

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA
VIRTUAL - WORK SESSION
Tuesday, February 9, 2021, 4:00 PM



COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Minutes:

The Work Session was called to order by Mayor William Edwards at 4:00 PM.

The meeting is being conducted under special emergency circumstances due to the COVID-19 (also known as the Coronavirus) pandemic. City Council members and staff are participating via conference call (Zoom). The meeting is being simulcast in real-time via the City's YouTube channel.

II. Roll Call

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.

III. Presentations

1. 2021 Legislative Session Update and Tracking – Andrew Long, A. R. Long Company (City Lobbyist)

Minutes:

Andrew Long, AR Long Company, presented the 2021 Legislative Session Update.

The annexation of Fulton Industrial Boulevard into the City of South Fulton was introduced and has been assigned to a committee. (HB 345).

Name change of Camp Creek Parkway to Congressman John R. Lewis Parkway.

Councilmember Rowell expressed concern with the proposal to rename South Fulton Parkway and not Campbellton Road as Congressman John R. Lewis Parkway. Mr. Long will seek additional information and reiterate the position of the City.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that Mr. Long provide additional information regarding legislation providing cameras to monitor truck traffic in certain areas. Mr. Long will follow up with Representative Bazemore.

Councilmember Baker requested that Mr. Long review the Council's legislation regarding reparations and inform the Delegation of the City's request.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requested an update regarding the Arnaud Aubrey Bill which seeks the repeal of the Citizens Arrest law. Mr. Long will follow up with Representative Carl Gilliard.

2. Public Amenities for Your Community – Public Works and Jerry Presley, Creative Outdoor

Minutes:

Jerry Presley with Creative Outdoor provided an update regarding the Public Amenities for Your Community program which includes public trash and recycling receptacles throughout the City.

The Council conducted a question and answer period.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requested that this program provide sheltering at bus stops. Additionally, Mayor Pro Tem Willis will work with staff to develop a resolution outlining a Communications policy for the City which will outline what advertising and messaging are permissible on the infrastructure.

Councilmember Gumbs requested that Mr. Pressley provide a listing of the cities in which Creative Outdoor is currently operating.

Councilmember Rowell requested that the City Manager provide an update regarding how the Comcast Smart Technology program will interact with this program.

3. South Fulton Beautification Project – Communications and External Affairs

Minutes:

Gary Leftwich and Sheena Screen with the Department of Communications and External Affairs presented the South Fulton Beautification Project.

The Council conducted a question and answer period.

Mayor Edwards requested that this project coordinate with the planned Citywide Cleanup Day.

Mayor Pro Tem Willis requested that staff reengage with the organizations that adopted roads for clean up purposes across the City.

Councilmember khalid requested that staff provide as much advance notification as possible to the public for the Bulk Trash Day.

IV. Monthly Reports

4. Monthly Report - Finance Director

Minutes:

Report presented by Interim Finance Director, Nina Robinson.

Ms. Robinson will provide an updated report regarding business license revenue.

5. Monthly Report - City Manager

Minutes:

Report presented by City Manager, Tammi Saddler Jones.

6. Monthly Report - City Attorney

Minutes:

The new City Attorney, Vincent Hyman, was introduced. Attorney Hyman indicated his report involves real estate and litigation which would be more appropriate for Executive Session.

V. 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

Minutes:

No Executive Session was conducted.

VI. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion (Adjourn): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Gumbs

[Motion Approved]

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

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Not Voting: 2 Baker, khalid

Minutes:

A motion was made to adjourn the Work Session at 5:28 PM.

The motion was approved 5-0-2. Councilmembers khalid and Baker did not vote.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Corey E. Adams, Sr.', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Corey E. Adams, Sr., City Clerk
