# FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SECOND REGULAR MEETING



January 22, 2025 - Postponed January 29, 2025 10:00 AM

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



# AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts

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

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)

Bridget Thorne, Commissioner (District 1)

Bob Ellis, Vice-Chairman (District 2)

Dana Barrett, Commissioner (District 3)

Mo Ivory, Commissioner (District 4)

Marvin S. Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5)

Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner (District 6)

**INVOCATION:** Reverend Clifton Dawkins, Jr., 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.

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**

#### **25-0047** 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.

## 25-0048 Board of Commissioners

Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes.

Proclamation recognizing "Braylen Ava Hollis Remembrance Day." (Arrington) January 11, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Campbell Stone Senior Living Facility Appreciation Day." (Pitts)

January 16, 2025

Proclamation recognizing "Lucy Sharpe Appreciation Day." (Abdur-Rahman) January 21, 2025

## **Commissioners' District Board Appointments**

#### 25-0049 Board of Commissioners

**COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS** 

Seven (7) appointees by the Board of Commissioners (one for each District); three (3) appointees from each of the non-profit umbrella agencies, which the County contracts with for aging services; and three (3) senior citizens elected by seniors in the three geographical areas of the County. The terms of such members appointed by the Board of Commissioners shall end at the end of the term of the appointing District Commissioner. Such members may continue to serve beyond his/her term until a successor is appointed.

Term = Shall end at the end of the term of the appointing District Commissioner

Term below expires: 12/31/2026

Vacant (Arrington)

Commissioner Arrington has nominated Vanessa Burton for a District appointment to an unexpired term ending December 31, 2026.

## 25-0050 Board of Commissioners

**COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS** 

Term = Members' terms shall end at the end of the term of the appointing District Commissioner. Such members may continue to serve beyond his/her term until a successor is appointed.

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Beth Cayce (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Beth Cayce for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

#### 25-0051 Board of Commissioners

BELTLINE TAX ALLOCATION DISTRICT (TAD) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Fulton County Board of Commissioners is responsible for appointing 10 members.

Term = 2 years, with such term commencing upon approval of the Atlanta City Council. No member shall serve more that 3 consecutive 2 year terms

Term below expired: 12/31/2023

Gabriel Sterling (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Chris Copenhaver for a District appointment to a two-year term, commencing upon approval of the Atlanta City Council.

#### **25-0052** Board of Commissioners

ANIMAL WELFARE HEARING BOARD

The Animal Welfare Hearing Board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Each Commissioner shall appoint one member to serve for two years. Thereafter, all members may be appointed for an additional term of three years and until their successors are appointed.

Term = 2 Years/3 Years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Vivien Dumford (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Vivien Dumford for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

#### **25-0053** Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY CITIZENS COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Fulton County Citizens Commission on the Environment shall consist of citizens from throughout Fulton County to be appointed by the Members of the Board of Commissioners. There shall be fourteen (14) members to serve on the Commission. In making such appointments, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners shall ensure that the terms of appointment are staggered. Each District Commissioner shall appoint one Commission member to a four (4) year term. Each District Commissioner shall also appoint one Commission member to a two (2) year term to ensure staggered terms. After the expiration of each appointee's initial term, the regular term of office for such an appointee shall be four (4) years. No term of any member shall extend beyond the term of the District Commissioner who appointed the member to serve on the Fulton County Citizens Commission on the Environment; however, each member may continue to serve beyond his/her term until replaced. After the expiration of any appointee's initial term, the Commission may recommend to the Fulton County Board of Commissioners a list of eligible persons for consideration as appointees to the Commission. The Appointing member of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners may remove his/her appointee(s) to this Commission at any time and within the sole discretion of that individual of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners.

Term = 4 Years, staggered

Terms below expired: 12/31/2024

Allison Keefer (Ellis) Stacy Seidel (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Allison Keefer for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

## 25-0054 Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY CITIZENS COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Term = 4 Years, staggered

Terms below expired: 12/31/2024

Allison Keefer (Ellis) Stacy Seidel (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Stacy Seidel for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

#### **25-0055** Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY CITIZENS COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Term = 4 Years, staggered

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Danyell Little (Pitts)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Danyell Little for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

#### 25-0056 Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County. The term of each member shall coincide with that of the District Commissioner who appointed the member to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any vacancy in the membership shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment. Members shall be removable for cause by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County upon written charges and after a public hearing. The members of the Board shall be compensated as fixed by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County. None of the members shall hold any other public office or position in Fulton County, except that one member may also be a member of the Fulton County Community Zoning Board.

Term = The term of each member shall coincide with that of the District Commissioner who appointed the member to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Kent Walker (Ellis)

Vice-Chairman Ellis has nominated Kent Walker for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

#### **25-0057** Board of Commissioners

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATION PROCESS CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL

The CDBG Allocation Process Citizen Review Panel shall consist of fourteen (14) citizens. Each Commissioner shall appoint two (2) members from his/her district for a two (2) year term, subject to ratification by the Board of Commissioners. Such term shall not extend beyond the term set for the Commissioner who made the appointment. Panel members may be reappointed to serve additional terms.

