

SUMMARY MINUTES
COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 9, 2017

The meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia was called to order at 9:03 A.M., Tuesday, May 9, 2017, on the 2nd Floor of the Citizens Service Center, located at 3111 Citizens Way, Columbus, Georgia. Honorable Teresa Pike Tomlinson, Mayor, presiding.

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PRESENT: Present other than Mayor Tomlinson and Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Turner Pugh were Councilors R. Gary Allen, Mike Baker, Jerry Barnes, R. Walker Garrett, Berry Henderson, and Judy W. Thomas, with Councilor Bruce Huff taking his seat at 9:09 a.m. Deputy City Manager Lisa Goodwin, City Attorney Clifton Fay, Assistant City Attorney Lucy Sheftall and Deputy Clerk of Council Lindsey Glisson were also present.

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ABSENT: Councilors Glenn Davis and Evelyn Woodson were absent. City Manager Isaiah Hugley and Clerk of Council Tiny B. Washington were also absent.

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INVOCATION: Offered by Reverend Joel L. Alvis, of First Presbyterian Church.

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PLEDGE: Led by the St. Luke School second graders.

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MAYOR'S AGENDA

PRESENTATION(S):

Columbus Airport Annual Update
- Director Richard Howell

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MINUTE(S):

Minutes of the April 11, 2017 Council Meeting.

ACTION:

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 Council Meeting was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh, and with no corrections or comments, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council being present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent from this meeting.

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CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

ORDINANCE(S)- 2ND READING:

The following ordinances were submitted and explained by Assistant City Attorney Sheftall on 2nd Reading:

An Ordinance (17-19) amending and updating Chapter 8 of the Columbus Code pertaining to Building and Code Inspections to be consistent with State and professional codes; to consolidate certain provisions previously found in the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); and for other purposes. (Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh)

ACTION:

Councilor Henderson made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Seconded by Councilor Barnes and without discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent from this meeting.

An Ordinance (17-20) amending the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Columbus, Georgia so as to amend certain sections of the Unified Development Ordinance of Columbus, Georgia so as to alter Chapter 10 Article 8 and Chapter 8 Article 9. The Planning Department recommends approval. (Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh)

ACTION:

Councilor Allen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Seconded by Councilor Henderson and without discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent from this meeting.

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ORDINANCE(S)- 1ST READING:

The following ordinances were submitted and explained by Assistant City Attorney Sheftall on 1st Reading, and will be presented on 2nd Reading at the Tuesday, May 23, 2017 Council Meeting:

REZN-01-17-0129: An ordinance rezoning approximately 22 acres located at 705 35th Street (Parcels # 014-006-003 & 014-006-023). The current zoning is LMI (Light Manufacturing and Industrial) zoning district. The proposed zoning is PMUD (Planned Mixed Use Development) zoning district. The proposed use is senior adult living facility, affordable housing apartments, self-storage, medical clinic and commercial retail. The Planning Advisory Commission recommends *approval*. (Councilor Davis)

REZN-03-17-0411: An ordinance rezoning approximately 8.6 acres located at 6000 Warm Springs Road (Parcel # 101-032-003). The current zoning is SFR3 (Single Family Residential 3) zoning district. The proposed zoning is RO (Residential Office) zoning district. The proposed use is senior adult living facility. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department recommend *conditional approval*. (Councilor Allen)

REZN-04-17-0707: An ordinance rezoning approximately 2.34 acres located at 1532 5th Avenue (Parcel # 017-010-006). The current zoning is LMI (Light Manufacturing and Industrial) zoning district. The proposed zoning is UPT (Uptown) zoning district. The proposed use is multi-family residential / education. The Planning Advisory Commission and the Planning Department recommend *approval*. (Councilor Woodson)

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PUBLIC AGENDA

The following citizens addressed the Mayor and Council on the Public Agenda on various topics and issues:

Ms. Susan Gallagher, representing New Horizons, May- Mental Health Awareness Month.

