work under this Agreement. Such stop work suspension shall last for a maximum of ninety (90) days. After this ninety (90) day period, if TIA PROCEEDS as designated by the DEPARTMENT for the PROJECTS are available or are anticipated to be available, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT will have the option to: (1) continue the work under the Agreement; (2) elect to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the termination provisions set forth in Article XI; or (3) agree to a new stop work suspension period as determined by the Department. No delay damages or consequential damages will be recoverable as a result of any stop work suspension period.

ARTICLE VII FINAL PAYMENT

Upon completion of the work by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and acceptance by the DEPARTMENT of the work, including the receipt of any final written submission by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and a final statement of costs, the DEPARTMENT shall submit the certified final payment voucher to GSFIC and, after receipt of reimbursement from GSFIC, shall pay to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT a sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total compensation as set forth in all approved invoices, less the total of all previous partial payments, paid or in the process of payment, contingent upon the availability of TIA FUNDS as set forth in ARTICLE VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that acceptance of this final payment shall be in full and final settlement of all claims arising against the DEPARTMENT or the State for work done, materials furnished, costs incurred, or otherwise arising out of this Agreement and shall release the DEPARTMENT and the State from any and all further claims of whatever nature, whether known or unknown, for and on account of said Agreement, and for any and all work done, and labor and materials furnished, in connection with the same.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT will allow examination and verification of costs by the DEPARTMENT and GSFIC's representative(s) before final payment is made, in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, MAINTENANCE OF CONTRACT COST RECORDS, herein. If the DEPARTMENT or any authorized entity's examination of the contract cost records, as provided for in Article IX, results in unallowable expenses, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall immediately be responsible for reimbursing the DEPARTMENT the full amount of such disallowed expenses.

ARTICLE VIII SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES

No material changes in the scope, character, complexity, or duration of the PROJECTS from those required under the Agreement or from the general description of the PROJECTS as approved by the DEPARTMENT shall be allowed without the execution of a written Supplemental Agreement between the DEPARTMENT and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Minor changes in the work which do not involve increased compensation, extensions of time, or changes in the goals and objectives of the PROJECTS, may be made by written notification of such change by either party with written approval by the other party.

ARTICLE IX MAINTENANCE OF CONTRACT COST RECORDS

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred on the PROJECTS and used in support of its proposal and shall make such material available at all reasonable times during the period of the Agreement, and for seven years from the date of final payment under the Agreement, for inspection by the DEPARTMENT, any authorized entity, any reviewing agencies, and the Citizen Review Panel as referenced in the ACT; and copies thereof shall be furnished upon request. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that the provisions of this Article shall be included in any Agreement it may make with any engineering firm, contractor, subcontractor, assignee, or transferee. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall provide any and all information and/or documentation requested by GDOT or GSFIC, when either state agency is complying with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-8-249(d).

ARTICLE X SUBLETTING, ASSIGNMENT, OR TRANSFER

The work of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT is considered personal by the DEPARTMENT. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees not to assign, sublet, or transfer any or all of its interest in this Agreement without prior written approval of the DEPARTMENT.

The DEPARTMENT reserves the right to review all contracts and subcontracts prepared in connection with the Agreement and maintained by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, and the LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that upon request it shall submit to the DEPARTMENT proposed contract and subcontract documents together with contractor and subcontractor cost estimates in its possession for the DEPARTMENT's review and written concurrence in advance of their execution.

ARTICLE XI TERMINATION

The DEPARTMENT reserves the right to terminate this Agreement at any time for just cause, or for any cause, or for no cause upon sixty (60) days written notice to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, notwithstanding any just claims by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for payment of services rendered prior to the date of termination. Subject to the availability of TIA PROCEEDS designated by the Department for the PROJECTS, the provisions of ARTICLE VI COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT and the Department's Prioritization and Order of Payments policy, the Department will make all efforts to pay the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for services rendered prior to the date of termination.

Subject to the provisions of ARTICLE VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENTS, it is understood by the parties hereto that should the DEPARTMENT terminate this Agreement prior to the completion of a PROJECT or PROJECT Element the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be reimbursed for such PROJECT or PROJECT Element contingent upon the availability of TIA PROCEEDS as set forth in ARTICLE VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT.

Failure to meet the time set for completion of an approved work authorization may be considered just cause for termination of the Agreement.

ARTICLE XII MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF PROJECTS

In accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 32-2-2(a)(1), the DEPARTMENT shall plan, designate, improve, manage, control, construct, and maintain a state highway system and shall have control of and responsibility for all construction, maintenance, or any other work upon the state highway system and all other work which may be designated to be done by the DEPARTMENT by this title or any other law. However, on those portions of the state highway system lying within the corporate limits of any municipality, the DEPARTMENT shall be required to provide only substantial maintenance activities and operations, including but not limited to reconstruction and major resurfacing, reconstruction of bridges, erection and maintenance of official department signs, painting of striping and pavement delineators, furnishing of guardrails and bridge rails, and other major maintenance activities.

It shall be the duty of the DEPARTMENT to maintain, or cause to be maintained, any PROJECTS constructed as part of a Federal-aid system. For those PROJECTS that are not part of the Federal-aid system, the maintenance responsibility will reside with the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, the county or municipality in which the PROJECTS are located.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the DEPARTMENT is responsible for inspection of bridges in Georgia, both on and off the State Highway System. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT will be notified by the DEPARTMENT of all deficient bridges under their jurisdiction. It is the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT to post load limits signs or close bridges based on the DEPARTMENT bridge inspection reports and the deficient bridge list.

Any maintenance activities that are the responsibility of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 32-2-2(a)(1), as set forth herein, or made the subject of other agreements with the DEPARTMENT shall not be reimbursed from TIA FUNDS except as stated herein for Transit projects.

The DEPARTMENT reserves the right to conduct periodic site inspections for the purpose of confirming proper operation and maintenance of the PROJECTS. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be responsible for the continual maintenance, operation and replacement of all lighting systems installed for the PROJECTS.

Furthermore, if the PROJECTS pertain to or includes a roundabout, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall also be responsible for the maintenance and operation of all lighting and the maintenance of all landscaping installed as part of any roundabout construction and shall not be reimbursed from TIA FUNDS.

ARTICLE XIII OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that all reports, drawings, studies, specifications, survey notes, estimates, maps, computations, computer discs and printouts and other data prepared by, of, or for it under the terms of this Agreement shall remain the property of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT upon termination or completion of the work if the work is on a local roadway. The DEPARTMENT shall have the right to use the same without restriction or limitation and without additional compensation to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT other than that provided for in this Agreement.

If the PROJECTS are on the state route system, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that all of the foregoing information shall be provided to the DEPARTMENT and is the sole property of the DEPARTMENT.

ARTICLE XIV PUBLICATION AND PUBLICITY

Articles, papers, bulletins, data, studies, statistics, interim or final reports, oral transmittals or any other materials reporting the plans, progress, analyses, results, or findings of work conducted under this Agreement regarding the TIA Program shall not be presented publicly or published without prior written approval by the DEPARTMENT.

All releases of information, findings, and recommendations regarding the TIA Program shall include a disclaimer provision and that all published reports shall include that disclaimer on the cover and title page in the following form:

"The contents in this publication reflect the views of the author(s), who is (are) responsible for the facts and accuracy of the data presented herein. The opinions, findings, and conclusions in this publication are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the official views or policies of those of the Department of Transportation, State of Georgia. This publication does not constitute a standard, specification or regulation."

If any information concerning the TIA Program, its conduct, results or data gathered or processed should be released by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT without prior approval from the DEPARTMENT, the release of same may constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement without indemnity to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT; but should any such information be released by the DEPARTMENT, or by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT with such prior written approval, the same shall be regarded as public information and no longer subject to the restrictions of this Agreement.

Provided, however, that should the release of such information be required under the Georgia Open Records Act, O.C.G.A. Section 50-18-70, *et.seq.*, the restrictions and penalties set forth herein shall not apply. Any request for information directed to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, pursuant to the Georgia Open Records Act, for documents that are either received or maintained by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT in the performance of a service or function for or on behalf of the DEPARTMENT shall be released pursuant to provisions of the Open Records Act. Further, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees to consult with the DEPARTMENT prior to releasing the requested documents.

**ARTICLE XV
DBE, SMALL BUSINESS AND VETERAN OWNED BUSINESS**

A. On May 17, 2012, the DEPARTMENT, acting by and through its Board, passed a resolution in which it:

- 1) reaffirmed its commitment to Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act of nondiscrimination in the delivery and management of TIA funded projects; and
- 2) encouraged the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, small businesses, and veteran owned businesses in any project that is funded in whole or in part by TIA funds, and encouraged wherever practical and feasible, the local government or governments that manage TIA funded projects to include the same in its delivery and management of a project.

B. Reference to this resolution shall be included in all contracts entered in by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT related to these PROJECTS.

C. While there is no DBE, small businesses or veteran owned businesses Goal required, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT is required to provide the following information monthly to the DEPARTMENT regarding whether it utilized any DBE (as defined in forth in 49 CFR Part 26), as amended, small business (as defined in 13 CFR Part 121) or veteran owned, along with the following information:

- 1) The names and addresses of DBE firms, small businesses or veteran owned businesses committed to participate in the Contract;
- 2) A description of the work each DBE firm, small business or veteran owned business will perform; and
- 3) The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm, small business or veteran owned business participating.

ARTICLE XVI

The Parties acknowledge that the documents listed below are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement as though expressly written herein:

- A. TIA Manual; and
- B. Department's "TIA Invoice Process", as may be amended from time to time; and
- C. Intergovernmental Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission with an Effective Date of January 1, 2013, as amended by Supplemental Agreement No.1 dated October 23, 2013, and Supplemental Agreement No. 2 dated September 13, 2018.

ARTICLE XVII

A. ASSIGNMENT. Except as herein provided, the Parties hereto will not transfer or assign all or any of their rights, titles or interests hereunder or delegate any of their duties or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

B. NON WAIVER. No failure of either Party to exercise any right or power given to such Party under this Agreement, or to insist upon strict compliance by the other Party with the provisions of this Agreement, and no custom or practice of either Party at variance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, will constitute a waiver of either Party's right to demand exact and strict compliance by the other Party with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

C. CONTINUITY. Each of the provisions of this Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit and detriment of GDOT and the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and the successors and assigns of GDOT and the LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

D. TIME OF THE ESSENCE. All time limits stated herein are of the essence of this Agreement.

E. PREAMBLE, RECITALS AND EXHIBITS. The Preamble, Recitals and Exhibits hereto are a part of this Agreement and are incorporated herein by reference.

F. SEVERABILITY. If any one or more of the provisions contained herein are for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability will not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement will be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

G. CAPTIONS. The brief headings or titles preceding each provision hereof are for purposes of identification and convenience only and should be completely disregarded in construing this Agreement.

H. GEORGIA AGREEMENT. This Agreement will be governed, construed under, performed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia. Any dispute arising from this contractual relationship shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia, and shall be decided solely and exclusively by the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia. LOCAL GOVERNMENT hereby consents to personal jurisdiction and venue in said court and waives any claim of inconvenient forum.

I. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement is executed in three (3) counterparts which are separately numbered but each of which is deemed an original of equal dignity with the other and which is deemed one and the same instrument as the other.

J. INTERPRETATION. Should any provision of this Agreement require judicial interpretation, it is agreed that the court interpreting or construing the same shall not apply a presumption that the terms hereof shall be more strictly construed against one Party by reason of the rule of construction that a document is to be construed more strictly against the Party who itself or through its agent prepared the same, it being agreed that the agents of all Parties have participated in the preparation hereof.

K. EXECUTION. Each of the individuals executing this Agreement represents that they are authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of their respective entities. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same Agreement. The parties shall be entitled to sign and transmit an electronic signature of this Agreement (whether by facsimile, PDF, or other email transmission), which signature shall be binding on the party whose name is contained therein. Any party providing an electronic signature agrees to promptly execute and deliver to the other parties an original signed Agreement upon request.

L. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as conferring upon or giving to any person, other than the Parties hereto, any rights or benefits under or by reason of this Agreement.

M. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, discussion, statements and agreements between the Parties and constitutes the full, complete and entire agreement between the Parties with respect hereto; no member, officer, employee or agent of either Party has authority to make, or has made, any statement, agreement, representation or contemporaneous agreement, oral or written, in connection herewith, amending, supplementing, modifying, adding to, deleting from, or changing the terms and conditions of this Agreement. No modification of or amendment to this Agreement will be binding on either Party hereto unless such modification or amendment will be properly authorized, in writing, properly signed by both Parties and incorporated in and by reference made a part hereof.

ARTICLE XVIII COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS

A. The undersigned, on behalf of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, certify that the provisions of Section 45-10-20 through 45-10-28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated relating to Conflict of Interest and State employees and officials trading with the State have been complied with in full.

B. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT has read and understands the regulations for STATE AUDIT REQUIREMENT as stated in Appendix B of this Agreement and will comply in full with said provisions of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-7.

C. By execution of this Agreement, I, on behalf of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, certify under penalty of law that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT is in compliance with the service delivery strategy law (O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-701 et seq.) and is not debarred from receiving financial assistance from the State of Georgia, as stated in Appendix B.

D. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT hereby agrees that it shall comply, and shall require its subcontractors to, comply with all applicable requirements of the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), 42 U.S.C. 12101, *et seq.* and 49 U.S.C. 322; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. 791; and regulations and amendments thereto.

E. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT hereby agrees that it shall, and shall require its contractors and subcontractors to, comply with GA Code Title 25, Section 9, Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act, CALL BEFORE YOU DIG 1-800-282-7411.

F. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and all contractors and subcontractors performing work under this Agreement are, and shall be at all times, in compliance with the Federal Work Authorization Program. Prime contractors and subcontractors may participate in any of the electronic verification work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United State Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 ("IRCA"), Appendix D.

G. LOCAL GOVERNMENT acknowledges and agrees that failure to complete appropriate certifications or the submission of a false certification shall result in the termination of this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Article XI.

H. The undersigned, on behalf of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT, certifies that it shall comply with the provisions of Section 50-24-1 through 50-24-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Drug-Free Workplace Act", in full; and a drug-free workplace will be provided for the Local Government's employees during the performance of the Agreement.

1) Each subcontractor hired by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall be required to ensure that the subcontractor's employees are provided a drug-free workplace. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall secure from that subcontractor the following written certification: "As part of the subcontracting contract with ____, _____ certifies that a drug-free workplace will be provided for the subcontractor's employees during the performance of this Agreement pursuant to paragraph (7) of subsection (b) of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 50-24-3".

2) Through execution of this Agreement, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT certifies that it will not engage in unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Agreement.

The covenants herein contained shall, except as otherwise provided, accrue to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and date herein above written.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

Commissioner (Seal)

Signature Date

Printed Name/Title

PLACE SEAL HERE

ATTEST:

ATTEST:

I attest to the genuineness of the Seal, and I further attest that the above named officer is duly authorized to execute this document.

Treasurer

Signature Date

Printed Name/Title

Federal Employer Identification Number

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A

Work Schedule

Exhibit B

Scope and Procedure

EXHIBIT A
WORK SCHEDULE

Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall provide the DEPARTMENT with a detailed project schedule that reflects milestones, deliverables with durations for all pertinent activities to develop critical path elements. An electronic project schedule shall be submitted to the DEPARTMENT after execution of this Agreement

The DEPARTMENT may request additional or updated information and documentation regarding the WORK SCHEDULE from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT at any time.

If applicable, this must include the yearly operations plan for a transit project, to be updated annually by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

EXHIBIT B

SCOPE AND PROCEDURE

Construction, operation and maintenance of Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531

APPENDICES

Appendix A	Local Project Delivery Application
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APPENDIX A

LOCAL PROJECT DELIVERY APPLICATION
for the following Projects:

Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531



Russell R. McMurry, P.E., Commissioner
One Georgia Center
600 West Peachtree NW
Atlanta, GA 30308
(404) 631-1990 Main Office

Item #1.

May 4, 2026

Mr. Will Johnson
Planning Director
Columbus Consolidated Government
P.O. Box 1340
Columbus, Georgia 31902

**SUBJECT: 0019531 – Double Churches Road Improvements
Columbus Consolidated Government – Muscogee County
Local Delivery Approval**

Mr. Johnson,

The Department has reviewed the TIA Local Government Applications for project delivery submitted for the above referenced projects. The Local Delivery Application has been approved for the following phases:

- Preliminary Engineering (PE)
- Right of Way (ROW)
- Construction (CST)
- Utilities (UTL)

A Local Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the Columbus Consolidated Government is required to be executed prior to beginning work. A written Notice to Proceed from the Department, or its Agent, is also required prior to beginning work on any project phase.

Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact William Eastin at 404-904-4204 or by email at weastin@dot.ga.gov.

Sincerely,


Kenneth Franks,
State TIA Administrator

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Cc: Dan Bodycomb, TIA Program Manager
Corvell Houston, TIA Pre-Construction Manager
Treasury Young, TIA Procurement Manager
Project File



Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Project Delivery Application

Section I – Local Government Applicant Information		
Applicant Columbus Cons. Govt.	Main Contact Will Johnson	
Contact Title Planning Director	Phone Number 706-225-3930	
Local Government Email address PO Box 1340		
Contact Address		
Address Line 2		
City Columbus	State GA	Zip Code 31902

Section II – Project Information			
County Muscogee	City Columbus	Congressional District 2	GDOT District 3
Regional Commission River Valley RC		MPO Region (if applicable) Columbus-PC MPO	
Regional Commission ID Number/ PI Number/ and Project Name RVRC2-30/0019531/Double Churches Road Improvements			
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government is LAP Certified			

Please check all phases of delivery in which the Local Government desires to have responsibility (PE, ROW, UTL, CST)

- Preliminary Engineering (PE)
- Right of Way (ROW)
- Utilities (UTL)
- Construction (CST)

Section III–Method of Delivery

The Local Government’s plan for delivering the selected phase(s) of the Project. Include in this plan the types of resources needed, both inhouse and consultants, and your procedures for managing project quality, scope, schedule, and budget:

The Columbus Consolidated Government will utilize a professional engineering firm familiar with the project as well as state and/or federal standards. A consulting firm will also be used for right-of-way/easement acquisition. City staff involved with the project will be 2 professional engineers and 2 project managers (PM) that are LAP certified. The project managers will work closely with the engineer of record, the qualified contractor, and others on the team as required for quality control, compliance with design, schedule, and monitor the budget expenditures.

Please list the Local Government’s previous experience with Project Delivery. List two projects of similar scope and cost.

Project Name:

Project Description:

Construction Let Date:

Construction Completion Date:

Initial Cost Estimate:

Final Completed Cost:

Project Name:

Buena Vista Road Improvements - Spiderweb, Phase I

Project Description:

Construct a roundabout and road with multi-use trails, relocate all utilities and rough grade a detour road in advance of Phase II of the aforementioned project

Construction Let Date:

February 2020

Construction Completion Date:

April 2023

Initial Cost Estimate:

\$5,285,602

Final Completed Cost:

\$6,146,122

Is the Project on the State Route System or does it tie to a State Route?

No

Procedures in place or that will be in place for regular reporting to GDOT of Project scope, schedule, and budgets.

The local PM will regularly monitor construction activity and maintain a weekly log of progress. Additionally, the PM will maintain a pay request tracking spreadsheet which will track quantities installed and forecast over-and-under runs with the contract value.

The Local Government's procedures in place for contract payment validation.

The local representative will measure installed quantities, verify materials tickets, and regularly observe construction activity throughout the duration of the project.

The Local Government's conflict of interest policy.

Council Ordinance #20-053 addresses conflict of interest and anti-corruption.

Complete the information below and submit to:

Kenneth Franks, State TIA Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

I hereby certify that I am a principle and duly authorized representative of
Columbus/Muscogee County, Georgia, whose address is 1111 1st Avenue,
Columbus, GA 31901.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

B. Henderson (Signature)

Mayor (Title)

11/4/2025 (Date)

APPENDIX B

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCES

I hereby certify that I am a principle and duly authorized representative of Columbus Consolidated Government, Georgia, whose address is Post Office Box 1340, Columbus, GA 31902, and it is also certified that:

I. PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

The below listed provisions of State Procurement requirements shall be complied with throughout the contract period:

- (a) Provisions of Section Chapters 2 and Chapters 4 of the Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Specifically as to the County the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 32-4-40 *et seq.* and as to the Municipality the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 32-4-92 *et seq.*

II. STATE AUDIT REQUIREMENT

The provisions of Section 36-81-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the “Requirement of Audits” shall be complied with throughout the contract period in full, including but not limited to the following provisions:

- (a) Each unit of local government having a population in excess of 1,500 persons or expenditures of \$ 550,000.00 or more shall provide for and cause to be made an annual audit of the financial affairs and transactions of all funds and activities of the local government for each fiscal year of the local government.
- (b) The governing authority of each local unit of government not included above shall provide for and cause to be made the audit required not less often than once every two fiscal years.
- (c) The governing authority of each local unit of government having expenditures of less than \$ 550,000.00 in that government’s most recently ended fiscal year may elect to provide for and cause to be made, in lieu of the biennial audit, an annual report of agreed upon procedures for that fiscal year.
- (d) A copy of the report and any comments made by the state auditor shall be maintained as a public record for public inspection during the regular working hours at the principal office of the local government. Those units of local government not having a principal office shall provide a notification to the public as to the location of and times during which the public may inspect the report.
- (e) The audits of each local government shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

III. SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY REQUIREMENT

The provisions of Section 36-70-20 *et seq.* of the Official Code of Georgia, relating to the “Coordinated And Comprehensive Planning And Service Delivery By Counties And Municipalities”, as amended, has been complied with throughout the contract period.

