

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA

VIRTUAL

Tuesday, June 23, 2020, 10:00 AM



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

I. Meeting Called to Order

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor William Edwards 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.

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.

II. Invocation - Pastor Warren Henry, Chaplain

Minutes:

The invocation was rendered by Pastor Warren Henry, Chaplain.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

The pledge of allegiance was recited in unison.

IV. Adoption of Council Agenda

Motion (Approve as Amended): Councilmember Gilyard

Second: Councilmember khalid

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Regular Agenda with the following amendments:

Item #14 - Council Approval of Amending City's Holiday Schedule to include Recognizing Juneteenth as a City Holiday and Item #19 - Council Approval of 1st Reading of Amending Appendix G Disbanding Committees to be moved up on the agenda after public comments.

The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes

1. Council Approval of Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes - May 26, 2020 (City Clerk)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gilyard

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, May 26, 2020 Council Work

Session and Regular Meeting.

The motion was approved unanimously.

2. Council Approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes from June 1 and June 2, 2020 (City Clerk)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Gilyard

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 1 khalid

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve Special Call Meeting for June 1, 2020 and June 2, 2020.

The motion was approved 6-0-1. Councilmember khalid abstained.

3. Council Approval of City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes_June 10, 2020 (City Clerk)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Gumbs

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 1 khalid

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve Work Session Minutes for Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

The motion was approved 6-0-1. Councilmember khalid abstained.

VI. Public Hearing(s)

4. Council Public Hearing and Approval of Alcohol License for Neighborhood Food Mart located at 2749 Flat Shoals Road (Police)

Motion (Deny): Councilmember khalid

Second: Councilmember Gilyard

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 5 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid, Willis

Nay: 2 Reeves, Rowell

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to deny the application for an Alcohol License for Neighborhood Food Mart located at 2749 Flat Shoals Road.

The motion was approved 5-2. Councilmembers Rowell and Reeves voted in opposition.

5. Council Public Hearing and Approval of Alcohol License for Citgo Food Mart located at 5100 Cascade Palmetto Highway (Police)

Motion (Hold): Councilmember Gilyard

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 hold the application for an Alcohol License for Citgo Food Mart located at 5100 Cascade Palmetto Highway.

The motion was approved unanimously.

VII. Public Comments

Minutes:

There were nineteen (19) speakers who provided public comments as follows:

Ms. Elizabeth Bartos (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Jewel Johnson (District 1): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Sharon Jones (District 4): Juneteenth Holiday; Alcohol Licenses

Mr. Harry King (District 3): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Charmaine Jackson (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Mr. and Mrs. Terry/Stephanie Muckle (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Ayana (Monroe) Williams (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Gayle Lesser (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Juliette Rankins (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Geena Lewis (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Raphael Ammons (District 1): Patrick Henry quote

Ms. Felicia Rondeno (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Mr. Ronnie Few (District 2): Finance Committee Support

Mr. Kamil Wilkinson (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Sir Jose Bright (District 4): Finance Committee Support

Ms. Glenda Collins (District 5): Finance Committee Support

VIII. Chief Financial Officer's Monthly Report

6. Chief Financial Officer's May 2020 Financial Report and Mid-Year Budget Presentation (Finance)

Minutes:

REPORT PRESENTED.

IX. City Manager's Monthly Report

7. City Manager's May 2020 Report and Reopening Plan

Minutes:

REPORT PRESENTED.

X. Consent Agenda Items

8. Council Approval of Agreement with CSG Forte Payments for Financial Services (Finance)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gumbs

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 approve the Consent Agenda Items #8 - Council Approval of Agreement with CSG Forte Payments for Financial Services and #9 - Council Approval of IGA with City of College Park Fire Rescue for Automatic Aid.

The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Council Approval of IGA with City of College Park Fire Rescue for Automatic Aid (Fire)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gumbs

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 approve the Consent Agenda Items #8 - Council Approval of Agreement with CSG Forte Payments for Financial Services and #9 - Council Approval of IGA with City of College Park Fire Rescue for Automatic Aid.

The motion was approved unanimously.

XI. Previous Agenda Items

10. Council 2nd Reading and Adoption of Amending Ordinance Title 15, Criminal Offenses Providing Regulations for the Control of Weapons Discharge
(Mayor Edwards, CMs Rowell, Gilyard, Willis and Reeves)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

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

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Adoption of Amending Ordinance Title 15, Criminal Offenses Providing Regulations for the Control of Weapons Discharge.

