

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SECOND REGULAR MEETING**

September 17, 2025
10:00 AM



Fulton County Government Center
Assembly Hall
141 Pryor Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303



MINUTES-RATIFIED

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Ratification Date: October 15, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts **10:02 a.m.**

ROLL CALL: Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)	PRESENT
Bridget Thorne, Commissioner (District 1)	PRESENT
Bob Ellis, Vice-Chairman (District 2)	PRESENT
Dana Barrett, Commissioner (District 3)	PRESENT
Mo Ivory, Commissioner (District 4)	PRESENT
Marvin S. Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5)	PRESENT
Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner (District 6)	PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Donald E. Bolton, County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

In light of the assassination of Charlie Kirk, Commissioner Thorne asked for a moment of silence condemning political violence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE SWITCH ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES (CELL PHONES, PAGERS, PDAs, ETC.) TO THE SILENT POSITION DURING THIS MEETING TO AVOID INTERRUPTIONS.

IF YOU NEED REASONABLE MODIFICATIONS DUE TO A DISABILITY, INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS IN AN ALTERNATE FORMAT PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE COMMISSION. FOR TDD/TTY OR GEORGIA RELAY SERVICE ACCESS DIAL 711.

CONSENT AGENDA**25-0651 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the Consent Agenda - All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Second Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. **(ADOPTED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

25-0652 Board of Commissioners

Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes. **(SPREAD ON THE MINUTES UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Proclamation recognizing "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month." **(Ellis)**
Month of September

Proclamation recognizing "Raj Nichani and the RMN Agency Appreciation Day."
(Pitts)
September 10, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Cassandra Ernestine Marion Wright Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman)
September 10, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Roy William Bill Ide, III Remembrance Day." **(Arrington)**
September 11, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Dr. Booker T. Poe Remembrance Day." **(Arrington)**
September 13, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "The Links Azalea City Chapter Appreciation Day."
(Ivory)
September 14, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "The Renfrew Center Appreciation Day." **(Ellis)**
September 18, 2025

Commissioners' District Board Appointments**25-0653 Board of Commissioners
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF FULTON COUNTY (APPROVED UPON
ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

At the Special Call Meeting, May 30, 1973, the Board of Commissioners appointed seven (7) members to serve on this Authority. In 1992, two more members were added to this board bringing the total to nine (9) members appointed by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County. Historically, each Commissioner has appointed one person to serve on this board. In addition, two persons are appointed and confirmed by the full Board of Commissioners.

Term = 4 years staggered

Term below expired: 5/31/2025

Alvin L. Kendall (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Alvin L. Kendall for a District reappointment to a term ending May 31, 2029.

**25-0654 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY HIV/AIDS PREVENTION, CARE AND POLICY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Twenty (20) members. Each Commissioner shall appoint two members each (14 members) and (6 six) at-large positions with nominees recommended by the Advisory Committee and appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Such appointees shall be residents of, or work in Fulton County, and shall have experience or expertise in public health, HIV prevention and/or care, or be otherwise deemed qualified to serve as an advisory committee member. The Advisory Committee has the discretion to create subcommittees to assist it with the assigned tasks. Appointees to the Advisory Committee shall serve three-year terms at the discretion of the appointing Commissioner, and members may continue to serve beyond his/her term until a successor is appointed.

Term = 3 Years

Term below expired: 6/7/2020

Nicole Roebuck (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Nicole Roebuck for a District reappointment to a term ending June 7, 2026.

Open & Responsible Government**25-0655 Finance**

Ratification of August 2025 Grants Activity Report. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0656 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1259516C-JH, Hazardous Waste Disposal Services in the total amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 with Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. (Norwell, MA), to provide hazardous waste disposal services on an as-needed basis for Fulton County. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0657 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24ITB143875C-JNJ, Countywide Spot Cooler and Heat Pump Rental in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 with Spot Coolers, a division of Carrier Rental Systems, Inc. (Boca Raton, FL), to provide on-site portable air-cooled spot coolers and heat pump rental units with the necessary accessories for set-up on an "as needed" emergency basis for designated Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0658 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138800C-MH, Scrap Metal Removal with M&M Waste Inc. (Atlanta, GA), to provide scrap metal recycling services for Fulton County facilities. This is a revenue generating contract. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0659 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138872C-JNJ, Towing and Wrecker Services for the County Fleet in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00, with CSS Transportation, Inc. (Smyrna, GA), to provide towing and wrecker services for Fulton County fleet. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0660 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB071323C-MH, Septic Tank and Grease Trap Maintenance Services Countywide in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 with Darling Ingredients, Inc. (Atlanta, GA), to provide septic tank and grease trap maintenance services on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0661 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1352959C-JH, Uniforms and Related Accessories in the total amount not to exceed \$77,000.00 with Safeguard Printing & Promotional Products, Inc. (Johns Creek, GA), to provide uniforms and related accessories for the assigned employees and staff of the Department of Real Estate and Asset Management. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0662 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24ITB1358450C-JNJ, HVAC Water Treatment in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, with BenCon Enterprises, Inc. dba Superior Water Services (Marietta, GA), to provide water treatment services for HVAC chilled water systems in forty-seven (47) Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0663 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24ITB143401C-JNJ, Electronic Equipment Recycling Services with Novus Solutions, LLC (Marietta, GA), to provide pick-up of all salvaged computers and electronic equipment and deliver them to an approved and licensed recycling facility for Fulton County. This is a revenue generating contract. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0664 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITBC1368307C-JNJ, HVAC Equipment and Parts in the total amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 with Shelton Supply dba F. M. Shelton, Inc. (Atlanta, GA), to provide HVAC equipment and parts on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0665 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITBC1352939C-JH, Plumbing Supplies and Related Items in the total amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 with (A) Plumbing Distributors, Inc. (Lawrenceville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00; (B) Levonne Industries, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not exceed \$20,000.00; and (C) Equiparts Corp, (Oakmont, PA) in the amount not exceed \$20,000.00, to provide plumbing supplies and related items for Fulton County facilities on an "as needed" basis. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0666 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24ITBC143872C-JH, Janitorial Supplies and Equipment in the total amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 with (A) Atlantic Tape and Packaging (Peachtree City, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00; (B) Agni Enterprises, LLC, dba Head to Heels Safety Supplies (Miami Lakes, FL) in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00; and (C) Southeastern Paper Group, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, to provide janitorial supplies and equipment on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0667 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23RFP138765K-CRB, Standby Professional Services for Environmental Engineering & Testing Services in the total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 with (A) Atlas Technical Consultants, Inc (Duluth, GA), in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00; (B) Nova Engineering & Environmental, LLC (Kennesaw, GA), in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00; and (C) Oasis Consulting Services (Roswell, GA), in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, to provide standby environmental engineering and testing services on an “as needed task order assignment” basis for a variety of professional services projects in support of the Department of Real Estate and Asset Management. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0668 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1319085C-JNJ, Locks, Doors and Hardware Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 with (A) Overhead Door Company of Atlanta dba DH Pace Company, Inc. (Peachtree Corners, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 and (B) Acme Security, Inc. (Smyrna, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, to provide on-site locksmith services to include the installation of new locks and door hardware as required and to supply lock and door hardware on an “as needed” basis” for Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0669 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 4,985 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from PPF Industrial Mason Road, LLC, owner, for the purpose of constructing the QuickTrip No. 1770 Project at 5195 Mason Road, Union City, Georgia 30349. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0670 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 3,333 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Antaeus, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the QuickTrip No. 1770 Project at 5195 Mason Road, Union City, Georgia 30349. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0671 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of an Indemnification, Maintenance, and Land Use Agreement for Private Improvement (Indemnification Agreement) between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and McDonald Westlake Partners, LP for the purpose of granting conditional approval to allow stormwater infrastructure to remain within a portion of the County's existing sanitary sewer easement at 5940 Plummer Road, South Fulton, Georgia 30336. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0672 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of an Indemnification, Maintenance, and Land Use Agreement for Private Improvement (Indemnification Agreement) between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and Stonecutter Plummer Holdings, LLC for the purpose of granting conditional approval to allow stormwater infrastructure to remain within a portion of the County's existing sanitary sewer easement at 5950 Plummer Road, South Fulton, Georgia 30336. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0673 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of an Indemnification, Maintenance, and Land Use Agreement for Private Improvement (Indemnification Agreement) between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and JBGL Atlanta Development 2014, LLC for the purpose of granting conditional approval to allow stormwater infrastructure to remain within a portion of the County's existing sanitary sewer easement at 2325 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0674 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of an Indemnification, Maintenance, and Land Use Agreement for Private Improvement (Indemnification Agreement) between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and Northwinds Parkway Office, LLC and Greenstone Parkway 400 LLLP for the purpose of granting conditional approval to allow stormwater infrastructure to remain within a portion of the County's existing water line easement area at 0 Amber Park Drive, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0675 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Easement Dedication of 5,825 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Cheryl J. Vecchione, and Cheryl J. Vecchione, James. R. Vecchione, Andrew J. Vecchione, as heirs of the ESTATE of ARCHANGELO J. VECCHIONE., individuals, for the purpose of constructing the Bentgrass Farms Project at 315 Crabapple Court, Milton, Georgia 30004. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services**25-0676 Public Works**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 24ITBC1331463A-KM, Jetter Parts in an amount not to exceed \$74,232.84 with P & H Supply Co. Inc, (Baton Rouge, LA) to provide Jetter parts. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0677 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 24ITB1302727A-KM, South Fulton Maintenance & Operations Center Demonstration Garden in an amount not to exceed \$21,422.34 with Crabapple Turf Management, Inc. dba Crabapple LandscapEXPERTS (Alpharetta, GA), to provide landscape maintenance services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0678 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 23ITB08012023A-JWT, Water Quality Monitoring in the amount of \$129,254.00 with Integrated Science Engineering, Inc. (Newman, GA), to provide water quality monitoring services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0679 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 23ITB08232023A-JWT, Emergency Sewage Cleanup Services in the amount of \$101,349.40 with Above All Cleaning & Restoration, LLC (Tucker, GA), to provide emergency sewage cleanup services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0680 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Public Works Department, 24ITBC1298468A-KM, Fire Hydrants and Parts in an amount not to exceed \$39,891.00 with Core and Main, LP (Athens, GA), to provide fire hydrants and parts. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0681 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 24RFP140569K-DB, MS4 NPDES Permit Management Oversight and Administration in an amount not to exceed \$64,422.00 with River to Tap, Inc. (R2T) (Roswell, GA), to provide management, oversight, and administration services for the MS4 NPDES required Storm Water Management Program within the unincorporated area of Fulton County on a time and materials basis. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

SECOND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**25-0682 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the Second Regular Meeting Agenda. **(ADOPTED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to adopt the Second Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by revising items #25-0709 as requested by the County Manager, #25-0648 as requested by Commissioner Ivory; and moving up item #25-0721. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, and Ivory

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0683 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

Second Regular Meeting Minutes, August 20, 2025

First Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, September 3, 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to ratify the meeting minutes. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

25-0684 Board of Commissioners

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. **(PRESENTED)**

Proclamation recognizing "Constitution Day 2025."
(Thorne/Ellis/Pitts/Barrett/Ivory/Abdur-Rahman)

Proclamation recognizing "Fulco Learning Appreciation Day." **(Ivory/BOC)**

PUBLIC HEARINGS**25-0685 Board of Commissioners**

Public Comment - Citizens are allowed to voice County related opinions, concerns, requests, etc. during the Public Comment portion of the Commission meeting.

Priority for public comment will be given to Fulton County citizens and those individuals representing businesses or organizations located within Fulton County, including their employees, whether such persons are commenting in-person, via Zoom or other electronic media (i.e., phone call). Non-Fulton County citizens will only be heard after all in-person Fulton County citizens, representatives of business and organizations located within Fulton County, including their employees, have been heard and the time allotted for public comment has not expired, except as otherwise provided in this code section. County staff shall verify the residency of each public speaker prior to such person being heard by the board. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each. Members of the public will not be allowed to yield or donate time to other speakers. The Public Comment portion of the meeting will not exceed sixty (60) minutes at the First Regular Meeting, nor will this portion exceed sixty (60) minutes at the Second Regular Meeting. In the event the 60-minute time limit is reached prior to public comments being completed, public comment will be suspended and the business portion of the BOC meeting will commence. Public comment will resume at the end of the meeting. For more information or to arrange a speaking date, contact the Clerk's Office. **(CONDUCTED)**

7 Speakers: Howards Simmons (Board of Equalization Stipends), Althea Brown (Artist Film Talk), Theodore Robinson (Sherriff/Fulton County Jail); L.A. Pink (Sherriff/Fulton County Jail); Shirley Coleman (Sadie G Mays); Gerri Cooper (Sadie G Mays); Maria Gaudio (BRE Appointment)

3 Zoom Speakers: Kevin Muldowney (BRE Appointment); Matt Rowenczak (BRE Appointment); Robby Caban (Lifeline Animal Services)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RENEWAL ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****25-0686 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Bid #24ITB143254C-JH, Mail Services Operation in the amount not to exceed \$373,883.76 with Moore Partners, Inc., dba More Business Solutions (Peachtree Corners, GA), to provide mail services countywide. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0687 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138778C-MH, Boiler Inspection and Preventive Maintenance Services in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, with Daikin Applied Americas, Inc. (Marietta, GA), to provide on-site boiler inspection and preventive maintenance services within Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0688 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138287C-JNJ, Asphalt/Concrete Pavement Maintenance and Repair Services in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 with Complete Contacting Partners Services, LLC (Powder Springs, GA), to provide asphalt/concrete pavement maintenance and repair services on an “as needed” basis for Fulton County. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0689 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23RFP138825K-CRB, Standby Landscape Design and Installation Countywide, in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 with Mariani Enterprises, LLC dba Ed Castro Landscape (Roswell, GA), to provide professional landscape design and installation services along with installation of irrigation systems for County facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0690 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138304C-JNJ, Standby Fencing Installation and Repair in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 with Osborne & Witt, Inc. dba Allied Fence Company (Mableton, GA), to provide standby fencing installation and repair on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0691 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB073123C-MH, Elevator and Escalator Maintenance Services in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, with Mowrey Elevator Company of Florida, Inc. (Marianna, FL), to provide full on-site preventive maintenance services for approximately 75 types of passenger and freight elevators on an “as-needed” basis for Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0692 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP092624C-MH, Bus and Shuttle Services in the amount not to exceed \$1,045,000.00 with MTI Limo and Shuttle Services, Inc. (College Park, GA), to provide bus and shuttle services for Fulton County employees and jurors. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

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Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0693 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP143594C-JNJ, Landfill Post Closure Services in the amount not to exceed \$650,000.00 with Atlantic Coast Consulting, Inc. (Roswell, GA), to provide landfill post closure services at the Merk Miles Landfill located at 3225 Merk Rd, City of South Fulton, GA and the Morgan Falls Landfill located at 470 Morgan Falls Rd NE, Sandy Springs, GA. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