Date

Signature

APPENDIX C

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH ANNUAL IMMIGRATION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS/
NO SANCTUARY POLICY/FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION**

By executing this document, the undersigned duly authorized representative of the Local Governing Body, certifies that the Local Governing Authority:

- a) has filed a compliant Annual Immigration Compliance Report with the Georgia Department of Audits & Accounts (“GDA&A”) for the preceding calendar year required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-4(b), or has been issued a written exemption from GDA&A from doing so;
- b) has not enacted a “Sanctuary Policy” in violation of O.C.G.A. § 36-80-23(b); and,
- c) is in compliance with O.C.G.A. §§ 35-1-17 et seq. regarding its obligation to cooperate with federal immigration enforcement authorities to deter the presence of criminal illegal aliens.

As an ongoing condition to receiving funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation, the Local Governing Body shall continue to remain fully compliant with O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-4, 36-80-23 and 35-1-17 et seq. for the duration of time the subject agreement is in effect.

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Date

Form Date - May 10, 2024

APPENDIX D

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

Name of Contracting Entity: Columbus Consolidated Government

Contract No. and Name: IGTIA2602167
TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT ACT OF 2010 PROJECT AGREEMENT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned person or entity verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or entity which is contracting with the Georgia Department of Transportation has registered with, is authorized to participate in, and is participating in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91.

The undersigned person or entity further agrees that it will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period, and it will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the undersigned with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b).

The undersigned person or entity further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the Georgia Department of Transportation within five (5) business days after any subcontractor is retained to perform such service.

E-Verify / Company Identification Number

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Date of Authorization

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Date

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

DAY OF , 20

[NOTARY SEAL]

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

APPENDIX E

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION
for the following Projects:**

Double Churches Road Improvements, P.I. 0019531

Please replace this page with your authorizing resolution as required by the code section O.C.G.A § 32-4-61. A county shall have the authority to contract as set forth in this part and in paragraph (1) of Code Section 32-4-42. Any contract for work on all or part of the county road system shall be in writing and shall be approved by resolution which shall be entered on the minutes of such county

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

STATE OF GEORGIA

COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission Chairman and Board of Commissioners of Columbus Consolidated Government, and it is hereby resolved, that the foregoing attached Agreement, relative to the aforementioned projects and that [Name] as Commission Chairman and [Name], as Clerk, be and they are, thereby authorized and directed to execute the same for and in behalf of said by the Commission Chairman and Board of Commissioners of Columbus Consolidated Government.

Passed and adopted this the _____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

BY: _____
CHAIRMAN

STATE OF GEORGIA,

PIERCE COUNTY

I, [Name], as Clerk of Commission, do hereby certify that I am custodian of the books and records of the same, and that the above and foregoing copy of the original is now on file in my office, and was passed by the Commission Chairman and Board of Commissioners of Columbus Consolidated Government.

WITNESS my hand and official signature, this the _____ day of _____,
20_____.

BY: _____
CLERK OF



Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Project Delivery Application

Section I – Local Government Applicant Information		
Applicant Columbus Cons. Govt.	Main Contact Will Johnson	
Contact Title Planning Director	Phone Number 706-225-3930	
Local Government Email address PO Box 1340		
Contact Address		
Address Line 2		
City Columbus	State GA	Zip Code 31902

Section II – Project Information			
County Muscogee	City Columbus	Congressional District 2	GDOT District 3
Regional Commission River Valley RC		MPO Region (if applicable) Columbus-PC MPO	
Regional Commission ID Number/ PI Number/ and Project Name RVRC2-30/0019531/Double Churches Road Improvements			
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government is LAP Certified			

Please check all phases of delivery in which the Local Government desires to have responsibility (PE, ROW, UTL, CST)

- Preliminary Engineering (PE)
- Right of Way (ROW)
- Utilities (UTL)
- Construction (CST)

Section III–Method of Delivery

The Local Government’s plan for delivering the selected phase(s) of the Project. Include in this plan the types of resources needed, both inhouse and consultants, and your procedures for managing project quality, scope, schedule, and budget:

The Columbus Consolidated Government will utilize a professional engineering firm familiar with the project as well as state and/or federal standards. A consulting firm will also be used for right-of-way/easement acquisition. City staff involved with the project will be 2 professional engineers and 2 project managers (PM) that are LAP certified. The project managers will work closely with the engineer of record, the qualified contractor, and others on the team as required for quality control, compliance with design, schedule, and monitor the budget expenditures.

Please list the Local Government’s previous experience with Project Delivery. List two projects of similar scope and cost.

Project Name:

Project Description:

Construction Let Date:

Construction Completion Date:

Initial Cost Estimate:

Final Completed Cost:

Project Name:

Buena Vista Road Improvements - Spiderweb, Phase I

Project Description:

Construct a roundabout and road with multi-use trails, relocate all utilities and rough grade a detour road in advance of Phase II of the aforementioned project

Construction Let Date:

February 2020

Construction Completion Date:

April 2023

Initial Cost Estimate:

\$5,285,602

Final Completed Cost:

\$6,146,122

Is the Project on the State Route System or does it tie to a State Route?

No

Procedures in place or that will be in place for regular reporting to GDOT of Project scope, schedule, and budgets.

The local PM will regularly monitor construction activity and maintain a weekly log of progress. Additionally, the PM will maintain a pay request tracking spreadsheet which will track quantities installed and forecast over-and-under runs with the contract value.

The Local Government's procedures in place for contract payment validation.

The local representative will measure installed quantities, verify materials tickets, and regularly observe construction activity throughout the duration of the project.

The Local Government's conflict of interest policy.

Council Ordinance #20-053 addresses conflict of interest and anti-corruption.

Complete the information below and submit to:

Kenneth Franks, State TIA Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

I hereby certify that I am a principle and duly authorized representative of
Columbus/Muscogee County, Georgia, whose address is 1111 1st Avenue,
Columbus, GA 31901.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

 (Signature)

Mayor (Title)

11/4/2025 (Date)

File Attachments for Item:

2. Street Acceptance – Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill

Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #2.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Street Acceptance – Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms.
INITIATED BY:	Engineering Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms.

Background. Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms has (43) Forty-three residential lots. The streets have been improved and meet the required specifications for acceptance by the City.

Analysis: A deed has been tendered to the City for all of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill lying in Land Lot 227, 19th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia. The above described roads and rights-of-way are shown on the map or plat entitled “Final Plat for Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms, Part of Land Lot 227, 19th District, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia,” dated March 27, 2026, made by Strozier” Services LLC and recorded in Plat Book 168, Page 185-186, 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 rights-of-way must be accepted by Council.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested for the acceptance of Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO CALF CREEK LANE THAT PORTION OF HOLSTEIN HILL LOCATED IN PHASE THREE, SECTION TWO, HEIFERHORN FARMS, ON BEHALF OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

Item #2.

WHEREAS, Columbus, Georgia has submitted a deed to Calf Creek Lane that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms, a full description of the property on said deed; and,

WHEREAS, said streets have been improved and meet the required specifications for acceptance by the City; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department has inspected said streets and recommends acceptance by the same.

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

That certain deed dated May 12, 2026, conveying to Columbus, Georgia, Calf Creek Lane and that portion of Holstein Hill located in Phase Three, Section Two, Heiferhorn Farms, and the same 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

(Above space for recording officer use.)

RIGHT OF WAY DEED
ROAD NAMES: HOLSTEIN HILL AND CALF CREEK LANE

GEORGIA, MUSCOGEE COUNTY

This indenture made this 12th day of May, 2026, between Edgar Hughston Builder, Inc., a Georgia corporation (“Grantor”), and Muscogee County, a political subdivision of the state of Georgia (“Grantee”).

WITNESSETH, that Grantor is the owner of certain lands in Muscogee County, through which two low traffic secondary roads, known as Holstein Hill and Calf Creek Lane, have been laid out by the County.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and the benefits to said property, Grantor hereby petitions and requests Grantee to improve the street, and hereby grants, bargains, sells and conveys to Grantee all of its interest in the hereinafter described property and in addition, grants the right to slope banks, make fills and construct drainage ditches for short distances back of the right of way line where necessary for the proper construction and maintenance of the project, said property described as follows:

Tract I: All that tract or parcel of land being the right-of-way of Holstein Hill (60’ right-of-way and right-of-way in cul-de-sac) and the right-of-way of Calf Creek Lane (60’ right-of way and right of way in cul-de-sac) and lying and being in Land Lot 227, in the 19th District in Muscogee County, Georgia, and being a portion of Heiferhorn Farms, Phase Three, Section Two, (hereafter collectively referred to as the “Right of Way”), being shown and designated as “Holstein Hill and Calf Creek Lane” more particularly described on that certain plat of survey entitled “FINAL PLAT FOR PHASE THREE, SECTION TWO HEIFERHORN FARMS” dated March 27, 2026 and recorded on April 16, 2026 in Plat Book 168, Pages 185-186, Clerk’s Office, Muscogee Superior Court. Said property is more particularly described in Exhibit “A”.

To have and to hold the said conveyed property, together with the all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, the same being, belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit, and behoof of Grantee, in fee simple. Grantor hereby warrants that it has the right to sell and convey said land and bind itself, its heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

Grantor shall warrant and forever defend the right, title, and interest in and to said property unto Grantee, its successors and assigns, against all the claims of persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has executed this Deed under Seal on the day first written above.

Edgar Hughston Builder, Inc.,
a Georgia corporation

By: 
Richie Eubanks, President


Witness


Notary Public

My Commission Expires March 12, 2029



Exhibit "A"

Tract I: All that tract or parcel of land being the right-of-way of Holstein Hill (60' right-of-way and right-of-way in cul-de-sac), lying and being in Land Lot 227, in the 19th District in Muscogee County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as "Holstein Hill" on that certain plat of survey entitled "FINAL PLAT FOR PHASE THREE, SECTION TWO HEIFERHORN FARMS" dated March 27, 2026 and recorded on April 16, 2026 in Plat Book 168, Pages 185-186, Clerk's Office, Muscogee Superior Court.

Tract II: All that tract or parcel of land being the right-of-way of Calf Creek Lane (60' right-of-way and right-of-way in cul-de-sac), lying and being in Land Lot 227, in the 19th District in Muscogee County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as "Calf Creek Lane" on that certain plat of survey entitled "FINAL PLAT FOR PHASE THREE, SECTION TWO HEIFERHORN FARMS" dated March 27, 2026 and recorded on April 16, 2026 in Plat Book 168, Pages 185-186, Clerk's Office, Muscogee Superior Court.

HEIFERHORN FARMS PHASE 3 SECTION 2



File Attachments for Item:

3. GDOT Street Lighting Agreement – SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project

Approval is requested to enter into an Agreement Between the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) for the purpose of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system that will be installed within the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #3.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	GDOT Street Lighting Agreement – SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to enter into an Agreement Between the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) for the purpose of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system that will be installed within the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project
INITIATED BY:	Engineering Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to enter into an Agreement Between the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) for the purpose of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system that will be installed within the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project.

Background: SR 85/US 27 ALT @ County Line Road – TIA Project requires lighting for vehicle and pedestrian safety as part of the GDOT P.I.0019517 SR 85/US 27 ALT @ County Line Road – TIA Project, boundaries of project shown on Attachment "A".

Analysis: Upon the installation of this new lighting, it will be the responsibility of the City to provide the necessary energy, operation, and maintenance for this system. This agreement establishes an understanding between the City and GDOT for this purpose.

Financial Considerations: Upon completion and acceptance of the lighting, it will become the City's financial responsibility to provide the energy, operation, and maintenance of this system.

Legal Considerations: Council approval is required to execute this agreement.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to enter into an Agreement Between the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Columbus Consolidated Government (City) for the purpose of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system that will be installed within the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT) FOR THE GDOT P.I. NO. 0019517, SR 85/US 27 ALT AT COUNTY LINE ROAD – TIA PROJECT ON BEHALF OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

Item #3.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation has requested an Agreement to be executed with the City as part of the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project; and,

WHEREAS, the City will be responsible for the installation, energy costs, and maintenance costs of the lighting within this project; and,

WHEREAS, the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project requires outdoor lighting for vehicle and pedestrian safety.

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

SECTION I.

That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to enter into the agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the purpose of providing the energy, operation, and maintenance of the lighting system to be installed in the SR 85/US 27 ALT at County Line Road – TIA Project.

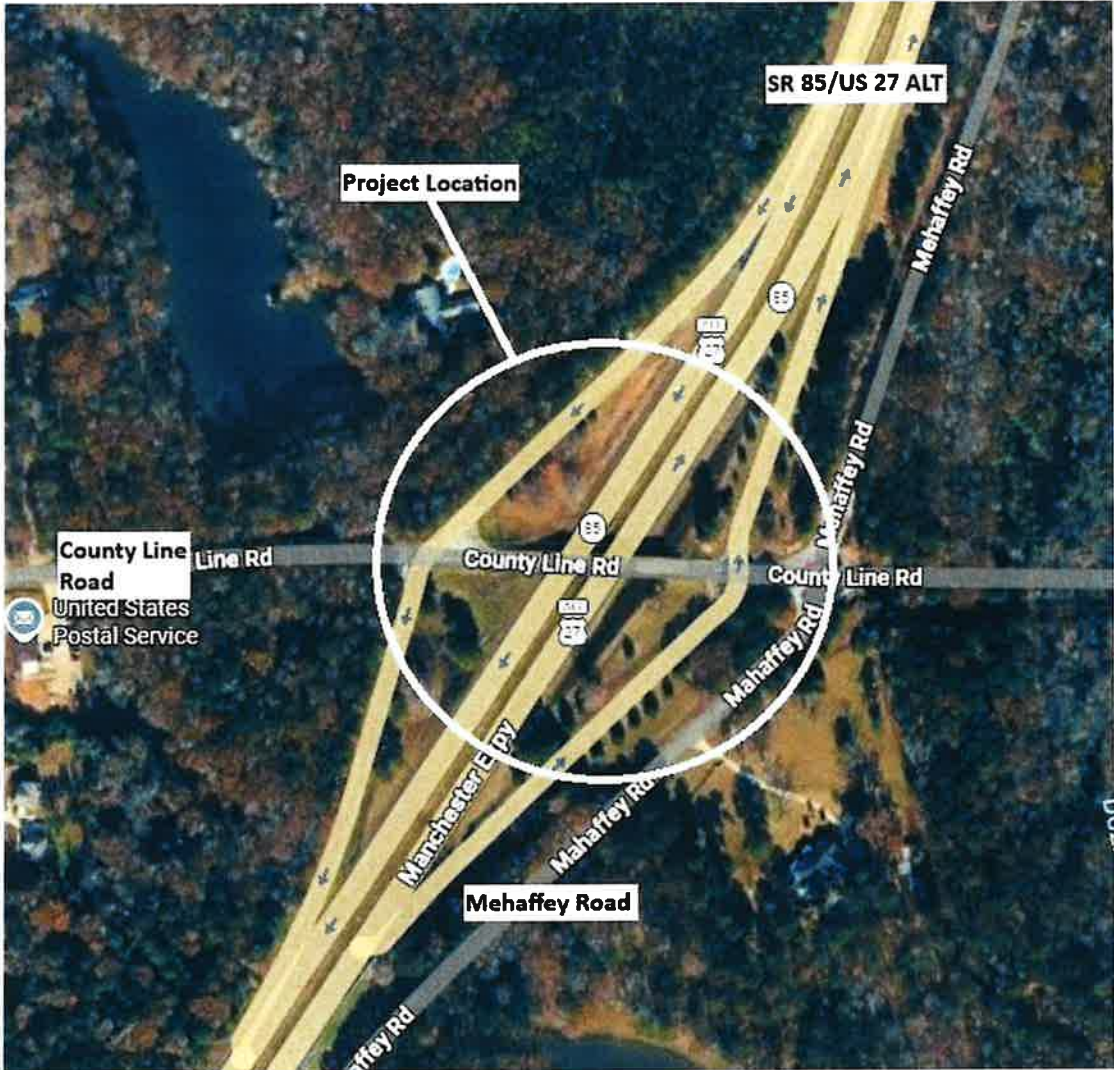
Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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

Attachment "A"



Project Location Map

**SR 85/US 27 ALT @ County Line Road - TIA
Muscogee County
P.I. No. 0019517**

INTERGOVERNMENTAL LIGHTING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND
CITY OF COLUMBUS

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20__, (“Effective Date”) by and between the **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**, an agency of the State of Georgia, hereinafter called the **DEPARTMENT**, and the **CITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA** acting by and through its City Council, hereinafter called the **CITY** (the **DEPARTMENT** and the **CITY** are sometimes referred to herein individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties”).

WHEREAS, the **CITY** has represented to the **DEPARTMENT** a desire to obtain roundabout lighting as part of the **SR 85/US 27 ALT @ COUNTY LINE ROAD - TIA** project, said lighting to be installed under P.I. No. 0019517, Muscogee County;

WHEREAS, the **CITY** has represented to the **DEPARTMENT** a desire to participate in: 1) Providing the Energy and 2) the Operation and Maintenance of said lighting system at the aforesaid location, and the **DEPARTMENT** has relied upon such representation; and

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT** has indicated a willingness to fund the materials and installation for the said lighting system at the aforesaid location, with funds of the **DEPARTMENT**, funds apportioned to the **DEPARTMENT** by the Federal Highway Administration under Title 23, United States Code, Section 104, or a combination of funds from any of the above sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises made and of the benefits to flow from one to the other, the **DEPARTMENT** and the **CITY** hereby agree each with the other as follows:

ARTICLE I **INSTALLATION**

The **DEPARTMENT** or its assigns shall cause the installation of all materials and equipment necessary for roundabout lighting as part of the **SR 85/US 27 ALT @ COUNTY LINE ROAD - TIA** project, said lighting to be installed under P.I. No. 0019517, Muscogee County as shown on Attachment "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

ARTICLE II **CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Upon completion of installation of said lighting system, and acceptance by the **DEPARTMENT**, the **CITY** shall assume full responsibility and costs for the operation, the repair and the maintenance of the entire lighting system, including but not limited to repairs of any damages, replacement of lamps, ballasts, luminaires, lighting structures, associated equipment, conduit, wiring and service equipment, and the requirements of the Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act. The **CITY** further agrees to provide and pay for all the energy required for the operation of said lighting system.

2. It is understood by the **CITY** that the **DEPARTMENT** has relied upon the **CITY'S** representation of providing for the energy, maintenance, and operation of the lighting represented by this Agreement; therefore, if the **CITY** elects to de-energize or fails to properly maintain or to repair the lighting system during the term of this Agreement, the **CITY** shall reimburse the **DEPARTMENT** the materials cost for the lighting system. If the **CITY** elects to de-energize or fails to properly maintain any individual unit within the lighting system, the **CITY** shall reimburse the **DEPARTMENT** for the replacement cost for the individual unit which will include all costs for the pole, luminaires, foundations, and associated wiring. The **DEPARTMENT** will provide the **CITY** with a statement of material and/or replacement costs upon completion of the installation.

ARTICLE III
DEPARTMENT'S OWNERSHIP

The **DEPARTMENT** shall retain ownership of all materials and various components of the entire lighting system. The **CITY**, in its operation and maintenance of the lighting system, shall not in any way alter the type or location of any of the various components which make up the entire lighting system without prior written approval from the **DEPARTMENT**.

ARTICLE IV
TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement is considered as continuing for a period of fifty (50) years from the date of execution of this Agreement. The **DEPARTMENT** reserves the right to terminate this Agreement, at any time for just cause, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the **CITY**.

ARTICLE V
RIGHT OF ENTRY

The **CITY** will be permitted to access the **DEPARTMENT'S** Right of Way in order to perform its responsibilities under **ARTICLE II, PARAGRAPH 1**, of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VI
INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent allowed by law, the **CITY** and all its successors and assigns, shall release and save harmless the **DEPARTMENT**, past, present and future board members, commissioners, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, affiliates, privies, successors, and assigns, and the State of Georgia, its political subdivisions, departments, agencies, commissions, affiliates, employees, agents, and attorneys from all suits, claims, actions or damages of any nature whatsoever resulting from the **CITY'S** access to **DEPARTMENT'S** Right of Way.

ARTICLE VII
MISCELLANEOUS

1. **NON-WAIVER.** No failure of either Party to exercise any right or power given to such Party under this Agreement, or to insist upon strict compliance by the other Party with the provisions of this Agreement, and no custom or practice of either Party at variance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, will constitute a waiver of either Party's right to demand exact and strict compliance by the other Party with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
2. **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES.** Nothing contained herein shall be construed as conferring upon or giving to any person, other than the Parties hereto, any rights or benefits under or by reason of this Agreement.
3. **SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, no term or condition of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as a waiver, express or implied, of any of the immunities, rights, benefits, protection, or other provisions under the Georgia Constitution.
4. **CONTINUITY.** Each of the provisions of this Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit and detriment of the Parties and the successors and assigns of the Parties.

5. **WHEREAS CLAUSE AND EXHIBITS.** The Whereas Clauses and Exhibits hereto are a part of this Agreement and are incorporated herein by reference.
6. **SEVERABILITY.** If any one or more of the provisions contained herein are for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability will not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement will be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.
7. **CAPTIONS.** The brief headings or titles preceding each provision hereof are for purposes of identification and convenience only and should be completely disregarded in construing this Agreement.
8. **INTERPRETATION.** Should any provision of this Agreement require judicial interpretation, it is agreed that the court interpreting or construing the same shall not apply a presumption that the terms hereof shall be more strictly construed against one Party by reason of the rule of construction that a document is to be construed more strictly against the Party who itself or through its agent prepared the same, it being agreed that the agents of all Parties have participated in the preparation hereof.
9. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, discussion, statements and agreements between the Parties and constitutes the full, complete and entire agreement between the Parties with respect hereto; no member, officer, employee or agent of either Party has authority to make, or has made, any statement, agreement, representation or contemporaneous agreement, oral or written, in connection herewith, amending, supplementing, modifying, adding to, deleting from, or changing the terms and conditions of this Agreement. No modification of or amendment to this Agreement will be binding on either Party hereto unless such modification or amendment will be properly authorized, in writing, properly signed by both Parties and incorporated in and by reference made a part hereof.

The covenants herein contained shall, except as otherwise provided accrue to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement the da

Item #3.

and year first above written.

