FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SECOND REGULAR MEETING



November 20, 2024 10:00 AM

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



POST AGENDA MINUTES

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Scheduled date for ratification: December 4, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts	10:00 a.m.
ROLL CALL: Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission	
Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large) Bridget Thorne, Commissioner (District 1) Bob Ellis, Commissioner (District 2) Dana Barrett, Commissioner (District 3) Natalie Hall, Commissioner (District 4) Marvin S. Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5) Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Vice Chair (District 6)	PRESENT PRESENT PRESENT PRESENT PRESENT PRESENT PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Clifton Dawkins, Jr., County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CONSENT AGENDA

24-0770 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 Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0771 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Save A Girl Save A World Appreciation Day." (Hall) November 8, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Johns Creek Government Day." (Thorne) November 14, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Black Wealth Summit Appreciation Day." (Pitts) November 15, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Corey Ivory Appreciation Day." (Hall) November 15, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Ferrari Simmons Appreciation Day." (Hall) November 15, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Dr. Derrian Perry Appreciation Day." (Hall) November 15, 2024

Commissioners' District Board Appointments

24-0772 Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY COMMUNITY ZONING BOARD (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

The Fulton County Board of Commissioners shall appoint seven (7) members to a Community Zoning Board for unincorporated Fulton County. Each member of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners shall nominate, for full Board approval, a member to the Community Zoning Board. All members shall be residents of Fulton County. From the membership of the Community Zoning Board, the Board of Commissioners shall appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair, to serve no more than two (2) years. Members of the Community Zoning Board serve at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners and may be removed upon motion of the nominating Commissioner and affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Commissioners.

Term = The members shall serve a term consistent with that of the member of the Board of Commissioners making the nomination. Members shall serve no more than two (2) terms, either consecutive or non-consecutive.

<u>Term below expired</u>: 12/31/2014 Vacant (District 1)

Commissioner Thorne nominated Jody Reichel for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

Open & Responsible Government

24-0773 Finance

Ratification of October 2024 Grants Activity Report. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0774 External Affairs

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of External Affairs 23RFP081423A-KM, External Grant Writing & Support Services in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 with Strategic Funding Group, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) to provide External Grant Writing Services. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0775 External Affairs

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of External Affairs 23RFP081423A-KM, External Grant Writing & Support Services in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 with Think and Ink Grant Consulting, (Atlanta, GA) to provide External Grant Writing Services. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0776 Information Technology

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Information Technology, 21ITB0929B -EC, W-2, 1099, and Affordable Care Act Filing, Processing, Printing, and Mailing Services, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 with National Payment Corporation (Tampa, FL) to provide a system to process, print, fold, and mail W-2 forms, 1099-Misc forms, 1099-R forms and Affordable Care Act (ACA) forms for employees, poll workers, retirees and vendors of the County. This action exercises the third of three renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective Dates: January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0777 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 22ITBC135037C-GS, Ballasts, Lamps, Light Fixtures and Related Supplies in an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 with (A) E. Sam Jones (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$51,700.00; (B) Voss Electric Co. (Marietta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$25,300.00; (C) Summit Lighting Solutions (Lawrenceville, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$12,100.00; (D) Regency Lighting (Los Angeles, CA) in an amount not to exceed \$16,500.00; and, (E) Electrical Contractor (Covington, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$4,400.00, to provide ballasts, lamps, light fixtures, and related items on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County facilities and parking lots. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

<u>24-0778</u> Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution approving a Lease Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia (Tenant) and Goode Van Slyke Properties, LLC, (Landlord) to continue providing library services at 409 John Wesley Dobbs Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia (Martin Luther King Jr. Branch Library); to authorize the Chairman to approve the Lease Agreement and related documents; to authorize the County Attorney to approve the Lease Agreement and related documents as to form and to make any modifications thereto to execution. Effective upon approval for a term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2004, with nine (9) renewal options. The monthly rental payment will be \$12,040.00 per month, thorough 2028, if renewed and effective January 1st, 2029, the monthly rental payment shall increase to \$12,728.00 for the five (5) available renewal periods ending December 2033, if renewed. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