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Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0694 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB110923C-GS, HVAC On Call Maintenance Services Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00 with (A) Mechanical Services, Inc. (Hapeville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; (B) Trane U.S., Inc. (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$350,000.00; (C) 5 Seasons Mechanical LLC (Norcross, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00; and (D) JR Hobbs Co. - Atlanta, LLC (Lawrenceville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, to provide standby on-site HVAC on call maintenance services of air conditioning systems on an "as needed" basis for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0695 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Bid #24ITB1312273C-GS, Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling Services Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$1,717,000.00 with: (A) Latham Home Sanitation Company, Inc. (Loganville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$672,000.00, to provide both 95-gallon containers for single stream recycling services and 95-gallons for solid waste disposal services for Fulton County Libraries; (B) Georgia Waste Systems, LLC dba Waste Management (Smyrna, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$540,000.00, to provide 8-yard front loader for solid waste disposal services; (C) Arrow, Inc. dba Arrow Waste (Conley, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$480,000.00, to provide open top and compactors for solid waste services; and (D) Carter 1 Enterprises, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, to provide shredding and disposal of materials services for Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0696 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138804C-GS, Electrical on Call Maintenance Services Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$375,000.00, with (A) Capital City Electrical Services, LLC (Norcross, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$165,000.00; (B) ALL-N-1 Security Services, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$160,000.00; and (C) Electrify Atlanta, LLC (Roswell, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, to provide standby on-site electrical on-call maintenance services on an "as needed" basis for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0697 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23RFP138733K-BKJ, Standby Professional Services for Facilities Related Planning, Design, Engineering and Assessments - Architectural and Engineering Services, in the total amount not to exceed \$1,600,000.00 with (A) Sizemore Group, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; (B) KHAFRA Engineering Consultants, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; (C) Heery + Russell, a joint venture (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; and (D) WSP USA Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. (Kennesaw, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, to provide standby professional services for facilities related design, engineering and assessments in the areas of architecture and engineering services on an as-needed task order assignment basis for a variety of capital projects in support of the Department of Real Estate and Asset Management. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0698 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23RFP138735K-DB, Standby Professional Services for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Fire Protection, in the total amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 with (A) WSP USA Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. (Kennesaw, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00; (B) Axis Infrastructure, LLC (Roswell, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, (C) Johnson, Spellman & Associates, Inc. (Peachtree Corners, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00; and (D) Wiley/Wilson (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, and (E) Foresite Group, LLC (Peachtree Corners, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 to provide standby professional services for facilities related design, engineering and assessments in the areas of mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection on an "as needed-task assignment" basis. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0699 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1336430C-JH, On-Site Door Repair and Overhead Door Preventive and Predictive Maintenance Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 with (A) Overhead Door Company of Atlanta, dba D.H. Pace Company, Inc., (Peachtree Corners, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$195,000.00 and (B) Piedmont Door Automation, LLC (Dawsonville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$105,000.00, to provide standby on-site door repair and preventive and predictive maintenance services on an "as needed" basis for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

(APPROVED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0700 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23RFP138801C-JNJ, Standby Emergency Repair and Restoration Services in the total amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 with (A) Complete Contracting Partners, LLC (Powder Springs, GA), in the amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00; and (B) Cotton Commercial USA, Inc. dba Full Circle Restoration (Duluth, GA), in the amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, to provide standby emergency repair and restoration services for Fulton County facilities on an "as-needed" basis. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0701 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24ITB0617C-MH, Standby Plumbing Repair Services Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 with (A) J2 Connect, Inc. (McDonough, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 and (B) B & W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (Lawrenceville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, to provide standby on-site plumbing repair services on an “as needed” basis for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0702 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1315442C-JNJ, Preventive and Predictive Maintenance Services for Chillers in the total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00 with (A) Daikin Applied Americas Inc. (Minneapolis, MN) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; (B) Mechanical Services, Inc. (Marietta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; and (C) Mallory & Evans (Scottsdale, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, to provide standby on-site preventive and predictive maintenance services for chillers on an “as needed” basis for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0703 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138805C-GS, Carpet, Carpet Installation and Repair Services Countywide in the total amount not to exceed \$345,000.00, with (A) G.S.A.T. Restoration, Inc. dba Paul Davis of North Atlanta (Norcross, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00; (B) HPI Floor, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$125,000.00; and (C) Brad Construction Company II (Fayetteville, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$145,000.00, to provide carpet, carpet tile installation and repair services on an "as-needed" basis for Countywide facilities. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

(APPROVED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0704 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138741K-JAJ, Task Order Contract for Minor Construction in the total amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.00 with (A) Brad Construction Company II, LLC (Fayetteville, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00; (B) Hawk Construction Company, LLC (Ellenwood, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00; (C) Complete Contracting Partners, LLC (Powder Springs, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00; (D) Rubio and Sons Interior, Inc. (Hoschton, GA), in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00; and (E) Osprey Management, LLC (Marietta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00, to provide standby repair, alteration, modernization, maintenance, and rehabilitation construction services. This action exercises the second of three renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

Health and Human Services

25-0705 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 24ITB230702A-BKJ, Valve Assessment in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00 with Pure Technologies U.S., Inc. d/b/a Wachs Water Services (Buffalo Grove, IL) to provide valve condition assessment services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

Justice and Safety

25-0706 Superior Court Administration

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Superior Court Administration, 23RFP476577A-KM, Legal Services for Fulton Courts Justice Resource Center in an amount not to exceed \$205,380.00 with Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc., (Atlanta, GA) to provide legal assistance and services to citizens. This exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve items #25-0686 through #25-0701; and items #25-0703 through #25-0706. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

25-0707 County Manager

Presentation of the Fulton County Operational Report. **(PRESENTED)**

25-0708 Finance

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Finance Department, 25RFPDENT052325C-MH, Employee Healthcare Benefit Plan - Dental with Aetna Life Insurance Company (Atlanta, GA) to administer: [1] Dental PPO (DPPO) Plan on a self-funded basis and [2] Dental HMO (DHMO) Plan on an insured basis, to eligible employees, retirees, beneficiaries and their covered dependents. Effective date: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026 with four renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0709 Finance

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Finance Department, 25RFPMAPD052325C-MH, Employee Healthcare Benefit Plan- MAPD with ~~Humana Insurance Company Inc.~~ EmpheSys Insurance Company, a Humana affiliate (Atlanta, GA) to administer: (1) Basic Medicare Advantage Plan and (2) Enhanced Medicare Advantage Plan to provide medical and pharmacy benefits as a fully insured option to Medicare eligible retirees/beneficiaries and dependents. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, with four renewal options. **(APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0710 Finance

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Finance Department, 24RFP050124C-MH, Employee Healthcare Benefits Plans with (A) Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield (Atlanta, GA) to administer the self-insured Point of Service (POS), Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), HMO Medicare, Medicare Indemnity and PPO Plus (Closed) Plans and Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP) including pharmacy for all self-insured active and under 65 plans; and including a fully-insured pharmacy for all over 65 (Medicare eligible) plans; (B) Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (MetLife) to administer the Health Savings Account (HSA); (C) Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (Superior Vision) to administer self-insured vision benefits; and, (D) Kaiser Permanente (Atlanta, GA) to administer the fully insured HMO Plan to provide Medical and Pharmacy coverage for eligible active employees, retirees (Under 65 and Over 65 (Kaiser Senior Advantage), beneficiaries and covered dependents. Effective date: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, with three renewal options remaining. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0711 Finance

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Finance Department, 21RFP071321C-MH, Voluntary Worksite Benefits with (A) Continental American Insurance Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aflac Incorporated to provide Accident Insurance; Critical Illness Insurance; Hospital Indemnity Insurance; Whole Life with Long Term Care Rider for both high and low tiers of coverage and Flexible Spending Accounts (Ameriflex Administrator): Commuter/Transit, Dependent Care, Limited Purpose & Traditional Health; (B) Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. dba LegalShield to provide Identity Theft Protection for both high and low tiers of coverage; and, (C) Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to provide Short-term Disability Insurance & Legal Plans for both high and low tiers of coverage. Voluntary Benefit Plan Premiums/Contributions 100% employee paid. This action exercises the fourth of four renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0712 Finance

Request approval of 2026 premium rates for the Medical and Pharmacy, Dental and Vision Plans effective January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

(APPROVED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0713 Finance

Request approval of Parity Bond Resolution to provide for the issuance of Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding bonds (Series 2025), to provide resources to refund the existing 2013 Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding bonds and authorize preparation and delivery of relevant documents and actions, and for other purposes. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0714 Human Resources Management

Request approval to modify the classification section of the Classification and Compensation plan by changing the salary grade for the existing title of E911 Systems Support Technician from grade 17 to grade 18. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0715 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to increase spending authority - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP103124C-MH, General Landscaping and Lawn Care Services for Countywide Facilities in an amount not to exceed \$227,884.62 with ReIMAGE General Contractors, LLC (Atlanta, GA), to cover the costs to provide additional on-site landscaping/ground maintenance and lawn care services at 16 designated County sites. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0716 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to increase spending authority - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP092624C-MH, Bus and Shuttle Services in the total amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 with MTI Limo and Shuttle Services, Inc. (College Park, GA), to cover the additional annual expenses associated with an increase in bus and shuttle services supporting various initiatives and events sponsored by County agencies. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

25-0717 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidders - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB1406667C-JNJ, Maintenance and Testing of Fire Intrusion Alarm Systems in the total amount not to exceed \$225,000.00 with (A) Acom Integrated Solutions (Stockbridge, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; and (B) Twelve & Associates, Inc. (Marietta, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, to provide on-site maintenance and testing of fire-intrusion alarm systems annually or on "as-needed" basis for Fulton County facilities. Effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

Health and Human Services**25-0718 Public Works**

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Department of Public Works, Sourcewell-GapVax Contract # 101221-GPV, MC1312-3S3X, Combination Jet/Vac Truck in the amount not to exceed \$654,797.09 with Aquip, LLC (Rock Hill, SC), to provide the cleaning and maintaining of sewer lines, storm drains, and pipelines. This is a one-time procurement. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

Did Not Vote: Ivory

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**25-0648 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for the department of Arts and Culture in the amount of \$1,700,000.00, based on current underruns in the County's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory/Barrett/Arrington)**
(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 9/3/25) (WITHDRAWN)

ITEM WITHDRAWN AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER IVORY**25-0719 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for Magistrate Court by \$178,000.00 based on current underruns in the County's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory/Barrett/Arrington) (MOTION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED FAILED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve with a friendly amendment by Commissioner Barrett to clarify \$611,939.00 be added as a recurring expense the 2026 budget. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, and Ellis

Absent: Thorne

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

25-0720 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for the office of the Public Defender, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, by \$1,428,000.00, based on current underruns in the County's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory/Barrett/Arrington)**
(MOTION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED FAILED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Ivory to approve with a friendly amendment by Commissioner Barrett to clarify \$4,897,313.00 be added as a recurring expense the 2026 budget. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, and Ellis

Absent: Thorne

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

25-0721 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County’s current budget to increase the departmental budget for the department of Arts and Culture based on current underruns in the County’s overall Fiscal Year 2025 budget; to direct identification of a recurring funding source to support funding the department of Arts and Culture at \$3,000,000.00 in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget; and for other purposes. **(Abdur-Rahman/Arrington/Thorne/Ellis) (APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

ITEM HEARD AFTER #25-0685 (PUBLIC COMMENT)

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve as amended that expenditures, which relate to the Jail Consent Decree or which emerge as a part of the normal budget sounding process, are not considered enhancements as it pertains to this Resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to amend the Resolution striking the language in lines 72 and 73 (BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners will consider no further funding enhancements to any department for fiscal year 2025). The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to call the question. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Pitts

25-0722 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 101 (General Provisions and County Governing Authority), Article II (County Governing Authority), Division 2 (Rules of Order and Procedure), Section 101-63 (Presiding Officer and Rules for Debate) of the Fulton County Code of Ordinances; and for other purposes. **(Pitts) (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Vice-Chairman Ellis, to approve. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Absent: Thorne

25-0723 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution designating certain days in December 2025 and January 2026 as Administrative Holidays for Fulton County. **(Pitts) (APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Vice-Chairman Ellis, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

EXECUTIVE SESSION

25-0724 Board of Commissioners

Executive **(CLOSED)** Sessions regarding litigation **(County Attorney)**, real estate **(County Manager)**, and personnel **(Pitts)**. **(APPROVED)**

PRESENT IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE, AND PERSONNEL: Chairman Pitts, Vice-Chairman Ellis, Commissioners: Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman; Monitor Kathy Kenney (virtual); County Manager Dick Anderson; County Attorney Y. Soo Jo; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier. Commissioner Thorne was absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Thorne

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S
SECOND REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025
10:00 A.M.

Alexander Solution, LLC
“A Court Reporting Firm”

(Whereupon, the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Good morning, everyone, and welcome to the Second Regular meeting of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Today is Wednesday, September 17th; it is 10:02 a.m. Madam Clerk, please, call the roll."

CLERK GRIER: "Chairman Robb Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Bridget Thorne."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Vice Chairman Bob Ellis."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Dana Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Mo Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr. Commissioner Khadijah Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Chairman, you have a quorum."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you,. Please rise for the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance."

(Whereupon, the invocation was given by Reverend Donald E. Bolton followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Chairman Pitts, I would like to take a personal privilege, in light of what happened, the assassination of Charlie Kirk. I just want to know, as a County, we condemned any political violence, and I would just like to take a moment of silence."

(Whereupon, a moment of silence was observed for Charlie Kirk.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- well actually before we began, first of all, Commissioners, we have a hard stop at 1o'clock today. Let me repeat, a hard stop at 1o'clock, because the couple of you have asked to have a report in Executive Session from the monitor, so she will be available at 1o'clock. We'll be paying her for that because it's not in her job description, but she'll be available at 1o'clock. So there'll be a hard stop at 1:00. Number two; we had a very successful growing for the pilot childcare program for employees where we selected 100 participants. And what else; there's something else I want to talk about. Oh, budget wise: we have 126 days before we begin discussion of the budget for '26 and an assumed millage rate, so let's be mindful of -- actually because they will have some implications for '26. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 2, Consent Agenda, **25-0651**, Adoption of the Consent Agenda: All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Second Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Nothing? All right, Commissioners are there any items on the Consent Agenda"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "If not, motion to adopt by Commissioner Barrett; seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes: six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 9, Second Regular Meeting Agenda, **25-0682**, Adoption of the Second Regular Meeting Agenda: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, I have two revisions on today's Second Regular Meeting Agenda. On page 16, 25-0709 Finance. This item has been revised to amend the vendors' name: Request approval of a recommended proposal for employee healthcare benefit plan. The vendor name should be Emphasis Insurance Company. On page 18, 25-0648, Commissioner Ivory has requested to revise her item to amend the requested action: Request approval of a Resolution to increase the departmental budget for the Department of Arts and Culture in the amount of \$1,700,000, and to establish a recurring annual investment of

\$3,000,000 into the Department of Arts and Culture beginning in 2026 and for other purposes, sponsored by Commissioners Ivory, Barrett, and Arrington."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Anything else?"

