CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA
VIRTUAL - FY2022 DEPARTMENT BUDGET HEARINGS
Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 10:00 AM

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order

Minutes:
The meeting was called to order by Councilmember Catherine Rowell at 10:00 AM.

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	ABSENT	
Catherine F. Rowell	District 1 Councilmember	Present	
Carmalitha Gumbs	District 2 Councilmember	Present	
Helen Z. Willis	District 3 Councilmember	ABSENT	
Naeema Gilyard	District 4 Councilmember	Present	
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. Mayor William Edwards and Mayor Pro Tem Helen Willis were absent. Councilmember Catherine Rowell presided over the meeting.

3. Department FY2022 Budget Presentations

1. 1. FY22 Proposed Budget Overview/Summary
   2. Destination South Fulton
   3. Fire Rescue
   4. Municipal Court
   5. Human Resources and Risk Management
   6. Community Development
   7. Code Enforcement
   8. Information Technology

Minutes:

City Manager Tammi Saddler Jones provided an introductory statement regarding the FY2022 Budget. Interim Finance Director Rachel Brembry provided an overview of the FY2022 Budget. Assistant City Manager Don Toms provided an overview of the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program.

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

Destination South Fulton- Chris Pike, Director
Fire Rescue - Chad Jones, Chief
Municipal Court - LaDawn Blackett-Jones, Interim Court Administrator
Human Resources and Risk Management - Tanesha "Niki" Graham, Director
Community Development - Shayla Reed, Director
Code Enforcement - Brain Morris, Director
Information Technology - Namarr Strickland, Director

<u>Action Items</u>
Councilmember Baker requested that staff determine if the $10,000 removed from Council District budgets during the Covid Pandemic can be restored. Staff will review American Rescue Plan Act funding allocated to the City and determine if funds can be provided to Council Districts.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that staff review the numbers provided for the District 2 budget.

Councilmember Rowell requested that the Purchasing office proactively advise vendors regarding potential work forthcoming with the Capital Improvement program.

Councilmember khalid requested that staff consider electric vehicles when ordering cars and trucks. Additionally, with these purchases, there will be a need for charging stations.

Councilmember Gilyard requested that staff restore $300,000 which was previously allocated to Cedar Grove Park.

Councilmember Baker requested that Mr. Pike arrange for the new Main Street Manager for Old National Highway to meet with each City Councilmember.

Councilmember Reeves requested that the Citizens Fire Academy is extended to Fulton County schools including Banneker High School.

Councilmember Baker expressed concern about moving the chaplain to the Police Department.

Councilmember Rowell requests that the Municipal Court provide quarterly reports to the City Council.

Councilmember khalid requested that staff ensure that the proposed cost of living increase is not absorbed by the projected increase in the PPO benefits plan.

Councilmember khalid requested that the remaining funds in the Blighted Property Fund be used for lawn maintenance at homes where the house has been torn down. Seeks assistance with a legislative correction to allow this activity.

Councilmember Rowell requested greater detail regarding call-in complaints versus proactive enforcement on a per officer basis.

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4. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember khalid
Second: Councilmember Baker
[Motion Approved]

Yea:	6 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell
Nay:	0
Abstain:	0
Not Voting:	2 Edwards, Willis

Minutes:
A motion was made to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 2:31 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Corey E. Adams, Sr., City Clerk