24-0779 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 859 square feet to Fulton County, Georgia, from Society of Saint Pius X of ATL, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the St. Michael's Catholic Church Project at 715 Hardscrabble Road, Roswell, Georgia 30075. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Arts and Libraries

24-0780 Library

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") by and between Visual Artist Charly Palmer, Fulton County on behalf of the Auburn Avenue Research Library and the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library Foundation for the creation of an original artwork to commemorate AARL's 30th Anniversary. This agreement shall remain in effect from the date of execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services

24-0781 Senior Services

Request approval to increase the spending authority - Senior Services, 21RFP000027A-CJC, Senior Transportation Services in an amount not to exceed \$321,577.55 with Transdev Incorporated (East Point, GA) to provide transportation services for Senior Services and Behavioral Health programs. This agenda item is 100% grant funded. These grant funds will be used between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024. Effective upon BOC approval. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0782 Public Works

Request approval to extend an existing contract - Public Works Department, 21RFP131557K-DB, Design/Build Services for Big Creek Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Standby Generator System Project with the Georgia Power Company (Atlanta, GA) for an extension of time only to continue to provide installation and testing for power generation facilities at the Big Creek WRF at no additional cost. Effective upon BOC approval. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Justice and Safety

24-0783 Emergency Services

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Fulton County and Douglas County for the provision of Back-Up 911 Service effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2024, with five (5) renewal options ending December 31, 2029. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

24-0784 Police

Request approval to award a contract without competition - Police Department, 24SSREQ1337264B-RT, Draco Gas Delivery System in the amount not to exceed \$27,375.00 with J & N Tactical Inc. (South Haven, MN) to provide a DRACO Gas Delivery System. Effective upon BOC approval for 12-month period. This is a one-time procurement. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

SECOND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

24-0785 Board of Commissioners

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

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to adopt the Second Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by removing item #24-0803 as requested by the County Manager. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to reconsider the Second Regular Meeting Agenda. **(NO ACTION TAKEN)**

24-0786 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. (RATIFIED)

Second Regular Meeting Minutes, October 16, 2024 First Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, November 6, 2024

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

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0787 Board of Commissioners

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. (NONE)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

24-0788 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 emails or 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)

13 Speakers: Chief Judge Cassandra Kirk (Item #24-0793); Helen Butler (Item #24-0793); Margaret Stagmeyer (Item #24-0793); L.A. Pink (Corruption); Paul Hershey (Item #24-0805); Chris Hayden (Elections); Dominique Grant (Fulton County Jail); Melodie Rossen (Fulton County Jail); Maria Gaudio (Election); J. Wesley Day (Justice/Solicitor Office); Solicitor General Keith Gammage (Item #24-0793); Patrice Perkins-Hooker (Elections) and Nancy Flake Johnson (Item #24-0793)

4 Zoom Speakers: Matt Rowenczak (Elections); Ben Howard (Items #24-0781, #24-0743 and 24-0799); Adrian Coleman (Fulton County Jail) and David Fadul (Health Products)

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

Housing Authority of Fulton County

24-0789 Board of Commissioners

Presentation: Housing Authority of Fulton County (**PRESENTED**)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RENEWAL ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

<u>24-0790</u> Information Technology

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Information Technology, 22ITBC1006B-PS, Fulton PC Refresh Enterprise Workstation in an amount not to exceed \$1,950,000.00 with CDW Government (Vernon Hills, IL) to provide enterprise business class desktop personal computers (PCs), laptops, monitors and docking stations, specialty computing devices to include iPads, IMacs, MS Surface Pros and supporting peripherals. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Health and Human Services

24-0743 Senior Services

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Senior Services, 21RFP000016A-CJC, Alternative Senior Transportation Services in an amount not to exceed \$3,134,178.00 with Common Courtesy (Atlanta, GA) to provide transportation services/ride sharing to eligible Fulton County residents aged 60 and above. This action exercises the third of four renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. (HELD ON 11/6/24) (APPROVED AS AMENDED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hall and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve the amended recommendations. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Justice and Safety