CLERK GRIER: "That's all I have."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I ask that item 25-0721 --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- what page?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "On page 19, to be moved up in the agenda after public comments. One of the actual signers of this cosponsor has to leave early. And so, I would ask that we move it up in order for her to be here for this Resolution that she is a cosponsor on."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "I second."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "I have a comment. I'm I being recognized?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. Just a minute. So what your request is that it be?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Moved up to after public comments --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- which item?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- 25-0721, one of the actual signers on this has to leave earlier."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So what page is it?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "That is page 19."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, any objections?"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I object, and I'd like to make a comment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Go ahead."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "This is Arts and Culture budget item for the \$1.7 million. And while Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's Resolution is almost line for line the same as mine, I was the original sponsor of this funding item in the past three meetings. After introducing it, I spoke with the County Manager about sustainability, and from that conversation prior to this meeting, I had already decided to amend my Resolution to

include recurring funds. I appreciate Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's sudden sense of -
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COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- point of order --"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "-- emergency, and I agree --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- just a minute, just a minute."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Point of order."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- just a minute, just a minute."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I'm speaking on the item."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. Just a minute. What's before us now is whether to allow her to move this item up or not. So we'll just take a vote on that."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "And that's what I'm thinking about."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. Just a minute. Just a minute. Just a minute."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Chairman, I would like to finish my point."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute, please, Commissioner Ivory. There's a request. Now, typically -- I'll say that if there's no objections, we vote."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I do have an objection to this."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. So if there's an objection, we'll take a vote of whether to move it up or not move it up now."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I would like to be recognized for my comments before we take the vote since I am objecting. I believe there are other objections as well, and so I would like to be heard on the item, and then I will finish my comments and we can vote."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory. Go ahead. We'll make a motion to move it up."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Finish your comments."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "While I appreciate Commissioner's Abdur-Rahman's immediate sense of urgency in the copying of my bill, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, and I'm flattered that she submitted an identical Resolution and now wants to move it up so it can be voted upon before mine; and I assure you, arts and culture

community I will vote for it, because that is what we need to do which is give you your money. She hasn't been willing to do that for the last three meetings. Her version also contains restrictive --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- point of order. Point of order."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. That's enough, Commissioner Ivory. All right, is there motion to move this up?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll entertain a motion to move it up. Is there a second?"

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, properly moved and seconded. The motion before us now is to move this item up after where?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "After public comments."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "After public comments. That's the motion. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open to move up item 0721. And the motion passes: four yeas, two nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, any other items -- any other issues with respect to today's agenda?"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0683**, Ratification of Minutes, Second Regular Meeting Minutes, August 20th, 2025; First Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, September 3rd, 2025."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to adopt by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman; seconded by Commissioner Thorne. All right, Madam Clerk. All right, motion to adopt by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman; seconded by Commissioner Thorne. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously."

CLERK GRIER: "25-0684, Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. The first proclamation is recognizing 'Constitution Day 2025' sponsored by Commissioners Thorne, Ellis, Pitts, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just one proclamation?"

CLERK GRIER: "Two."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Two. Okay."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Anybody who wants to come down and celebrate the Constitution with us is welcome to come down here and take a picture with us. The Constitution, we're a blessed place to live in the founding of our country on the Constitution. It's set up a unique experiment in the world. An experiment where we have three branches of government: the legislative, executive, and judicial branches, each with its own power and each with its own checks and balances. Its set up our freedoms, our freedom of speech, our freedom of religion, what seems to be under attack right now. We need to preserve our Constitution, and we need to remember it. People died and fought for our freedoms. Our freedoms are not free, so it's up to us to uphold the law of the land, the Constitution. Today is actually Constitution Day, September 17th. It gives me great honor to read this proclamation: WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America is foundational to our government and our rights as Americans; and WHEREAS, the Constitutional Convention convened in 1787 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for the purpose of clarifying the role and powers of the federal government of the United States; and WHEREAS, the framers of the Constitution began with an acknowledgment of 'We, the People', then laid out a system of three branches of government and a system of checks and balances; and WHEREAS on September 17th, 1787, the Constitution was signed by 39 delegates to the Constitutional Convention; and WHEREAS, upon exiting the Constitutional Convention, Benjamin Franklin was approached by a group of citizens asking what sort of government the delegates had created, and his answer was a Republic, if you can keep it; and WHEREAS, each year, September 17th is observed across the United States as Constitution Day celebrating the rights, granted to each citizen of this great nation. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the Constitution of the United States as the foundation of our government; expresses ongoing commitment to upholding the Constitution, and declares Wednesday, September 17th, 2025, as 'Constitution Day 2025' in Fulton County, Georgia."

RICHARD JORDAN, RECIPIENT: "Thank you, Commissioner Thorne. My name is Richard Jordan. I'm the Resolution Ambassador for the Georgia General Assembly. We launched the 09/17 Constitution Birthday Celebration back in 1996, and it's now been a document 123 counties in the State of Georgia and three other states outside of Georgia. There's 3,142 counties across the nation, and we hope to introduce this all across the nation. I had a few comments I wanted to make. As we've seen, the American Covenant is not one document, but a traceable chain of individual, church, and government agreements between the God of the Bible and the American people."

We believe the American covenant is fundamental for the successful rise of our Constitutional Republic. This past week tragic loss of a courageous true statesmen, Charlie Kirk, reminded me of a profound truth that he often repeated, when civil discourse ends in healthy debate of the issue cease, then violence seems to be stirred in the hearts of sinful men. We thank God for the cherished freedoms enumerated in our founding documents, especially the freedom of speech so very essential in public discourse in petitioning our government. Charlie said to always speak up in what you believe in, that is to exercise your freedom of speech. The 09/17 Constitution Birthday celebration is focused on defeating civic illiteracy and protecting the next generation of America's youth. So this is a nonpartisan movement taking place across this country. We welcome all of you, especially you families, to join in with us, even after this presentation's over with in the atrium; we have the Family Resolution, which can be adopted by your family, a patriotic organization within Fulton County. You can frame it, put on the wall of your home, you can take pictures, put it on your social media, making your statement that you are supporting the Georgia General Assembly Senate Resolution 529 to defeat civic illiteracy and protect the next generation of America's youth. So with that, I'll turn this back over."

MICHAEL GORDON, RECIPIENT: "My name is Michael Gordon and I'm a big fan of the Constitution. We are here today to honor and celebrate the birth of the U.S. Constitution, which occurred on this day 238 years ago in the year 1787. How then shall we honor and celebrate our Constitution? To answer this, let us consider what is our Constitution for? Fortunately, this question is answered clearly in the Preamble. We the People of the United States in order to form a more perfect union to establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and to secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America. It's beautiful, isn't it? They have it in a nutshell. This is what our Constitution is for, first and foremost, to form a more perfect union. But how can we do this with the left and the right at each other's throats? At first glance, these two factions seem to oppose each other every term. The left sees our problems as a result of government not doing things they should be doing and, therefore, their solution is always to empower government with more and more authority. And the right sees our problems as a result of government doing things they should not be doing and, therefore, their solution is always to reduce government authority. Fortunately, these factions do not necessarily -- do not really oppose each other, but rather they are two complementary sides of the same political coin. Furthermore, by treating left and right as opposites, we miss the real enemies of our Constitution, namely those who are against forming a more perfect union; who rely on the tactic of division to continually sow chaos and conflict between the left and the right in order to increase their control over the lives and resources of all. As the late and great Charlie Kirk has demonstrated again and again, the left and right should engage in meaningful discussions and debate under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, not in senseless attacks. This will allow for the discovery of a truly complementary relationship between left and right, regarding each issue, so the best ideas each side has to contribute will combine to make the whole greater than some the parts. However, we must never mistake -- make the mistake of treating unity and division as complements. To honor our Constitution, we can always work with those on the left and

the right who are committed to the purpose of unity. But it would be a mistake, to attempt unity with those who seek to divide, because unity and division are forever opposite and irreconcilable, and unity can never be achieved by division. To honor our Constitution, we must not only study and teach each other what it means, but we must also -- yes, use the Constitution for the purpose of unity in every concern. If both major parties can change how they see the other side from being irreconcilable opponents to being complementary partners, then our country and our Constitution will have a long and prosperous future. Therefore, it is this great potential of our Constitution to be the means of achieving a genuine harmony from a shared commitment to unity by both sides of the aisle that is worthy of celebration. Happy birthday, dear beautiful Constitution."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "As we close out, I feel it will be remiss if I did not make the following comment as someone who supported the Constitution, my forefather's fought for this Constitution. The Constitution is for everyone. The Constitution is for everyone, and what's important is we remember we're not always going to agree. Things are going to look differently to one person as it does to another, but we can respectfully disagree. It is not a flamethrower, it's not a reason to not support the Constitution, so I want to stand here as an American, as a Navy mom, as someone who is a part of civil rights, the Constitution is for all. Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing 'Fulco Learning Appreciation Day' sponsored by Commissioner Ivory with Full Board support."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Come on down. All right, everybody. WHEREAS, Fulton County Government has instituted its first fully functional learning management system that will help manage, deliver, and track employee training and development, something that's very important; WHEREAS the effort to ensure the seamless implementation and integration of the LMS, which is the learning management system, was spearheaded by Danny Parrish and Brenda Whitehead two 30 plus years employees within the Department of Human Resources Management and other members of employee development team in partnership with the IT department, the Department of Diversity and Civil Rights Compliance, and our vendor, Cornerstone; and WHEREAS, the implementation was completed ahead of schedule and the launch of the county's new learning management system in September 2025 will be known as Fulco Learning; and WHEREAS, Fulco Learning is a state-of-the-art training software platform that will empower every employee to be proactive about their learning and development, streamlined learning processes, help managers develop customizable learning tasks, assign trainings and monitor employee progress, make training more accessible than ever with more mobile friendly options as well, on-demand options, as well as on-demand options; and WHEREAS, Fulco Learning is designed to align with Fulton County's strategic objectives to enhance Fulton County's efficiency and impact by providing our employees with essential tools and knowledge to ensure superior service for our citizens and visitors. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County congratulates the Department of Human Resources Management, Diversity and Civic Rights Compliance and Information Technology for the successful implementation of Fulco learning, our new learning management system;

and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, September 17th, 2025, as 'Fulco Learning Appreciation Day' in Fulton County, Georgia. Thank you."

DANNY PARRISH, RECIPIENT: "Good morning and thank you, Danny Parrish here. I feel so old more than 30 years at the county; as a matter fact, 37 years at the county. I didn't think I would be here to see it happen, but I'm here and I'm grateful. It's been a long process. We started, I think, in November of last year. Many, many hours of training and meetings and those kinds of things, so we're so grateful that today is here, and I want to thank Brenda for taking the lead as she was the project manager on this, and so she kept us going. And so, we have a lot of people to say thank you to our Commissioners and to the County Manager, and Kenneth and Stacey, and our staff, and there has been the employment development team as well. So we've been working really, really on this, and so I know it's going to be a great experience for employees. So now you can go out there enroll yourself in the classes, check your transcriptions, get a notice if you didn't attend, your manager will get a notice as well that you didn't attend. So it's going to be a great, great experience for the county, and I'm so grateful for the employees to have this experience, thank you."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Thank you very much, Danny and team. You know, it's a very proud moment when you can stand up in front of the Board of Commissioners and the employee population and the citizens of Fulton County to be acknowledged for an accomplishment to this level, and I'll add one more thing, Commissioners. You know, our dedication to employee development does not stop just with the learning management system. Just this week, we had seven members -- well actually 11 employees in the county certified as coaches, seven of which were in the Department of Human Resource Management. If you're in the audience, please stand to be acknowledged for your coaching certification, if you earned it. And we're hoping again that departments leverage this, because just this morning I looked at a coaching agreement that was about \$40,000 just for one employee, but now, as these individuals hone their skillsets, probably in a year or two, we will be able to do that at no cost to the county -- additional cost to the county, so again, kudos to Danny and his team, kudos to the trainers and employees, please take advantage of all the employment development that we have to offer. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 10, Public Hearings, **25-0685**, Public Comment. Citizens wishing to participate in public comment will be allowed to appear in person or may choose to participate virtually via Zoom videoconferencing by registering on the county website www.fultoncountyga.gov. Priority for public comment will be given to Fulton County citizens and those individuals representing businesses or organizations located within Fulton County. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each. The public will not be allowed to yield or donate time to other speakers. The public comment portion of the meeting will not exceed 60 minutes. In the event the 60-minute time limit is reached prior to public comments being completed, public comment will be suspended and the

business portion of the BOC meeting will commence. Public comment will resume at the end of the meeting. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we will start with speakers here in Assembly Hall. We have received seven speaker cards. Would all seven speakers, please come forward: Howard Simmons, Althea Brown, Theodore Robinson, LA Pink, Gerri Cooper, Shirley Coleman, and Maria Gaudio.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, speakers, again, 15 seconds. I'll say 15 seconds, and you'll have 15 seconds remaining. It's 10:31, so we'll go until, if necessary, 11:31. First speaker."

HOWARD SIMMONS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "First of all, I thank the Commissioner for allowing us to speak on behalf -- I'm here as Howard Simmons. I'm here on behalf of the Board of Equalization for Fulton County who are composed of property owners and residence of Fulton County. I'm here speaking on behalf of the Board requesting that the Board of Commissioners consider raising the daily stipend that the Board is receiving at the rate of \$100 per month to \$200 per month. The basis of this request is based that it has been almost nine years since this Board has received an increase on its daily stipend for the work it performs. Fulton County is the lowest, by far, of any metro county compensating the members of the Board of Equalization. To be specific, DeKalb County receives \$160 per day, Gwinnett County receives \$240 per day, Cobb County is \$140, and Clayton is \$120. Again, Fulton County is lagging behind its metro partners. Secondly, last year, the Board of Equalization for Fulton County heard 45,632 property tax appeals. That is two and a half times the closest number --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- all right, 15 seconds."

HOWARD SIMMONS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- lastly, the budget of Fulton County is largely dependent upon the property tax base which is evaluated by the Board of Equalization."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you."