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION**

CITY OF COLUMBUS

Commissioner

Print Name: _____
Title: _____

(SEAL)

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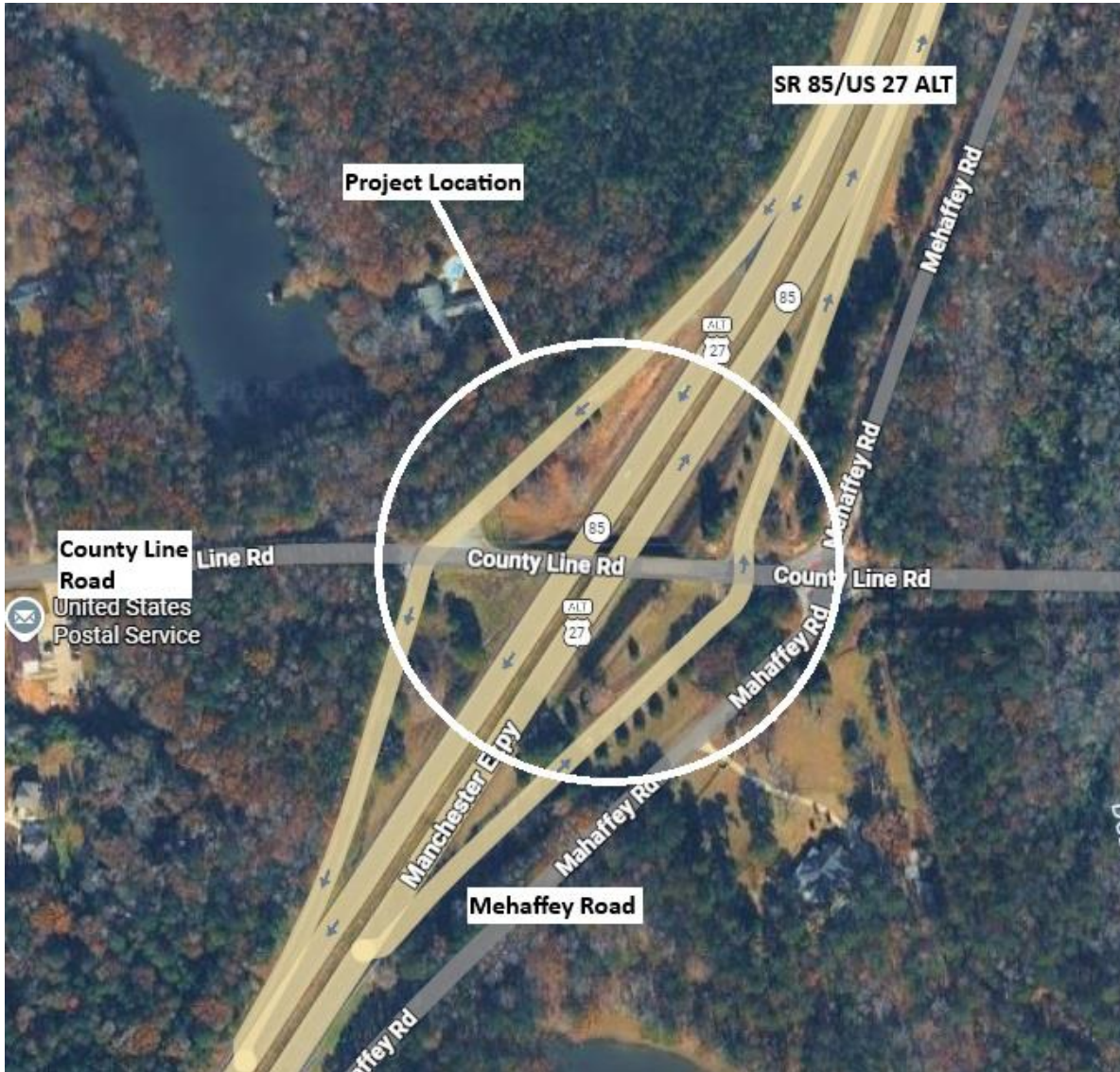
ATTEST:

ATTEST:

Treasurer

Print Name: _____
Title: _____

Attachment "A"



Project Location Map

**SR 85/US 27 ALT @ County Line Road - TIA
Muscogee County
P.I. No. 0019517**

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH
ANNUAL IMMIGRATION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS/
NO SANCTUARY POLICY/FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION**

By executing this document, the undersigned duly authorized representative of the Local Governing Body, certifies that the Local Governing Authority:

- 1) has filed a compliant Annual Immigration Compliance Report with the Georgia Department of Audits & Accounts (“GDA&A”) for the preceding calendar year required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-4(b), or has been issued a written exemption from GDA&A from doing so;
- 2) has not enacted a “Sanctuary Policy” in violation of O.C.G.A. § 36-80-23(b); and,
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As an ongoing condition to receiving funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation, the Local Governing Body shall continue to remain fully compliant with O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-4, 36-80-23 and 35-1-17 *et seq.* for the duration of time the subject agreement is in effect.

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Date

File Attachments for Item:

4. Columbus Lions Lease Agreement

Approval is requested to amend the five-year Agreement with Columbus Lions Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions, which is scheduled to remain in effect until 2028. The proposed amendment will include provisions regarding digital signage and grant the Lions a first refusal on any lease renewal for arena football beyond the current five-year term.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

Item #4.

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Columbus Lions Lease Agreement
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to amend the five-year Agreement with Columbus Lions Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions, which is scheduled to remain in effect until 2028. The proposed amendment will include provisions regarding digital signage and grant the Lions a first refusal on any lease renewal for arena football beyond the current five-year term.
INITIATED BY:	Civic Center

Recommendation: Approval is requested to amend the five-year Agreement with Columbus Lions Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions, which is scheduled to remain in effect until 2028. The proposed amendment will include provisions regarding digital signage and grant the Lions a first refusal on any lease renewal for arena football beyond the current five-year term.

Background: The Columbus Lions, located in Columbus starting in 2007. The league provides an alternative recreational source for the city of Columbus in the form of professional arena football.

Analysis: The Columbus Lions digital signage enhancement is expected to increase brand visibility, create new revenue potential for the Lions, and the Columbus Civic Center. Digital signage will further support community engagement and event marketing initiatives. The right of first refusal to extend the lease an additional five years under certain conditions protects the Lions' investment in the digital signage.

Financial Considerations: The Columbus Lions agrees to assume full financial responsibility for the complete repair and restoration of the digital signage.

Legal Considerations: Any lease agreement involving the City requires Council approval.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to amend the five-year Agreement with Columbus Lions Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions, which is scheduled to remain in effect until 2028. The proposed amendment will include provisions regarding digital signage and grant the Lions a first refusal on any lease renewal for arena football beyond the current five-year term.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, TO AUTHORIZE

WHEREAS, Columbus Lions Football Team, LLC d/b/a The Columbus Lions (“the Lions”) holds a five-year lease with the Columbus Civic Center, which began in 2023; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus Lions Football Team, LLC d/b/a The Columbus Lions has agreed to install digital signage located in front of the Columbus Civic Center and Ice Rink and maintain the same at its own expense; and,

WHEREAS, the Lions and the Columbus Civic Center also desire to provide an option whereby the lease can be extended by an additional five-year term under certain conditions; and,

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

The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to sign the attached amendment to the lease.

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

COLUMBUS INDOOR FOOTBALL TEAM, LLC.

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

THIS CONTRACT OF RENTAL, made and entered into this 15th day of February, 2023, by and between COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, a Consolidated City-County Government under the laws of the State of Georgia hereinafter referred to as "Lessor" or "the City" and Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC. hereinafter referred to as "Lessee/Owner".

WITNESSETH:

That for and in consideration of the premises, covenants, herein contained and for other good and valuable considerations, the parties hereto do agree as follows:

1.

Lessor agrees to and does hereby rent and lease to the Lessee/Owner the facility known as Columbus Civic Center for the period beginning February 1, 2023 through February 1, 2028

The term of this Agreement is for American Indoor Football Association. It is expressly agreed that the

Lessee/Owner shall have exclusive rights to operate a professional indoor football team, which shall be a member of the American Indoor Football Association and that should the team so operated by

Lessee be expelled or otherwise deprived of playing as a member of the AIFA

through disbandment, suspension of operation by any league or otherwise, this rental contract shall be cancelable within ninety (90) days by written notice of either party to the other. This lease or the terms provided herein are non-transferable, unless expressly approved by the Columbus Council.

2.

Lessor or Lessee/Owner shall have the right to cancel this Agreement upon one hundred and eighty (180) days advance written notice to the other party, but any such cancellation shall not interfere with any regular season or post-season play.

3.

Lessor shall give Lessee/Owner priority for available booking dates August 1, 2022 for the upcoming regular season. The Lessor agrees ten - (10) premium weekend dates (Fridays or Saturdays) will be provided and reserved up to November 15. After November 15, the lessor may begin to accept reservation challenges for premium weekend dates, however, a minimum of six (6) premium weekend dates will be reserved for arena football. The Parties shall mutually agree on the season home game schedule taking into consideration the maximization of revenue for both parties, league requirements and other building activity.

4.

Lessor agrees to provide Lessee/Owner with not more than six (6) additional booking dates under this agreement. All turf-related events of Lessee/Owner must be held between March and August (or the last game of the team's regular or play-off season) of each year. All arena football related events sponsored by Lessee/Owner will be under the management of the

Lessee/Owner.

In the interest of a cooperative effort and recognizing the Lessor's mandate to provide a variety of entertainment opportunities to the community, the Lessee/Owner and Lessor agree to work together to ensure reasonable and prudent resolve to scheduling challenges. Lessee/Owner understands that no set amount of practice is assured and owner shall develop its own secondary practice location. A Stadium will be made available for practice at reduced rent when the schedule permits.

Rent and Charges

5.

Lessee/Owner shall pay to Lessor a minimum base rent of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) per night (to be paid prior to the game Lessee/Owner may request a \$2.50 facility fee added to the face value of tickets to be used for improvements). Settlement shall occur within (72) hours following an arena football game or other scheduled event.

Transfer of funds from Lessor shall occur on the next business day providing settlement is prior to 12:00 noon and said business day is not a bank or city government recognized holiday. The lessor shall retain the right to assess a facility fee for on going maintenance of the Civic Center. Advertised prices shall include the facility fee (if utilized). The Lessor shall notify the Lessee/Owner of the amount of the facility fee by October 15th for the

upcoming season.

The Columbus Civic Center retains one hundred percent (100%) of all facility fee charges. Lessee/Owner shall not be required to pay ticket surcharge and facility fee on complimentary tickets. Lessee/Owner shall provide eighty-four (84) tickets to the Columbus Civic Center for market development and legislative complimentary tickets.

The Columbus Civic Center shall retain the right to assess a parking fee. Parking fees shall be collected in the parking lot by the Columbus Civic Center. The Columbus Civic Center retains one hundred percent (100%) of any parking charges.

The Columbus Civic Center agrees to provide at no rent or housekeeping charge all available hospitality areas not otherwise encumbered as auxiliary activity in conjunction with scheduled game for the Lessee/Owner's use for events during arena football games. Lessee/Owner agrees that attendees to such hospitality events must be through paid tickets.

Lessee/Owner shall pay three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for high school all-star games and Exhibition game on the same day with at \$2.50 facility fee to the Civic Center to assist with labor.

Lessee/Owner shall pay one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for expenses for Exhibition game, no rent.

Lessee/Owner shall pay three thousand (\$3,000) rent for play-off games.

Ticketing

The Columbus Civic Center retains exclusive rights to contract with a qualified ticket service or software provider for the purpose of providing ticketing to events at the Columbus Civic Center.

Concessions, Catering and Merchandising Revenues

The Columbus Civic Center shall have sole rights to concessions revenues 100 % to Lessor. Rent has been adjusted to account for concession/catering rebate. No other rebate will be provided unless specified by management.

Lessee/Owner shall have sole rights to one hundred percent (100%) of all arena football merchandise sold. The Columbus Civic Center has final approval of display and sale areas shall mutually agree. No food or beverage items may be sold by the owner.

The Lessee/Owner agrees to adhere to any third party agreements, which may supersede this agreement such as pouring rights, distribution of food, beverage.

Expenses

6.

Lessee/Owner agrees to pay all arena football game officials including referees, scorers, signs/banners and timekeepers, etc.

7.

Lessee/Owner agrees to pay all stagehand and skilled laborers (to include sound, special effect and lighting technical, etc.) employed for games and or by special request of

Lessee/Owner. Lessee/Owner agrees to pay for use of the Civic Center house sound system.

8.

Lessee/Owner agrees to provide a team physician and medical staff for all arena football related events at its own expense.

9.

The Columbus Civic Center agrees to pay for the installation of turf, dasher boards, goal post, and scoreboards.

The Columbus Civic Center agrees to pay for the maintenance of arena football goals, turf maintenance machine, driver and personnel to move and restore the nets during the games. Lessee/Owner agrees that any turf stored at the Columbus Civic Center is the property of Lessor.

Advertising

10.

The Lessee/Owner has rights to sell advertising space in the arena Civic Center Arena Bowl restricted to turf, dasher pads and 100 level wall only. Such ad areas are subject to display during arena football events only.

Recognizing that the maintenance of a pleasing appearance is vital to ensure a favorable overall entertainment experience. The Lessee/Owner and the Columbus Civic Center shall agree

to the content and placement of advertisements in the Civic Center.

The Lessee/Owner will control the message board during all arena football games except for twenty (20) minutes-approximately five (5) minutes per quarter, which shall be provided to the Columbus Civic Center for advertising and marketing purposes. Broadcast rights will be divided eighty percent (80%) to the team and twenty percent (20%) to the facility.

11.

Lessee/Owner agrees that special promotional banners may be utilized during arena football events for single event promotions and that facility management of the Columbus Civic Center shall consult with Lessee/Owner to determine the appropriate location and method for hanging such banners.

The Columbus Civic Center reserved the exclusive right to advertising revenue on single game tickets, Civic Center Internet pages, future closed circuit-television messaging systems, or other areas outside the arena Civic Center.

Turf Preparation and Maintenance

12.

The Columbus Civic Center shall provide Lessee/Owner with four (4) hours of daily practice time form 6:00pm until 10:00pm when available at no cost to owner. Proper climate control will be conducive for practice.

13.

The Columbus Civic Center agrees to make the arena football facility available to Lessee/Owner at least six (6) hours prior to any professional arena football games.

Space Rental

14.

To the extent permitted by Georgia law, the Columbus Civic Center agrees to provide exclusive professional arena football rights to the arena football franchise of Lessee/Owner.

Pre game Activity

15.

Pre game functions will be provided by the Columbus Civic Center and Lessee/Owner to include entertainment, photo and autograph functions, food and beverages sales and merchandise sales. 100% of the food and beverage will go to the facility. 100% of the merchandise will go to the team. Additional staffing required may be charged to Lessee/Owner by management.

16.

By acceptance of this Agreement, Lessee/Owner shall be required to obtain liability insurance coverage in amounts as outlined in this section for claims by persons who are customers or employees or Lessee/Owner or contracted vendors or whose presence on the

premises is due to the function or activity conducted by the Lessee/Owner or vendor.

Lessee/Owner agrees to pay for any damage to the facility and for any damage to or loss of any Civic Center's property resulting from the occupancy of said facility by Owner or resulting from the conduct or actions of Lessee/Owner, its agents or employees, or any persons participating in or attending the event during Lessee/Owner's occupancy except for normal wear and tear. Lessee/Owner or contracted vendor shall not be responsible for claims arising out of occurrences that are independent of the operations or activities of the Lessee/Owner or vendor or that would have occurred in spite of the presence of the Lessee/Owner or vendor at the Columbus Civic Center. Said policy shall contain not less than the following limits of liability; \$1,000,000 for death or bodily injury sustained by one person in any one occurrence; \$1,000,000 for death or bodily injury sustained by more than one person in any one occurrence; \$1,000,000 for damage to or loss of property in any one occurrence.

Lessee/Owner simultaneously with the acceptance of this lease, deliver said policy of insurance, or a certified copy thereof, or to a certificate of insurance in this amount to the Lessor. Said policy shall be approved by the Lessor as to sufficiency.

The foregoing provisions governing the procurement of insurance by Lessee/Owner or amounts of coverage may be modified by the parties subsequent to the execution of this Agreement, but such modification shall be subject to the approval of the Columbus Council.

This Agreement shall be constructed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

COLUMBUS GEORGIA

BY: [Signature]
ATTEST: [Signature]

City Manager

BY: [Signature] Director of Columbus Civic Center

ATTEST: Lisa Goodwin-Deputy City Manager.
[Signature] Interim Director

Owner/Team

BY: [Signature]
DocuSigned by:
Kacee Smith
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ATTEST: Kacee Smith- President

EXECUTION AUTHORIZED

By Resolution No. 089-23

[Signature]
Clerk of Council

RESOLUTION

NO. 089-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COLUMBUS CIVIC CENTER AND COLUMBUS LIONS FOOTBALL TEAM, LLC d/b/a THE COLUMBUS LIONS.

WHEREAS, Columbus Lions Football Team, LLC d/b/a The Columbus Lions has agreed to provide indoor football at the Columbus Civic Center; and,


WHEREAS, the Columbus Lions and the Columbus Civic Center shall uphold the recommended agreement; and,


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

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a five-year Agreement between the Columbus Civic Center and the Columbus Lions.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the 14th day of March 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting YES
- Councilor Barnes voting YES
- Councilor Cogle voting YES
- Councilor Crabb voting YES
- Councilor Davis voting YES
- Councilor Garrett voting YES
- Councilor House voting YES
- Councilor Huff voting YES
- Councilor Thomas voting YES
- Councilor Tucker voting YES


 Sandra T. Davis
 Clerk of Council


 B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
 Mayor

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO: Mayor and Councilors

**AGENDA
SUBJECT:** Columbus Lions Lease Agreement

**AGENDA
SUMMARY:** Approval is requested to enter into a five-year Agreement with the Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions.

INITIATED BY: Columbus Civic Center

Recommendation: Approval is requested to enter into a five-year Agreement with the Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions.

Background: The Columbus Lions located in Columbus starting in 2007. The league provides an alternative recreational source for the city of Columbus in the form of professional arena football.

Analysis: The Columbus Lions Football League plays a minimum of six (6) home games between April and August. The games provide additional revenue for the Columbus Civic Center.

Financial Considerations: The Columbus Lions will pay \$3,000 in rent for each home game plus other financial considerations as outlined in the lease agreement.

Legal Considerations: Any lease agreement involving this City requires Council approval.

Recommended /Actions: Approval is requested for the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC d/b/a Columbus Lions.



May ____, 2026

**Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC
Addendum to the contract (2023-2028)**

This Addendum is entered into as of _____ and is incorporated into the existing Facility Use Agreement (“the Lease”) between Columbus Civic Center (“Lessor”) and Lions Indoor Football Team (“Lessee”).

1. Digital Signage Rights & Usage

The Lessor grants the Lessee access to the digital signage located in front of the Columbus Civic Center and Ice Rink (formerly known as the Daktronics marquee).

The Lessee shall have the ability to control three (3) out of every four (4) rotating posts displayed on the sign for promotional, marketing, and sponsorship purposes.

2. Repair, Restoration, and Maintenance

The Lessee agrees to assume full financial responsibility for the complete repair and restoration of the digital signage to ensure it is:

- Fully functional
- Clean
- Professionally presented

Upon restoration, the Lessee shall be responsible for ongoing maintenance, servicing, and upkeep of the sign for the remainder of the term of the Lease, together with any extensions, ensuring it remains in excellent working condition.

3. Sponsorship Recognition

As part of the granted usage rights, the Lessee shall have the ability to recognize and display sponsor acknowledgments on the digital signage, subject to any reasonable content guidelines established by the Lessor.

4. No Reimbursement Clause

The Lessor shall not reimburse the Lessee for any costs associated with the repair, restoration, or maintenance of the digital signage under any circumstances, including but not limited to:

- Early termination
- Non-renewal
- Discontinuation of the Lessee’s contract or tenancy with the facility

5. Option to Extend Lease Upon Expiration in 2028

The Lessor agrees that it will offer the Lessee the first refusal on an option to renew the Lease for an additional term of five (5) years providing that it is in full compliance with all terms of the existing lease and the Authority desires to offer any lease for indoor football.

6. General Terms

All other terms and conditions of the original Facility Use Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Addendum as of the date first written above.

Lisa Goodwin
Deputy City Manager

Kanise Wiggins
Interim Civic Center Director

Roger Beck
Columbus Indoor Football Team, LLC

File Attachments for Item:

5. Public Art - Lakebottom Bandshell

Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with MidTown, Inc. and approve the final design of the mural at Lakebottom Park Bandshell.

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Public Art - Lakebottom Bandshell
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with MidTown, Inc. and approve the final design of the mural at Lakebottom Park Bandshell.
INITIATED BY:	Parks and Recreation Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with MidTown, Inc. and approve the final design of the mural at the Lakebottom Park Bandshell.

Background: MidTown Inc. has expressed a desire to fund a project that will improve the bandshell and upgrade the mural that they had previously donated. An outside contractor will be retained for said mural improvements. Signage will also be added for the dedication.

Analysis: MidTown, Inc. will be financially responsible for all aspects of the project. They will be responsible for all maintenance of the mural.

Financial Considerations: This donation will be at no cost to the City as it is a donation in full.

Legal Considerations: The City Attorney will approve as to form.

Recommendation/Actions:

Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with MidTown, Inc. and approve the final design of the mural at the Lakebottom Park Bandshell.



A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, REQUESTING APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT (THE “CITY”) AND MIDTOWN, INC., (“MIDTOWN”) FOR A PUBLIC ARTS PROJECT AND APPROVE THE FINAL DESIGN OF A MURAL AT THE BANDSHELL AT LAKEBOTTOM PARK, AS WELL AS DEDICATION SIGNAGE.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus desires to improve the appearance and usability of various Parks and Recreation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, MidTown, Inc is a valued partner for improvements at Lakebottom Park; and,

WHEREAS, MidTown, Inc requests to donate the funding in full to enhance the mural on the bandshell in the park; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus Parks and Recreation is in agreement with the design of the mural and its donation.