24-0791 Police

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Police, 23RFP139745B-EC, Armed and Unarmed Security Services in the amount of \$8,390,000.00 with Universal Protection Services dba Allied Universal Services (Atlanta, GA) to provide armed and unarmed security services for various County departments. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

24-0792 County Manager

Presentation of the Fulton County Operational Report. (PRESENTED)

24-0793 Finance

Presentation of the FY2025 Proposed Operating Budget. (**PRESENTED**)

<u>24-0794</u> Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of Task Order 2 - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138741K-JAJ, Task Order Contract for Minor Construction Projects in an amount not to exceed \$484,800.00 with Hawk Construction Company, LLC (Ellenwood, GA), to facilitate the repair of 101 jail cell doors and damaged cell walls located in jail housing unit 5 South at the Main Jail facility. Effective upon BOC approval until project completion as determined by the County. (APPROVED)

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

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

<u>24-0795</u> Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval a of a statewide contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, SWC# 99999-001-SPD0000112-0001, Fuel Card Management Services in an amount not to exceed \$145,000.00 with WEX Bank (Salt Lake City, UT) to provide fuel card management services for Fulton County fleet vehicles. Effective date: January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025. (APPROVED)

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0796 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a statewide contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, SWC #99999-001-SPD0000154-0001, Facility Maintenance Solution in an amount not to exceed \$131,368.00 with CGL Facility Management, LLC (Fayetteville, GA), to provide preventive and corrective maintenance services for the County-owned facility currently leased to the State of Georgia Department of Human Services located at 5710 Stonewall Tell Road, College Park, GA 30349. Effective dates: January 1, 2025, through July 14, 2025. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

24-0797 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP020124K-JA, Design/Build Services for North Fulton Health Human Services (HHS) Center in an amount not to exceed \$15,417,450.00 with Beck PMI, Joint Venture, comprised of The Beck Group and Peachtree Mechanical Inc. (Atlanta, GA), to provide design/build services for the construction and renovation of 4700 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30022. Effective upon issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP) to substantial completion in 270 calendar days and final completion in 300 calendar days or as agreed between the County and the Design/Builder. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

<u>24-0798</u> Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP072424K-JA, Program Management and Professional Services for the Fulton County Jail Capital Improvement Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,740,749.38 for Year 1, with ACR Partners, a joint venture comprised of AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM), Comprehensive Program Services (CPS) and H.J. Russell & Company (HJR) (Atlanta, GA), to provide a complete range of program management and professional services to support the Fulton County Jail Capital Improvement Program ("CIP"). Effective upon issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP) for five (5) years, with one , two-year renewal option or until completion as determined by the County. (APPROVED)

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

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

Health and Human Services

24-0799 Community Development

Request approval of a statewide contract - Community Development, SWC 99999-SPD-0000136-0008, Temporary Staffing Services in an amount not to exceed \$148,075.00 with Corporate Temps 2000 (Norcross, GA) to continue temporary staffing services for the Department of Community Development. Effective January 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025. (APPROVED)

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0800 Senior Services

Request approval of a statewide contract - Department of Senior Services, SWC99999-SPD0000136-003A, Temporary Staffing Services in an amount not to exceed \$135,135.07 with New World Employment dba Snelling (Tucker, GA), to provide staffing services to support the operation of the Department of Senior Services facilities. Effective January 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025. (APPROVED)

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

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

Did Not Vote: Thorne

24-0801 Public Works

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Public Works, 24ITBC1329891A-JWT, Water Meter Vaults in the amount of \$200,000.00 with Bartow Precast Inc., (Cartersville, GA), to provide water meter vaults. Effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