ALTHEA BROWN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, Chair and Commissioners. I am Althea Brown, a filmmaker, photographic artist, and the director of McPherson, a documentary. Thank you for your support in this project, for investing in artists, who create work that serves veterans, students, and wider community. This film takes the viewer inside the Civil War at the siege of Vicksburg from the perspective of the soldiers who were there. Every spoken word is drawn verbatim from 1860s diaries, letters, and official records. No invented dialogue. I use AI as a camera, not an author, to visualize what the record already says; keeping Major General James B. McPherson at the narrative center. Why does this matter here? Many in our community served at Fort McPherson, which was named for him. The film gives context to the names, leadership under pressure, duty to one's command, and it opens a door for veteran voices and classroom conversations about history, ethics, and service. I'm here to personally invite you to the screening and artists talk on Sunday, September 21st, 2025, at 1 o'clock in the Futures Lab. I'll walk the audience through the craft and the guardrails I used to keep the work historically faithful, plus a few funny outtakes that show why --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

ALTHEA BROWN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- human judgment still matters. Thank you again for helping artists turn archives into living stories for our country and county. I sincerely appreciate --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, ma'am. Thank you."

THEODORE ROBINSON, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, Commissioners. My name is Theodore Robinson. I'm one of the -- I'm a former Fulton County deputy sheriff. I left on my own volition. I had a good record. I have 25 years of law enforcement service. I started out in Washington, DC. I've worked in some tough places. I keep hearing that they're going to build a new jail, make it better, but buildings don't make an organization better. I was also stationed as a sailor in Quantico, Virginia with the Marines. The buildings there were built in 1917. I recently went by there and they're still standing. The foundation is strong. It's not the building; it's the people in the building. It's the integrity. It's a good work environment. It's not perfect. As an officer, I have escorted dignitaries, Mr. Mandela, many, many instances, but the Fulton County Sheriff Department was by far the worst working environment I'd ever been in. I didn't want to leave. I feel like I've disappointed my fellow workers, but after two years, I left a whole month of leave on the books, and as soon as I resigned, or put the letter in, I got a letter -- well, I got a notification that they would take the bonus that they gave me, so it was \$2,400. I said, okay, it's gone. And now I hear they're going to take another 8,000. You're not going to keep people like that. They can spend a billion, two billion -- you might as well ball it up and use it as an accelerant to light a fireplace. And I hate to say anything bad about anybody --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds, sir."

THEODORE ROBINSON, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Okay. I don't need the last five. Thank you."

LA PINK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "So as we continue to apply pressure to corruption, as you guys continue to talk about the building, but not the structure of the building, but not the structure of the person that's running the building, the leadership of this building. We need to continue to understand that until we get a new sheriff, the structure is going to continue to come down. But I want to educate the community because I wrote a letter to the governor, and I also wrote one to you guys, a complaint. And so, to show you how serious this matter is and where I'm taking it, because I need people that have been affected by this sheriff, by this leader that you guys are allowing to stay in, to understand that his assuery bond is now on the line. That if these people that have been wrongly hurt in this jail or have been wages taken have an opportunity to file on his assuery bond, and have it revoked -- him revoked. Because the last time you sit here, and the County Attorney can vouch for this, she said that that was only thing keeping him in office, and if it was revoked, then he was no longer going to be a sheriff. And so, that's the reason why the call of action on this assuery bond and on everyone's

assurety bond that is taking people through the same thing. See, we're finding out a new way to beat the system, since the system wants to hold you. I see why you all want to keep away Jill Allins. I see why you guys do not want those two Republicans back in office, some of you --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

LA PINK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- because if they come back in office, the corruption that is being taken up under the election will be exposed, and so, get ready because we coming for all of your assurety bonds that have corruption."

SHIRLEY HENDERSON COLEMAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "My name is Shirley Henderson Coleman. I'm the director of development and marketing at Sadie G. Mays Health and Rehab Center. We are here -- I'm here with our Executive Director, Ms. Gerri Cooper, to ask for additional support for Sadie G. Mays in view of recent cuts to Medicaid, as you all have all probably heard about. Just to give you a little refresher for those who may not be as familiar with Sadie Mays, it's an independent, nonprofit, skilled nursing facility, and we're located on Anderson Avenue right in Northwest Atlanta. We are for long-term nursing home care, short-term rehab with the physical therapy, speech therapy, and all that, respite care and hospice care. Our residents range in ages from 45 to 103 with an average age of 75. Our population is 98 percent African-American and two percent Caucasian. Eighty-six percent of our residents are on Medicaid. We have a long-term relationship with Fulton County. You all helped us establish ourselves when we were Happy Haven Nursing Home, and we were established in 1947. And you deeded us the old Battle Hill Sanatorium to house -- to provide the -- a suitable place for the sick, aged African-American and poor citizens of Fulton County. A contract was established to provide an annual grant to support our efforts, and in caring for these citizens in need, and we've been faithfully fulfilling that contract for 78 years. So although the costs have risen over the years, our contractual amount has not increased since the 1990s. So though our annual budget is \$16 million a year, Fulton County provides \$135,000 to us. And this is to care for an average of a hundred and forty citizens including room, board, medical care. We all know that --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

SHIRLEY HENDERSON COLEMAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- food has gone up astronomically, so have medications and salaries of nurses, CNAs. So we want to ask you to please review our annual grant. We would like for you to do the same thing you did --"

GERRI COOPER, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, my name is Gerri Cooper. I'm the new executive director at Sadie G. Mays. I'm so excited to be there, first of all, excited to be in front of you. As Shirley mentioned, Sadie G. Mays, we do phenomenal work. We take unfortunately underprivileged residents in the City of Fulton County and we provide the best quality care that we can for those residents. We're asking the Board of Commissioners to increase our funding so that we can continue to do that. We want to continue to provide quality care, and Sadie Mays is one of those locations that

residence can come, they can feel at home. We provide, as she said, rehabilitation services. We do a lot for our residents; and the cost of Medicaid that's our primary funding source is Medicaid. And as you know, we are seeing cuts. Currently the cost is \$290 per day. Medicaid only reimburses us \$240 per day, so that means we have a 50-dollar per day per resident downfall. So that, of course, will hurt us in the long run, so we are asking the Commissioners to please consider increasing our funding. You have been a wonderful partner since -- for over 78 years. So we really respect that. We appreciate that and most of all, we respect the commitment that you have to Sadie G. Mays, and we hope you continue that with additional funding. So thank you so much for your time. And most of you have been to Sadie Mays to visit the facility, so please feel free to come back again. We welcome you with open arms. Thank you."

MARIA GAUDIO, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning. Maria Gaudio. So five of our Board of Commissioners claim they are working for the people by rejecting the lawful appointment of Julie Adams and Jason Frazier to the BRE. The day you went into contempt, you ceased to work under the color of law. You lost your immunity. When you broke the law and went in to contempt, you have violated your oath of office -- offices, by breaking the law and going into contempt. You are receiving fines of \$10,000 per day because you broke the law. Three times you have been told by the judge. You're not following the law; you are following your own agendas and that of your handlers. And by violating your oath of office, you are subjected to liability personally. The fines will be applied or separated five ways until the GOP nominees, Julie Adams and Jason Frazier are approved. I especially hold accountable the two attorneys on the Board who ought to know better. Do you think that you are making Georgia State or Emory University Schools of Law proud? I have not heard any of their professors coming out in your favor. I would like to hear that. Who is saying that you're doing the right thing?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

MARIA GAUDIO, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have eight speakers on Zoom."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "Good morning, Commissioners. The first person to speak is Kevin Muldowney."

KEVIN MULDOWNEY, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, Commissioners. Apparently, the Commissioners on the left subscribe to the mantra, 'our democracy is in danger'. I'll let you in on an inconvenience truth; we don't live in a democracy as it was very well articulated in Commissioner Thorne's proclamation: the US is a Constitutional Republic. We are governed by laws, not majority rule, not individual feelings, not individual truths, but laws. When a law says shall appoint, it is not an invitation to hold a vote. And as your attorney so accurately stated in court, it is not an opportunity for a veto; it is a direct order to appoint. The fact that you may disagree with a nominee's politics is actually a healthy reality. As was mentioned earlier in the proclamation as

well, our founding fathers encourage strong debate of opposing views, and opposing views create a balanced authoritative board. Quit wasting valuable time and taxpayer dollars on high-priced attorneys. Your delay tactics are accomplishing only that. Legally speaking, our nominees should have been seated months ago. Stop with your hair-on-fire theatrics; give us the representation on the Board of Registration that is prescribed by law. Thank you very much."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "The next person to speak is Matt Rowenczak. Matt Rowenczak. Okay. The next person -- excuse me. Matt Rowenczak."

MATT ROWENCZAK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Thank you. Good morning, Commissioners. The question I have for you today is do you support political violence? I assume everyone on this Board would say, no. But talk is cheap. Your actions tell us how committed you are to not fanning the flames that lead to misinforming and brainwashing individuals that lead to violence. Some of you on this Board are guilty of not only lying to the public, but also slandering and defaming individual's names. For example, Commissioner Barrett, you have defamed Mr. Jason Frazier multiple times and you lie to the public. You have said that his intent is to make it harder for people to vote, yet over the last two plus years, I have yet to hear you give any evidence. None. You went on your podcast and you said that his registration challenges were frivolous. That is also a lie. Almost a 100 percent of the challenges were accepted by this county. Many of those were duplicate and triple or more registrations. So Dana Barrett, do you believe that an individual should be registered to vote more than one time? You also said that his intent is to disrupt and undermine elections; yet again, you have not given a single point of evidence of that point. You also told the public that he's been thrown out of polls; that is also a lie."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

MATT ROWENCZAK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- so when are your words going to reflect the truth and stop lying to the public? Are you that brainwashed, or you've just sold out all on your morals, because it's gotten beyond absurd, and a correction in your actions and behavior need to happen."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "The next person to speak is Athena Shuffett. Athena Shuffett. Next person to speak is Chris Hayden. Chris Hayden. Next person to speak is Debbie Vetter. Debbie Vetter. Next person to speak is Robby Caban."

ROBBY CABAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Hello. Hello. "Hopefully, you all can hear me."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We can hear you, we can hear you."

ROBBY CABAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Okay. So just so you know, besides the comment I wanted to make, there's no automation in terms of, you know, even a little symbol that shows you can be heard online, on Zoom. The other thing there isn't, is that there is no order for anyone to know when they're actually going to speak which is why people keep dropping off on public comment, and that's very alarming that we pay

all this money to Fulton County, and simple things that are functional that would make things work better in government aren't working, but that certainly seems to be a pattern, doesn't it? So I'm reaching out again so that you don't think the animal advocates who don't want to be banned or people concerned with public safety or staff members for Fulton County Animal Services managed by Life Line Animal Project, the county vendor, who don't want to be fired or targeted, forgotten about your lack of action. I attended a town hall meeting last night with Mo Ivory who stated that the allegations brought up against county vendor Lifeline Animal Project who receives \$9.5 million a year from Fulton County taxpayers is being investigated. There was no timeframe whatsoever. As you know, there've been allegations of dogfighting, of internal severe abuse -- mismanagement, the same thing the advocates, LA Pink is stating about the jail and the sheriff, you created a building, we financed the building, but it is mismanagement. It is a leadership problem. It is a lack of accountability, and you're talking about raising our taxes, but you don't have a section that avoids waste. You don't have a section that looks into fraud, despite the sheriff being a constitutional officer; Lifeline Animal Project is not a constitutional officer. They are a complete county vendor where they can and should have direction from the Fulton County Board of Commissioners --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 15 seconds."

ROBBY CABAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- also by the way, on Zoom, there's no time clock at all. Where is the efficiency? Stop wasting our money. And you took an oath of office, the ethics. Last night it was said, oh, it's just politics. Where are your ethics?"

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "And this concludes the Zoom public comments."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "The item moved up on today's agenda on page 19, **25-0721**: Request approval of Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for the Department of Arts and Culture to direct identification of a reoccurring funding source to support funding, the Department of Arts and Culture at \$3 million in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget; and for other purposes sponsored by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, Commissioners Arrington, Thorne, and Vice Chair Ellis."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I make the motion, Chairman, but I would like to do an amendment to --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- just a minute. Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm making a motion, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a second?"

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "I make a second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. Thank you, Chairman. I want to make this amended that the expenditures which relate to the jail Consent Decree or which emerge as part of the normal budget sounding process are not considered enhancements as it pertains to this Resolution."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. That is an amendment to the Resolution on the floor. Is there a second?"