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

The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between MidTown, Inc. and the City in accordance with the terms set forth in the form attached and approve the final design.

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	_____.
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

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
 BETWEEN
 CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
 AND
 MIDTOWN, INC.

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (the "Agreement"), made and entered into this 12th day of May, 2026, by and between the CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA (the "City") and MidTown, Inc. for a Public Art Project ("Project").

WHEREAS, MidTown, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that works to sustain and enhance the neighborhoods and businesses within MidTown Columbus;

WHEREAS, MidTown, Inc. desires to enhance the appearance of the bandshell at Lakebottom Park; and

WHEREAS, MidTown, Inc. desires to improve the community connection with Lakebottom Park by adding public art in accordance with the Public Art Policy adopted by Council on October 27, 2020, Resolution No. 335-20.

NOW THEREFORE, in order to carry out the public purposes as set forth above, the City and MidTown, Inc. hereby agree as follows:

1. City's Obligations.
 - (a) The City agrees to allow MidTown, Inc. to access the bandshell in Lakebottom Park, to add public art.
 - (b) The City shall approve the plans and design of the proposed artwork prior to the start of the Project.
 - (c) The City agrees to maintain Lakebottom Park excluding the painted mural.
2. MidTown, Inc.'s Obligations.
 - (a) MidTown, Inc. will be fully responsible for the financial requirements of this Project.
 - (b) MidTown, Inc. will be required to get all necessary permits.
 - (c) Should the Project not be executed in accordance with the approved concept and plans, MidTown, Inc. will agree to remove the non-compliant artistic material at its own expense within three business days.
 - (d) MidTown, Inc. is responsible for all maintenance of the artwork during the period this Agreement is in effect.
 - (e) MidTown, Inc. will be required to coordinate with adjoining property owners/businesses in the immediate area, if applicable.
 - (f) MidTown, Inc. will obtain waiver(s) from any participant(s) working on the

artwork releasing the City and MidTown, Inc. from any and all claims that may accrue due to personal injury or due to loss, destruction, or vandalism to the artwork, and such waivers shall be filed with the Mayor.

(g) MidTown, Inc. will hold the City harmless and indemnify it for any claims due to loss, destruction or vandalism to the art or the hitting wall during the term of the Agreement.

(h) MidTown, Inc., or its contractors, will obtain liability and property and casualty insurance acceptable to the Finance Director.

3. Cooperation. The parties will cooperate with each other in good faith in pursuing the completion of the undertakings of the parties hereunder.

4. Governing Law. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto (including third party beneficiaries) shall be governed, construed, and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

5. Entire Agreement. This Agreement expresses the entire understanding and agreement between the parties hereto.

6. Severability. The invalidity of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses, or sections contained in this Agreement shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part thereof.

7. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

8. Amendments in Writing. No waiver, amendment, release, or modification of this Agreement shall be established by conduct, custom, or course of dealing, but solely by an instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto.

9. Notices. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, any notices, demands, approvals, consents, requests, and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when the writing is delivered in person or three (3) days after being mailed, if mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the City or MidTown, Inc., at the addresses shown below or at such other addresses as may be furnished by the City or MidTown, Inc. in writing from time to time:

City: Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia
 100 Tenth Street (Zip 31901)
 P.O. Box 1340
 Columbus, Georgia 31902
 Attention: Mayor

With a copy to:

City Attorney
P.O. Box 1340
Columbus, Georgia 31902

MidTown, Inc.:

MidTown, Inc.
1327 Wynnton Road
Columbus, Georgia 31906

10. Limitation of Rights. Nothing in this Agreement express or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors and assigns hereunder, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Agreement.

11. Term of the Agreement. This Agreement will remain in effect for 1 year from the date first written above and can be renewed for four (4) additional one-year periods with the written approval of both parties. The City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice.

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Date Signed: _____

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

Attest _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

Approval as to Form:

Clifton C. Fay, City Attorney

MidTown, Inc.

Date Signed: _____ By _____

Julio A. Portillo, Jr., Executive Director

Attest

File Attachments for Item:

A. Contract Extension for Portable Toilet Rental and Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB
No. 20-0054

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Contract Extension for Portable Toilet Rental and Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 20-0054
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council authorize the extension of the annual contract for Portable Toilet Rental and Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) with Lane Services LLC D/B/A Lane Environmental & Best Portables (Phenix City, AL) through August 31, 2026.

The vendor will deliver, setup and provide services for portable toilets, as a convenience for employees at works sites and attendees at various events, on an “as needed” basis, for various departments. The services to be provided under this agreement will consist of, but not limited to: furnishing, servicing, cleaning, maintenance, repair, moving and removing portable toilets, hand washing stations and grey water collection containers from various locations throughout and around the City of Columbus as required. The units will be used at various sites such as Pinegrove Landfill, Schatulga Road Fuel Pumps, Oxbow Landfill, Granite Bluff, and during special events in UpTown Columbus, City Services Center, and the Greater Columbus Fair.

Per Resolution No. 101-20, dated April 28, 2020, Council authorized a five-year contract with Lane Services LLC D/B/A Lane Environmental & Best Portables (Phenix City, AL). The contract initiated on April 29, 2020 has expired. The contract has exhausted all renewals, and a previously authorized extension expired on April 30, 2026. The extension through August 31, 2026, is needed to allow the Departments time to advertise a new RFB for the next contract. Council approval is required for this contract extension.

Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Integrated Waste Management Fund – Public Works - Granite Bluff Inert Landfill - Oxbow Meadow Inert Landfill - Pine Grove Landfill— Equipment Rental/Lease; 0207 – 260 - 3540 -BLUF - 6543, 0207 – 260 - 3550 - OXBW- 6543; 0207 - 260 - 3560 – PGRO - 6543; General Fund - Parks & Recreation - Recreation Services - Other Purchased Services, 0101 -270 – 2400 – RECR - 6699; and Civic Center Fund - Civic Center - Other Events - Other Purchased Services, 0757 – 160 – 2500 – EVNT - 6699.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR PORTABLE TOILET RENTAL AND SERVICE (RE-BID) (ANNUAL CONTRACT) WITH LANE SERVICES LLC D/B/A LANE ENVIRONMENTAL & BEST PORTABLES (PHENIX CITY, AL) THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2026.

WHEREAS, the vendor will deliver, setup and provide services for portable toilets, as a convenience for employees at works sites and attendees at various events, on an “as needed” basis, for various departments. The services to be provided under this agreement will consist of, but not limited to: furnishing, servicing, cleaning, maintenance, repair, moving and removing portable toilets, hand washing stations and grey water collection containers from various locations throughout and around the City of Columbus as required. The units will be used at various sites such as Pinegrove Landfill, Schatulga Road Fuel Pumps, Oxbow Landfill, Granite Bluff, and during special events in UpTown Columbus, City Services Center, and the Greater Columbus Fair; and,

WHEREAS, Per Resolution No. 101-20, dated April 28, 2020, Council authorized a five-year contract with Lane Services LLC D/B/A Lane Environmental & Best Portables (Phenix City, AL). The contract has exhausted all renewals, and a previously authorized extension expired on April 30, 2026. The extension through August 31, 2026, is needed to allow the Departments time to advertise a new RFB for the next contract. Council approval is required for this contract extension.

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 for the Portable Toilet Rental & Service (Re-Bid) (Annual Contract) with Lane Services LLC dba Lane Environmental & Best Portables (Phenix City, AL) through August 31, 2026. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Integrated Waste Management Fund - Public Works - Granite Bluff Inert Landfill - Oxbow Meadow Inert Landfill - Pine Grove Landfill— Equipment Rental/Lease; 0207 – 260 - 3540 -BLUF - 6543, 0207 – 260 - 3550 - OXBW- 6543; 0207 - 260 - 3560 – PGRO - 6543; General Fund - Parks & Recreation - Recreation Services - Other Purchased Services, 0101 -270 – 2400 – RECR - 6699; and Civic Center Fund - Civic Center - Other Events - Other Purchased Services, 0757 – 160 – 2500 – EVNT - 6699.

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. Emergency Remediation and Reconstruction Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 26-0012

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Emergency Remediation and Reconstruction Services (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 26-0012
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council authorize the execution of an annual contract with ServiceMaster Recovery Management (Fortson, GA) for Emergency Remediation and Reconstruction Services on an “as needed” basis. The recommended firm’s cost proposal is within the Department’s budget.

The services are needed to provide emergency remediation and reconstruction services on an as-needed basis for city-owned facilities. The contractor shall furnish all necessary labor, materials, tools, equipment, and supervision.

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

Annual Contract History:

This is a new annual contract.

RFP Advertisement and Receipt of Proposals:

RFP Specifications were posted on the web pages of the Purchasing Division, the Georgia Procurement Registry, and DemandStar on September 26, 2025. This RFP has been advertised, opened and evaluated. Seven (7) proposals were received on October 22, 2025.

The responding vendors were:

- Alliance Group Solutions (Pine Mountain, GA)
- BSM CAT (Columbus, GA)
- Carlisle Construction, LLC (Pine Mountain, GA)
- Cotton Commercial USA, Inc (Houston, Texas)
- ServiceMaster Recovery Management (Fortson, GA)
- SERVPRO of Columbus (Columbus, GA)
- Southeast Restoration Group of Georgia (Canton, GA)

The following events took place after receipt of the proposals:

RFP MEETINGS/EVENTS		
Description	Date	Agenda/Action

Pre-Evaluation	01/14/26	The Purchasing Manager advised evaluation committee members of the RFP rules and process. The proposals were distributed to the committee.
1 st Evaluation	02/04/26	The Evaluation Committee discussed each proposal and determined no clarifications were required.
Evaluation Ballots Sent to Committee	02/24/26	Evaluation ballots forwarded to voting committee members.
Evaluation Ballots Received	03/18/26	Final ballots received from voting committee members.
Recommendation Received	04/30/26	Via ballot, the committee members unanimously voted to award to the highest scoring vendor.

Evaluation Committee:

The proposals were reviewed by the Evaluation Committee, which consisted of one (1) voting member from Risk Management, one (1) from the Facilities Maintenance Department, one (1) voting members from the Engineering Department, one (1) voting member from the Public Works Department, and one (1) voting member from the Inspections & Codes Department. One (1) representative from the Human Resources Department served as an alternate voter and one (1) representative from Crime Prevention served as an alternate voter. One (1) representative from the Human Resources Department served as a non-voting advisor.

Award Recommendation:

The Evaluation Committee unanimously recommends award of the contract to ServiceMaster Recovery Management (Fortson, GA), the highest scoring vendor, as reflected by their comments provided below:

- Response time and cost, local office, and large enough to handle Columbus Consolidated Government's needs.
- Vendor is capable of fulfilling the requirements of the contract. They have a local office and their response times will be adequate.
- National company with a local office. This gives them the ability to pull resources from other areas when needed for larger jobs.

Vendor Experience/Qualifications:

- ServiceMaster Recovery Management has been in the business of providing restoration services for businesses, government agencies, and homeowners facing fire, water, and other catastrophic events since 1986.
- ServiceMaster Recovery Management successfully completed thousands of projects, ranging in scope from a few hundred to millions of dollars.
- The Key Personnel of ServiceMaster Recovery Management have over 135 years' experience in remediation and reconstruction services.

Client Work History:

- Valdosta City Schools

1204 Williams Street, Valdosta, GA

Performed mitigation services related to water and wind damage from hurricane for city school district in Valdosta, GA, with 8 public schools, two middle schools, one high school, a football stadium, a performing arts center, and several board of education offices.

- Mississippi IHL Risk Management June 2021 – June 2028
124 Riverview Drive, Flowood, MS
Preferred Restoration and Construction vendor for all properties underwritten by the Mississippi IHL, 13 colleges and universities within the state of Mississippi. Performed water damage mitigation and repairs at multiple locations.
- Havertys Furniture January 2019 – Current
780 Johnson Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA
Preferred Restoration and Construction Vendor for all of the stores, warehouses, distribution centers, and offices owned by Havertys Furniture, nationwide. Perform water damage mitigation and fire damage mitigation to multiple locations.)

The City's Procurement Ordinance Article 3-110, Competitive Sealed Proposals for the procurement of Equipment, Supplies and Professional Services, governs the RFP Process. During the RFP process, there is no formal opening due to the possibility of negotiated components of the proposal. In the event City Council does not approve the recommended offeror, no proposal responses or any negotiated components are made public until after the award of the contract. Therefore, the evaluation results and cost information has been submitted to the Mayor in a separate memo for informational purposes.

The recommended firm's cost proposal is within the Department's budget. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Risk Management Internal Service Fund – Human Resources – Unfunded Claims – Operating Materials; 0860 – 220 – 3830 – RISK – 6728.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH SERVICEMASTER RECOVERY MANAGEMENT (FORTSON, GA) TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY REMEDIAITON AND RECONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT ON AN “AS NEEDED” BASIS.

WHEREAS, an RFP was administered (RFP No. 26-0012) and Seven (7) proposals were received; and,

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by ServiceMaster Recovery Management met all proposal requirements and was evaluated most responsive to the RFP; and,

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

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to execute an annual contract with ServiceMaster Recovery Management (Fortson, GA) for emergency remediation and reconstruction for the Columbus Consolidated Government on an “as needed” basis. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this ongoing expense: Risk Management Internal Service Fund – Human Resources – Unfunded Claims – Operating Materials; 0860 – 220 – 3830 – RISK – 6728.

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 _____
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- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

File Attachments for Item:

C. Tire Leasing Services for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0034

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Tire Leasing Services for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0034
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the contract for tire leasing services for METRA from Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC (Nashville, TN), for the estimated contract value of \$48,552.40 for the first year, \$50,494.20 for the second year, \$52,512.96 for the third year, for a total estimated three-year contract value of \$151,559.56.

METRA Transit System currently has thirty-two (32) fixed route buses, and sixteen (16) Dial-A-Ride buses in service. METRA Transit System will utilize the tire leasing services for the provision and maintenance of tires for the bus fleet.

The term of the contract is for a period of three years. Per FTA regulations, the awarded vendor's yearly prices must remain as originally bid, unless there are EPA, FTA or regulatory legislative guideline changes, requiring bus manufacturers to adhere to the new regulations. The City reserves the right to re-bid the contract, if the vendor does not agree to retain the yearly prices submitted in the original bid.

Bid specifications were posted on the web pages of the Purchasing Division, DemandStar and Georgia Procurement Registry. One proposal was received on the due date of September 20, 2024. The sole responding vendor was:

Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC (Nashville, TN)

In accordance with Section 3-108, Item H of the Procurement Ordinance, the Purchasing Division performed due diligence by conducting a survey of non-responsive firms to determine if it was necessary to revise the specifications to encourage more competition. The following five (5) vendors were surveyed:

Michelin: Vendor bid in the past and has been awarded previously. Did not respond to survey.

Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company: Vendor bid in the past and has been awarded previously and provided the following statement:

- *“After our contract through RFB 12-0017, and then participation in RFB 17-0027 and RFB 20-0028 procurements, the competition was pricing in a way that was not aligned with the performance we experienced.*

Goodyear did not participate in ~~RFB 23-0029~~, as well as the recent RFB 26-0034.

There is considerably more risk with leasing than with purchase. A lessor has to accurately predict tire performance to get the lease rate correct, tire attrition due to damage, manage tire recordkeeping to provide accurate billing in the lease.

Based on your fleet size, if competition is a goal, then I would recommend moving from lease to purchase. A tire purchase arrangement would have interest from tire manufacturers as well as tire dealers.

In October 2025, the FTA increased the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (small purchase threshold) to \$350,000. This would cover your 3-year estimated lease agreement, assuming purchase would be a similar spend.

You could do a Request for Quote on an annual basis to assure you are getting the best price.

Until there is stability in the marketplace and vendors are willing to take more risk, I believe you will continue to only have Bridgestone participate in a lease procurement. For these reasons, we elected not to provide a response to the RFB.”

Dunlop Tires:

- *“Dunlop Tires North America, manufacturer of Falken Commercial Tires, doesn't have that type of program and probably never will.”*

Atlanta Commercial Tire:

- *“As much as we like to expand our business opportunities, Columbus, Georgia currently would be a stretch for us which could easily impact our ability to service the contract effectively.*

We appreciate your reaching out to us and possibly in the future we may be able to accommodate that business, but for right now we will have to pass on the opportunity.”

Continental Tire:

- *“Unfortunately, we do not participate in tire leasing programs due to the amount of operational infrastructure and auditing involved.*

We would be more than happy to participate in a bid for purchase of bus tires as we produce 275/70R22.5, 305/70R22.5, and 255/70R22.5s designed for your application.

I'd be happy to put you in touch with a local dealer to provide some of these off the current state of GA contract pricing and program for you all to get some familiarity with them in case you decide to alter the bid structure to be a purchase and not a lease.”

The survey results were reviewed by METRA. As no surveyed vendor cited the desire to bid, and METRA does not wish to outright purchase tires, the decision was made to proceed with sole bid response.

This bid has been advertised, opened, and reviewed. The sole bidder was:

Vendor Name:		Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC (Nashville, TN)	
Tire Leasing – Year 1			
32 ND PER TIRE SIZE	ANTICIPATED MONTHLY TIRE MILEAGE ¹ x MONTHS/YEAR	BASE RATE PER MILE ²	ESTIMATED FIXED ANNUAL COST
275/70R22.5	12 x 24,000	\$ 0.009026	\$ 15,596.93
255/70R22.5	12 x 2,000	\$ 0.008539	\$ 1,229.62
305/70R22.5	12 x 54,000	\$ 0.007801	\$ 30,330.29
LT225/75R16	12 x 4,700	\$ 0.004124	\$ 1,395.56
YEAR 1 TOTAL			\$ 48,552.40
Tire Leasing – Year 2			
275/70R22.5	12 x 24,000	\$ 0.009387	\$ 16,220.74
255/70R22.5	12 x 2,000	\$ 0.008880	\$ 1,278.72
305/70R22.5	12 x 54,000	\$ 0.008113	\$ 31,543.34
LT225/75R16	12 x 4,700	\$ 0.004289	\$ 1,451.40
YEAR 2 TOTAL			\$ 50,494.20
Tire Leasing – Year 3			
275/70R22.5	12 x 24,000	\$ 0.009763	\$ 16,870.46
255/70R22.5	12 x 2,000	\$ 0.009235	\$ 1,329.84
305/70R22.5	12 x 54,000	\$ 0.008437	\$ 32,803.06
LT225/75R16	12 x 4,700	\$ 0.004461	\$ 1,509.60
YEAR 3 TOTAL			\$ 52,512.96
TOTAL PRICE FOR THREE (3) YEAR BID:			\$ 151,559.56
¹ Anticipated Monthly Tire Mileage are vehicle miles. Anticipated monthly miles is for all six (6) wheel positions. ² Base Rate Per Mile is a per vehicle mile rate.			

Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this ongoing expense: Transportation Fund - Transportation- FTA – METRA FTA - Tire Leasing; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-6545 (80% 5307 Federal and 20% local funds).

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TIRE LEASING SERVICES FOR METRA FROM BRIDGESTONE AMERICAS TIRE OPERATIONS, LLC (NASHVILLE, TN), FOR THE ESTIMATED CONTRACT VALUE OF \$48,552.40 FOR THE FIRST YEAR, \$50,494.20 FOR THE SECOND YEAR, \$52,512.96 FOR THE THIRD YEAR, FOR A TOTAL ESTIMATED THREE-YEAR CONTRACT VALUE OF \$151,559.56.

WHEREAS, Metra Transit System currently has thirty-two (32) fixed route buses, and sixteen (16) Dial-A-Ride buses in service; and,

WHEREAS, the tire leasing services will be utilized by METRA Transit System for the provision and maintenance of tires for the bus fleet; and,

WHEREAS, the term of the contract is for a period of three years. Per FTA regulations, the awarded vendor’s yearly prices must remain as originally bid, unless there are EPA, FTA or regulatory legislative guideline changes, requiring bus manufacturers to adhere to the new regulations. The City reserves the right to re-bid the contract, if the vendor does not agree to retain the yearly prices submitted in the original bid.

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee hereby authorizes the annual contract for tire leasing services for METRA from Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC (Nashville, TN), for the estimated amount of \$48,552.40 for the first year, \$50,494.20for the second year, \$52,512.96 for the third year, for a total estimated three-year contract value of \$151,559.56. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this ongoing expense: Transportation Fund - Transportation- FTA – METRA FTA - Tire Leasing; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-6545 (80% 5307 Federal and 20% local funds).

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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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

D. Oil & Lubricants for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0030

Bid: Oil & Lubricant METRA (Annual Contract)

provide an award recommendation for approval
Columbus Council.

Item #D.