24-0802 Public Works

Request approval to extend an existing Contract - Public Works Department, 17RFP031617K-DJ, Progressive Design/Build Services for the Big Creek Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Expansion Project Phase 2B with Archer Western-Brown and Caldwell Joint Venture (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$279,436.22, utilizing the Owner's Contingency to address additional work required and to extend the contract through March 21, 2025. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

Infrastructure and Economic Development

24-0803 Select Fulton

Request approval and associated funding of an initiative - Department of Economic Development - Select Fulton (Fulton Films Division), 2025 American Black Film Festival (ABFF) Honors in the amount of \$30,000.00 with ABFF Ventures LLC dba NICE CROWD Burbank, CA to provide a Supporting Sponsorship in the amount of \$25,000.00 and associated staff travel costs of \$5,000.00 for the event. Effective upon approval, subject to appropriation of funding in the FY25 budget. **(REMOVED)**

Justice and Safety

24-0804 Emergency Services

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Department of Emergency Services, General Services Administration Contract #GS-35F-0415V, in the amount of \$219,852.13 with Quality Recording Solutions, LLC, Eventide (Roswell, GA) for the purchase of the 911 Recording System and to provide professional services required to upgrade and maintain the department's current recording system. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

24-0805 Sheriff

Request approval to allocate \$2,137,496.00 into the fiscal year 2024 budget for the Fulton County Sheriff's Office. This amount will be drawn from the previously approved funding specifically designated for the Sheriff's Office. The primary purpose of this allocation is to address and replenish the overtime expenses incurred over the past year. Additionally, these funds will be crucial for covering any unforeseen emergency overtime needs at the Jail, as well as facilitating payments related to the Public Safety Fair Labor Standards Act (PFLSA) for employees who have reached their maximum Compensatory Time. (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)

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

Yea:	Barrett, Hall, and Arrington

Abstain: Thorne, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Pitts, and Ellis

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS

24-0611 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of an Ordinance amending Part 1, Subpart B, Chapter 101-General Provisions and County Governing Authority Article I, Sec. 101-68 -Decorum, of the Code of Laws of Fulton County, Georgia Relating to Rules of Decorum Governing Meetings of the Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes. (Pitts) (HELD ON 9/18/24, 10/2/24, 10/16/24, AND 11/6/24) (HELD)

24-0654 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to designate a resignation procedure for appointed members of the Boards, Commissions, Taskforces, Committees, Councils and authorities created under the authority of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes. (Pitts) (HELD ON 10/2/24, 10/16/24, AND 11/6/24) (APPROVED)

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

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

Did Not Vote: Hall, and Arrington

24-0655 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to ensure free accessibility to Fulton County records by County officials and employees as needed to fulfill their public duties and functions; and for other purposes. (Thorne) (HELD ON 10/2/24, 10/16/24, AND 11/6/24) (FILED)

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

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

Nay: Thorne, and Ellis

Commissioners' Full Board Appointments

24-0767 Board of Commissioners

ATLANTA-FULTON COUNTY RECREATION AUTHORITY (STADIUM AUTHORITY) (MOTION TO HOLD FAILED ON 11/6/24) (HELD)

This Authority consists of nine (9) members: three (3) members appointed by the Board of Commissioners and six (6) members appointed by the City of Atlanta. Vacancies in the membership of the authority, whether caused by the expiration of term of office, death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by the governing body of Fulton County or the City of Atlanta, upon the nomination of the chief executive officer and confirmation by the governing body of said city. Any member of the authority may be elected to succeed himself. All members, duly appointed, shall hold office until his or her successor shall be appointed and duly qualified. Any member, appointed to fill an unexpired term, shall serve only for the term of the member he or she replaced.

Term = All subsequent terms of office shall be for four (4) years. Any person appointed to membership on the Authority who is a public official of the City of Atlanta or Fulton County at the time of his appointment shall serve as a member of the Authority only so long as he or she remains a public official of the city or county government which originally appointed him/her.