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "I make a second and I'll call the question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Well. Just a minute. Just a minute. Let me preside. The call of the question is out of order. You seconded the motion that was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, so that's what's before us now. Repeat that so that everybody understands what you're doing, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Again, the motion to call the question is out of order."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "You want me to read my amendment again, sir?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just so that everybody will know what you're --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- Okay. All right. Thank you, Chairman. The amendment that I have is expenditures which relate to the jail Consent Decree or which emerged as part of the normal budget sounding process, are not considered enhancements as it pertains to this Resolution."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Now, that's the motion that's on the floor now, not the main motion, the amendment. Commissioner Barrett, you want to be heard on that, on the amendment?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "It's her item. Are we voting on the amendment?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "On the amendment. Yeah, we do. She's making an amendment."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Point of order."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "It's my understanding that she's the maker of the motion. She's approved it. Commissioner Thorne has seconded it. She's amended her Resolution; therefore, they have to make a second one. So therefore, what's before us is what Commissioner Abdur-Rahman has read out."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's correct."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Okay. So we're only voting -- that's what we're discussing and what we're voting on."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's correct."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "She's amending her own motion, so it's the main motion. So you have the floor. Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. First of all, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, thank you for making that change. That was my biggest concern in terms of the difference between your version of this legislation and as Commissioner Ivory already pointed out, her version of this legislation, which is, aside from the last, you know, that be it resolved that talks about other budget expenditures, the items are aside from a word or two materially the same. So, you know, I'm going to support the arts, and I will vote, yes, because I want to support the arts, but I also want to be very clear that what we are taking part in over the last three meetings is political theater, and we are and have held the arts community hostage really since the beginning of the year, in my opinion. I asked for this funding for the arts in January, I asked for it again in partnership with Commissioner Arrington in February. He and I were the only two that voted, yes, on that at the beginning of the year in those two situations. Fast-forward, Commissioner Ivory brings it back; the three of us, Commissioner Arrington, Commissioner Ivory, and myself were the only ones supporting it. Now all of a sudden, we have people who were no, no, no, no, no, saying yes, yes, yes, because it's under somebody else's name. This all could have been handled with a friendly amendment to Commissioners Ivory's original motion over a month ago and clarifying whether or not the money was going to be recurring into the following year that would have prevented this hostage taking that we've done to the arts community. Because we did not fund them from the beginning of the year, there may have been organizations that closed, there may have been people who lost jobs, there may have been programs that were not able to be held as they were in prior years. And even this final month of holding them hostage again, may have stopped the process of holiday programs, may have led to more layoffs. We just don't know, but these are people's lives, and the community is suffering from not having the programs that these organizations provide. So while I am a, yes, for the arts, I'm very disappointed in the way that we have acted as a Board, and frankly, I think it's embarrassing that this is what we're doing to our community."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you, Commissioner Barrett for pointing out what is obvious and what the arts community has been flooding me with calls asking why we behave in this childish manner, but imitation is the sincerest form of flattery; and I'm flattered that Commissioner Abdur-Rahman submitted an identical Resolution to mine. I strongly -- and this is now the third time mine is being presented. I strongly support arts and culture, always had, had a wonderful town hall last night at the Academy Theater, and as I said, this is now the third agenda item where I have tried to secure it -- excuse me."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you so much for the protocol. Now is at the third item where I have tried to secure funding for the arts and I will always voice -- I will always vote to support this work no matter who presents it. For me, it has never been about who gets the credit, it is about making sure the art -- can you, please ask for quiet while I'm speaking. Thank you. You see this. You see this theater. For me, it's never been about who gets the credit, it's about making sure the arts get their funding, whether the Resolution is mine or Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's, I'm here to support it, and I will vote for it. Some of the same Commissioners supported this Resolution today that are going to support this Resolution today, failed to support the same goal in the last two meetings. That inconsistency delayed your funds, your programs, and the things you could've done with consistent funding. My main concern is the language in line 72 and 73, where Commissioner Abdur-Rahman added, be it further resolved that the Board of Commissioners will consider no further funding enhancements to any departments for Fiscal Year 2025. That language ties the Board's hands for the rest of 2025. If an urgent need arises, whether in our jail, our courts, or any other department, we should not be locked out of making responsible funding decisions. I spoke earlier in the week with our County Manager who expressed this concern and, you know, we talked it through. We said we would make an amendment -- and is that right, Mr. County Manager, that we discussed this being -- could create a problem?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you so much. For that reason, I will make a motion to amend this item, to strike that language, so we can support arts and culture without setting a dangerous precedent for setting back our departments, whether it is jail, courts, or any other department in Fulton County."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Repeat that. Quick, what do you need to make a --"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I would like to a substitute motion just to strike the language in lines 72 and 73."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So you want to amend the motions on the floor?"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Yes. Amend the motion on the floor to strike the language that she added in and it not be in there at all, thereby not binding our departments."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. That amendment by Commissioner Ivory; seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Do you have it, Madam Clerk?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's vote on the amendment by Commissioner Ivory."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion fails: three yeas, four nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, back to the main motion. Commissioner Thorne."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Okay. I'm going to call the question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The question has been called. Let's vote on the call of the question."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Second."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open on call the question. And the motion fails: three yeas, three nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's continue. Add the vote to call the question. I think this issue's been before us. We need to hear everybody and get this over with today. Commissioner Arrington, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you. I am happy to be able to support the arts today, but I'm also sad that it took this long to get here. I'm sad that people attempted to use the arts community as pawns and keep bringing them back down here with hopes of getting additional money only to squash those hopes and dreams that there may be additional money. Commissioner Barrett is correct; this item came up as part of the agenda this year back in February, and she and I were the only two that supported the \$300 million at that time. We brought it back again in February after it failed the first time, and she and I again were the only two that supported the \$3 million for the arts at that time. Commissioner Ivory brought the item back again at the last two meetings, and I was happy to support it then. And when I got a call from Commissioner Abdur-Rahman about supporting it, I said, yes, sure. I've been supporting it since February. I don't know why it's taken this long to get here anyway, so I'm happy and I'm sad at the same time; and I'm going to support it. I don't think the language regarding the budget or whatever, I mean, at the end of the day, if we get four votes, you can still change -- we can still change the budget. But what is being done here is signaling that four people do not want the budget to be changed any further at all and apparently

some type of agreement has been made that they will support this item, but that is it. So there's a lot of posturing and theater going on here. But at the end of the day, it looks like our arts community and our arts organization will be benefiting, despite the theater, despite the posturing. And so, that makes me happy, and I'm going to support this. Again, I've been supporting this since February and for the last 11 years. Fulton County used to give \$5 million a year; \$5 million a year prior to me coming on the Board in 2015. By 2015 that amount had been reduced, and we were able since 2015 to increase that amount back to \$3 million. And so again, I'm happy and I'm sad. I'm happy we're going to be able to restore -- I'm happy we're going to be able to restore the three million, but I'm not going to be satisfied until we get back up to that five, particularly with what's going on in our country. The federal government is cutting money for arts, Americans for the Arts, cutting money for NPR and PBS Public Radio. And so -- which makes it that much more important that Fulton County stand up for the arts. The art's is part of economic development, right? The art's helps with quality of life. And one of the great things about the arts is, it's a universal language. The art's doesn't care whether you're black or white, or male or female, or anything else. It's just the arts. It's a universal language. So I'm happy that we were able to get support, and I guess -- I guess it's going to wind up being unanimous. We're going to get a unanimous vote on September 17th to restore the \$3 million that could've been included in February. Lord, have mercy."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Thorne."

COMMISSIONER THORNE: "Compromise and dialogue. So I wasn't supportive of the Resolution because it wasn't brought forward to me. Commissioner Khadijah Abdur-Rahman called me and we had a conversation and we talked about it. I support the arts event that they had last month, and I had conversations, I had dialogue. I talked to the people in the arts, the ones that told me they are making cuts, but they understood. They understood that we had a jail. We have people dying in our jail, and that was my priority in funding. It's something that we have to do. It's something that we are demanded, that's why we're here, is to run Public Safety. And sometimes the things that we don't have to do like arts, it has to take a back seat. But I felt like talking with Commissioner Khadijah, and we talked for a long time, about a lot of things, about the arts, and she persuaded me, because we're at a time in our country where we need to come together and we need to have talk, and we need to have dialogue, and it needs to include everybody. In the past, 2023, when I was a new Commissioner, the money was just was thrown in and then voted on, and there was no discussion. And I was told oh, you don't support the arts, because no one talked to me to try to get to support the arts. I'm actually an artist. I'm a software designer. I studied fine and applied arts. I'm a digital artist. I know the importance of art. It's important in my life. So I know the importance of us sharing with our youth and upcoming generations, and having it available to people that normally wouldn't have art available to them. So I just want to thank Commissioner Abdur-Rahman for actually including me, making me feel like I'm a part. And granted, I still feel like we need to focus on the jail, but I'm glad that this is going to be consistent funding. It's not going to be withdrawn next year. It's going to be back next year. So that, along with the bipartisanship of this Resolution changed my mind."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you so much, Commissioner Thorne, and I'm so glad that you feel good now about it. I know the importance of you said that the arts is so important to you, but obviously, your feelings about how to vote for it needed to match up with when you would be able to cast that vote. So I'm really glad that now your feelings have caught up with your ability to vote for it, and you're now here able to not be able to vote for mine, but be able to vote for Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. I'm really glad that you were able to line up your feelings and your vote. So now we have two Commissioners on the record saying that they would need to feel a certain way in order to vote a certain way. Not putting the interests of the constituents first; not putting the interests of the arts community first; not putting the interest of what people have told them first, but what works for them in the way they would like to vote. So again for me, I will say that I would like again to amend the motion at hand and to offer an amendment that strikes the language in 72 -- lines 72 and 73, to take out that we won't consider any further enhancements for the department for Fiscal Year 2025, thereby leaving us the room to handle the business of the county, so that we may move forward and give the arts community this money. So I put that motion forward."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is that --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Point of order."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. Same amendment you made before?"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "It was to strike that language from her one that she had amended. Well, that's the original amendment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, but that's same amendment you made before."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "On her amended one."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Right."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "But are we back to the original?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We're at the original motion now."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Right. And the original motion has that language in it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, but you've already made that. I'm going to rule that out of order. You already made that amendment which did not pass."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay, but that was on the one that she amended."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "It's the same -- it's the same amendment, Commissioner. I'm going to rule that out -- y'all can overrule me if you'd like. Is there a motion to overrule -- I'm ruling it out of order."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "No, no, no. I just want to understand it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You've already made it and it did not pass. I'm ruling that as out of order at this time."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's all."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay. Thank you, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone else who has not spoken, that wants to be heard on this? If not, the motion on the floor is to approve."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes: six yeas, zero nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Record me as voting, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes unanimously with Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Point of order. Point of order."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, Commissioner."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "I'm going to stop short of calling a decorum, but that's unnecessary."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "For clapping?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory, Vice Chair Ellis."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "That's part of our rules."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Back on page 10, County Manager's Renewal Item items under Open and Responsible Government, **25-0686**."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Where are we now, on page 10?"

CLERK GRIER: "Page 10, bottom of page 10. 25-0686, Real Estate and Asset Management --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- okay. Just let me make a suggestion here, and then we got a hard stop at 1 o'clock. The next 21 items are all, in my judgment, are routine contract renewals. I would like to recommend that we take all of them together. If you want any one pulled out to vote on it separately, we can do that, but in the interest of time, they're all routine contract renewals. Do you want to take a moment to review them, and if they're any that you'd like pull out, and we can do that. Yes, Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "I just had a question on one. It's a pretty simple question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We can pull it out. Which one is it?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Okay. 702."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Which page?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Page 14, at the bottom."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Page 14, number -- what is it?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "25-0702."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "25-0702."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "I think it's a question that can be answered in two seconds, but."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any others? Any others?"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll entertain a motion to approve."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Motion."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a second? All right, I'll second it. It's with the exception of on page 14, 25-0702. But you need to sound each one, not in its entirety, just the amount and the department; what it does."

CLERK GRIER: "25-0686, Real Estate and Asset Management: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$373,883.76 to provide mail services countywide; 25-0687: Request approval to renew an existing contract in the amount not to exceed \$400,000 to provide on-site boiler inspection and preventive

maintenance services; page 11, **25-0688**: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to provide asphalt concrete paving maintenance and repair services; **25-0689**: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to provide professional landscape design and installation services; **25-0690**: Request approval to renew an existing contract in the amount not to exceed \$200,000 to provide standby fencing installation and repair: **25-0691**: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 to provide full on-site preventive maintenance services for passenger and freight elevators: **25-0692**: Request approval to renew existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$1,045,000 to provide bus and shuttle services for Fulton County employees and jurors; on page 12, **25-0693**: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$650,000 to provide landfill post closures services; **25-0694**: Request approval to renew existing contracts and the total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 to provide standby on-site HVAC and on-call maintenance services. **25-0695**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$1,717,000 to provide shredding and disposal of materials services; on page 13, **25-0966**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$375,000 to provide standby on-site electrical on-call maintenance services; **25-0697**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$1,600,000 to provide standby professional services; **25-0698**: Request approval to renew existing contracts for standby professional services for mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection in the total amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. On page 14, **25-0699**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$300,000 to provide standby on-site dual repair and preventive maintenance services; **25-0700**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in a total amount not to exceed \$3 million to provide standby emergency repair and restoration services: **25-0701**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$300,000 to provide standby on-site plumbing repair services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Now the one that we're not taking is on page 14. That's right. That's 0702, skip that one."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 15, **25-0703**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in total amount not to exceed \$345,000 to provide carpet, carpet tile installation, and repair services; **25-0704**: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$6 million to provide standby repair, alterations, maintenance, construction services; **25-0705**, Public Works: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 to provide valve condition, assessment services; and on page 16, **25-0706**, Superior Court Administration: Request approval to renew an existing contract in an amount not to exceed \$205,380 to provide legal assistance and services to citizens."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion is to approve all of those. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes: six years, zero nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, back to page 14."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 14, **25-0702**, Real Estate and Asset Management: Request approval to renew existing contracts in the total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 to provide standby on-site preventive maintenance service for chillers."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Yeah, I just had a quick question. I noticed, and this might be a Felicia Strong-Whitaker question, I'm not sure. I just noticed that the in the description of this, it has one of the companies listed as Minneapolis, Minnesota. But in the detail, it says Marietta, Georgia and I was just wondering is that a headquarters situation, or what is that about?"

FELICIA STRONG WHITAKER, DIRECTOR PCC: "Yes, that is usually the case that they are headquartered in Minneapolis, but they have a location -- a local location that they distribute the work out of."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "When we do that is the contract between us and the corporate, or is it us and the local office?"

FELICIA STRONG WHITAKER, DIRECTOR PCC: "It's usually us and the corporate office."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Gotcha. Okay. So that's all I had. Thank you for allowing me that, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Yeah, I moved."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Barrett; seconded by Commissioner Ivory. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes: six yeas, zero nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Back to page 16, **25-0707**, County Manager, Presentation of the Fulton County Operational Report."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Mr. Chair, this is a request. Could we request to hear items 25-0708? The voting items basically 25-0708, down through 25-0718. If we could hear those before the Operational Report so that we've got these addressed before --

sometimes our Operational Report runs long, and I'd like to have these voted on before we run into Executive Session."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any objections?"

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Yes. We already set the agenda."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "We've already set the agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. All right. Okay, all right. We'll continue. Continue, Madam Clerk. Mr. Manager."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Commissioners. We'll have, I think, a brief Operational Report today, so understand the concern with that. You'll see that it's predominately relative to the jail -- excuse me, the justice performance, jail maintenance, and then a facilities update on Health and Human Services. We'll be coming back to talk about jail programming as part of the approved CIP, and Steve will be addressing that at a subsequent meeting. We remain focused on the jail population. Steve will highlight the 2,969 that are in detention today, as well as the use of ankle monitors. I want to thank David Summerlin for being here to explain further that, because it is something that's concerning and does require potential action. There's an average duration of over 200 days of folks in the jail, so I think we continue to emphasize to our justice partners the expediting of cases, and with the addition of two new state judges, hopefully, that will also be helpful. We've created a multiple disciplinary task force to ready ourselves for those two new judges, looking at everything from positions, courtroom locations, technologies and budgets, distinct from the 2026 budget process, so as to not have it hampered by that, and I think that will be helpful. When we get into the jail maintenance piece, what you'll see, I think, is of course we're continuing to move forward with the blitz program; 7S and 3S are up now. We've also ask EMSI to help Joe Davis, or work with Joe Davis in DREAM to develop a plan that would project the number of work orders that could be reduced out of the backlog with the addition of JCI and CGO resources. The early concern is, it's still about 1,500 or so work orders being created each month, so it's very much of a treadmill, but I think a plan that we could measure against would be quite helpful. I think you will be interested quite a bit in the HHS report that Dr. Roshell will lead, which is both the progress that's moving along quite nicely at HHS North with a substantial completion by end of year, and then move in subsequently. And then the feasibility study to create a like structure in the south part of the county. Last point just before we jump into this, you know, the budget reviews do start in just a few weeks, so that's going to be our focus for the next two months. We are also going to create and in October, bring back a high level long-term plan indicative of all the capital investments that we've been talking about as well as some early indications on the operating side. So Steve, with that, I'll turn it over to you, sir."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "All right. Thank you, County Manager. Steve Nawrocki, Strategy Office. And as the County Manager mentioned, we do have David Summerlin and Katara Burns here with us today from Superior Court

Administration, and they'll provide an update on the ankle monitor program later in the presentation. Can we go to the next slide? First, we'll start with our average length of stay. We did have the two-day increase in August of 44 days for the month. Next, looking at the unindicted jail population, we did hold steady between July and August at 20 percent, so no change. The clearance rate for felony criminal cases did seem to improve, 15 percent improvement, to 67 percent, and we also saw improvements with felony cases disposed within 180 and 365 days with increases up to 27 percent and 61 percent respectively. Next slide. We'll move to our jail population update. Looking at the average monthly jail population, we did have a continued increase month over month with August having an average population of 2,974 inmates. We did a one-day snapshot on September 9th of 2,969 inmate's system wide with 39 inmates now on the floor. Next slide. Go to the next slide. One more slide, please. Next, is the one-day snapshot of the length of stay for currently incarcerated inmates. As of September 3rd, of the 2,970 inmates, 53 percent have been incarcerated for 90 days or less, excuse me, with about 16 percent incarcerated for over one year. The average duration is 206 days, which is a one-day improvement from last month. You can go to the next slide. And here I'll turn it over to David to give us an update on the monitor program.