Description/Vendors	UNIT	QUANTITY	Yancey Bros. Co. (Austell, GA)		Whatley Oil Company (Columbus, GA)		Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. (Norwell, MA)		The McPherson Companies, Inc. (Trussville, AL)		Dilmar Oil Company, Inc. (Spartanburg, SC)	
			Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Y E A R O N E												
High Performance 80-90 Gear Oil	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons	\$2.60	\$2,600.00	NO BID	NO BID	\$13.64	\$13,640.00	\$1.78	\$1,780.00	\$13.09	\$13,090.00
Anti-Freeze - Green (Pre Mix)	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons	\$7.15	\$7,150.00			\$5.45	\$5,450.00	\$5.42	\$5,420.00	\$2.99	\$2,990.00
Anti-Freeze - Red (Pre Mix)	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons	\$10.99	\$10,990.00			NO BID	NO BID	\$6.20	\$6,200.00	\$4.18	\$4,180.00
15W40	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons	\$14.29	\$57,160.00			\$8.25	\$33,000.00	\$7.85	\$31,400.00	\$7.85	\$31,400.00
Triton Heavy Duty ATF	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons	\$10.23	\$40,920.00			\$28.91	\$115,640.00	\$25.41	\$101,640.00	\$29.10	\$116,400.00
Defendal Diesel Exhaust Fluid	Per Gallon	3,300 Gallons	\$2.43	\$8,019.00			\$4.09	\$13,497.00	\$1.74	\$5,742.00	\$1.89	\$6,237.00
Chassis Grease: NL GI #2 Grease	Per Pound	1,000 Pounds	\$4.02	\$4,020.00			\$35.00	\$35,000.00	\$2.78	\$2,780.00	\$2.40	\$2,400.00
SAE 5W20	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons	\$7.72	\$15,440.00			\$8.18	\$16,360.00	\$9.20	\$18,400.00	\$5.97	\$11,940.00
SAE 5W30	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons	\$7.72	\$15,440.00			NO BID	NO BID	\$20.00	\$40,000.00	\$12.56	\$25,120.00
GRAND TOTAL COST			\$161,739.00				\$232,587.00		\$213,362.00		\$213,757.00	
Y E A R T W O												
High Performance 80-90 Gear Oil	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons	NO BID	NO BID	NO BID	NO BID	\$14.36	\$14,360.00	\$1.83	\$1,830.00	\$13.49	\$13,490.00
Anti-Freeze - Green	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons					\$5.73	\$5,730.00	\$5.67	\$5,670.00	\$3.08	\$3,080.00
Anti-Freeze - Red	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons					NO BID	NO BID	\$6.45	\$6,450.00	\$4.31	\$4,310.00
15W40	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons					\$8.65	\$34,600.00	\$8.10	\$32,400.00	\$8.09	\$32,360.00
Triton Heavy Duty ATF	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons					\$30.45	\$121,800.00	\$25.66	\$102,640.00	\$30.00	\$120,000.00
Defendal Diesel Exhaust Fluid	Per Gallon	3,300 Gallons					\$4.30	\$14,190.00	\$1.79	\$5,907.00	\$1.95	\$6,435.00
Chassis Grease: NL GI #2 Grease	Per Pound	1,000 Pounds					\$37.00	\$37,000.00	\$2.83	\$2,830.00	\$2.47	\$2,470.00
SAE 5W20	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons					\$8.64	\$17,280.00	\$9.45	\$18,900.00	\$6.15	\$12,300.00
SAE 5W30	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons					NO BID	NO BID	\$20.25	\$40,500.00	\$12.95	\$25,900.00
GRAND TOTAL COST							\$244,960.00		\$217,127.00		\$220,345.00	
E A R T H R E E												
High Performance 80-90 Gear Oil	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons	NO BID	NO BID	NO BID	NO BID	\$15.09	\$15,090.00	\$1.88	\$1,880.00	\$13.91	\$13,910.00
Anti-Freeze - Green	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons					\$6.00	\$6,000.00	\$5.92	\$5,920.00	\$3.18	\$3,180.00
Anti-Freeze - Red	Per Gallon	1,000 Gallons					NO BID	NO BID	\$6.70	\$6,700.00	\$4.44	\$4,440.00
15W40	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons					\$9.10	\$36,400.00	\$8.35	\$33,400.00	\$8.34	\$33,360.00
Triton Heavy Duty ATF	Per Gallon	4,000 Gallons					\$32.09	\$128,360.00	\$25.91	\$103,640.00	\$30.93	\$123,720.00
Defendal Diesel Exhaust Fluid	Per Gallon	3,300 Gallons					\$4.53	\$14,949.00	\$1.84	\$6,072.00	\$2.01	\$6,633.00
Chassis Grease: NL GI #2 Grease	Per Pound	1,000 Pounds					\$39.00	\$39,000.00	\$2.88	\$2,880.00	\$2.55	\$2,550.00
SAE 5W20	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons					\$9.07	\$18,140.00	\$9.70	\$19,400.00	\$6.34	\$12,680.00
SAE 5W30	Per Gallon	2,000 Gallons					NO BID	NO BID	\$20.50	\$41,000.00	\$13.35	\$26,700.00

GRAND TOTAL COST			\$257,939.00	\$220,892.00	\$227,173.00		
Method of Delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bulk Tank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drums <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Truck w/Pump		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bulk Tank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drums <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Truck w/Pump	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bulk Tank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drums <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Truck w/Pump	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bulk Tank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drums <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Truck w/Pump	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bulk Tank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drums <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Truck w/Pump	Item #D.
within __ hours after receipt of order.	Bi-weekly		48 hours	48 hours	48-72 hours		

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Oil & Lubricants for METRA (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0030
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the annual contract with Dilmar Oil Company, Inc (Spartanburg, SC), for the purchase of various oil and lubricant products for maintenance of buses on an “as needed” basis. METRA anticipates an annual contract value of \$30,245.00 based on prior years usage and inflation.

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

Bid specifications were posted on the web pages of the Purchasing Division, Georgia Procurement, and DemandStar Registry. Four bids were received on March 11, 2026. This bid has been advertised, opened and reviewed. The bidders were:



Bid Tabulation - RFB
No. 26-0030 - Oil & L

The McPhearson Companies was the low, overall bidder. However, the vendor’s delivery time frame did not meet METRA’s specifications. Therefore, METRA recommends award to the next lowest bidder, Dilmar Oil Company, who met all bid specifications. The McPhearson Companies was notified in writing of the recommendation and given the opportunity to respond.

Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Transportation Fund – METRA FTA - Vehicle Operation & Maintenance; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-6516 (80% Federal and 20% Local).

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH DILMAR OIL COMPANY, INC (SPARTANBURG, SC), FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS OIL AND LUBRICANT PRODUCTS FOR BUS AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE ON AN “AS NEEDED” BASIS. METRA ANTICIPATES AN ANNUAL CONTRACT VALUE OF \$30,245.00 BASED ON PRIOR YEAR’S USAGE AND INFLATION.

WHEREAS, the items will be used by METRA Transit Department for maintenance of buses and administrative vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the contract period will be for three (3) years.

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to enter into an annual contract with Dilmar Oil Company, Inc (Spartanburg, SC), for the purchase of various oil and lubricant products for bus and vehicle maintenance, on an “as needed” basis, for the estimated annual contract value of \$30,245.00. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this ongoing expense: Transportation Fund - METRA - Vehicle Operation & Maintenance; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-6516 (80% Federal and 20% Local).

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 _____
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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

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

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Used & Confiscated Firearms for Credit or Swap – RFB No. 26-0035
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the credit to swap of three hundred twenty-six (326) used and confiscated firearms from the Columbus Police Department for fifteen (15) Heckler & Koch MRA4 MR556 A4 SBR and accessories provided by Pro Law Enforcement (Prescott, AZ). There will be no cost to the City for the swap of firearms.

The Columbus Police Department is using the swap of the used and confiscated firearms to obtain new weapons for the Department without cost to the City. Per the swap, Pro Law Enforcement (Prescott, AZ) will provide the following: fifteen (15) Heckler & Koch MR556 A4 SBR 11” Part No. 81001048 and accessories. The total value of the swap is \$35,161.80.

Bid specifications were posted on the web page of DemandStar, the Purchasing Division, and the Georgia Procurement Registry. Three (3) bids were received on April 1, 2026. This bid has been advertised, opened, and reviewed. The bidders were:

Vendor	Unit Price	Quantity Offered in Exchange	Total Value of Offer
Proforce Law Enforcement (Prescott, AZ)	\$ 2,344.12	15	\$ 35,161.80
Dana Safety Supply (Sugar Hill, GA)	\$ 2,163.00	12	\$ 25,956.00
PAI Defense (Columbia, IN)	\$ 2,287.40	12	\$ 27,448.80

Per the bid specifications, bid will be awarded to the bidder offering the highest credit or swap value, whichever is in the best interest of the City.

There is no cost to the City associated with the firearms swap.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SWAP OF THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX (326) USED AND CONFISCATED FIREARMS FROM THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR FIFTEEN (15) HECKLER & KOCH MRA4 MR556 A4 SBR AND ACCESSORIES PROVIDED BY PRO LAW ENFORCEMENT (PRESCOTT, AZ). THERE WILL BE NO COST TO THE CITY FOR THE SWAP OF FIREARMS.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Police Department is using the swap of the confiscated firearms to obtain new weapons for the Department without cost to the City; and,

WHEREAS, per the swap, Pro Law Enforcement (Prescott, AZ) will provide the following: fifteen (15) Heckler & Koch MR556 A4 SBR 11” Part No. 81001048 and accessories. The total value of the swap is \$35,161.80.

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to swap of three hundred twenty-six (326) used and confiscated firearms from the Columbus Police Department for fifteen (15) Heckler & Koch MRA4 MR556 A4 SBR and accessories provided by Pro Law Enforcement (Prescott, AZ). There will be no cost to the City for the swap of firearms.

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 _____
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- Councilor Huff voting _____
- Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

F. Service Agreement Amendment for the Automated Victim Notification System (VINE)

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Service Agreement Amendment for the Automated Victim Notification System (VINE)
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve a service agreement amendment for the Automated Victim Notification System (VINE) from Appriss, Inc., (Louisville, KY) with a 3% increase for each renewal term; renewal service pricing is as follows:

- 5/1/2026 - 4/31/2027 \$ 11,592.74 (\$966.06 monthly)
- 5/1/2027 - 4/31/2028 \$ 11,940.52 (\$995.04 monthly)
- 5/1/2028 - 4/31/2029 \$ 12,298.74 (\$1,024.90 monthly)
- 5/1/2029 - 4/31/2030 \$ 12,667.70 (\$1,055.64 monthly)
- 5/1/2030 - 4/31/2031 \$ 13,047.73 (\$1,087.31 monthly)
- Total: \$ 61,547.43

Funds will be budgeted in the appropriate fiscal year for subsequent renewals of the agreement.

Per Georgia Code O.C.G.A. 17-17-1, Crime Victims’ Bill of Rights, crime victims have the right to receive automated notifications regarding court proceedings and timely notice of the arrest, release or escape of the offender. Appriss has developed the automated victim notification system known as VINE. The system provides automated notifications for those notifications required for crime victims. VINE is a solution that lets crime victims and other concerned citizens access timely and reliable information regarding offenders. The system will enable victims to receive automated notifications via their choice of format: phone, email, or text. In April 2020, Per Resolution #094-20, Council approved the purchase of the VINE system. Additionally, per Resolution #141-21, Council approved an amendment to add the Court Notification module. The system integrates with the City’s upgraded Court Management System, Odyssey, provided by Tyler Technologies.

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget for the 1st payment: LOST/Public Safety Fund – Miscellaneous – Non-Categorical – Software Lease; 0102 – 590 – 3000 – NCAT – 6541.

Funds will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years, for payment of the annual renewal costs.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT FOR THE AUTOMATED VICTIM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (VINE) FROM APPRISS, INC., (LOUISVILLE, KY) WITH A 3% INCREASE FOR EACH RENEWAL TERM; RENEWAL SERVICE PRICING IS AS FOLLOWS:

5/1/2026 - 4/31/2027 \$ 11,592.74 (\$966.06 MONTHLY)
 5/1/2027 - 4/31/2028 \$ 11,940.52 (\$995.04 MONTHLY)
 5/1/2028 - 4/31/2029 \$ 12,298.74 (\$1,024.90 MONTHLY)
 5/1/2029 - 4/31/2030 \$ 12,667.70 (\$1,055.64 MONTHLY)
 5/1/2030 - 4/31/2031 \$ 13,047.73 (\$1,087.31 MONTHLY)
TOTAL: \$ 61,547.43

FUNDS WILL BE BUDGETED IN THE APPROPRIATE FISCAL YEAR FOR SUBSEQUENT RENEWALS OF THE AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, Per Georgia Code O.C.G.A. 17-17-1, Crime Victims' Bill of Rights, crime victims have the right to receive automated notifications regarding court proceedings and timely notice of the arrest, release or escape of the offender. Appriss has developed the automated victim notification system known as VINE. The system provides automated notifications for those notifications required for crime victims. VINE is a solution that lets crime victims and other concerned citizens access timely and reliable information regarding offenders. The system will enable victims to receive automated notifications via their choice of format: phone, email, or text. In April 2020, Per Resolution #094-20, Council approved the purchase of the VINE system. Additionally, per Resolution #141-21, Council approved an amendment to add the Court Notification module. The system integrates with the City's upgraded Court Management System, Odyssey, provided by Tyler Technologies.

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized execute the service agreement amendment for the Automated Victim Notification System (VINE) from Appriss, Inc., (Louisville, KY) with a 3% increase for each renewal term; renewal service pricing is as follows:

5/1/2026 - 4/31/2027 \$ 11,592.74 (\$966.06 monthly)
 5/1/2027 - 4/31/2028 \$ 11,940.52 (\$995.04 monthly)
 5/1/2028 - 4/31/2029 \$ 12,298.74 (\$1,024.90 monthly)
 5/1/2029 - 4/31/2030 \$ 12,667.70 (\$1,055.64 monthly)
 5/1/2030 - 4/31/2031 \$ 13,047.73 (\$1,087.31 monthly)
Total: \$ 61,547.43

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget for the 1st payment: LOST/Public Safety Fund – Miscellaneous – Non-Categorical – Software Lease; 0102 – 590 – 3000 – NCAT – 6541. Funds will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years, for payment of the annual renewal costs. Funds will be budgeted in the appropriate funding source, in subsequent fiscal years, for the payment of the annual renewal costs.

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:

G. Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Flat Rock Park – Sourcewell
Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Flat Rock Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase and installation of playground equipment, at Flat Rock Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$339,995.10. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP.

The purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, AT FLAT ROCK PARK, FROM HASLEY RECREATION INC. (FLOWERY BRANCH, GA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$339,995.10. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #101625-PLP.

WHEREAS, the purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the 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 and have installed playground equipment, at Flat Rock Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch,, GA) in the amount of \$339,995.10. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP. Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

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:

H. Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Shirley Winston Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Shirley Winston Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase and installation of playground equipment, at Shirley Winston Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$160,108.18. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP.

The purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, AT SHIRLEY WINSTON PARK, FROM HASLEY RECREATION INC. (FLOWERY BRANCH, GA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,108.18. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #101625-PLP.

WHEREAS, the purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the 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 and have installed playground equipment, at Shirley Winston Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch,, GA) in the amount of \$160,108.18. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP. Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

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:

I. Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Heath Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at Heath Park – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase and installation of playground equipment, at Heath Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$146,981.24. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP.

The purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, AT HEATH PARK, FROM HASLEY RECREATION INC. (FLOWERY BRANCH, GA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$146,981.24. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #101625-PLP.

WHEREAS, the purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the 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 and have installed playground equipment, at Heath Park, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$146,981.24. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP. Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

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:

J. Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at John Rigdon Park at Psalmound Road – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Provision and Installation of Playground Equipment at John Rigdon Park at Psalmound Road – Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase and installation of playground equipment, at John Rigdon Park @ Psalmound Road, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$148,606.80. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP.

The purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the Procurement Ordinance, Article 9-101, authorizes the use of cooperative purchasing.

Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, JOHN RIGDON PARK @ PSALMOND ROAD, FROM HASLEY RECREATION INC. (FLOWERY BRANCH, GA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,606.80. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #101625-PLP.

WHEREAS, the purchase of this playground equipment will replace current equipment that has exceeded useful life. Replacement of the equipment is essential to provide safe, reliable equipment for the community; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal, RFP # 101625, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby Miracle Recreation-PlayPower, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Playground, Water Play and Aquatics Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with related Accessories and Services. Hasley Recreation, Inc. is the authorized representative for Miracle Recreation-PlayPower for Georgia. The contract, which commenced January 6, 2026, is good through December 17, 2029, with an option for one additional year upon the request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by vendor. 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, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the Procurement Ordinance; additionally, the 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 and have installed playground equipment, at John Rigdon Park @ Psalmond Road, from Hasley Recreation Inc. (Flowery Branch, GA) in the amount of \$148,606.80. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP. Funds are budgeted in the FY26 Budget: Special Project/Capital Project Fund – Capital Projects – General Fund Supported Capital Projects – Capital Expenditures/Over \$5,000 - Parks & Recreation Facility Improvements; 0508 – 660 – 1000 – CPGF – 7761 – 22973 – 20240.

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:

K. Declaration of Surplus and Trade-In of Yamaha Golf Carts for Bull Creek Golf Course

BULL CREEK YAMAHA 2021 GOLF CART INVENTORY

1	J0K - 207867
2	J0K - 207869
3	J0K - 207870
4	J0K - 207871
5	J0K - 207872
6	J0K - 207875
7	J0K - 207876
8	J0K - 207877
9	J0K - 207882
10	J0K - 207891
11	J0K - 207894
12	J0K - 207896
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45	J0K - 207861
46	J0K - 207862
47	J0K - 207863
48	J0K - 207864
49	J0K - 207874
50	J0K - 207879

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Declaration of Surplus and Trade-In of Yamaha Golf Carts for Bull Creek Golf Course
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council declare fifty (50) 2021 Yamaha Golf Carts, from Bull Creek Golf Course, as surplus, in accordance with section 7-501 of the Charter of Columbus Consolidated Government; and authorize the carts to be applied toward the lease of fifty new golf carts. The affected golf carts are on the attached list:



Bull Creek Golf Cart
Serial Numbers.pdf

Bull Creek currently has 104 Yamaha leased golf carts. That lease expires in late 2026 if it goes to full term. Bull Creek also has fifty Yamaha “owned” golf carts; per Resolution #396-20, Council approved the purchase of the fifty Yamaha golf carts utilizing Cares Act - COVID funding. The Golf Authority has negotiated a lease with Yamaha Golf-Car Company to replace all 154 golf carts in the Bull Creek rental fleet, with 2026 models. Consequently, this request is needed to declare surplus and trade-in the fifty “owned” 2021 golf carts toward the lease of fifty, 2026 Yamaha Drive gas golf carts.

Normally golf carts last 3-4 years. The fifty carts are in good condition considering their age. In addition, golfers want and expect carts 1-4 years old, or it can have a negative impact on customer satisfaction. Golf carts are vital to the operation of Bull Creek Golf Course and the revenue generated there.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DECLARATION OF FIFTY (50) 2021 YAMAHA GOLF CARTS, FROM BULL CREEK GOLF COURSE, AS SURPLUS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7-501 OF THE CHARTER OF COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT; AND AUTHORIZE THE CARTS TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE LEASE OF FIFTY NEW GOLF CARDS. THE AFFECTED GOLF CARTS ARE ON THE ATTACHED LIST:



Bull Creek Golf Cart
Serial Numbers.pdf

WHEREAS, Bull Creek currently has 104 Yamaha leased golf carts. That lease expires in late 2026 if it goes to full term. Bull Creek also has fifty Yamaha “owned” golf carts; per Resolution #396-20, Council approved the purchase of the fifty Yamaha golf carts utilizing Cares Act - COVID funding. The Golf Authority has negotiated a lease with Yamaha Golf-Car Company to replace all 154 golf carts in the Bull Creek rental fleet, with 2026 models. Consequently, this request is needed to declare surplus and trade-in the fifty “owned” 2021 golf carts toward the lease of fifty, 2026 Yamaha Drive gas golf carts; and,

WHEREAS, normally golf carts last 3-4 years. The fifty carts are in good condition considering their age. In addition, golfers want and expect carts 1-4 years old, or it can have a negative impact on customer satisfaction. Golf carts are vital to the operation of Bull Creek Golf Course and the revenue generated there.

