

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA
VIRTUAL - FY2022 DEPARTMENT BUDGET HEARINGS
Thursday, August 19, 2021, 10:00 AM



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor William Edwards at 10:00 AM.

Mayor Edwards and Mayor Tem Willis thanked everyone for their calls and words of concern regarding their emergencies which prevented them from attending the last Council meeting.

The meeting is being conducted under special emergency circumstances due to the COVID19 (also known as the Coronavirus) pandemic. City Council members and staff are participating via conference call (Zoom). The meeting is being simulcast in realtime via the City's YouTube channel.

2. Roll Call

Minutes:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
William "Bill" Edwards	Mayor	Present	
Catherine F. Rowell	District 1 Councilmember	Present	
Carmalitha Gumbs	District 2 Councilmember	Present	
Helen Z. Willis	District 3 Councilmember	Present	
Naeema Gilyard	District 4 Councilmember	Present	11:27 AM
Corey A. Reeves	District 5 Councilmember	Present	
khalid kamau	District 6 Councilmember	Present	
Mark Baker	District 7 Councilmember	Present	

Following the roll call by the City Clerk, a quorum was established.

3. Department FY2022 Budget Presentations

1. 1. Finance and Purchasing
2. Communications and External Affairs
3. Police
4. Clerk's Office
5. Legal
6. Public Works (Fleet, Transportation & General Services)
7. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
8. City Manager's Office

Minutes:

Interim Finance Director Rachel Brembry provided an overview of the FY2022 Budget.

The following departments provided overviews of their respective departments. All presentations are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

- 1. Finance and Purchasing, Rachel Bembry, Interim Finance Director**
- 2. Communications and External Affairs, Gary Leftwich, Director**
- 3. Police, Keith Meadows, Director**
- 4. Clerk's Office, Corey Adams, City Clerk**
- 5. Legal, Vincent Hyman, City Attorney**
- 6. Public Works (Fleet, Transportation & General Services), Antonio Valenzuela, Director**
- 7. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, Travis Landrum, Director and Salondia Aveni, Cultural Affairs Manager**
- 8. City Manager's Office, Tammi Saddler Jones, City Manager**

Action Items

Councilmember khalid requested that staff explore interoffice cost transfers to quantify the burden of Council events and materials on other departments (proclamations, etc.)

Councilmember Gumbs asked staff to provide a status report regarding the implementation of the OpenGov system.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis request additional resources dedicated to Mayor and Council for broader coverage of activities throughout the City. Recommends Communications focus on branding and event coverage, as opposed to event planning.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that staff develop a senior adult landing and resource page on the City's website.

Councilmember khalid requested that Communications staff dedicate funding for City-wide mailers to citizens.

Mayor Edwards requested a detailed description of projects proposed by the Communications Department and a corresponding timeline for completion.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requested the total amount of funds that have been spent on the police precinct facility on Old National Highway that we are no longer pursuing.

Councilmember Reeves requested that staff include the Stacks Road Bridge repair on the watch list and strive to repair this bridge by the end of the year.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that the illegal dumping camera program is expanded and fines increased.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requests that staff re-evaluate the implementation and purchase of a street sweeper program.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requests that staff develop a mailer to educate citizens about the Transportation Special Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST II) referendum which will be on the November 2, 2021, Municipal Election ballot.

Councilmember khalid requested a matrix detailing the cost of additional services if included in the Jacobs contract.

Councilmember khalid requests to see an ATV Park and a trail that connects the parks.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requested that staff develop virtual programming for the Arts and Cultural Affairs programming for FY2022.

Councilmember Rowell requested that staff forward a copy of the City's HUD Consolidated Plan and Action Plan to the City Council.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that staff ensure that funding is in place for Short Term Rental and Party House enforcement for FY2022.

Councilmember Rowell requested that the City Manager evaluate whether the Code Enforcement office should be in the Police Department as opposed to independent.

Mayor Edwards requested that the results of the Mystery Shopper Program are distributed to the Mayor and Council.

Motion (Recess): Councilmember Willis
Second: Councilmember Reeves
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 5 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, Reeves, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 2 khalid , Rowell

Minutes:

A motion was made to recess for a 30-minute break at 12:40 PM.

The motion was approved 5-0. Councilmembers khalid and Rowell did not vote.

The Council reconvened at 1:10 PM. No vote was taken.

4. Adjournment of Meeting

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 6:51 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.



Corey E. Adams, Sr., City Clerk