DAVID SUMMERLIN, FC SUPERIOR COURT: "Good morning, Chairman and Board of Commissioners. David Summerlin, Court Administrator, Superior Court, with Katara Burns, she's the Deputy Director of Court Administration. She's been instrumental on this project and other strategic products within Superior Court. I want to give you a quick update. I know that you get monthly updates. This is kind of a year-over-year update from the last time we spoke. As you can see, our total number of monitors is down from 1108 in August of 2024 to 643 as of September 1, 2025. This is a result of continuous compliance review, case closure, the underlying cases have closed. Folks have not been compliant; they've been removed from a monitor. Folks who've been compliant, they've been removed from a monitor. So through various means, that number has dropped. I do want to point out that in this year, in this calendar year, the average -- I shouldn't say the average, but approximately the mean would be about 30 plus installs per month new monitors. The high was in February. I think 54 monitors were installed. And so, we continue to install those monitors on an ongoing basis. I want to point out that we're having continuous bimonthly status reviews of these electronic monitor cases. Those reviews are prioritized by length of time on the monitor, and it's been very effective, it's been very efficient, because now we have a dedicated calendar monthly, sometimes more than once per month, to review these cases and again, it addresses compliance issues whether that be noncompliance or good compliance. So we're able to move those cases and keep a close eye on those cases. That's a major improvement from where we were a year before that, which was more of an ad hoc, addressing issues ad hoc, as opposed to through an efficient ongoing calendar. Superior Court has implemented a new six-month limit on the bond orders that involved electronic monitoring and pretrial services, and that's something that was implemented within the past few months. We are continuing to review those folks who may have been on a monitor before that new bond order was implemented, and that's done through that regular monthly review that we're doing. I will point out that you'll notice on this chart that probably a little over 60 percent of the individuals currently monitored have been monitored for less than a year, and with about 40 percent, just shy

of 40 percent being monitored more than one year. Those folks that have been monitored for more than one year, they have been reviewed, and it's been determined by a judge that they need to continue to be monitored, and that's the reason they're still being monitored. That's all I have, and I'm happy to take questions now or at the appropriate time."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Does anybody want to address any questions now while David's here."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions? Vice Chairman Ellis."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Thank you, Mr. Summerlin, for the update. I had sort of this -- sort of a tandem question where it ties back to some of the remarks you've made, Mr. Nawrocki, but I appreciate the updates on the monitoring. One question I've got is, while there was certain expectations, I think, for the number of folks we had on monitor to come down, it appears to us to be it's down like 465 versus a years ago, and it's also substantively down in some of those lower periods of time, six months or less or six to 12 months. At the same time, we've seen a growth in our jail population. So one could look at this and say, you know, we made the investment as a Board to -- as this one means to kind of control our jail population, and that have we gotten away from effectively utilizing that, to keep our jail population at, you know, as lower level as possible and also recognizing sort of public safety concerns when you want to consider putting somebody on a monitor. So there's a lot in that question, right? I don't necessarily, you know, expect you to have the answer to that, but just in terms of just looking at it, I've got that concern that we've somehow gone away actively utilizing this as a tool to not have people being incarcerated and instead, you know, utilize the monitoring piece. So I don't know if you can speak to that a little bit, or if this something we want to have come back and have some further conversation potentially with, you know, some of the judges, or some other folks, you know, that would be helpful."

DAVID SUMMERLIN, FC SUPERIOR COURT: "I'm happy to come back or provide additional information. I will say that again, I mentioned that we are installing probably on average, in the 30s per month. So they are being installed; we are using the monitors. Our magistrates who primarily will issue these monitors at bond hearings in the early stages of a case are aware that this is available, and they are being issued. I think it would require maybe some additional review from our justice partners, including the public defender's office and the district attorney's office, to bring forward maybe some cases that they believe would be appropriate for a monitor, and we can certainly review those, the judge could review those and make a determination. So I think part of it is maybe, you know, messaging to those partners that, you know, this is still available, and we need to make use of it where it's appropriate."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Thank you. Commissioner Arrington."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you for your presentation. I just want it to be very clear: I've been practicing law for the last 29 years. We didn't start really paying for electronic monitoring in mass until COVID, right? And so, I just want us to be very clear so that the public understands that electronic monitoring, it can be available or it can be ordered without the county having to pay for it. And my assumption is that there is perhaps some type of financial reason that the people that are currently qualifying can't bear the burden of paying for the electronic monitor themselves, right? Certainly, it makes sense, one, for us to decrease our jail population, but two, if a person has the means and the ability to pay for electronic monitor, then they should actually be paying for it themselves. In my mind, this should be a program for those that do not have the resources to pay for the electronic monitor themselves, and I don't know if that is a part of the evaluation or eligibility process. But I do know that -- I just want us to make sure that the public understands that we're just not paying for everyone's electronic monitoring and that judges still have the ability to order someone to have to pay for their own electronic monitoring."

DAVID SUMMERLIN, FC SUPERIOR COURT: "Commissioner Arrington, that's a great point. We should all be reminded that, you know, this program was -- it was a new program as a result of a public health crisis, and we took unusual steps in order to implement, and if you recall, I think at one time we had 1,500 individuals on a monitor, that's highly unusual. This is a new program. It is specific to those individuals that are indigent, who require a public defender who cannot otherwise afford an ankle monitor, so that they could be released if they can make their bond."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions or comments? All right, continue, thank you, sir."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Thank you, David and Katara. You can go to the next. We can go to the facilities slide. One more. Thank you. We can go back a couple of slides, but to the facility utilization slide. Yes, thank you. Okay. Looking at our facility utilization now for the jail population. As of September 11th, we had 1,968 beds in use at Rice Street, with 516 offline for repairs. And you'll see at the bottom there, Alpharetta, we no longer have Fulton County inmates within Alpharetta, so we'll remove this as one of the facilities we're tracking going forward. Next slide. Here we have our inmate analysis of the jail population. 67 percent or 2,006 inmates are either or indicted or accused or both indicted and accused, while 604 or 20 percent are unindicted. Go to the next slide for a breakdown. Here we have the aging of our unindicted population. About 80 percent or 482 inmates have been unindicted for 90 days or less, which is a 4 percent improvement when compared to last month. We've also discussed those inmates that are incarcerated for over six months with DA Willis. And she does have her Assistant DAs specifically reviewing these cases to either indict or dismiss. And so you'll see in the 181 to 365 days that 14, 11 were either indicted or dismissed. But we did have seven new cases that aged in, and then looking at the greater than one year, one case aged in. Next slide, please. One more."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'm sorry, can --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "How much of a decrease is that, if we can go back. How much of a decrease is that from previous reporting periods, the six months or less?"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: The -- six -- the between the 408 --

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'm sorry, the six months or more, the 14. How much of a decrease is that from the previous reporting period, or previous reporting period?"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Total would have been three. It would have been three total. If there's 17 this month, we had 20 last month. So there's three less for these six months and beyond."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And what was the all-time high?"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "I would need to look that up, Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. And I guess I'm not really talking about the all-time high, but just recent --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Right."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- since we've been measuring and doing this, what number did we come down from, or how much of a percentage of the decrease is that? Because that, it seems to be trending in the right direction."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, sir. Yeah, so the 90 days or less has been growing or staying at a high level. But we can pull that, Commissioner, for the next meeting."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Yes, may I ask one question? Thank you, Chairman. You said that there was one added to the greater than one-year category to make it three, that was two, and then one --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "-- more added. And what -- what is the situation with the two? I think in the past, you've said it's been mental health challenges."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Those, the two specifically, were very heinous crimes that either had a very high bond amount, I think one was about 75,000, and the other had no bond because it was rape, murder, things like that."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay. So those --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Those were not competency issues."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "They were just various --"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay. So these two are going to remain on there until trial and all of that, and the one --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Or until they're indicted -- well, until they're indicted."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Indicted."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Because this is the unindicted, okay."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "And why is that -- what, have you talked to the DA about those cases?"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "We talked about the total number of that greater than six months. We didn't get into an individual by individual, but again, she assured us that she has her ADAs reviewing these cases."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay, thank you."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, ma'am. We can go to the next slide. We'll finish up with our priorities. I do want to draw your attention to the second bullet point. We will begin reporting on the Diversion Center starting in October. This is going to be a focus on utilization of the Diversion Center, and include metrics such as daily census, monthly and year-to-date diversions, and stats on the arresting jurisdictions. There was the Q3 Justice Policy Board meeting last week, where I was able to inform the board members, as well as the Grady leadership team that oversees the Diversion Center that we are going to begin reporting these metrics in our ops report starting in October."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So say, starting in October, meaning at our first meeting, I hope."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Second meeting as part of the ops report, Chairman. And then the final bullet point, this has also gotten some attention

with the Board, our new Justice Project Management resource. We do look to have that position posted in October. And one of the key, key mandates of that position will be helping to drive diversions up, as well as managing other key justice initiatives. And with that, I can take any other questions."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I just want to thank you for your presence at the last Justice Policy Board meeting as well as you, County Manager. You all know we've been working towards this for quite a while. And so to see that position become to fruition, and making sure that we, you know, report the numbers and show that it is working, regardless of the rhetoric. So I just wanted to go on record thanking you for your attendance and your support of the Diversion Center. And I'm looking forward to October, the second meeting, with that great information."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, ma'am."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Just if we can, back on that unindicted chart, we don't have to go to it. But back to my question of the all-time high, it'd be great to have a --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "A trend?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Well, yeah, or even something, a bar next to each one of those showing where it was when we started --"

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Starting point?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- right? And so you can visually see that right away, where the reduction is and how far we've come."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, continue."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "That's it for me, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay."

STEVE NAWROCKI, FC STRATEGY OFFICE: "Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "All right, Mr. Davis."

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "Good morning, Commissioners. Joseph Davis, Real Estate and Asset Management. First slide here is a high-level overview of the Jail Maintenance Blitz that we've all become intimately familiar with. We have completed nine of 11 housing units, estimating about 82 percent of the overall work associated with

phase one. We completed housing unit 3 North on August the 14th. We are now working in two separate blitz in housing units to try to expedite our overall completion of phase one. We are putting our primary focus on 7 South, as it is a maximum-security housing area, and fix the needs of the Sheriff's Office more so than this -- than say, 3 South. 3 South is critical for housing residents requiring physical or behavioral health concerns. We are now projecting the end of phase one of the blitz to be the end of October. And we will begin phase two of the blitz in the first quarter of 2026. Next slide, please. You heard Mr. Nawrocki reference the number of beds that are currently out of service. We show here a chart that details where those beds are located. We have a grand total of 516 beds that are out of service due to active repairs and/or needed repairs. Next slide, please. This slide covers jail maintenance performance for the month of August of this year. We had 1434 work orders issued with 1,019 completed for a completion percentage of 71 percent. Of those 1434, 127 were completed within the first ten days of the month of September, bringing us to an effective, corrective maintenance completion percentage of 80 percent, for a grand total of 1440 corrective maintenance work orders were completed between August the 1st and September the 10th. On the preventive maintenance side, we had 370 preventive maintenance work orders scheduled. Of those, 311 were completed for a effective completion rate of 84 percent. We currently have a work order, open work order count of 1,039 work orders, in which 474 of those work orders are in upcoming blitz areas. The graphical depiction on the bottom left of the slide essentially gives you a three-month overview of the numbers that were referenced above. That kind of gives you a comparison over time. We have taken some steps to address the maintenance work order backlog to improve our overall productivity. First, we have a new jail maintenance contractor at the Jail South Annex that began on September the 10th, that's Carter Global Lee, or more readily known as CGL. We are also adding additional manpower to the Jail Maintenance Team at the main jail. We have the first of five additional staff added to the Jail Maintenance Team on September the 2nd. As our vendor is able to onboard more people, we will bring that up to an additional total of five full-time equivalents. You heard the County Manager mention earlier that we have asked EMSI, our consultant, to work with us to do a monthly analysis of maintenance performance data to help us identify where we might be able to improve, as well as just to track and trend over time our performance. Next slide. This slide, we typically have used it to show some detailed information about the work order backlog. But we kind of wanted to give the Board an overview of the overall work order system or maintenance operation at the jail to give you a sense of how the work orders are generated and where we stand in terms of previous reports as it relates to the overall backlog. On average, we receive 1500 work orders each month, 800 of those work orders are submitted by EMSI, our consultant, as they make a point to inspect all housing units once per month. Approximately 700 work orders are then initiated through the typical process, whereby Fulton County Sheriff's office staff call those in to our maintenance provider. Our maintenance provider is

currently averaging roughly 1200 completed work orders each month. Some data analytics is that, that -- that we've kind of come up with over time is that it's taking us an average time to complete of 2.5 days. That may sound a little odd given the number of backlog work orders. However, it's important to note that a lot of our backlog work orders are due to the availability of the specialty parts needed to make certain repairs in the jail and they have -- we're saying lead times for metal products up to 16 weeks. Our base maintenance contract staffing, as proposed in the original solicitation, is that the vendor had to provide 18 technicians. What we're seeing now is that that particular number is not necessarily sufficient to address the myriad of problems that are occurring in the jail and their frequency. As you've heard me reference on the previous slide, we are adding five additional full-time equivalents to the main jail staff, and that began on September the 2nd. And as we progress, we'll be adding the others. We had a goal for by December of '25 to have a backlog of 500 open work orders. That is going to always be something that is with us, simply because the rate of repairs -- excuse me, the rate of maintenance needs, is going to always leave us with some work orders that are open on any given day. But we're targeting by December '25 to have less than 500 open work orders. The chart on your bottom right gives you a sense over the last three months, we are making some headway into the reduction of the overall work order backlog. As you can see, for August, we're down to 1039, again, with the goal of being under 500 by the end of December. Next slide, please. Some time ago, the Board approved several critical repairs, the first being the fire alarm system upgrade. That project was completed at the beginning of August. We have a second phase that will be beginning next week. This will address all outstanding system issues in the field. To give you an understanding, the first phase was to install a new head in to the system that then allows us to accurately identify any needs in the field or in the building. That project will begin next week. We also completed the installation of padded cells at the South Annex. We've also completed the approved kitchen equipment replacement. As has been reported previously, we have the replacement of all jail laundry equipment on hold, as we have a subcontractor that comes in weekly to facilitate repairs on or anything that's needed for our laundry. And all equipment is currently functional. The jail elevator modernization, I'm finally, very happy to report that we have our pre-proposal conference tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. where we will be touring the prospective bidders throughout the facility so that they are able to prepare their bids and we can move forward. Next slide. Any questions?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions? Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you Mr. Davis for the report. I just had a question about the -- out -- beds that are out of service on that bed availability slide. There were -- I understand, the ones that are part of the blitz. It is what it is. But there are some additional beds, 69 in 6 South and 37 in 6 North. I'm just wondering if there's any way that there -- that any of those -- and obviously, I don't know

the classification of people that would need the beds, but the idea that we have 39 people on the floor is really concerning, and that we have these units that are waiting on some kind of a repair. Is there a way to fast track some of this to try to get those 39 people off of the floor?"