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

That the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to declare fifty (50) 2021 Yamaha Golf Carts, from Bull Creek Golf Course, as surplus, in accordance with section 7-501 of the Charter of Columbus Consolidated Government; and authorize the carts to be applied toward the lease of fifty new golf cards. The affected golf carts are on the attached list:



Bull Creek Golf Cart
Serial Numbers.pdf

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 Chambers voting _____
- Councilor Cogle voting _____
- Councilor Crabb voting _____

Councilor Davis voting _____
Councilor Garrett voting _____
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Councilor Tucker voting _____

Lindsey G. Mclemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor

File Attachments for Item:

A. Riverkeeper Trash Trap Updates - Henry Jacobs, Deputy Director, Chattahoochee Riverkeeper



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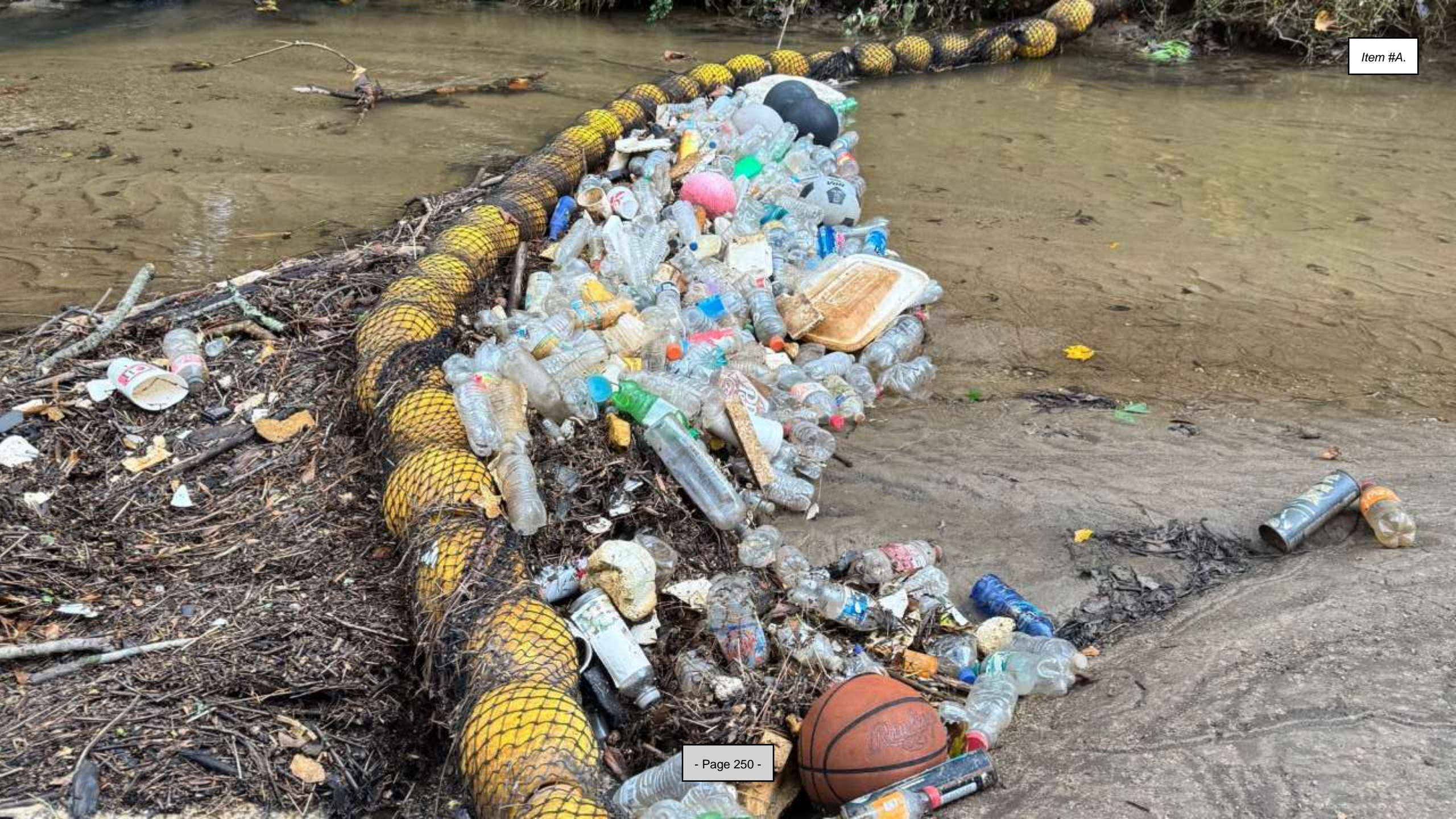
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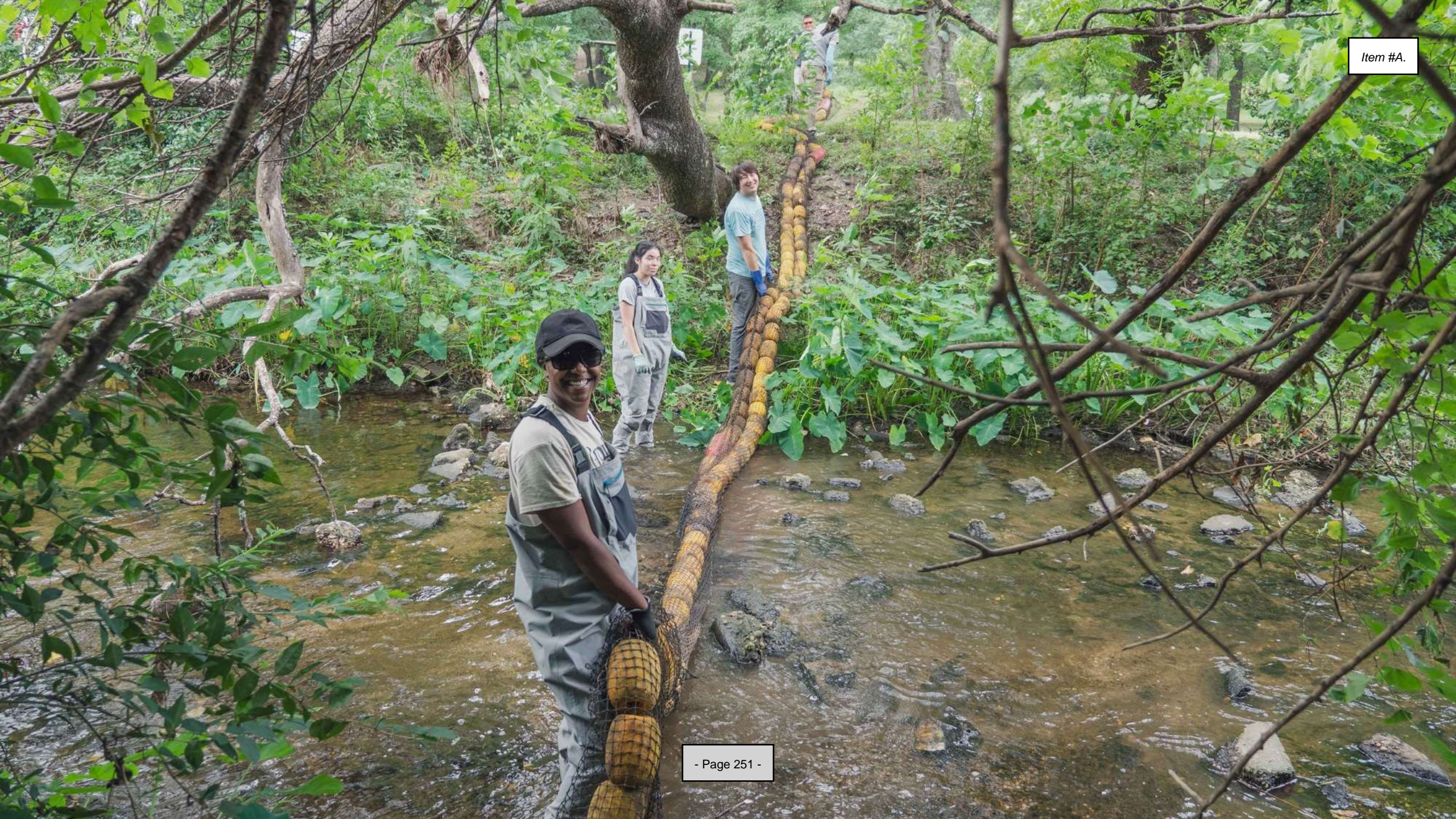


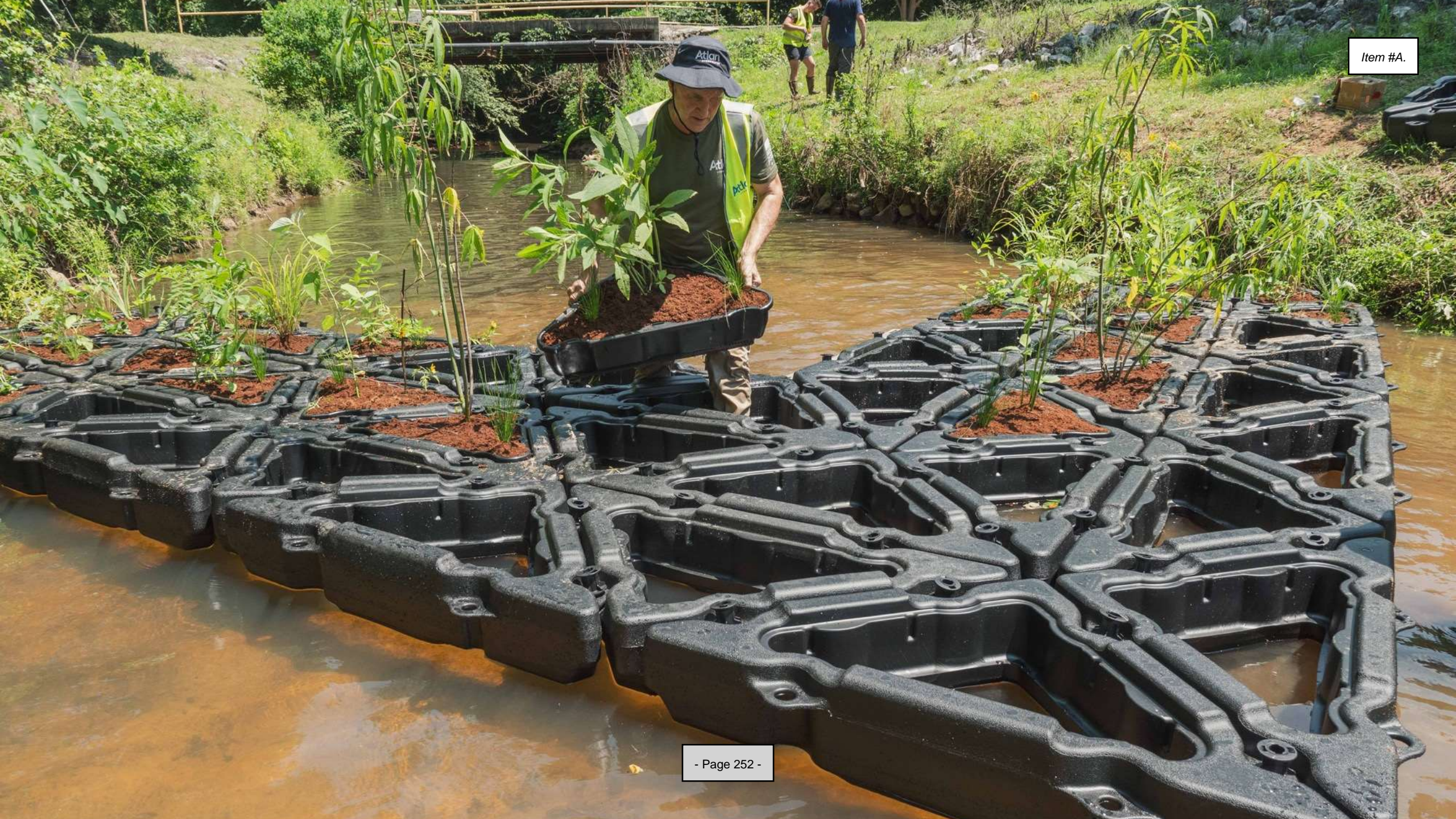




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DATE: May 12, 2026

Item #

TO: Mayor and Councilors

FROM: Finance Department

SUBJECT: Advertised Bids/RFPs/RFQs

May 13, 2026

1. Traffic Safety Equipment (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0012

Scope of Bid

Provide Traffic Safety Equipment to include: barricades, traffic cones, drums, safety flags, etc., to the Public Services Department. The items will be procured on an “as needed” basis.

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

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

Scope of Bid

This project consists of constructing a new roundabout at the intersection of Northstar Drive and Kennedy Street in Columbus, GA. The project site is located approximately 0.15 miles from Mary A. Buckner Academy (Elementary School). Summer break begins on May 22, 2026, and ends August 2, 2026. Although some work may be performed outside of these dates, significant interruptions to school traffic should be minimized.

May 15, 2026

1. Inmate Medical & Pharmacy Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) – RFP No. 26-0008

Scope of RFP

Provide comprehensive medical and pharmacy services to inmates incarcerated in the Muscogee County Prison, in accordance with the specifications set forth herein.

No later than seven (7) business days before the proposal due date, vendors desiring to do so may schedule a site visit to view the Clinic of the Muscogee County Prison. To schedule the site visit, contact Deputy Warden Normae Beecham at 706-641-5803 or nbeecham@columbusga.org. Vendors are not required, but are strongly encouraged, to attend a Non-Mandatory Site Visit. Questions/concerns resulting from the Site Visit must be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Division, as specified on pages 6 and 7 of the specifications.

May 22, 2026

1. Consultant Services for Master Study for Trails/Sidewalks Throughout the City of Columbus – P.I. #0020290 – RFP No. 26-0005

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the “City”) and the Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study (C-PCMPO) are requesting proposals for a Consultant Team to perform a study that will assess the current state of trails and sidewalks throughout the city to identify areas for improvement, ways to enhance connectivity and add additional trails/sidewalks, and evaluate the safety of existing facilities.

All Proposers must be prequalified by the Department of Transportation (GDOT).

The work shall be performed in accordance with **GDOT Plan Development Process (PDP), Presentation Guide (PPG), Design Policies and Manuals, and current software version approved by the Project Manager.**

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May 29, 2026

1. Consultant Services for Edgewood Road Corridor Study– P.I. #0020289 – RFP No. 26-0034

Scope of RFP

Columbus Consolidated Government (the “City”) and the Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study (C-PCMPO) are requesting proposals for a Consultant Team to perform a study to develop actionable recommendations to improve traffic flow, enhance safety, and expand active transportation options along Edgewood Road.

All Proposers must be prequalified by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

The work shall be performed in accordance with GDOT Plan Development Process (PDP), Plan Presentation Guide (PPG), Design Policies and Manuals, and current software version approved by the Project Manager.

2. Elevator Maintenance & Repairs Services (ANNUAL CONTRACT) - RFB No. 26-0001

Scope of RFB

Provide maintenance services for sixty-seven (67) passenger, freight, and inmate elevators located at various City locations. The services will be performed on a regular and systematic schedule.

A Mandatory Site Visit is scheduled for 10:00 AM (Eastern) on Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

3. Portable Toilet Rental & Service (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 26-0036

Scope of RFB

The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia (the City) is seeking vendors to provide portable toilets, hand washing stations and grey water collection containers at various City location sites. The contract term will be for two (2) years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods.

File Attachments for Item:

1. Upcoming Board Appointments: Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission (KCBC)



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Columbus Consolidated Government



Item #1.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission

Purpose and Functions

- This board was established to work in conjunction with Keep America Beautiful, Inc. to achieve the goal of sustained reduction in litter as a first step towards improving the environment

Legal References

- [Columbus Code of Ordinances, Article XI](#)

Membership

- 9 voting members
 - 3 – Senatorial District 15
 - 3 – Senatorial District 29
 - 3 – At-Large

Appointments & Terms

- Appointed by Council
- Term length: 3 years
- Term limits: 2

Name	Term	End date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
Anthony Johnson	Partia 1	30-Jun-26	Council	SD-15 Rep.	SD-15	Eligible
Taylor Martin	Partia 1	30-Jun-26	Council	SD-29 Rep.	SD-29	Eligible
Pamela Green Thomas	Partia 1	30-Jun-26	Council	SD-15 Rep.	SD-15	Eligible
VACANT <i>*Nominee listed for confirmation</i>	1	30-Jun-26	Council	At Large	SD-15	Eligible
Kristasia Health	Partia 1	30-Jun-26	Council	SD-29 Rep.	SD-29	Eligible
Courtney Johnson	2	30-Jun-26	Council	SD-29 Rep.	SD-29	NE
Devon Moree	Partia 1	30-Jun-28	Council	SD-15 Rep.	SD-15	
Leasa Hasting	1	30-Jun-28	Council	At-Large	SD-15	
Kara Brakefield	1	30-Jun-28	Council	At-Large	SD-15	

 Expiring Term

 Vacant Seat

File Attachments for Item:

2. Upcoming Board Appointments: Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees



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Item #2.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Pension Fund, Employees' Board of Trustees

Purpose and Functions

There is only one board that is responsible for the administration of the city employee's pension funds

Legal References

- [Columbus Code of Ordinances, Sec.16A-13](#)
- [Pension Plans for City Employees Website](#)

Membership

- 11 members
 - 3 – Designated by Title (Mayor, City Manager & Finance Director)
 - 1 – General Government Employee
 - 1 – Public Safety Employee
 - 1 – Retired City Employee
 - 5 – Business Community

Appointments & Terms

- Appointed by: Mayor (7), City Manager (1), and Authority (2)
- Term length: 4 years
- Term limits: N/A

Name	Term	End date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
Elizabeth Raines Cook	2	30-Jun-26	Mayor	Business Community	SD-15	Eligible
Henry Jack Warden	1	30-Jun-26	Mayor	Business Community	SD-29	Eligible
Richard T Boren	1	30-Jun-26	Mayor	Retired City Employee	SD-29	Eligible
Lisa Goodwin	2	30-Jun-27	City Manager	City Employee Representative		Eligible
Dusty Wilson	1	30-Jun-27	Mayor	Business Community	SD-29	
W. Fray McCormick	2	30-Jun-29	Mayor	Business Community	SD-29	
Roderick Graham	2	30-Jun-29	Mayor	Public Safety	SD-15	
Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson	Continues		Authority	Mayor	SD-29	
Angelica Alexander	Continues		Authority	Finance Director		

VACANT	Continues			City Manager		
VACANT	-	30-Jun-26	Mayor	Business Community		

File Attachments for Item:

3. Upcoming Board Appointments: Region Six Regional Advisory Council for Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities



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Item #3.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Region Six Regional Advisory Council for Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

Purpose and Functions

The West Central Georgia Regional Board shall establish policy and direction for disability services planning, delivery and evaluation, including outcome functions as may be provided or authorized by law.

Legal References

- [O.C.G.A.37-2-4 \(2010\) 37-2-4.](#)

Membership

- 4 members

Appointments & Terms

- Appointed by: Council
- Term length: 3 years
- Term limits: 2

Name	Term	End date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
Latasha Morss	1	30-Jun-26	Council		SD-15	Eligible
Janet C Bussey	1	30-Jun-26	Council		SD-15	Eligible
Jennifer D Le Denney	1	30-Jun-27	Council		SD-15	
Marianne Young	2	30-Jun-27	Council		SD-15	

File Attachments for Item:

4. Upcoming Board Appointments: Retirees' Health Benefits Committee



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Item #4.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & AUTHORITIES

Retirees' Health Benefits Committee

Purpose and Functions

The mission of the Retiree Health Benefit Committee is to advise and assist the Mayor and Columbus Council with respect to issues concerning the Retiree Health Plan and other benefits provided to retirees of the Columbus, Georgia Consolidated Government.

Legal References

- [Columbus, GA Code of Ordinances, Article XX](#)

Membership

- 6 members
 - Director of Human Resources or his designee shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee.
 - 1 Appointed by the Mayor
 - 4 Appointed by Council

Appointments & Terms

- Appointed by Mayor and Council
- Term length: 3 (Council's Appts); 2 (Mayor's Appt)
- Term limits: 2

Name	Term	End date	Appointing Authority	Position	Senatorial District	Eligibility
John D Hawk	1	30-Jun-26	Council		SD-29	Eligible
Renee McAneny	2	30-Jun-26	Council		SD-29	NE
Christi H Johnson	2	30-Jun-27	Mayor	Chairperson (2 year term)		
Richard E Weeks	1	30-Jun-29	Council		SD-15	
Cheryl B Tate	1	30-Jun-29	Council		SD-29	
Ola Terrell	Continues		Council	Human Resources Director		
Larry Campbell	Continues		Council	President of Columbus, GA Retired Employee Association	SD-29	

File Attachments for Item:

5. Honorary Street Designation: Application submitted by Jimmy Blanton, requesting to designate Prince Avenue, from St. Mary's Road to Murrelle Street, as *Dickerson Way* in honor of Dr. Tony R. Dickerson.

HONORARY STREET NAME DESIGNATION APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

**Please print clearly*

Applicants Name: _____ Jimmy Blanton _____

Street Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION NAME:

_____ To change the name of PRINCE AVE _____ to Dickerson Way _____

STREET LOCATION: Beside the lower parking lot of Pinehurst Baptist St. off of St Mary's Rd.

INTERSECTING STREETS AT EACH END OF THE ONE BLOCK AREA:
PRINCE AV runs between St Mary's Rd and Murrelle ST

Please include a brief explanation for each:

Historical and/or Cultural Influence of the Honoree on the City

_____ Dr. Tony R. Dickerson has pastored the Pinehurst Baptist Church for 53 years. He has served in that position ministering to those in the army, making an eternal difference in so my soldiers' lives. He has also been a stabilizing force for the community through being a leader in the civil rights and integration of the church. Dr. Dickerson was also elected as the President of the Ga. Baptist Convention. I simply don't have words to express how much he has done behind the stage in seeing that lives were made better through his ministry for them and for all the benefit he has brought to the community through the church and Christian School that he started. I could continue but simply let me say that there is not another so well deserving as Dr. Dickerson to have a street named after him.

Clearly Defined Community or Public Contribution Made by the Honoree:

All of the above that I have mentioned. _____

Association with the City:

I do not know of any specific areas that he has served in the city as to boards etc. He has remained effective for 53 years in seeing that his members and those in the community had proper spiritual direction. I do not believe that effective change can always occur through government policy but I do believe that when lives are changed and souls are saved the groundwork is laid for the city to be the most effective. You will not see everything that Dr. Dickerson has done physically in the community until you look on the lives of those who have been saved and taught under his leadership.

Establish Clear Geographical Relationship of Street to the Area of Interest of the Applicant:

Prince Av runs parallel to the lower parking lot of the Pinehurst Baptist Church as well as the Pinehurst Christian School.

Application consists of the following items necessary for a complete application. Please check:

- *Completed Application Form
- *Criteria Checklist Form
- *You will be notified if application is approved

Signature of Applicant: Jimmy Blanton

Date: 4/13/26

Send this completed application to the Deputy Clerk of Council at tcolbert@columbusga.org

File Attachments for Item:

6. Resignation: William A. Taylor is resigning as the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) on the Columbus Sports & Entertainment Authority. (*Mayor's Appointment*)

From: William A. Taylor <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 8:29 AM
To: Skip Henderson <SkipHenderson@columbusga.org>; [REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Resignation from Board of Directors

Mayor Henderson, Chair Andy Luker, and Members of the Board,

I hope this message finds you well.

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from my position on the Board of Directors of the Columbus Sports and Entertainment Authority, effective April 30, 2026.

I have greatly valued the opportunity to contribute to the Authority's mission and to work alongside such dedicated and talented individuals.

Due to the demands of my new professional role, I am no longer able to commit the time and attention necessary to effectively fulfill my responsibilities as a Board member. After careful consideration, I believe it is in the best interest of the organization for me to step aside so that the Board continues to benefit from fully engaged participation.

I remain fully supportive of the Authority and its ongoing initiatives, and I would be happy to assist in facilitating a smooth transition in any way that may be helpful.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve. I wish the Board continued success in its important work for the Columbus community.

Sincerely,

William A. Taylor, Jr., CPA, CFP®, PFS, MACCT

File Attachments for Item:

7. Resignation: Fran Carpenter is resigning from the Historic & Architectural Review Board (BHAR). *(Council's Appointment)*

From: Fran Carpenter <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2026 12:12 PM
To: Lindsey Mclemore <Mclemore.Lindsey@columbusga.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: BHAR - MAY - NEW LOCATION

Lindsey,

This email should serve as my resignation from the Board of Historic and Architectural Review effective at the close of the May Meeting (Monday, May 11, 2026).

