

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

September 03, 2025
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: September 17, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts

10:01 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) Khadijah

PRESENT

Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner (District 6)

PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Donald E. Bolton, County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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CONSENT AGENDA**25-0622 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 First Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. **(ADOPTED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, and Ivory

Absent: Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

25-0623 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "HWPL Georgia Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 24, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Melba Moore Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 30, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Shirley Jones Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 30, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Klymaxx Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 30, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Mo'Nique Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 30, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Dr. Bill Nelson Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
August 30, 2025

Commissioners' District Board Appointments**25-0624 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

David Belle-Isle (Ellis)

Vice Chairman Ellis nominated Mike Kennedy to a District appointment to a term ending May 31, 2029.

Open & Responsible Government**25-0625 Real Estate and Asset Management**
Request approval of a Sanitary Sewer System Ownership, Operation, Maintenance, and Repair Agreement between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and Medley Johns Creek Phase 2 Owner, LLC, for the purpose of granting Fulton County legal access to extend and maintain the sanitary sewer system at 11660 Johns Creek Pkwy, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)****25-0626 Real Estate and Asset Management**
Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 74,286 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Medley Johns Creek Phase 1 Owner, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Medley Johns Creek Phase 1 Project at 11660 Johns Creek Parkway, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)****25-0627 Real Estate and Asset Management**
Request approval of a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 2,198 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Medley Johns Creek Phase 1 Owner, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Medley Johns Creek Phase 1 Project at 11660 Johns Creek Parkway, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0628 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sanitary Sewer System Ownership, Operation, Maintenance, and Repair Agreement between Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and JBGL Atlanta Development 2014, LLC, for the purpose of granting Fulton County legal access to extend and maintain the sanitary sewer system at 2325 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0629 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 water line easement area at 2325 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Justice and Safety**25-0630 Emergency Services**

Request approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Fulton County and the City of South Fulton for the provision of 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Services effective October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, with three (3) automatic renewals commencing on October 1 of each successive year, ending September 30, 2029, with an annual subsidy of \$1,650,000.00. This amount is a revenue increase to Fulton County for services provided. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0631 Emergency Services

Request approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Fulton County and the City of South Fulton, for the provision of the Digital 800 MHz Radio System Access, October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 with three (3) automatic renewals commencing October 1 of each successive year, in the amount of \$384,057.00 annually for years 2025 and 2026 and \$407,082.00 for years 2027 and 2028, and for the Records Management System (RMS) in the amount of \$175,904.15 annually covering October 1 - September 30 of each successive year. This amount is a revenue increase to Fulton County for services provided. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0632 Juvenile Court

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Juvenile Court, 25RFP1403114A-KM, Specific Evidence-Based Delinquency Prevention Programming in an amount not to exceed \$276,616.20 with Evidence-Based Associates, LLC (Atlanta, GA) to provide ART-Aggressive Replacement Therapy; Functional Family Therapy (FFT) and Multisystemic Therapy (MST). Effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026 with two renewal options. This contract is 100% grant funded. No County funding is required. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**25-0633 Board of Commissioners**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to adopt the First Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by revising items #25-0646 and #25-0648 as requested by Commissioner Ivory. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Absent: Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Ellis

25-0634 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

First Regular Meeting Minutes, August 6, 2025

Second Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, August 20, 2025

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

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

Absent: Abdur-Rahman

25-0635 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Corporal Zahir Muid Appreciation Day."
(Pitts/Ellis/Thorne/Barrett/Ivory/Abdur-Rahman)

Proclamation recognizing "Recovery Month."
(Ellis/Ivory/Pitts/Thorne/Barrett/Abdur-Rahman)

Proclamation recognizing "Georgia STAND UP Appreciation Day."
(Pitts/Barrett/Ivory/Abdur-Rahman)

PUBLIC HEARINGS**25-0636 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)

25 Speakers: Chief Magistrate Judge Cassandra Kirk (Budget Resolution); Josh McLaurin (Oppose BRE Appointment); Tre Riddle (Oppose BRE Appointment); Maurice Kenner (Budget Resolution); Chris Hayden (Support BRE Appointment); Bobbie Paul (Oppose BRE Appointment); Cecilia Ugarte Baldwin (Oppose BRE Appointment); Kayla Nicole Garthus (Oppose BRE Appointment); Kimberly Brooks (Court/Lawsuit); Andres Castro (Oppose BRE Appointment); Megan Castro (Oppose BRE Appointment); Gale Lee (Support BRE Appointment); Christopher Escobar (Arts Budget Resolution); Lorri Connor (Oppose BRE Appointment); D. Patton White (Arts Budget Resolution); Saif Hasan (Oppose BRE Appointment); Jane Williams (Oppose BRE Appointment); Reed Stillson (Oppose BRE Appointment); Rachel Glover (Oppose BRE Appointment); Bjorn Cole (Oppose BRE Appointment); Lyndsey Coates (Oppose BRE Appointment); Cathy Woolward (Oppose BRE Appointment); Hope Mays (Oppose BRE Appointment); Charmaine Minniefield (Arts Budget Resolution); Marisa Pyle (Oppose BRE Appointment)