Address: 1555 16th Street, Columbus, Georgia 31901

Ms. Avis Love Lewis (Momma Love), Re: Discrimination, Bullying, and Veterans.
Address: 403 Walnut Street, Columbus, Georgia 31904

Mr. Justin Krieg, representing Historic Columbus Foundation, Re: Claflin School
Redevelopment.
Address: 620 Front Avenue, Columbus, Georgia 31901

Ms. Susan Haycock, Re: Parks & Recreation.
Address: 4551 Bondale Drive, Columbus, Georgia 31907

Ms. Sharon Berreth, Re: Public Park Concerns.
Address: 5105 Bondale Drive, Columbus, Georgia 31907

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CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

RESOLUTION(S):

The following items were presented and explained by Deputy City Manager Goodwin:

CM#1: Redevelopment Proposal for Claflin School

A Resolution (124-17) authorizing the City Manager to amend the lease agreement with Friends of Historic Claflin, Inc. to allow for the conversion of the school into affordable housing.

Before explaining the item up for approval, Deputy City Manager Goodwin requested that Community Reinvestment Director Laura Johnson come forward to give a presentation that is listed on the City Manager's Agenda (CM#6B).

A lengthy discussion was held after the presentation, where the following individuals spoke and responded to questions of Council:

- Director Laura Johnson, Community Reinvestment
- Scott Henry, ORACLE Development
- Theresa Hart Williams, Friends of Claflin Secretary
- Attorney Jacob Biel
- Reverend Richard Jessie, Friends of Claflin

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Councilor Huff, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

CM#2: FY18 Inmate Capacity Agreement

A Resolution (125-17) authorizing a minimum of five hundred and twenty eight (528) State Inmates to be housed at the Muscogee County Prison.

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Henderson. Seconded by Councilor Baker, and put on the table for discussion.

During a brief discussion, further action was taken.

ACTION:

A motion to amend the wording of the resolution was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh, with no further discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

A vote was then taken on the original motion for approval or the resolution, as amended.

ACTION (cont.):

The motion to approve the resolution as amended was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

CM#3: Stair Egress Encroachment of Right-of-Way

A Resolution (126-17) authorizing a permanent encroachment of a stair egress three feet, four inches into the public right-of-way at 1032 Broadway; said encroachment is approved with the condition that should the stair egress ever become a conflict with any future public improvement, the stair egress shall be removed at no cost to the City.

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh. Seconded by Councilor Allen, with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

CM#4: Georgia High Demand Career Initiative Sector Partnership Capacity Building Grant Proposal

A Resolution (127-17) authorizing the Columbus Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, to accept grant funds set aside for Region 8 in the amount of \$250,000 with a 10% match "in kind" requirement, awarded through Georgia Department of Economic Development Workforce Division and authorize the City Manager to approve any contract(s)/documentation on behalf of the City; authorizing capacity building purchases for educational/industrial training and to amend the WIOA Department/Job Training Division Fund (0220) by the applicable amount.

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh, and after a brief discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

CM#5: Purchases

A. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

A Resolution (128-17) authorizing the execution of contract with Lux Mitigation and Planning Corporation (Shady Dale, GA) for an update to the County Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Emergency Management Division of Columbus Fire and EMS Department.

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Thomas. Seconded by Councilor Huff, and

with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

B. Backhoe Loader Rental (Annual Contract)

A Resolution (129-17) authorizing the annual contract for backhoe loader rental services from Sunbelt Rentals (Fort Mill, SC). Fleet Management has budgeted \$18,000 for this contract.

C. Cameras

A Resolution (130-17) authorizing the purchase of one hundred (100) body worn cameras, from Maxsur, LLC (Liberty Hill, TX), at a unit price of \$262.12, for the total amount of \$26,212.

D. Alternative Fuel and Highway Impact Fees

A Resolution (131-17) authorizing payment to the Georgia Department of Revenue/Cash Management in the amount of \$18,554.20 for the 2016 Alternative Fuel and Highway Impact Fees.

E. Payment for Inmate Pharmacy Services

A Resolution (132-17) authorizing payment to Diamond Drugs, Inc., (Pittsburgh, PA), in the amount of \$39,243.91, for pharmacy services utilized for inmates at the Muscogee County Jail. This payment will cover services provided during the month of April.