Regards,
Fran Poole

File Attachments for Item:

8. Minutes of the following board:

Board of Tax Assessors # 15-26 & 16-26

Board of Water Commissioners 03-25-26

Columbus Airport Commission 02-17-26, 03-19-26 & 03-25-26

Columbus Golf Authority 03-17-26

Employee Benefits Committee 02-25-26 & 10-22-25



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

Item #8.

GEORGIA'S FIRST CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

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 #15-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, April 15th, 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: Assessor Jones motions to accept the agenda. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Chief Appraiser Widenhouse reminds the board that she will be absent next week from the meeting.
- Assessor Jones motions to excuse Chairman Govar from the May 6th board meeting. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.
- Assessor Jefcoat motions to excuse Assessor Jones and Chairman Govar from the board meeting on May 20th to attend CAVEAT. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:05, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Appeal - # 191 027 023 taxpayer submitted early, no board signature needed, for information only.

At 9:09, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Legislative Update - discussion only.

At 9:14, Commercial Property Appraiser Jasmine Green presents to the Board:

- CUVA & FLPAVA Values - Signed as Accepted.
- CUVA Breaches - #107 001 008H; 103 001 035; 103 001 033 deceased taxpayer; # 137 001 016; 137 001 004 intent to breach - Signed & Approved.

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

- Mobile Home Appeals - No Change & Late Appeals - no action taken, no signatures needed. Placed into record.

At 9:27, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Settlement Conference Results - # 080 001 085 signed by Chairman Govar.; #074 004 001 Assessor Jones motions to approve. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries. #049 013 002 Assessor Jefcoat motions to approve. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.
- Refund Request Update - discussion only.

Assessor Jefcoat motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

At 10:25, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: *Glen Thomason* 04/22/2026

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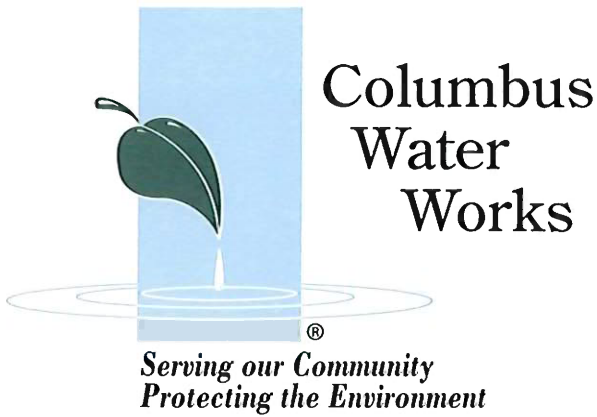
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J. GOVAR
CHAIRMAN

K. Jones
K. JONES
ASSESSOR

D. Jefcoat
D. JEFCOAT
ASSESSOR

absent
C. HOOD
ASSESSOR

L. Sandifer Hicks
L. SANDIFER HICKS
VICE CHAIRMAN



March 25, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners of Columbus, Georgia, was held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at our Main Office, Chattahoochee Room. Chairman Nick Smith took the roll call, and the following Commissioners were present:

Nick Smith, Chairman
Jennifer Upshaw, Vice Chair
Brooks Yancey
Oz Roberts
Mayor Skip Henderson

Receipt of the Minutes from the regular meeting on February 9, 2026, was presented to the Board. A motion was made by Brooks Yancey and seconded by Oz Roberts to approve the Minutes as written. Motion carried.

Aric Jackson recognized the following promotions for the month of January: Lila Garner, promoted to Accounting Supervisor; Blake Dexter, promoted to Process Control Specialist II; Wayne Wilkins, promoted to Field Services Crew Leader II; and Jadeis Carter, promoted to Field Services Technician II.

Vickie Clark presented the Financial Report for February 2026, including Ft Benning, to the Board. A motion was made by Jennifer Upshaw and seconded by Oz Roberts to approve the Financial Reports. Motion carried.

Brian Huskey updated the Board on the 2026 Bond Issuance. He explained the current Bond Market. A Post-Issuance Federal Tax and Continuing Disclosure Compliance Policy was presented to the board along with a Resolution to adopt this policy. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Jennifer Upshaw and seconded by Oz Roberts. Motion carried.

Columbus Water Works
Post-Issuance Federal Tax and Continuing Disclosure Compliance Policy
 Date of Adoption: 3/25, 2026
 Effective Date: 3/25, 2026

I. POLICY:

Columbus Water Works (the “System”), acting through the Board of Water Commissioners of Columbus, Georgia (the “Board”), has previously issued and may in the future issue tax-exempt bonds, tax-advantaged obligations, and taxable bonds (collectively, the “Obligations”).

In connection with the issuance of such Obligations, the System executes tax certificates, covenants, and continuing disclosure agreements (each, a “Continuing Disclosure Agreement”) requiring ongoing compliance with:

1. The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), including Sections 103 and 141–150 relating to tax-exempt obligations; and
2. Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”) relating to continuing disclosure obligations.

This Post-Issuance Federal Tax and Continuing Disclosure Compliance Policy (the “Policy”) establishes procedures to ensure that the System maintains compliance with its federal tax and securities law obligations for all outstanding Obligations.

II. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Policy is to:

- Preserve the tax-exempt status of interest on tax-exempt Obligations;
- Ensure timely and accurate compliance with continuing disclosure undertakings;
- Assign clear responsibility for post-issuance compliance;
- Establish written internal controls consistent with IRS and SEC guidance; and
- Promote transparency and accountability in the System’s financial reporting.

III. DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:

The Chief Financial Officer of Columbus Water Works (the “Compliance Officer”) is designated as the primary officer responsible for implementation of this Policy. The Compliance Officer is responsible for compliance with each Continuing Disclosure Agreement to which the System is an obligated person.

If the Chief Financial Officer is unable to fulfill these responsibilities, the Executive Vice President or another senior financial officer designated by the Board shall serve as Compliance Officer.

The Compliance Officer may engage bond counsel, disclosure counsel, arbitrage consultants, or other qualified professionals, as necessary.

IV. PROCEDURES FOR POST-ISSUANCE FEDERAL TAX COMPLIANCE:

- A. Incorporation of Tax Closing Documentation.** All tax certificates, bond transcripts, opinions of bond counsel, and related closing documentation for each series of Obligations (collectively, "Tax Closing Documentation") are incorporated into this Policy by reference.

The Compliance Officer shall maintain and have access to all such documentation.

- B. Record Retention.** The System shall retain all records relating to each series of Obligations, including:

- Bond documents and closing transcripts;
- Tax certificates and arbitrage certifications;
- Documentation evidencing expenditure of bond proceeds;
- Contracts, leases, and management agreements affecting bond-financed property;
- Investment records and arbitrage rebate calculations.

All records shall be retained for the life of the Obligations plus three (3) years after final maturity or redemption.

- C. Use of Proceeds Monitoring.** The Compliance Officer shall monitor expenditures of bond proceeds to ensure that:

- Proceeds are used for authorized purposes;
- Private business use limitations are not exceeded; and
- Any changes in use of bond-financed property are reviewed with bond counsel as necessary.

All management contracts or service agreements relating to bond-financed property shall be reviewed for compliance with applicable IRS safe harbor guidance.

- D. Arbitrage and Rebate Compliance.** The Compliance Officer shall:

- Monitor compliance with arbitrage yield restriction and rebate requirements;
- Track expenditure benchmarks where applicable;
- Maintain a calendar of rebate computation and payment due dates;
- Engage an outside rebate consultant when required; and
- Ensure that any required rebate payments are calculated and remitted on a timely basis

- E. IRS Correspondence.** Upon receipt of any correspondence from the Internal Revenue Service relating to any Obligations, the Compliance Officer shall promptly notify bond counsel and coordinate response efforts.

V. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE COMPLIANCE:

- A. Annual Reports.** If the System is obligated under a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the Compliance Officer shall ensure that required annual financial information and operating data are filed electronically with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through the EMMA system. The Compliance Officer shall maintain a schedule of filing deadlines under each Continuing Disclosure Agreement and ensure filings are made on or before the applicable deadline.

The System's audited financial statements and required operating data shall be prepared in sufficient time to permit review and filing prior to the applicable deadline.

- B. Event Notices.** The Compliance Officer shall monitor for the occurrence of any events required to be disclosed under applicable Continuing Disclosure Agreements.

Any required event notice shall be filed with EMMA not later than ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event.

The Compliance Officer shall maintain a checklist of event categories required under each Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

- C. Financial Obligation Monitoring (Post-2019 Rule Amendments).** The Compliance Officer shall maintain a log of all direct placements, bank loans, leases, lines of credit, guarantees, or other debt obligations that may constitute "financial obligations" under Rule 15c2-12. The Compliance Officer shall coordinate with the City's finance and legal departments to identify any financial obligations entered into that may relate to the System.

Prior to execution of any financial obligation, the Compliance Officer shall review the transaction to determine whether it constitutes a "financial obligation" under Rule 15c2-12, determine whether a notice is required at incurrence, confirm that any required notice will be filed, and ensure that such notice is filed within ten (10) business days of incurrence.

The Compliance Officer shall also monitor amendments, covenant defaults, accelerations, or other events relating to financial obligations that may require notice under the Rule.

VI. ANNUAL REVIEW AND INTERNAL CONTROLS:

The Compliance Officer shall maintain a written compliance file or electronic log documenting annual filings, event notices, financial obligation reviews, rebate calculations, and related compliance activities. In addition, the Compliance Officer shall:

- Conduct an annual review of compliance with this Policy, which shall be documented in writing and retained with bond records;
- Confirm that required annual and event filings were timely made;
- Report to the Board, at least annually, regarding compliance status; and
- Recommend updates to this Policy as necessary to reflect changes in law or best practices.

VII. TRAINING AND SUCCESSION:

The Compliance Officer shall ensure that appropriate finance staff receive training regarding:

- Federal tax requirements for tax-exempt obligations;
- Continuing disclosure obligations under Rule 15c2-12; and
- EMMA filing procedures.

Upon transition of the Compliance Officer position, the successor shall receive a compliance briefing and access to all related documentation.

VIII. ADOPTION:

This Policy shall be adopted by resolution of the Board of Water Commissioners of Columbus, Georgia and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by the Board.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

ADOPTING A POST-ISSUANCE FEDERAL TAX AND CONTINUING DISCLOSURE
COMPLIANCE POLICY

WHEREAS, Columbus Water Works (the "System"), acting through the Board of Water Commissioners of Columbus, Georgia (the "Board"), has previously issued and expects to issue in the future certain tax-exempt bonds, tax-advantaged obligations, and taxable bonds (collectively, the "Obligations"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the issuance of such Obligations, the System executes tax certificates, covenants, and continuing disclosure agreements requiring ongoing compliance with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to formally establish written policies and procedures designed to ensure ongoing compliance with applicable federal tax requirements and continuing disclosure obligations for all outstanding and future Obligations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, as follows:

Section 1. Adoption of Policy. The Board hereby adopts the Post-Issuance Federal Tax and Continuing Disclosure Compliance Policy (the "Policy") presented to the Board at this meeting, in substantially the form attached hereto.

Section 2. Designation of Compliance Officer. Pursuant to the Policy, the Chief Financial Officer of Columbus Water Works is designated as the Compliance Officer responsible for implementation of the Policy and for monitoring compliance with applicable federal tax and continuing disclosure requirements.

Section 3. Authorization. The Compliance Officer and other appropriate officers and employees of the System are authorized and directed to take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement and administer the Policy.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

APPROVED BY THE COLUMBUS BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS this
25th day of March, 2026



Chair



Vice Chair

J. Brooks Givens
Member

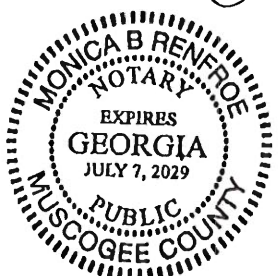
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Secretary



Monica B. Renfro



MARCH 25, 2026

Jason Jay presented the following project to the Board for their approval. This project includes pre-construction consultation and construction of the new water resource facility adjacent to the existing facility. The owner's Engineer for this project is Barge Design Solutions. This project will be constructed in accordance with the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) delivery method. The following proposals were opened and verified, then ranked as follows:

- Brasfield and Gorrie
- Kiewit
- Alberici

The engineer has reviewed the committee's selection and recommends awarding the CMAR Pre-Construction services contract to Brasfield and Gorrie, the successful, responsive, and responsible bidder, at a price of \$3,250,000.00.

Staff requests Board approval to award the New South Columbus Water Resource Facility Pre-Construction Services contract to Brasfield and Gorrie at the bid price of \$3,250,000.00. A motion was made by Brooks Yancey and seconded by Jennifer Upshaw. Motion carried.

John Peebles updated the board on the recent Georgia ACEC Engineering Awards. Columbus Water Works projects received three Engineering Excellence Awards from Georgia's American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) at a black-tie gala held at the Gas South Convention Center in Duluth, Georgia, on Friday, March 6th.

- Fort Benning PFAS Treatment Pilot Study – Freese & Nichols – Honor Award
- Uptown & South Commons CSO Improvements – Barge Design Solutions- Honor Award

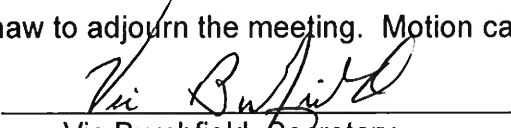
- South Commons Water Resource Facility, Digester 1 Cover Replacement – Barge Design Solutions – Merit Award

The following Departmental Reports for January 2026 were provided to the

Board as information only:

- Customer Service Report
- Meter Maintenance/Water Accountability Report
- Engineering Report
- Field Services Report
- Information Services Report
- Environmental Services Report
- Strategic Planning, Communications, Community Outreach Report
- Employee Services Report
- Water Resource Operations/Managed Maintenance Report

There being no further business, a motion was made by Brooks Yancey and seconded by Jennifer Upshaw to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.



Vic Burchfield, Secretary

**MINUTES AT THE MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
COMMISSION HELD AT THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
Thursday, February 17th, 2026**

The following commission members were present for the entire meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Mrs. Delois Marsh, Chairwoman	December 31, 2027
Mr. Philip Thayer, Commissioner	December 31, 2030
Mrs. Dannel Marks, Treasurer	December 31, 2026

Staff Members Present:

Amber Clark, Airport Director
Alston Auten, Legal Council
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
Zack Lundy, Administrative Coordinator

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Mrs. Marsh called the February 17th, 2026, Special Called Commission Meeting to order at 9:32am

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mrs. Marsh asked to perform a role call in order to confirm quorum. Mr. Thayer and Mrs. Marks both confirmed their attendance and established a quorum.

RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONERS

Mrs. Marsh accepted the resignation of Mrs. Marks, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Badcock as commissioners for the Columbus Airport Commission.

Mrs. Marks gave remarks regarding her tenure as a commissioner.

Following Mrs. Marsh resignation, she departed the meeting.

QUORUM CONFIRMED

Mrs. Marsh asked Counselor Auten if the Commission maintained a quorum with the resignation of Mrs. Marks. Counselor Auten confirmed that the Commission did maintain a quorum.

NOMINATION OF MR. HOWARD AND MR. GOWER

Mrs. Marsh nominated Kevin Howard and Austin Gower to fill vacancies of James Barker and Philip Badcock.

Mr. Thayer motioned to approve the nomination, seconded by Mrs. Marsh and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 2 Nays: 0

COMMISSIONER TERMS

Mrs. Marsh asks for a motion to approve Kevin Howard to fill the remaining term of James Barker and Austin Gower to fill the remaining term of Phillip Badcock.

Mr. Thayer motioned to approve the term assignments seconded by Mrs. Marsh and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 2 Nays: 0

CHAIRWOMAN REMARKS

Mrs. Marsh gave her remarks as chairwoman and opened the floor to public comment.

Jansen Sitmore, President and CEO of Columbus Chamber of Commerce, gave positive remarks of Amber Clark and her team.

Selven Hollingsworth, Chair of the Development Authority, gave positive remarks of Amber Clark and mentioned their support of the Airport.

OTHER MATTERS

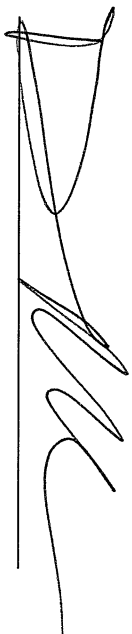
Mr. Thayer motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Marsh and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 2 Nays: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44AM

APPROVED:



Zack Lundy,
Administrative Coordinator



Delois Dee Marsh, Chairwoman



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

Item #8.

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Board Members

Jayne Govar
Chairman

Kathy Jones
Assessor

Clay Hood
Assessor

Doug Jefcoat
Assessor

Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Vice Chairman

Chief Appraiser
Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #16-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT ARE:

Chairman Jayne Govar
Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Assessor Kathy Jones
Assessor Doug Jefcoat
Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason
Recording Secretary Katrina Culpepper

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Assessor Jones motions to accept the agenda with noted changes. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to excuse Assessor Hood from the board meeting today. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

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

- Early Appeal - placed into record.

At 9:11, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Homestead Removal Requests - #103 004 002; 083 026 013 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:13, Commercial Prop. Manager Milam presents for Chief Appraiser Widenhouse to the Board:

- Settlement Conference Results - #080 001 001; 016 006 008; 184 023 003; 069 020 001; 186 017 003; 063 028 008 - Signed by Chairman Govar.

At 9:17, Commercial Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- Hearing Officer Results - #042 008 002; 097 013 002A - Signed & Approved.
- Waiver & Releases - Chairman Govar recused herself from 26 Hemlock. Signed by Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks.
- BOE Results - Signed & Approved.

At 9:31, Commercial Property Appraiser Jasmine Green presents to the Board:

- CUVA Value Changes & CUVAS - #165 001 028; 141 002 003; 193 001 038 & 048 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:42, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Mobile Home Appeals Value Adjustments - Signed & Approved.

Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries. At 9:58, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: _____

J. GOVAR
CHAIRMAN

K. JONES
ASSESSOR

D. JEFCOAT
ASSESSOR

C. HOOD
ASSESSOR

L. SANDIFER HICKS
VICE CHAIRMAN

MIN# 17 - 26 MAY 06 2026

**MINUTES AT THE MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
COMMISSION HELD AT THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25TH , 2026**

The following commission members were present for the entire meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Mrs. Delois Marsh, Chairwoman	December 31, 2027
Mr. Kevin Howard, Treasurer	December 31, 2029
Mr. Austin Gower, Secretary	December 31, 2028
Mr. Philip Thayer, Vice Chairman	December 31, 2030

Staff Members Present:

Amber Clark, Airport Director
Carolyn Mills, HR Manager
Timothy Strickland, Finance Director
Josh Patton, Maintenance Manager
Sonya Overton, Director of Marketing & Air Service Development
Jarred Hubbard, Chief Public Safety Officer
Zack Lundy, Administrative Coordinator

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Mrs. Marsh called the March 25th ,2026, Commission Meeting to order at 9:30am

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED HANDBOOK

Mrs. Marsh asked to table vote to approve the updated employee handbook. Motioned by Mr. Thayer to table the vote to approve the updated employee handbook and seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE COMMISSION MEETING ON FEBURARY 26TH 2026

Mrs. Marsh asked to consider the adoption of the Minutes from the Commission Meeting from February 26th, 2026 with edits. Seconded by Mr. Thayer to approve the adoption of the Minutes from the Commission Meeting from February 26th 2026, and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

CHOOSE COLUMBUS PRESENTATION

Choose Columbus was not present at the meeting, the presentation has been tabled.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATES

Airport Director, Amber Clark gave an update as it pertained to the Runway 6-24 project.

Airport Director, Amber Clark updated the Commission of the Airport being awarded with the FAA Safety Mark of Distinction.

Chairwoman, Delois Marsh gave a statement recognizing the staff.

Public Safety

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

Public Safety Report

- The Department of Public Safety continues to maintain a high level of operational readiness, ensuring rapid response to all incidents across airport property while supporting daily airport operations.
- Officers responded to a variety of calls for service during the reporting period, including passenger assistance, safety concerns, and coordination with federal partners. Emphasis remains on proactive patrol and visible presence to enhance passenger safety and deter potential security risks.
- Continued collaboration with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), airlines, and airport tenants has strengthened coordinated responses to incidents and improved overall operational efficiency.
- The department remains actively engaged in training initiatives, including FAA Part 139 compliance requirements and ongoing law enforcement readiness programs in partnership with local agencies.
- Public Safety leadership continues working closely with the Columbus Police Department and Columbus Fire and EMS to enhance interagency coordination, emergency preparedness, and joint response capabilities.

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Emergency Response Time

Metric: Average Emergency Response Time to Incidents on Airport Property

Target: ≤ 4 minutes average response time

Thresholds:

- Exceeds Expectations (Green): < 3 minutes
- Meets Expectations (Blue): 3 – 4 minutes
- Needs Attention (Yellow): 4 – 5 minutes
- Critical (Red): > 5 minutes

Reporting Period: February 2026

Performance: 3.2 minutes Meets Expectations (Blue)

Trend: Stable

Training Compliance

Metric: Officer Training Compliance Rate

Target: 100% completion of required training

Thresholds:

- Exceeds Expectations (Green): 100%
- Meets Expectations (Blue): 95 – 99%
- Needs Attention (Yellow): 90 – 94%
- Critical (Red): < 90%

Reporting Period: Q1 2026

Performance: 98% – Meets Expectations (Blue)

Trend: Improving

FAA / TSA Compliance

Metric: Regulatory Compliance Findings

Target: Zero compliance violations

Thresholds:

- Exceeds Expectations (Green): 0 violations
- Meets Expectations (Blue): 1 minor finding
- Needs Attention (Yellow): 2 minor findings
- Critical (Red): Major violation

Reporting Period: Current Cycle

Performance: [REDACTED]

Trend: Stable

Fire Readiness / ARFF Equipment Readiness

Metric: ARFF Operational Readiness (Personnel & Equipment Availability)

Target: 100% operational readiness

Thresholds:

- Exceeds Expectations (Green): 100%
- Meets Expectations (Blue): 98% – 99%
- Needs Attention (Yellow): 95% – 97%
- Critical (Red): < 95%

Reporting Period: February 2026

Performance: 99% – Meets Expectations (Blue)

Trend: Stable

Security Effectiveness

Metric: Security Incident Rate (per ~5,000 passengers)

Target: Maintain or reduce previous year's average

Thresholds:

- Exceeds Expectations (Green): > 10% reduction from prior year
- Meets Expectations (Blue): Same as prior year
- Needs Attention (Yellow): 1 – 10% increase
- Critical (Red): > 10% increase

Reporting Period: February 2026

Performance: No Increase from Prior Year – Meets Expectations (Blue)

Trend: Stable

Why it Matters:

Tracks overall security effectiveness by measuring incident frequency relative to passenger volume, ensuring proactive measures are reducing risk and maintaining a safe airport environment.