8 Zoom Speakers: Kevin Muldowney (Support BRE Appointment); Matt Rowenczak (Support BRE Appointment); Lisa Adler (Arts Budget Resolution); Laura Hennighausen (Arts Budget Resolution); Alma Lott (Oppose BRE Appointment); Stephanie Jewett (Oppose BRE Appointment); Maggie Goldman (Oppose BRE Appointment); Adaline Kumar (Support BRE Appointment)

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****25-0637 Finance**

Presentation, review, and approval of September 3, 2025, Budget Soundings and Resolution. **(PRESENTED/APPROVED)**

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0638 Information Technology

Request approval to extend an existing contract - Department of Information Technology, State of North Dakota #146 Strategic Assessments, Upgrade of the County's Enterprise Resource Planning Software (ERP) application with International Consulting Acquisition Corp. dba ISG Public Sector (Stamford, CT) in an amount of \$577,190.00 to provide independent verification and validation services during the upgrade. Effective October 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

25-0639 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 25ITB146749K1-DB, Abatement and Demolition Services for the Knights Inn & Red Roof Inn Hotels, in the amount of \$1,467,000.00 with Complete Demolition Services, LLC (Carrollton, GA), to provide complete demolition of all buildings and foundations and removal and dumping of all construction demolition debris for the Red Roof Inn Hotel and Knights Inn Hotel. Contractor shall commence work upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed (NTP) and shall substantially complete the Work within 270 calendar days from issuance of the NTP and final completion of Work within 365 days of issuance of the NTP. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

25-0640 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, North Georgia Fuel Cooperative (NGFC) Contract #BL051-23, Gasoline and Diesel Fuel in an total amount not to exceed \$2,331,442.00 with (A) James River Solutions, LLC, (Ashland, VA) in an amount not to exceed \$940,000.00; (B) Boswell Oil Company (Athens, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$730,721.00; and (C) Sunoco, LP (Dallas, TX) in an amount not to exceed \$660,721.00, to provide gasoline and diesel fuel for Fulton County fleet vehicles. Effective dates: September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

25-0641 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Fulton County Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 24RFP101524K-CRB, Design/Build Services for the Fulton County Renovation of the Public Safety Training Center in the total amount not to exceed \$7,995,009.00 with Hogan Construction Group, LLC/The Collaborative Firm, LLC Joint Venture (Atlanta, GA), to provide Design-Build Services ("D/B Services") for the Renovation and Retrofit of the two-story building located at 1281 Fulton Industrial Boulevard, Atlanta, GA 30336 to accommodate the Fulton County Public Safety Training Center (PSTC). Effective upon issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP) with substantial completion of the Work within two hundred ninety (290) calendar days and final completion of the Work within three hundred calendar (300) days. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Health and Human Services**25-0642 Public Works**

Request approval to increase spending authority - Public Works, 22ITB136990K-JA, Standby Miscellaneous Construction, Water System Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,040,711.28 with Wade Coots Company, Inc. (Austell, GA) to provide miscellaneous construction services for the Fulton County water distribution network. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

25-0643 Public Works

Request approval to increase spending authority - Public Works, 22ITB136990K-JA Standby Miscellaneous Construction, Water System Services in an amount not to exceed \$848,021.76 with Site Engineering, Inc (Atlanta, GA), to provide miscellaneous construction services for the Fulton County water distribution network. 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: Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Pitts

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**25-0644 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for Magistrate Court in the amount of \$611,939.00, based on current underruns in the County's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (FILED)**

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

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

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

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

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

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

Nay: Barrett

Did Not Vote: Ivory, and Arrington

25-0645 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, in the amount of \$4,897,313.00, based on current underruns in the county's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (FILED)**

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

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

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

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

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

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

Nay: Barrett, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Ivory

25-0646 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for the department of Senior Services in the amount of \$294,000.00, based on current underruns in the county's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (DENIED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve as amended. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, Thorne, and Ellis

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

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

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Ellis

Did Not Vote: Abdur-Rahman

c. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to deny. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

25-0647 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to amend Fulton County's current budget to increase the departmental budget for the department of Community Development in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, based on current underruns in the county's overall 2025 fiscal year budget; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (DENIED)**

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

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, Thorne, and Ellis

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

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

Yea: Pitts, Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Thorne, and Ellis

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

c. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to deny. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

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) (FAILED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve as amended. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, Thorne, and Ellis

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

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

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

Nay: Ellis

25-0649 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of the appointment of Jason Frazier and Julie Adams to the Board of Registration and Elections. **(Thorne/Ellis) (TABLED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to file.

Commissioner Ivory withdrew the Second
Commissioner Arrington withdrew the Motion

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to table until the Appellate Court rules. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Thorne, and Ellis

EXECUTIVE SESSION**25-0650****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: Thorne, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman; County Manager Dick Anderson; County Attorney Y. Soo Jo; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier.

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

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Thorne, and Abdur-Rahman

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve the requests for representation in items #1, #2, #3, #4 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve a contract for compensation and benefit study in support of compliance with the Department of Justice Consent Decree with Segal for \$90,000.00. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.