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "So we've been reporting those two particular housing units for quite some time. And the reason why they're there, those housing zones in the 6 North or 6 South unit, they are empty right now due to repairs. The problem is the nature of the work needed to bring those beds back online, we cannot do that work and bring in all the materials necessary when the other four or five housing zones in that unit are occupied. So we -- one of the things that we recently did, which actually put a dent in our work order backlog, the Sheriff's Office was having some serious problems with the older light fixtures, which would be replaced as a part of the blitz once we get to 6 North and South. So we went and removed the old light fixtures at the request of the Sheriff's Office, so that kind of took some work orders off our plate. But that was the extent of the work that we could do without emptying the rest of the floor."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "I mean, correct me if I'm wrong, but that sounds like that problem is never going to go away, given the amount of people that are currently in the facility. So how do we get past that and get -- get these -- these, you know, work orders addressed?"

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "So ultimately, it follows the path of the blitz schedule. So our current zones or our housing units are 3 South and 7 South. Once we bring those two back online, it allows us to empty 6 South and then subsequently 6 North. As a result of those, those areas being empty, we're able to go in and facilitate all the repairs. Please keep in mind, once we do 6 South and 6 North, which are actually a part of the first phase of the blitz, those are actually what -- those that are scheduled to be done in the first quarter of '26. The reason for it, the Sheriff's Office, due to operational needs, had us divert the blitz path and went to 3 North and South, which were intended to be in the second phase. So now that pushes those two units to the second phase. Once we complete them, now we're back in the mode of routine maintenance with many more beds available and fewer beds being able going offline, A, due to the inspection that is being done by EMSI, which means there's going to be more timely reporting of work order issues. B, the solutions that we've developed as we've gone through the blitz, for example, lighting, pipe chase locks, they've all been determined to go -- that was going to be our path forward, because it will lessen the amount of vandalism that's able to be done. We borrowed a lock solution from the Clayton County Jail that is, per all accounts, working very well, preventing inmates from getting into the pipe chases, which can lead to all sorts of damage. So the combination of completing round one of the blitz, along with some of the solutions that we

implemented to reduce maintenance needs over time, will preclude us from having this high of a count moving forward."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Okay. Again, just -- just you may have already said this, and I apologize if you did, but when are 3 South and 7 South set to be complete?"

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "The end of October."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Okay. So you're saying, basically at the end of October, we should be able to get those 39 people off the floor."

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "That is correct."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Okay. Okay, that's what I needed. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Other questions or comments?"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue."

JOE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, D.R.E.A.M.: "Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "All right. Dr. Roshell."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Thank you, Dick. So, good afternoon. Today, I will provide an update on two Health and Human Services projects that will increase and enhance access to health and human services in the north and the south. These projects will also facilitate collaboration among the departments and services that are in those facilities with a long-term goal of improving healthcare outcomes overall. So to begin, we will look at our work underway for the South Fulton HHS Feasibility Study. Sizemore is the contractor on this project. And this project has three phases, the Feasibility Study, which is underway right now, where we are looking and evaluating service needs, opportunities for collab -- consolidation. We're looking also at recommended site locations, conceptual design and associated costs. These are all elements of the overall project. The project also includes discussions with all of the departments and services that are anticipated to be part of the new facility. Next slide, please. Those participants to date are Public Health. Our Board of Health will -- yes, thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "There we go."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "The Board of Health, we were in conversation with the Board of Health regarding the services that they will offer. We will also have behavior health services offered as well as DUI services and senior services. The Feasibility Study will also pinpoint whether there are some service needs that we have not identified. So to date, what is currently going on is the market analysis, a heat map

is underway as well. We're also looking at a site analysis, determining what would be the best possible location for the facility. Of course, we are including the land that we own across from the South Service Center. But the contractor has been instructed to take a broader look in the South Fulton community to make sure that we really do pinpoint based on the data, what is the proper facility. We will take all of this information and feed that into the study to bring back to you a recommendation. Next slide."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Why -- when was a decision made to consider a site other than the site that we own? Because that has some cost implications."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And we're not flushed with cash with --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "We are not."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 8.87 millage rate for the foreseeable future."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir. Just in a feasibility study, we -- the standard practice is to take a broad view. We certainly can take direction from the Board and remove that standard practice that you use in a feasibility study to limit the location, if that is the will of the Board."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Well, I just never -- and I've been involved in this since, I was going to say from day one, actually before day one. And I've never heard of another location that we were considering, other than the site that we own. I know that Council Members in the City of South Fulton, each -- well, each of -- there are about three or four that want it located in their respective districts, which would increase the cost. The lowest cost would be on the site that we currently own. So that's why I was asking the question."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir. We can certainly can instruct our vendor to limit the site surveillance only to the site across the street. That is not an issue. As I stated, it's standard practice to look globally, but we are not -- it's our study, and we can direct them based on the will of the Board."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I agree with the Chair. I believe the existing land that we own will more than likely be the best choice. However, I don't have a problem with them taking a broader look, right? I mean, maybe, maybe we could sell that land and get more money than we could somewhere else. But frankly, having a government services corridor, right, we've got the DFACS Center there, we've got, you

know -- and so it's centralized as government for people, and it's also accessible by public transportation. And so that is one of the things that, you know, probably at the end of the day will make that the easiest location. But, I mean, you know, I don't know that it makes sense to deviate from the standard practice of taking a look to maybe if there is somewhere else. But you know, if I were a betting man, I would bet that we would wind up back at the land that we already own."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir. And our preliminary findings are just what you and Chairman Pitts are indicating. One, we have not been able to find what we were looking for, quite frankly, was a ready built facility. That is what we were hoping to find, not necessarily land, but a site similar to what we have in North Fulton, which is a facility that is already built out that we can rehab, which would fast track the actual project. So that is really the reason or the real goal of the site review was to look for a possible ready built facility that would not involve the cost of construction out of the ground."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "You know, that makes perfect sense, because it probably takes three to five years to, you know, construct and do all of that, whereas, you know, if there's an existing facility, it's just plug-and-play, right? So that makes sense. You know, I would also request that we add arts. You know, our senior centers are -- arts activities are great for our seniors to participate in. And you know, I think that if we're going to have this building and this facility, it might make sense to also have some arts available as well."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And I'm sure senior centers and senior programming includes that already, but it'd be good to have them at the table as well."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Thank you. Will do."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think you guys basically said everything that I was going to say. I agree, there's no reason not to the site analysis or finish up that portion. But I hear what everybody's saying, and it sounds like we're going to land where we're going to land. I just wondered if that, if the site analysis and the market analysis are sort of intertwined, because if they are, we definitely, I would think, want to do the market analysis side of it, because even if we're not in the best spot for everybody now, that would certainly alert us to where we might need to have services down the road, yes?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, ma'am. That is the exact reason that we do both so that it can guide where we ultimately land and is a tool for future planning."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Awesome, thank you."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "So to conclude this section, just wanted to also give you, next slide, please, an idea of where we are in the process as far as timeline. Again, we're in the feasibility study phase. That has three tasks, which should conclude by the end of November. We will conclude the site evaluation mid-October. And we will ultimately conclude with a schematic design and the overall report in by the end of January. At that time, we will bring a final report to the Board for review and further action."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Further action means, how we're going to pay for it?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "We will provide a cost analysis, yes, sir, at that time."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "No, Mr. Chair, you were reading my mind. What is the -- what do we anticipate the cost, and where do we anticipate sourcing the funding for this? And if you're not ready to answer that and you'll be able to answer that in November, then that's fine."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "So we're always reluctant until we get final numbers. But our initial rough order of magnitude for a built facility, if we have to build it out of the ground, is roughly 44 million. Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Sorry. On the same vein of how we're going to pay for it, given the timeline that you've got outlined here, we would not be getting the report until after we pass the budget for next year. So do you have or will you have costs in mind that will be needed in 2026 to sort of continue forward?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Let me try to answer it. So as you know, we have a number of these capital projects, many at the jail, but this is the most significant outside of that. And so what Sharon and her staff are preparing for your review in October would be a perspective on all of those things included, which would be anything that's near term, and then from a longer term that could be bonded against. So that's how we would address it."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you. I just wanted to make sure we were, you know, not going to find ourselves in a position where we have to kind of stop in '26 because we -- the timing just didn't out."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "No, ma'am. We're going to try to have enough information where you can act upon it, both within the budget and then with a longer-term view."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Any other questions, Mr. Chairman?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions?"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Okay. Moving on to the next project, which is the 4700 North Point Parkway, which is also in a Health and Human Services facility. This is a facility that is going to house several services which will relocate from Roswell Road, our Developmental Disabilities Training Center, as well as several of the services that are in the North Service Center. We will also relocate all of the Public Health services out of the Royal Drive location. I also want to point out that this facility will include two new services, Senior Services Multipurpose, as well as Adult Day Services. And under the Public Health portfolio, this facility will also include Vital Records. Next slide, please. The next few slides just show you some of the progress that is going on at the facility. Happy to provide a tour for anyone, any of the Commissioners that would like to see the progress in person. But it is going very well. We have a new construction vendor, Beck, that has been doing an outstanding job on this project, as well as all of the Project Managers that are in DREAM that are assisting with this project. Next slides. Again, these are all just pictures of the progress. Finally, the very exciting news is that we anticipate a substantial completion date by the end of this year, December 2025. We anticipate move in in March of 2026. And back to the budget question, we will include in the budget an -- a request for a budget for Senior Services since this will be a new project or offering at this facility. Currently, we do not have Senior Services this far north. And so this facility will house new Senior Services, and that department will be coming forward with a budget request accordingly. That concludes my report, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Questions? Vice Chair Ellis."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Just one question, so -- and maybe it's too early on like, we have the financial, you know, things that you noted there. We also have some sort of pluses in that we're going to have at some point, I guess, the ability to terminate that lease where we got the Public Health facilities in, as well as sell the facility where the Developmental, the DD Center is, right?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "So I guess we just want -- we're not going to act upon that until we've got the ability to occupy; is that --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "-- generally the view -- okay."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "DREAM has been tracking both of those facilities, the one that we lease, as well as the one that we own, and thinking through how and when is the best time to end the -- terminate that lease and put the other up for sale."

VICE CHAIRMAN ELLIS: "Okay, thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Manager."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "She didn't, Dr. Roshell didn't mention that she runs a weekly meeting on all these facilities, including also the Developmental Disability Center on Fairburn Road. So I'll compliment her in terms of keeping us all focused. Mr. Chairman, if there aren't any questions about the routine financial reports or the emergency purchase orders, we are completed."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "If you'll just --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I know we all had a discussion, but the -- for sake of our listening audience, you all are prepared to make sure that 1.7 is dispensed as quick as possible?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So my -- I guess my question is, is -- are they going to have to reapply for this money, or it's just going to be reallocated amongst the lines of from where it was given out previously?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Thank you both for the questions and the comments. So the process that we will use to disseminate the additional 1.7 million, the foresight of the Arts Council, with hope that they would receive or the department would receive additional funds, at the beginning of the process, they already placed allocations for each of these agencies. So 1.5 million will go to 55 agencies, the Arts Council has already drawn out a preliminary allocation for that. So 155 organizations will receive a total of 1.5 million of the 1.7. Then we have 18 organizations who were eligible, but because the funding exhausted, did not receive any funding in the first round. All 18 of those organizations will receive a total of \$131,000. And then there were three organizations that received very close to what they requested initially. And those

organizations were not recommended for any additional funding. So for example, one organization requested \$2,500, they received 2400, and so the Arts Council did not recommend any additional funding for three organizations."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I want make sure that --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "So they do not have to reapply, Mr. -- Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I just want to make sure that I heard you correctly. The additional 200,000 will be split between 18 organizations, getting how much each?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "So the additional 1.7 million will be split among 155 organizations."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "No. Yes, ma'am. You said the 1.5 was going to 55 organizations --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "155, yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yeah. 1.5 million was going to 155 organizations."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Then you said there was a remaining 200 that would be split between 18 organizations, with each organization getting a certain amount. And I thought I heard you say, \$131,000 each."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "No, no, no. 131,000 among the 18 organizations."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Total?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "131,000 --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- total of the remaining 200?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Of the -- yes, sir. So I'm just giving round numbers --"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Rough numbers."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "But it's 1.5 million, 800 -- the 1.7 will be exhausted among the 155 --"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And they --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "-- who received funding initially, and the 18 who did not receive any funding."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "All right, thank you. I just want it to be clear. Thank you."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Oh, I'm sorry. Commissioner Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Dr. Roshell, I --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "-- just wanted to say thank you so much for that clarity, and apologize to you for having to put you through this process on something that could have been avoided and done many meetings ago, except for the immaturity of this Board. So I just wanted to say thank you for explaining what you just explained. And I really do appreciate that. Thank you."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, COO: "Yes, ma'am."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Other comments? Continue."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "That concludes our report, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. It's 12:15, we got 45 minutes to do whatever the Board feels like doing before we have a hard stop. Continue."