F. Upgrade of the Firearms Training Simulator (F.A.T.S.) for Police Department

A Resolution (133-17) authorizing the purchase of an upgrade to the Firearms Training Simulator (F.A.T.S.), in the amount of \$34,987.86, from Meggitt Training Systems, Inc., (Suwanee, GA).

G. Surplus Vehicle Exchange with Muscogee County School District

A Resolution (134-17) authorizing the declaration of five (5) sedans, as surplus, in accordance with Section 7-501 of the Charter of Columbus Consolidated Government; and approve the acceptance of one (1) 72-passenger school bus from the Muscogee County School District (MCSD) in exchange for the five (5) CCG surplus sedans.

H. Mobile Computers for Fire/EMS Department **Delayed by Deputy City Manager Goodwin*

I. Additional Email Accounts and Advance Threat Protection

A Resolution (135-17) authorizing the purchase of additional email accounts and advance threat protection from SHI (Somerset, NJ), in the amount of \$106,267.50, by cooperative purchase utilizing Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003.

J. Window Server Licenses for New Cad System

A Resolution (136-17) authorizing the purchase of Window Server Licenses for the new card system from SHI (Somerset, NK), in the amount of \$24,123.44, by cooperative purchase utilizing Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000060-003.

K. Malware Licenses

A Resolution (137-17) authorizing the purchase of Malware Licenses from CPAK (LaGrange, GA), in the amount of \$12,714, by cooperative purchase utilizing Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-T20120501-0006.

L. Licenses for VMWare Servers

A Resolution (138-17) authorizing the purchase of licenses for VMWare Servers from CPAK (LaGrange, GA), in the amount of \$19,768.20, by cooperative purchase utilizing Federal GSA, Schedule 70, contract #GS-35F-303DA.

ACTION:

A motion for approval of items B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K and L was made by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh. Seconded by Councilor Huff, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

**Item M was pulled at the request of Councilor Garrett for further discussion.*

M. Replacement Computers for Police Department Funded by OLOST Salary Savings

A Resolution (139-17) authorizing the purchase of 116 Lenovo T470 computers and installation services, in the amount of \$311,112, funded by OLOST Salary Savings. The computers will be purchased from Virtucom, through an existing annual contract (Resolution #53-16); and the installation services will be performed by Columbus Communications, through an existing annual contract (Resolution #14-13). The computers will be installed in police vehicles currently equipped with mobile data devices running Window XP Operating Systems.

Councilors Garrett and Thomas asked questions concerning this item, which were responded to by Finance Director Angelica Alexander and Major Stan Swiney, Columbus Police Department Support Services.

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Councilor Huff, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

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UPDATE(S) AND PRESENTATION(S):

- Special Enforcement and Inspections/Codes Update, John Hudgison, Inspections and Codes Director and Drale Short, Special Enforcement Manager
- Claflin Update, Laura Johnson, Community Reinvestment Director
**Presented during the first item on the City Manager's Agenda (CM#1).*
- Monthly Finance Update, Angelica Alexander, Finance Director

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CLERK OF COUNCIL'S AGENDA

ENCLOSURES, INFORMATION ONLY:

- (1) Memorandum from Clerk of Council Washington, Re: Board of Water Commissioners.
- (2) Memorandum from Clerk of Council Washington, Re: Convention & Visitors Board of Commissioners.

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ENCLOSURES, ACTION REQUESTED:

A Resolution (140-17) excusing Councilor Evelyn Woodson, from the May 9, 2017 Council Meeting.

A Resolution (141-17) changing the Council meeting schedule for the month of June 2017.

ACTION:

A single motion was made for approval by Councilor Henderson. Seconded by Councilor Allen, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

ADD-ON: A Resolution (142-17) excusing Councilor Glenn Davis, from the May 9, 2017 Council Meeting. **At the request of Councilor Baker.*

ACTION:

A motion for approval was made by Councilor Baker. Seconded by Councilor Allen, with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

Email correspondence from Ms. Irene Pate, requesting that the seats of Ms. Tracey Belt and Ms. Vanessa Jackson to be declared vacant on the Recreation Advisory Board.