The motion was approved unanimously.

11. Council 2nd Reading and Adoption of Amending Title 18 Animal Control_Curb Your Dog and Horse Ordinance **(CM Gumbs)**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Gumbs

Second: Councilmember Willis

[Motion Approved]

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

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Adoption of Amending Ordinance Title 18, Animal Control

Curb Your Dog and Horse Ordinance.

The motion was approved unanimously.

12. Council 2nd Reading and Adoption of FY20 Mid-Year Budget Amendment (Finance)

Motion (Approve as Amended): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Adoption of FY20 Mid-Year Budget Amendment with a further Amendment to adjust the proposed \$10,000 Council budget reduction by subtracting the COVID-19 reimbursement totals by district.

The motion was approved unanimously.

XII. Agenda Items

13. Council Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement and Paperwork related to Fulton County's C.A.R.E.S. Act Municipal Reimbursement Program (City Manager)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement and Paperwork related to Fulton County's C.A.R.E.S. Act Municipal Reimbursement Program.

The motion was approved unanimously.

14. Council Approval of Amending City's Holiday Schedule to include Recognizing Juneteenth as a City Holiday (CMs khalid, Baker, Gumbs and Gilyard)

Motion (Approve as Amended): Councilmember khalid

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 Approve Amending City Holiday-Juneteenth with amendments to reduce budget from \$250,000.00 to \$150,000, to seek Corporate sponsorships and donations to offset the \$150,000 cost and for the Communications Department to develop a press release explaining the Council's action.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion (Previous Question): Councilmember Baker
Second: Councilmember khalid
[Motion Approved]

Yea: 5 Baker, Gilyard, Gumbs, khalid , Reeves
Nay: 1 Willis
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 1 Rowell

Minutes:

A motion was made to call the previous question.

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

15. Council Approval of Resolution Asking General Assembly to Enact Hate Crime Legislation (**Mayor Edwards, CMs Willis and Rowell**)

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

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

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Resolution Asking the General Assembly to Enact Hate Crime Legislation.

The motion was approved unanimously.

16. Council Approval of Resolution Denouncing Racism and Injustice (**Mayor Edwards**)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Resolution Denouncing Racism and Injustice.

The motion was approved unanimously.

17. Council Approval of Resolution Adopting a Green Building Sustainability Policy (**CM Rowell**)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

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 approve the Resolution Adopting a Green Building Sustainability Policy.

The motion was approved unanimously.

18. Council Approval of Resolution Extending the Moratorium Banning Uses (**Council**)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

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 approve the Resolution Extending the Moratorium Banning Uses.

The motion was approved unanimously.

19. Council Approval of 1st Reading of Amending Appendix G Disbanding Committees (**CMs Willis, Rowell, Gumbs and Reeves**)

Minutes:

FIRST READ.

20. Council Approval and 1st Reading of Amending Title 14 Environment_Green Builder Community Incentive (**CM Rowell**)

Minutes:

FIRST READ.

21. Council Approval and 1st Reading of Ordinance Mandating City Employees to take the COVID-19 Test (**CM Willis and Gumbs**)

Motion (Approve as Amended): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 4 Gumbs, Reeves, Rowell, Willis

Nay: 1 khalid

Abstain: 1 Baker

Not Voting: 1 Gilyard

Minutes:

FIRST READ.

After the Executive Session, a motion was made to approve mandatory COVID testing for employees subject to changing the ordinance to a resolution and accepting changes provided following Executive Session to the Clerk.

The motion was approved 4-1-2. Councilmember khalid voted in opposition, Councilmember Baker abstained and Councilmember Gilyard was not present.

22. Council Approval of Amended IGA with Union City regarding Resurfacing of Hunter Road (Public Works)

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Willis

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve an IGA with the City of Union City for the resurfacing of Hunter Road.

The motion was approved unanimously.

XIII. Executive Session

Motion (Recess): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Baker

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 0

Minutes:

A motion was made at 12:55 PM to Recess for five minutes and then go into Executive Session at 1:00 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion (Reconvene): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Rowell

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Gilyard

Minutes:

A motion was made to Reconvene from Executive Session at 1:49 PM.

The motion was approved 6-0-1. Councilmember Gilyard was not present.

XIV. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Gumbs

Second: Councilmember Rowell

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Gilyard

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 1:56 PM.

The motion was approved 6-0-1. Councilmember Gilyard was not present.



S. Diane White, City Clerk