CLERK GRIER: "Continuing on page 16, **25-0708**, Finance request approval of a recommend proposal for Employee Healthcare Benefit Plan, Dental with Aetna Life Insurance Company."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Entertain a motion. Motion to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Commissioner Ivory. Y'all want to add anything quickly?"

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "No, sir. No, sir. If there's any questions, we'll be glad to answer them."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions? Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "I didn't actually have a question. I just wanted to make a comment, or a couple comments. First of all, I want to thank you guys for the effort you put in this year. Thank you guys for doing such a great job on the negotiation to get

the rates, you know, the increases down as low as we could. You know, through our conversations, I think I just want to make it clear for the employees that the -- what was our low-cost option in Kaiser is quickly becoming the same-cost plan. They're very similar, and it seems to go up year by year, even, even despite your best efforts to keep the increases low. And I just want to make it clear that as people are deciding next year with who they want to go with, to really not consider automatically Kaiser as the lower cost plan, because it's very, very slight difference. And that I think, you know, everybody should know that -- and I appreciate you guys for keeping an eye on this and trying to make the hard decisions about whether or not we keep Kaiser in the long run, if they -- if they go -- if those streams cross, and Kaiser becomes a more expensive option. So I don't know if you wanted to just comment a little bit on that, Ray."

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yes, we do have about half of our active folks are with the Anthem plans, and now half are with Kaiser. And a lot of those folks do enjoy that Kaiser model. So those plans are almost identical in cost. Right now, we plan to keep both options available for employees in the near, near future."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Yeah, so ultimately, it'll be a preference plan versus a --"

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "-- low-cost option."

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "And I just think at some point, if it even exists in the world, we might need to look for some other low-cost solution if such a thing exists."

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yes, ma'am, that's good point. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion is to adopt. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "The vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0709**, Request approval of a recommended proposal, as amended, for Employee Healthcare Benefit Plan with Emphasis Insurance Company to provide medical and pharmacy benefits as a fully insured option for Medicare eligible."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to adopt by Commissioner Barrett, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 17, **25-0710**, request approval to renew existing contracts for Employee Healthcare Benefits to provide medical and pharmacy coverage for eligible active employees, retirees, beneficiaries, and covered dependents."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0711**, Request approval to renew existing contracts for Voluntary Worksite Benefits."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0712**, Request approval of the 2026 premium rates for the Medical and Pharmacy, Dental and Vision Plans, effective January 1st, 2026 through January 31st."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Ivory, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Thank you, Commissioners."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0713**, request approval of Parity Bond Resolution to provide for the issuance of Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding bonds."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. You want to say anything, Madam CFO, on this?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The resolution that's before you is an authorizing resolution which will allow us to begin the process for the refinancing of these bonds. If Mr. Turner wants to make any comments, I'll allow him to do that. But the primary driver here is, one, we'll be able to slightly reduce our annual debt service requirements. But more importantly, we will be releasing a debt service reserve fund. Those funds will be placed into the capital fund

of the water and sewer system and used for system expansion as part of the overall plan that has been contemplated in the rate study that has also been prepared."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Anything to add?"

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "No, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to adopt by Vice Chair Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Let's vote. I'm sorry. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I see that these are refunding bonds. So what is being refunded? How long will this bond last? And when will our obligation end?"

RAY TURNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yeah, so these bonds current -- these are the 2013 bonds. Currently, they expire in 2034. When we refinance, probably going to keep the same maturity in 2034 just at a lower interest rate."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, let's vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0714**, Human Resources Management request approval to modify the classification section of the Classification and Compensation plan."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to adopt by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Commissioner Arrington. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero, nays."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 18, **25-0715**, Real Estate and Asset Management, request approval to increase spending authority, in an amount not to exceed \$227,884.62 to provide additional on-site, landscaping/ground maintenance lawn care services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Ivory, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0716**, Request approval to increase spending authority for bus and shuttle services in the total amount not to exceed \$90,000."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a motion? Is there a motion? Motion to approve by Vice Chair Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0717**, Request approval of the lowest responsible bidders for Maintenance and Testing of Fire Intrusion Alarm Systems in the total amount not to exceed \$225,000."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Have a favorable motion by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Commissioner Ivory. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Under Health and Human Services, **25-0718**, Public Works request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing in the amount not to exceed \$654,797.09 to provide the cleaning and maintaining of sewer lines, storm drains, and pipelines."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Ivory, seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioners' Actions Items. Are we --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "First, sound it."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. On page --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Sound it."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0648**, Request approval of a resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget, to increase the departmental budget for the Department of Arts and Culture in the amount of \$1,700,000 and to establish a reoccurring annual investment of \$3 million into the Department of Arts and Culture beginning in 2026 and for other purposes, sponsored by Commissioners Ivory, Barrett, and Arrington."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Ivory has the floor."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Yes, Mr. Chairman, and in -- out of an abundance of respect for you and for the Board of Commissioners and for what has already been passed in this meeting and for the sake of maturity, on this item, I would like to ask Commissioner

Arrington and Commissioner Barrett if they would be in agreement with me to withdraw this item."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Absolutely."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No objection. It's withdrawn. Continue."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 19, **25-0719**, request approval resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for Magistrate Court by \$178,000, sponsored by Commissioners Ivory, Barrett, and Arrington."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you. I just give me one second. Yes, I would like to - I previously bought this item for 294,000 to address critical staffing needs. After meeting with the County Manager and CFO, we adjusted the request to 178,000 to cover the final 3.5 months of the year, 2025. This funding is targeted solely at staffing to stabilize operations and reduce backlogs. The Magistrate Court currently has 55,028 open cases spanning from 2019, 2019 to today. Without additional staff, delays will continue. An independent assessment recommended 53.5 new staff positions. When -- while this is a partial step, 178,000 ensures critical positions are funded now. While clearance rates appear high, staff are severely overworked. Efficiency metrics do not capture burnout, turnover or delays. Judicial support staff directly reduce backlogs and increase closure rates. The \$175,000 request is just 3.4 percent of the 2025 Magistrate Court budget, but delivers outsized returns. And I would ask for the Commission support on that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You have a motion?"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Ivory, seconded by Commissioner Arrington. Commissioner Barrett, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Commissioner Ivory, I'd like to ask for a friendly amendment just to add the clarification that the total \$611,939 would be added as a recurring expense in the 2026 budget."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I accept that motion."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "And second? Second?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's all right. You accept it as the --"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- main sponsor. All right. The motion on the floor is to approve as amended with it -- with the friendly amendment, which was accepted."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open to approve as amended. And the motion fails; three yeas, two nays, one abstention."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0720**, Request approval of a resolution to amend Fulton County current budget to increase the departmental budget for the Office of the Public Defender, Atlanta Judicial Circuit by \$1,428,000, sponsored by Commissioners Ivory, Barrett, and Arrington."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a motion? Motion to adopt by Commissioner Barrett, seconded by -- is there a second?"

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "I keep hitting the --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Seconded by Commissioner Ivory. Commissioner Ivory, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I previously bought an item for 4,897,313 to fully fund staffing needs. After meeting with the County Manager and the CFO, the request was revised to 1 million, 428, to cover the final 3.5 months of 2025. This ensures the Public Defender can move forward with staffing now and while we work on long-term solutions in the 2026 budget. This scaled request is a responsible targeted step allied with financial leadership advice. And I would hope that my Commissioners would support the Public Defender's Office."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Commissioner Ivory, I'd like to offer the same essential, friendly amendment as on the last one to add that language that clarifies that the total of 4,897,313 be added as a recurring expense to the Public Defender's budget for 2026."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Accepted, thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion with a friendly amendment is before us. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion fails; three yeas, two nays, one abstention."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "25-0722, Request approval of an ordinance to amend Chapter 101, Article II, Division 2, Rules of Order and Procedure, Section 101-63 of the Fulton County Code of Ordinances and for other purposes, sponsored by Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. At the last meeting, I believe it was the last meeting, was a suggestion that we codify and clarify what a motion to file means. And I asked the County Attorney to do so, and that's what's before us today. By way of a quick background, we are -- it is permissible for us to have our own rules, informal rules, informal though they may be, and just for your information, the seven of us here have voted six times this year to file legislation that's before us without any question about what it meant. I've tried to explain it before, but since there was some, seem to be some confusion about what it means, this is an attempt to clarify and to codify what that means. So the motion is to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Vice Chair Ellis. Madam County Attorney, you want to explain, and we have to hear from Commissioner Arrington, followed Commissioner Barrett."

Y. SOO JO, COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. As you noted, there was some discussion at the last meeting among the Commissioners as to what is Board has been utilizing motions to file and motions to deny, rather what effect those motions have. According to the practice of this Body, you expressed at that meeting that you intended to codify that so that there's no further question as meaning. So the draft that is before the Board now is represent -- it represents our understanding of the meaning of those two motions as this Board has been accustomed to utilizing them."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "While I think that this is a good attempt, I think there are so many other things that need clarifying that we do ourselves a disservice. For example, a motion to call the question, according to Robert's Rules of Order, requires a vote of two thirds, not a simple majority."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's true."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "This Board has gone back and forth. Sometimes it has required a two-thirds majority, and sometimes it has not required a two-thirds majority. So I would like to see us address all of those items, rather than simply trying to plug one hole, which I don't believe is really a hole that needs plugging anyway. But certainly, where there is a direct contradiction between Robert's Rules and Order -- Robert's Rules of Order and what some call the practices, you know, because it's -- it's funny because just because someone says something is a practice and something has been done doesn't mean that it's true, right? It may just be their recollection of what they remember. And so it's important that we have our rules written

out so that we can -- that everyone is on notice of what the actual rule is and the implications thereof. But to just say, hey, it's been our practice to just require a simple majority for a call to question is woefully insufficient, particularly in light of the written Robert's Rules of Order, which requires a two-third majority. And so Mr. Chair, I would volunteer to head up a committee to look at making recommendations to our procedural rules to include this one change that is currently being suggested for the motion to file. But I think there are other items, which particularly in these times, that require our attention and require us to be on the same page. And to your point that there have been six times people voted on a motion to file this year, the reason that it's important to have it written out like this is so that everyone is crystal clear on what it means. Because someone may vote for something, and have one idea of what it means, and someone else may vote for something and have a different idea of what it means. And so -- but to have, you know, a Chair that says, hey, a simple majority is fine to call to question, which is a direct contradiction to Robert's Rules of Order, you know, we just need to align all of these things up. And I think it'd be better that we do it all at one time, and instead of doing one at a time. You know, the motion to file is -- is really irrelevant, because anybody can bring anything back up at any motion at any time. So I'm not going to be able to support this today, but I can support a full and I'm willing to lead the effort in amending the procedural rules, and work with anyone that wants to work with me, so that we address this in a comprehensive fashion. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Barrett."

COMMISSIONER BARRETT: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And thank you, Commissioner Arrington for making that suggestion. I think everyone here, except for Commissioner Ivory, probably remembers that we made an attempt to start doing that, I guess, it's a year and a half ago, two years ago, now. I don't remember. And the Board sort of didn't have the will or interest to keep going, but maybe we will this time. I agree that that's something we should probably look at a lot of these -- of our rules and procedures. I mean, even I think this one was written by Mitch Skandalakis back in the day or something. So these are old, and I think probably do deserve a review for, you know, what's happening currently. That said, you know, I also have some issues with sort of the definition here, in that it's not entirely clear what -- what same means. Does same -- does -- you know, it says that you cannot bring the same item back. But does that mean, if you change one word, you can bring it back, if you change ten words, you can bring it back? If you change a dollar amount, like, what does that mean? Does it mean, you know -- it also says that another -- it says only this Commissioner cannot bring back the item. So does that mean, if an item is filed that then the next Commissioner down the line can bring it back with the exact same language? So I just think there's some clarity that's needed around it to define the time period and the -- what does it mean -- what is a material change -- difference that you can bring back? And you know, I also think there's a -- this Board is very happy to call each other out

when we do something that everybody else thinks is not appropriate. So I think we have a built-in mechanism to not continue to bring the same thing back over and over again, which is that you'll -- it will be voted no, and you will continue to face the ridicule of your peers on his Board if you keep bringing the same thing back over and over again. That said, I believe the rules also state, and you can correct me if I'm wrong on this Madam Clerk, but that any Commissioner who wishes to place an item on the agenda may do so, and there's no restrictions on that. So this, in a way, interferes with that, because a motion to file essentially takes the right of the Commissioner who's bringing the item, the right of that item to be heard and voted on away from that Commissioner. And so I think there's a little bit of a conflict there. All of which to say, I think a committee or a conference on which we're discussing this would allow us to address these, some of these problems. And if we decided at that time to move forward with a version of motion to file, I would potentially be supportive. But there's too many questions for me in the way it's written now to support it today."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ivory."

COMMISSIONER IVORY: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And I want to say to you that I appreciate you, Chairman Pitts, making the effort to codify these motions so that we operate under written rules, rather than customs and practices. And I really, truly appreciate that, which is what I've been trying to accomplish with what has been happening in the last couple of weeks. So I think, Commissioner Arrington, your proposal to revise the procedural rules is an excellent proposal. And I would volunteer to work, you said, whoever would want to work with you on that. I'd volunteer, absolutely, to work with you on that. And Commissioner Barrett, thank you for bringing those inconsistencies, you know, to light. And so I look forward to being able to work on that committee, and do what I think the Chairman's intent was in proposing these items, which is to codify so that we all as Commissioners will act under the rules and not under our personal preferences. And I thank you for that, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Motion on the floor is to approve. Let's vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Would you entertain a motion to hold?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Until when, the next meeting?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Or until we can come back with the procedural rule -- I mean, it doesn't matter, you --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- you don't have four votes. So I mean, we can hold it, or we can vote for it, however you want to do it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, we'll just -- let's dispose and vote it up and down. Motion on the floor is to approve."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion fails; three nays, three nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "**25-0723**, Request approval of a resolution designating certain days in December 2025 and January 2026 as Administrative Holidays for Fulton County, sponsored by Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Maybe we can agree upon this for the sake of our employees. In fact, I wanted to take this, let's shut down Thanksgiving, because nobody's going to be here anyway."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "You can't do that, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, you can, too. You can. Nobody's going to be here but the Manager and I. Let's vote. This is self-explanatory, I think."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other items we need to vote on before we -- we got a one 1:00 o'clock hard stop. Let's recess for lunch and Executive Session, we'll consider items of real estate, litigation, and personnel. Let's vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

Recessed for Executive Session at 12:43 p.m.

Resumed Regular Session at 2:50 p.m.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam County Attorney, no items from Executive Session?"

Y. SOO JO, COUNTY ATTORNEY: "No action items."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Madam Clerk, any further items to come before us today?"

CLERK GRIER: "No further items."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll entertain a motion to adjourn. Thank you."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.