

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA
WORK SESSION - Welcome All Park Multipurpose Facility, 4255 Will Lee Rd, South Fulton,
GA 30349
Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 4:00 PM



COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

I. 4:00 p.m. Call to Order - Mayor khalid

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor khalid kamau at 4:00 PM.

II. 4:01 p.m. Roll Call - Corey Adams, City Clerk

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
khalid kamau	Mayor	Present	
Catherine F. Rowell	District 1 Councilmember	Present	
Carmalitha Gumbs	District 2 Councilmember	Absent	
Helen Z. Willis	District 3 Councilmember	Present	
Jaceey Sebastian	District 4 Councilmember	Present	
Corey A. Reeves	District 5 Councilmember	Present	
Natasha Williams	District 6 Councilmember	Present	
Linda Pritchett	District 7 Councilmember	Present	

**Following the roll call by the City Clerk, a quorum was established.
Councilmember Gumbs was absent.**

III. 4:03 p.m. City Manager Items - Staff Reports

1. Finance Monthly Report by Karen Slaton-Dixon, Finance Director
 - Briefing on city contracts/purchases exceeding \$25,000.00

Minutes:

Karen Slaton-Dixon, Finance Director presented the Financial Report for the month ending December 31, 2022.

Mrs. Slaton-Dixon advised she would provide the January 31, 2023, Monthly Finance Report

by the end of the week.

Councilmember Sebastian advised he would follow up with the Economic Development Department regarding the status of the business loan program funded by ARPA.

Councilmember Willis requested a comprehensive accounting of the Police confiscated funds account. Additionally, she requested that the PIO develop a press release regarding misinformation on social media regarding Police confiscated property.

Mrs. Slaton-Dixon advised that her staff is working on posting P-Card transactions. She expects her staff to have current totals by the end of the week.

Mayor khalid requested that the City Manager provide a report regarding Police confiscated funds and reconcile whether all reporting has been completed to federal and state agencies.

2. City Manager Monthly Report by Don Toms, Acting City Manager

Minutes:

Don Toms, Acting City Manager presented the City Manager's monthly report.

Mr. Toms indicated that he will have a presentation regarding the status of the CDBG program at the April Work Session.

Councilmember Williams-Brown requested a status report regarding SECLICKFIX. The City Manager indicated he would develop a presentation. He will follow up with councilmembers regarding whether a presentation at the April work session or a stand-alone meeting is preferred.

Councilmember Sebastian requested that staff track the amount of money that is spent for litter pick-up and prevention activities by district.

Councilmember Willis requested that staff do a better job of informing the Council and public regarding events and projects occurring in the city.

Councilmember Rowell requested that staff consider replacing signage in older neighborhoods.

The City Manager and City Attorney will bring back a recommendation regarding the appropriate spending authority for the City Manager. \$100,000 and \$250,000 were suggested.

Councilmember Willis sought consensus regarding the following items:

- 1) CDBG report will be heard at the April 2023 Work Session**
 - 2) Request the City Manager to provide monthly department status reports starting in April 2023**
 - 3) Request that no future council meetings are held in a location that has a theater set on stage.**
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3. Public Works Monthly Report by Antonio Valenzuela, Director, Department of Public Works

Minutes:

Antonio Valenzuela, Director, Public Works Department presented the monthly Public Works transportation and facilities project update report.

4. Update City Initiatives Aligned with Strategic Plan

IV. 4:30 p.m. Presentations

Motion (Reconvene): Councilmember Sebastian

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Pritchett, Reeves, Rowell, Sebastian, Williams, Willis

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to reconvene the Work Session and hold the Earth Day Presentation until the April Work Session at 9:27 PM .

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion (Recess): Linda Pritchett

Second: Councilmember Willis

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Pritchett, Reeves, Rowell, Sebastian, Williams, Willis

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to recess for the Zoning Public Hearing at 6:37 PM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

5. 4:30 p.m. Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Strategic Plan and Programs/Events Update (Ternard Turner, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs)
 1. Athletic Leagues and Contracts
 2. Senior Fees
 3. Outside Instructors

Minutes:

Presentation provided by Ternard Turner, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

Councilmember Willis requested that the department bring back a recommendation regarding the football program for a vote as opposed to a unilateral decision. (A plan should be developed for all sports programs)

Councilmember Willis requested that Mr. Turner meet with each councilmember to update everyone on the Master Plan and consider when the Plan will be brought to the Council for action.

Councilmember Sebastian requested that staff provide a status report regarding the football program at Wilkerson Mill Park.

Mr. Turner committed to explore developing a policy to ensure that residents of the city are given priority when registering for programs.

6. 5:00 p.m. Earth Day Activities

Minutes:

Item was held and will be discussed at the April Work Session.

V. 5:30 p.m. Executive Session (if needed)

When an Executive Session is Required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation or 3) Real Estate

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Sebastian

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 4 Pritchett, Sebastian, Williams, Willis

Nay: 2 Reeves, Rowell

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to recess for Executive Session for Personnel and Real Estate at 10:11 PM.

The motion was approved 4-2. Councilmembers Rowell and Reeves voted in opposition.

Motion (Reconvene): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Pritchett, Reeves, Rowell, Sebastian, Williams, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to reconvene from Executive Session at 12:09 AM.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The City Clerk reported no formal action was taken in executive session.

7. City Attorney report, if action taken in executive session

VI. 6:00 p.m. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Not Carried]

Yea: 0
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Work Session at 10:10 pm.

The motion was not carried.

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Reeves

[Motion Approved]

Yea: 6 Pritchett, Reeves, Rowell, Sebastian, Williams, Willis
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Voting: 1 Gumbs

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Work Session at 12:09 AM.

The motion was approved unanimously.