ACTION:

A motion to declare these seats vacant on the Recreation Advisory Board was made by Councilor Thomas. Seconded by Councilor Allen, with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

Minutes of the following boards:

Board of Tax Assessors, 14-17.

Columbus Aquatics Commission, January 26, February 23, March 30 & April 27, 2017.

Deferred Compensation Board, June 15, 2016.

Deferred Compensation Board, January 19, 2017.

Hospital Authority of Columbus, February 28 & March 28, 2017.

Personnel Review Board, April 19, 2017.

Recreation Advisory Board, February 22 & March 29, 2017.

Tree Board, January 17, 2017.

ACTION:

A motion to receive the minutes was made by Councilor Allen. Seconded by Councilor Henderson, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

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NON-ENCLOSURES, ACTION REQUESTED:

Board Appointments

The following board appointed were explained by Deputy Clerk of Council Glisson:

Board of Family & Children Services:

Councilor Thomas nominated Charonda Huff for the seat of Evergreen Covington, SD-15, who is not eligible to succeed herself, and this seat being Council's appointment.

Board of Tax Assessors:

Councilor Baker nominated Matt Moorefield for the seat of the late James Dixon, SD-29, which is vacant, with this seat being Council's appointment, at the last meeting.

ACTION:

Councilor Allen made a motion to confirm this appointment. Seconded by Councilor Henderson, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent.

Commission on International Relations and Cultural Liaison Encounters (C.I.R.C.L.E.):

The seat of Indira Nino, SD-29, Post 3, who is eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Yuriy Peter Totkiy, SD-29, Post 5, who is not eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

Deputy Clerk of Council Glisson stated that she is currently working with the Mayor's staff to fill these seats.

Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission:

The seat of Dr. William "Billy" Kendall, SD-15, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Carolyn Tigner, SD-15, who is eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of William Kent, SD-15, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Ronald Tate, SD-29, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Brenda Pawloski, SD-29, District 2, who is eligible to herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Ray Waldheim, SD-29, District 6, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Jacqueline Boling, SD-15, District 7, who is eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Henry Dixon, SD-15, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Herman Lewis, SD-29, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of William "Bill" Murphy, SD-29, who is eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Theresa "Terry" Fike, SD-29, who is not eligible to succeed her, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Nathan Rogers, SD-29, who is not eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Marsha Collins, SD-29, who is not eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Jackie Barnes, SD-15, District 3, who is not eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Malinda Stovall, SD-15, District 4, who is not eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Robbie Monfort, SD-15, District 5, who is not eligible to succeed herself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

The seat of Jason Cooper, SD-15, District 8, who is not eligible to succeed himself, with this seat being Council's appointment, was listed.

Deputy Clerk of Council Glisson stated that Ms. Gloria Weston-Smart is currently working on a list of those members that are interested in serving another term of office.

Land Bank Authority:

The Land Bank Authority has submitted Stephen Anthony, SD-15, who is eligible to succeed himself, for reappointment of another term of office, with this appointment being nominated by the authority and confirmed by Council.

The Land Bank Authority has submitted Jim Livingston, for the seat of Bradford C. Dobbs, SD-15, who resigned, with this appointment being nominated by the authority and confirmed by Council.

The Land Bank Authority has submitted Anna Hanna Merritt, SD-29, who is eligible to succeed herself, for reappointment of another term of office, with this appointment being nominated by the authority and confirmed by Council.

ACTION:

Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh made a motion to confirm these three appointments as outlined. Seconded by Councilor Allen, and with no discussion, the motion was carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting.

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With there being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tomlinson then entertained a motion for adjournment. Councilor Allen so moved. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Turner Pugh and carried unanimously by those eight members of Council present, with Councilors Davis and Woodson being absent for this meeting, with the time of adjournment being 12:45 p.m.



Lindsey Glisson
Deputy Clerk of Council
The Council of Columbus, Georgia