

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA

VIRTUAL

Monday, June 29, 2020, 11:00 AM



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor William Edwards at 11:00 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	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	
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. Executive Session

When an Executive Session is Required, one will be called for the following issues:

1) Personnel, 2) Litigation or 3) Real Estate

Motion (Recess): Councilmember Gilyard

Second: Councilmember Gumbs

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to Recess for an Executive Session at 11:01 AM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion (Reconvene): Councilmember Baker
Second: Councilmember Rowell
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to Reconvene from Executive Session at 11:19 AM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

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

Yea: 4 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid
Nay: 2 Reeves, Willis
Abstain: 1 Rowell
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to authorize special counsel to participate in Executive Session at the standard rate of pay that the City is paying him.

The motion was approved 4-2-1. Councilmembers Willis and Reeves voted in opposition and Councilmember Rowell abstained.

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

Yea: 6 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell
Nay: 1 Willis
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to Recess for an Executive Session at 11:35 AM.

The motion was approved 6-1. Councilmember Willis voted in opposition.

Motion (Reconvene): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember khalid

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell

Nay: 1 Willis

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to Reconvene from Executive Session at 1:47 PM.

The motion was approved 6-1. Councilmember Willis voted in opposition.

Motion (Approve): Councilmember khalid

Second: Councilmember Gumbs

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 5 Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell

Nay: 1 Willis

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Baker

Minutes:

A motion was made to authorize special counsel, Jeff Strickland to investigate possible legalities regarding HB 921 and HB 1019 and to report back to Council within the next two weeks.

The motion was approved 5-1-1. Councilmembers Willis voted in opposition and Councilmember Baker did not vote.

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gilyard

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 4 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid

Nay: 3 Reeves, Rowell, Willis

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to authorize the City Attorney to send a letter to the Governor of Georgia expressing that HB 921 and HB 1019 may be unconstitutional and violate various State laws and request that his legal counsel review the legality of the bills.

The motion was approved 4-3. Councilmembers Willis, Rowell and Reeves voted in opposition.

4. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Gumbs

Second: Councilmember Willis

[Motion Withdrawn]

Yea: 0

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 1:50 PM.

The motion was withdrawn.



S. Diane White, City Clerk

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Gumbs

Second: Councilmember Gilyard

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 7 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves, Rowell, Willis

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 1:57 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.