Finance

Mr. Timothy Strickland gave the finance report, wherein he discussed February financials.

Metric: Customer Mix Number of Jet Customers: Stable
Actual: 243 Performance Needs Attention

Target: 300

Metric: Customer Mix Number of Helicopter Customers: Stable
Actual: 48

Target: 50

Metric: Service Quality Percentage of On Time Performance: Stable
Actual: 99

Target: 100

Metric: Service Quality Number of Service Failures: Stable
Actual: 3

Target: 0

Metric: Safety Number of Safety Incidents: Stable
Actual: 0

Target: 0

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.

Human Resources Report

- **Workforce**
 - Active employees at the end of February: 39
 - Positions accepting applications: 4
 - Remaining vacancies to fill: 4
 - Total approved positions: 47
- **Recruiting/Onboarding**
 - New hires: 1
 - Recruiting for: Line Service Technicians, Public Safety Officer, Hospitality Team Members
- **Training and Development**
 - Airport focused new hire orientation: Goal to launch in Q3
 - Introducing updated Supervisor training through the Learning Center at Columbus Consolidated Government in March
- **Policy and Compliance**
 - No updates
- **Employee Engagement**
 - Town Hall meeting scheduled for March 13, 2026 to discuss, in an open forum, updates to the Employee Handbook
 - Culture Climate Survey delayed; launching end of March 2026
- **Strategic Planning**
 - Working with Finance and Airport Director on labor cost estimates for upcoming fiscal year

- Internal review of organizational chart to identify operational efficiency improvement, as a result of staffing level review
- Upcoming in Q3 and Q4: Skills Gap Analysis

KPI Reporting:

Metric: Employee Turnover Rate: Stable | Target: 3.3% or less employee turnover per month

Reporting Period: February 2026

Metric: Time to Fill: Stable | Target: 20 – 35 days

Reporting Period: February 2026

Metric: Overtime Utilization Rate: Stable | Target: 2.1% to 5% of total labor hours

Meets Expectations: 2.25%
Reporting Period: February 2026

Maintenance

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

Airfield and Facilities Maintenance Report

- Airfield Operations has coordinated for the closure of Runway 6-24 from 23-25 March, to allow Summers Concrete to finish painting permanent markings and grading, ahead of final inspection on March 27th.
- Airfield Operations conducted its 1st Quarter Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) inspection of all stormwater discharge locations in adherence to its Industrial Discharge Permit and is currently awaiting feedback.
- Facilities Maintenance is currently performing scheduled escorting duties for contractors as they conduct assessments and prepare cost estimates for the ongoing renovation project of our hangars. These estimations are crucial for evaluating the scope of work required for the renovations and ensuring that the project aligns with our operational requirements and budgetary constraints.

KPI Reporting:

Metric: Facilities Aging Work Orders: Declining | Target: ≤ 15% of total open work orders exceed 30 days

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Metric: Facilities Work Order Time to Completion: Stable | Target: ≤ 7 days average completion time

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Metric: Facilities Work Request Time Until Addressed: Stable | Target: ≤ 2 business days

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Metric: Airfield Open Work Order Aging: Declining |
work orders exceed 30 days

Target: ≤ 10% of total open-airfield

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Metric: Airfield Work Order Time to Completion: Stable |

Target: ≤ 7 days average completion

time

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Metric: Hospitality Unsatisfactory Surveys: Declining |

Target: ≤ 5% unsatisfactory survey

responses **7 Total Responses**

- **Out of Paper Towel** [REDACTED] 5 of 30 Responses
- **Floors Dirty** **Needs Attention: X < 10% = 8%** [REDACTED] 2 of 26 Responses
- **Sinks and Counters Dirty** [REDACTED] 2 of 18 Responses

Reporting Period: Monthly 02/17/2026 – 03/17-2026

Critical KPI Explanation:

Out of Paper Towels

- This unsatisfactory Key Performance Indicator (KPI) primarily arises during our evening hours, specifically from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM, when we do not have a team member on staff. As a result, Shift C cannot effectively continue cleaning and servicing the restrooms after the 6 PM flight. Although we provide extra paper towels in the restrooms for emergencies, respondents continue to report outages. This issue is also linked to staffing shortages in our morning Shift A position (5 AM to 2 PM). Addressing these critical staffing shortages is essential to ensure that we can respond promptly to any restroom issues, thereby aligning with our organizational mission, vision, and values of exceeding expectations for quality service and providing dependable service with a personal touch to all.

Sinks and Counters Dirty

This is another unsatisfactory KPI that primarily arises due to current staffing levels. Once Hospitality is fully staffed, our ability to provide around-the-clock, rotational cleaning and services will reduce unsatisfactory feedback from respondents.

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

Marketing Report

- The Runway 6-24 reopening marketing campaign continues with a strategic emphasis on driving local passenger retention and increasing market share. Campaign messaging will transition on April 1 with updated creative to support the final phase of the campaign.
- We attended the STEAMx Expo at the Columbus Convention & Trade Center alongside Finance Director Tim Strickland, engaging with students and educators to promote aviation career pathways and increase awareness of Columbus Airport services.
- We Continued efforts are underway to support air service development, including data collection initiatives and exploration of new software platforms to enhance reporting capabilities and strengthen business case development for both community stakeholders and airline partners.
- **At the FBO:** We have finalized our exhibitor package, promotional materials, and branded swag for distribution at the upcoming NBAA Schedulers & Dispatchers Conference in Cleveland, Ohio.

The press package has been completed, and targeted email campaigns are being deployed to promote our presence and maximize industry engagement.

- We have completed creative and launched a targeted marketing campaign for the Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo in Florida, scheduled for April 14–19. Promotional efforts will be further amplified through our presence at NBAA, as well as through coordinated social media outreach and targeted email distribution to drive visibility and traffic to Flightways.
- Social media efforts resulted in a combined 77 new followers across all platforms, demonstrating steady growth in audience reach and brand visibility.

KPI Reporting:

Metric: Passenger Enplanement: Stable | Target: 85% of Max Monthly Enplanements

Reporting Period: February 2026

Metric: On-Time Performance: Stable | Target: 80%+ on time performance

- Needs Attention: X < 71-79% = **78%**

Reporting Period: Monthly November 2025

Metric: Community/Passenger Outreach: Stable | Target: 5 events/tours per month

Reporting Period: February 2026

Metric: Passenger Retention within 30-mile radius: Stable | Target: 20% of Monthly Enplanements

Reporting Period: February 2026

Metric: Advertising Campaign: Stable | Target: 100K impressions per month

Reporting Period: February 2026

OTHER MATTERS

Members from Yates Insurance introduced themselves to the Commission.

Mrs. Marsh asked for a motion to move into Executive Session. Motioned by Mr. Thayer to move into Executive Session and seconded by Mr. Gower and unanimously approved by the Commission Ayes:4 Nays:0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission meeting moved to executive session. Mr. Howard motioned to move out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes:4 Nays: 0

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Thayer motioned to change article three of the Columbus Airport Commission By-Laws section 3.05 to change the verbiage of the by law to, "Up to one member of the Columbus Airport Commission may be a resident of any county in Georgia adjacent to Muscogee County. Adjacent counties include, Harris, Talbot, and Chattahoochee."

Mr. Thayer also motioned to change article four of the Columbus Airport Commission By-Laws section 4.01 change from Regular meetings of the Commission shall be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission chambers located in the Columbus Airport, 3250 W. Britt David Road, Columbus, Georgia, unless said meeting time and place is changed by resolution of the Commission. Notice shall not be required to be given to the Commissioners prior to regular meetings. to Regular meetings of the Commission shall be held monthly on a date and at a time that is mutually agreeable to the Commissioners, in the Commission chambers located in the Columbus Airport, 3250 W. Britt David Road, Columbus, Georgia, unless said meeting date, time, or place is changed by resolution of the Commission. Public notice of the time and place of special meetings shall be posted at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of such meeting and written or oral notice of such meetings shall be given twenty-four (24) hours in advance to the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer or such other newspaper having a general circulation in Muscogee County, Georgia which is the legal organ in which notices of Sheriff's sales are published

Seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

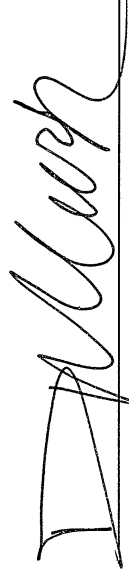
Mr. Thayer motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Gower and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 AM

APPROVED:



Zack Lundy,
Administrative Coordinator



Delois Dee Marsh, Chairwoman

COLUMBUS GOLF AUTHORITY MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2026

Chairman William Roundtree called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the February 26, 2026, regular meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by Ken Crumpler, seconded by Gerald Miley.

Superintendent Steve Brown reported that cart path repair work is continuing at Bull Creek, with repairs recently made near the green on East Course hole 4 and on 15 West.

The lift vehicle has been repaired and is once again available, and tree removal at Oxbow Creek is also in progress.

The West Course greens have been aerified, and a new process of small punctures each month will make the large hole punctures that usually occur each summer on the greens unnecessary, Brown reported.

Pre-merge herbicide is also being applied to the greens, new inmates are being trained on mower operations and Oxbow Creek is continuing to await replacement of a transfer water pump, he said.

Golf Director Arendt reported that the city's financial reports continue to fail to reflect all of the proceeds collected each month at the courses due to a continuing lapse in connecting actual deposits made to those accredited by the finance department. Those not accredited for the

monthly report are carried into the city's report for the following month. The revenues collected, however, show that finances are on track, with the busy months of March through June promising even better yields to come before the June 30 end of the budget's fiscal year.

As of March 13, Bull Creek's cash reserve was \$352,006.89, and Oxbow Creek's reserve was \$78,296.48. Both are in good position, with increased cash reserve growth anticipated through the remainder of the fiscal year, Arendt said.

No new information is yet available on a proposed lease renewal, hopefully by June, for the 104 gas carts now under lease, he said. It is hoped to establish a new lease, with no penalties, that would carry through until converting to an electric fleet when a new Bull Creek clubhouse is completed. Also, plans are being considered for disposing of the 50 course-owned gas carts at a premium price. Selling them to individuals would be best, but it would take Columbus Council action to allow such sales. An auction for disposal would be ideal, and further exploration of legal requirements for such a plan will be pursued, he said.

Oxbow Creek is preparing for renovation of its clubhouse and operation from a mobile office during that project. A cashless operation is likely the best procedure for security, he said.

Arendt reported he has received a complaint of a sexual harassment at the driving range of Oxbow Creek, with the female complainant stating that she was harassed with explicit sexual comments by a man who had previously been banned by the Authority for similar conduct, but reinstated in January 2025.

The golf director said the woman had reported the episode immediately to employees at the course, but had not yet filed a police report. He said he had contacted the alleged perpetrator, but received no response to the allegation. Gerald Miley said it would be premature for the Authority to take action when no police complaint had been filed.

Arendt said he would contact the complainant to see if she intends to file a report with the police.

Jim Houston made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Leohr, for the golf director to notify the alleged perpetrator by mail that a complaint has been filed accusing him of sexual harassment and offering him an opportunity to respond to the Authority. The motion was passed by a 5-0 vote.

Arendt said he is participating in a virtual meeting with city officials on Wednesday during which the Authority's budget proposal for the next fiscal year will be discussed.

The golf director said upcoming featured events include the U.S. Blind Open at Green Island Hills Country Club, with PGA HOPE Veterans assisting, and a PGA HOPE night is being planned for veterans at a home game of the Columbus Clingstones, the Double-A franchise for the Atlanta Braves. It is tentatively set for June 25.

Tommy Nobles reported that the Oxbow Creek clubhouse renovation is set to begin March 31, and the new bridge for the Oxbow course is expected to be delivered April 3, with preliminary preparatory work occurring the previous week.

Gerald Miley made a motion, seconded by Kenneth Davis, for the Authority to hold monthly meetings at 4 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month, beginning in April and continuing through December, with future meeting dates to be addressed at the annual meeting to occur on the second Tuesday of January 2027. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Roundtree asked Authority members to be prepared to offer feedback to the director of golf regarding the performance and progress of the director and his staff, with the director also prepared to provide possible feedback regarding the Authority.

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

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



Columbus Consolidated Government

Employee Benefits Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2026

Members Present: Holli Browder, Tommy Beauchamp, Jules Hazen. (Virtual): Nancy Boren, Ardria McGruder, Shannon Hubbard, Angelica Alexander, and Ola Terrell

Members Absent: Rachel Blanks and Lisa Goodwin

Staff Present: Sheila Risper, Cynthia Holliman, Keisha Johnson, Destiny Chisolm

Consultant: Todd Hooper, Delandra Haywood, Jennifer Oliver

CareATC Rep: Jessica Walker

Key Topics:

- **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of October 22, 2025 and February 25, 2026 meeting were not approved due to a lack of a quorum.
- **NFP Update:** 2025 plan performance is within budget, with 93.2% budget utilization. Consultants also did a pension plan review update, and a final report is expected in March 2026.
- **CareATC Update:** Health coaching outreach underway. All provider positions in the clinic are currently filled; schedules reopened for appointments. CareATC rep will check the status of the physical complaint box and reporting procedures, as requested by the committee.
- Serious concerns were raised about the service quality of CareATC. Clinic staff refused to check blood pressure because no appointments were available. HR Director would like to schedule a facilities tour and meeting to discuss these issues.
- **Open Forum:** Several Members' terms are currently set to expire in April 2028; however, the Clerk of Council is working on updates.

Action Items:

- Voting on vice chair has been postponed until a quorum is reached for the next meeting.
- Meeting minutes for October 2025 and February 2026 will be reviewed at next meeting.
- Next meeting is April 22, 2026.



Columbus Consolidated Government

Employee Benefits Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2025

Members Present: Ardria McGruder, Tommy Beauchamp, Jewels Hazen. (Virtual): Holli Browder, Rachel Blanks, Nancy Boren, Angelica Alexander, and Reather Hollowell

Members Absent: Shannon Hubbard, Lisa Goodwin, Pam Hodge

Staff Present: Sheila Risper, Cynthia Holliman, Keisha Johnson, Destiny Chisolm

Consultant: Todd Hooper, Delandra Haywood, Jennifer Oliver

CareATC Rep: Jessica Walker

Key Topics:

- **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of August 17, 2025, meeting were approved.
- **Health & Wellness Update – CareATC:** Coaching communication will go out in November 2025. Employees may self-schedule via the app or by calling CareATC. Flu shots are currently available at the Health & Wellness Center. Reminder communications may need review.
- **Benefits Update – NFP:** Questions related to the payroll file are being reviewed with NFP’s internal team. NFP will confirm payroll file delivery date after Open Enrollment closes. Otherwise, no additional updates from NFP.
- **FSA Spending Account:** The maximum for 2026 decreased from \$3,200 to \$2,800. Analysis showed employees sometimes used the full FSA early in the year, then separated employment before remaining deductions were collected, resulting in a loss to the city.
- Employees may use remaining funds through March 15 of the following year. This reduces the likelihood of forfeited funds due to IRS rollover caps and aligns spending with incurred expenses.
- **HR/ Finance Updates:** On January 1, 2026, the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) takes effect. This is the first premium increase in nearly a decade for the health plan.

Action Items:

- The December 24, 2025, meeting is cancelled. Non-voting item, due to lack of in-person quorum.

Respectfully submitted,

Destiny Chisolm – **Human Resources Administrative Assistant**

AGENDA

Call to Order- Holli Browder

Attendance

Approval of Minutes – **October 22, 2025**

Health and Wellness Update – CareATC

Benefits Update- NFP

Open Forum/ Announcements

Adjourn- **Next Meeting: April 22, 2026**

2025 Employee Benefits Committee

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Term Start</u>	<u>Term End</u>	<u>Status</u>
Holli Browder	Parks & Recreation	May 2025	April 2028	Active
Ardria McGruder	Sheriff's Office	May 2025	April 2028	Active
Shannon Hubbard	Sheriff's Office	May 2025	April 2028	Active
Nancy Boren	Elections Office	May 2025	April 2028	Active
Jules Hazen	Columbus Fire & EMS	May 2025	April 2027	New
Tommy Beauchamp	Public Works	May 2025	April 2028	New
Lisa Goodwin	Deputy City Manager			
Pam Hodge	Deputy City Manager			
Ola Terrell	Human Resources Director			Ex-Officio
Angelica Alexander	Finance Director			Ex-Officio

**MINUTES AT THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS
AIRPORT COMMISSION HELD AT THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT
THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH, 2026**

The following commission members were present for the entire meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Mrs. Delois Marsh, Chairwoman	December 31, 2027
Mr. Kevin Howard, Treasurer	December 31, 2029
Mr. Austin Gower, Secretary	December 31, 2028
Mr. Philip Thayer, Vice Chairman	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
Zack Lundy, Administrative Coordinator

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Mrs. Marsh called the March 19th ,2026, Commission Meeting to order at 9:31am

NOMINATION OF COMMISSION SEAT

Mrs. Marsh nominated Daria Cruzen to fill the open Commission Seat.

Motion by Mr.Thayer to approve the nomination of Daria Cruzen to fulfil the open Commission seat, seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Tom Morpeth asked if the Commission could open Commission seats to people who live in Harris County and other counties within the region.

Mrs. Marsh replied that at the City Council meeting his request would be fulfilled as the Commission had the foresight to see this need. Mrs. Marsh also mentioned that Ms. Daria Cruzen was a Harris County resident.

Mr. Morpeth mentioned how his wife was nominated for a Commission seat before and did not qualify as he was not a Muscogee County resident.

Mrs. Marsh explained that the Commission has been working with Coumbus City Council and that City Council will change the bylaws on the March 19th, 2026 Columbus City Council meeting.

Mr. Thayer stated that the City Council meeting, City Council will be amending the amending resolution.

Mr. and Mrs. Morpeth expressed their appreciation of the Airport as well as their service within EAA.

Mrs. Marsh asked for a motion to move into Executive Session.


Motioned by Mr. Thayer and seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission meeting moved to executive session. Mr. Howard motioned to move out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes:4 Nays: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 AM

APPROVED:



Zack Lundy,
Administrative Coordinator



Delois Dee Marsh, Chairwoman

File Attachments for Item:

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**Columbus Consolidated Government
Board Appointments – Action Requested**

BOARD APPOINTMENTS - ACTION REQUESTED

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

A. 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

B. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Mayor’s Nominee: _____

10. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS – LISTED FOR CONFIRMATION:

A. KEEP COLUMBUS BRAUTIFUL COMMISSION: Ashley Stanley was nominated to fill a vacant seat. *(Councilor Crabb’s nominee – Recommended by KCBC)* Term Expires: June 30, 2029

11. NOMINATIONS – CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL:

A. HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (BHAR):

Vacant
Columbus Homebuilders Association
Term Expires: January 31, 2028

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

Vacant
Uptown Business Association
Term Expires: January 31, 2029

Waiting on Nominee
(Confirmed by Council)

**Alan Udy is unable to serve currently. (Confirmed 02-10-2026)*

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit: 2
Meetings:	Monthly – 2 nd Monday	
Women:	5	Senatorial District 15: 7
Vacancies:	1	Senatorial District 29: 2

12. 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)

Vacant
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 – 2 nd Thursday (March, June, September & December)	
Women:	4	Senatorial District 15: 7
Vacancies:	2	Senatorial District 29: 3

B. PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION:

Paul T. Berry, III
Eligible
Term Expired: October 31, 2025

Open for Nominations
(District 5 – Crabb)

***Not interested in serving another term.**

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

C. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:

District 1 Nominee: _____	District 6 Nominee: _____
District 2 Nominee: _____	District 7 Nominee: _____
District 3 Nominee: _____	District 8 Nominee: _____
District 4 Nominee: _____	District 9 Nominee: _____
District 5 Nominee: _____	District 10 Nominee: _____

Councilor Huff (District 3) is nominating Zach Burgess, 7th Grade at Richards Middle School.

Councilor Cogle (District 7) is nominating Ezra Hollifield, 9th Grade at Brookstone

13. 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 FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES:

Darlene Small

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 5 Year Term Limit: 2
Meetings: Quarterly
Women: 4 Senatorial District 15: 2
Vacancies: 0 Senatorial District 29: 3

C. 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

D. BUILDING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS:

_____ *Vacant*

Term Expires: March 24, 2027

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

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

E. COLUMBUS GOLF AUTHORITY:

Tommy Nobles

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Gerald Miley

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Alonzo Jones

Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Ken Crumpler

Not Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

William Roundtree

Not Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Kenneth Davis

Not Eligible

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

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

F. COLUMBUS SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY:

Gerald Miley

Eligible

Golf Authority Rep.

Term Expires: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms:	3 Year	Term Limit:	2
Meetings:	Monthly		
Women:	2	Senatorial District 15:	4
Vacancies:	0	Senatorial District 29:	5

G. LIBERTY THEATRE & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ADVISORY BOARD:

Vacant
Term Expires: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant
Term Expires: August 14, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Vacant
Term Expires: 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

H. 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)

Nancy Ranieri
Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Sandra Gill
Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2026

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Senator Ed Harbison
Eligible
Term Expired: June 30, 2025

Open for Nominations
(Council's Appointment)

Membership and Meeting Information

Terms: 3 Year Term Limit: n/a

Meetings: Monthly – 2nd Monday
 Women: 2 Senatorial District 15: 3
 Vacancies: 0 Senatorial District 29: 1

I. 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