<u>Term below expired:</u> 11/1/2024 Commissioner Marvin S. Arrington, Jr. **(BOC)**

Commissioner Barrett has nominated Commissioner Marvin S. Arrington, Jr. for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending November 1, 2028.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to hold until January. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Barrett, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hall

COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

24-0764 External Affairs

Approval of 2025 Legislative Agenda. (HELD ON 11/6/24) (APPROVED)

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve the Primary Policy Priority: Judicial Resources for Superior Court:

• Fulton County seeks local legislation to authorize Superior Court judicial officers to handle non-serious felony and civil cases by assignment of the Chief Judge.

• Fulton County seeks three additional judgeships within Superior Court to effectively manage the high volume of cases, including caseloads specific to Georgia's Capital County.

The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

b. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve Primary Policy Priority: Judicial Resources for Additional State Court Judges:

• Fulton County seeks the allocation of two additional State Court judges, increasing the court from 10 to 12 judges.

The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

c. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

Primary Policy Priority: Detention Center Transfer:

• Fulton County supports the Senate Public Safety Fulton County Jail subcommittee's recommendation to transfer the Atlanta City Detention Center to Fulton County.

d. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve Ongoing State Investment – Behavioral Health:

• Fulton County seeks ongoing state funding for Behavioral Health beds, as recommended in the 2023 Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) bed study.

The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

e. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve Online Publication of Legal Notices. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts,	Thorne, Ellis,	Barrett, and Hall
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Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Abdur-Rahman

f. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve Transit Board Representation:

• Fulton County seeks amendments to enhance representation on both the ATL and MARTA Boards, ensuring appointments are equitable and reflective of the county's size and taxpayer base.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Ellis

Absent: Arrington

g. A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve Housing Authority of Fulton County:

• Fulton County requests an amendment to the requirements for resident commissioners of the Fulton County Housing Authority to ensure compliance with O.C.G.A. § 8-3-50.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea:	Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman
Absent:	Arrington
Did Not Vote:	Thorne

h. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve Office of the Child Attorney procedural changes. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

i. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve Clarification of Purchasing Powers of Constitutional Officers:

• Fulton County seeks clarification regarding the purchasing powers of constitutional officers and urges the Georgia General Assembly to require compliance with purchasing and procurement policies for constitutional officers.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea:	Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman
Nay:	Barrett
Absent:	Arrington
Did Not Vote:	Hall

j. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve Premises Liability Reform:

• Fulton County recommends reforms to limit property owner liability for minor, non-serious injuries or incidents that occur on their property due to factors outside their control.

The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

k. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Hall, to approve the remaining Policy Positions collectively. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea:	Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman
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Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Pitts, Thorne, and Ellis

I. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve Policy Position: NextGen 911. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

m. A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve Policy Position: Medicaid Expansion. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea:	Pitts, Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman
Nay:	Thorne
Absent:	Arrington
Did Not Vote:	Ellis

n. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve Policy Position: Change Personal Property and Freeport Return Dates. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea:	Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman
Absent:	Arrington
Did Not Vote:	Barrett

o. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve Policy Position: Authorize Digital Court Reporting. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

p. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve Policy Position: Raise High School Dropout Age to 17. The motion passed by the following vote:

- Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman
- Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Ellis

COMMISSIONERS' PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

24-0615 Board of Commissioners

Discussion: Inmate Phone Contract & Jail Commissary Contract (Pitts) (HELD ON 9/18/24, 10/2/24, 10/16/24, AND 11/6/24) (HELD)

24-0806 Board of Commissioners

Discussion: Update on City of Atlanta Water Bills (Barrett) (DISCUSSED)

24-0807 Board of Commissioners Discussion: Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (Barrett) (DISCUSSED)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

<u>24-0808</u> 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 Chair Abdur-Rahman, Commissioners: Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Hall, Arrington and; County Manager Dick Anderson; County Attorney Y. Soo Jo; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier.

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve the requests for representation in items #1 and #2 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, and Hall

Did Not Vote: Ellis, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve settlement authority in item #3 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Hall, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Abdur-Rahman

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.