

# **CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA**

**City Council Work Session**

**City Hall**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026, 4:00 PM**



## **City Council Work Session Minutes**

### **I. Meeting Called to Order - Mayor Gumbs**

**Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.**

### **II. Roll Call - Corey Adams, City Clerk**

**Present: Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs  
Councilmember Catherine F. Rowell  
Councilmember Aaron V. Johnson  
Councilmember Helen Z. Willis  
Councilmember Jacey Sebastian  
Councilmember Keosha B. Bell  
Councilmember Linda B. Pritchett  
Councilmember Natasha Williams-Brown**

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

### **III. City Manager Items**

**A. State of the City Administration Presentation presented by Sharon D. Subadan, City Manager**

**Presented by Mrs. Sharon D. Subadan, City Manager.**

### **IV. Presentations**

**A. 2026 State Legislative Agenda - Andrew Long, A.R. Long and Company**

**Presented by Mr. Andrew Long, A.R. Long and Company.**

**2026 Legislative Agenda:**

**I. Development Authority Independence**

- II. **Establish South Fulton Senate Delegation**
- III. **Squatters Loophole Legislative Fix**
- IV. **Recidivism Resources for the City**
- V. **Trucking Restrictions**
- VI. **Camelot Crisis – State of Emergency**
- VII. **Charter Amendment – City Judges to be Full Time**
- VIII. **Charter Amendment – Mayor Pro-Tem Salary**
- IX. **Charter Amendment – Clarification of Roles**
- X. **Charter Amendment – Powers of the City Manager**
- XI. **Constitutional Amendment – Hospital Definition**
- XII. **Strengthen Candidate Residency Requirements**

**A motion was made to HOLD the Legislative Agenda Item Development Authority Independence. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (HOLD): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Rowell

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett

Nay: 0 None

Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda: Establish South Fulton Senate Delegation. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Willis

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett

Nay: 0 None

Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda Squatters Loophole Legislative Fix. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis

Second: Councilmember Bell

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda Recidivism Resources for the City. The motion was approved, 6-1.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Bell

Second: Councilmember Sebastian

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 6 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown  
Nay: 1 Councilmember Pritchett  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda Trucking Restrictions. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Willis

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda, Camelot Crisis- State of Emergency. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Bell

Second: Councilmember Sebastian

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda Charter Amendment — City Judges to be Full-Time. The motion was approved, 5-2.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis  
Second: Councilmember Rowell  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 5 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Williams-Brown

Nay: 2 Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Pritchett

Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to HOLD the Legislative Agenda, Mayor Pro Tem Salary. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (HOLD): Councilmember Pritchett  
Second: Councilmember Johnson  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett

Nay: 0 None

Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda Charter Amendment — Clarification of Roles. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Williams-Brown  
Second: Councilmember Sebastian  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett

Nay: 0 None

Abstain: 0 None

Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to HOLD the Legislative Agenda Charter Amendment — Powers of the City Manager. The motion was approved, 6-1.**

Motion (HOLD): Councilmember Sebastian  
Second: Councilmember Rowell  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 6 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis,  
Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-  
Brown  
Nay: 1 Councilmember Pritchett  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City  
Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda, Hospital Definition. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember  
Sebastian  
Second: Councilmember Johnson  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis,  
Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-  
Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City  
Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda, Strengthen Candidate Residency Requirements. The motion was approved, 6-1.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Sebastian  
Second: Councilmember Rowell  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 6 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis,  
Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-  
Brown  
Nay: 1 Councilmember Pritchett  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City  
Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to accept the Legislative Agenda, Ambulance and EMS Priority Transport License. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Willis  
Second: Councilmember Rowell  
(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**A motion was made to approve the Legislative Agenda Packet as amended. The motion was approved, 7-0.**

Motion (Approve): Councilmember Rowell

Second: Councilmember Bell

(Motion Passed)

Yea: 7 Councilmember Rowell, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Willis, Councilmember Sebastian, Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Williams-Brown, Councilmember Pritchett  
Nay: 0 None  
Abstain: 0 None  
Not Voting: 3 Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs, Assistant City Attorney Sara Kelly, City Manager Sharon Subadan

**V. Adjournment of Meeting**

**Chair Mayor Carmalitha Gumbs adjourned the work session meeting at 5:56 PM.**