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2018

Vacant (Arrington)

Commissioner Arrington has nominated Paulette DeVaughn for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

#### **25-0058** Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC)

One (1) representative will be nominated by each of the Commission Districts for a total of seven (7) members; this includes one representative from District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Each representative will serve a two-year term and could be re-appointed to serve additional terms. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no term of any member nominated by a District Commissioner shall extend beyond the term of the District Commissioner who nominates that member.

Term = 2 Years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Chris Portis (Arrington)

Commissioner Arrington has nominated Chris Portis for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

#### **25-0059** Board of Commissioners

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS

The Commission on Disability Affairs shall consist of a total of sixteen (16) members to serve staggered two (2) year terms and appointed as follows:

Each member of the Board of Commissioners shall appoint two (2) members; one of them said appointees shall have an initial term, of one (1) year; No term of any member shall extend beyond the term of the District Commissioner who appointed the member to serve on the Commission for Disability Affairs; The Commission on Disability Affairs shall appoint two (2) members, who receive the consent of the majority of the members of the Commission on Disability Affairs and one (1) of the appointees shall have an initial term of one (1) year. The Commission on Disability Affairs appointees shall be made for the purpose of maintaining diversity.

Term = Staggered two (2) year terms

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Gloria Weaver (Pitts)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Gloria Weaver for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

#### 25-0060 Board of Commissioners

**FULTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL** 

The Arts Council shall be composed of fifteen (15) residents of the county. Initially, each member of the Board of Commissioners shall appoint two persons to serve on the council, one person to serve for a one-year term and one person to serve a two-year term. No term of any member shall extend beyond the term of the District Commissioner who appointed the member to serve on the Arts Council Board; thereafter, each year, each member of the Board of Commissioners shall appoint one member for a two-year term. Each member may continue to serve beyond his/her term until replaced. The Chairman of the Arts Council shall be appointed to a two-year term by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners. The Council shall elect a vice-Chairman and a secretary from its membership.

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Nikki D. Crump (Pitts)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Nikki D. Crump for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

#### 25-0061 Board of Commissioners

FULTON COUNTY VETERANS' EMPOWERMENT COMMISSION, INC.

The Veterans Commission shall have the following members: Each Commissioner shall appoint two (2) members. Such appointees shall be residents of, or work in Fulton County and shall have military experience or expertise in the areas affecting military veterans. Veterans Commission shall serve three (3) year terms, with such term subject to the discretion of the appointing Commissioner, who can remove a member for cause, otherwise such member may continue to serve beyond his/her term until a successor is appointed.

Term = 3 Years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Vacant (Pitts)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Roger Wise, Jr. for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

## **Open & Responsible Government**

## **25-0062** Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 120 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from H&M Alpharetta, LLC, owner, for the purpose of constructing the Fifth Third Bank Project at 4305 State Bridge Road Rear, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022.

## **25-0063** 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 AG EHC II (EMP) MULTI STATE 2, LLC, for the purpose of granting Fulton County legal access to extend and maintain the sanitary sewer system at 3000 Hembree Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009 (the Development).

#### **25-0064** Finance

Ratification of December 2024 Grants Activity Report.

#### **Justice and Safety**

## 25-0065 Solicitor General

Request approval of an agreement and partnership between the Fulton County Solicitor General's Office and the City of Atlanta for the sharing of criminal case records from the City's Court Case Management system to the Fulton County Courts Management system through a middleware solution.

#### SECOND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

#### **25-0066** Board of Commissioners

Adoption of the Second Regular Meeting Agenda.

#### 25-0067 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes.

Second Regular Meeting Minutes, December 18, 2024 First Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, January 8, 2025

## 25-0068 Board of Commissioners

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates.

Proclamation recognizing "Medicolegal Death Investigations Professionals Week." (Ellis/BOC)

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

## 25-0069 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.

#### **COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**

## **Open & Responsible Government**

#### **25-0070** Finance

Review and approve the FY2025 Final Adopted Budget and FY2025 Budget Resolution.

## **25-0071** County Manager

Presentation of the Fulton County Operational Report.

#### 24-0891 External Affairs

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of External Affairs, 23RFP139170A-CJC, Communications and Engagement Services, in an amount not to exceed \$407,875.00 with Ava TopRight, LLC, for strategic communications planning and support for Fulton County Government. This action exercises the first of three renewal options. Two renewal options remain. Effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

## **24-0899** Registration & Elections

Request approval of a statewide contract - Registration & Elections, SWC# 99999-SPD-ES40199376IS-02, In-State Car Rental in the amount not to exceed \$494,000.00 with Enterprise Leasing of Georgia, LLC (Atlanta, GA) for the rental of box trucks, passenger vehicles and cargo vans for the Public Service Commission Primary/Municipal Primary and Runoff Elections; and the Public Service Commission General/Municipal General Election. Effective January 1, 2025, through September 8, 2025. (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 12/18/24)

# **25-0072** 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 an amount not to exceed \$1,213,795.02 with CGL Facility Management, LLC (Fayetteville, GA) to retain the contractor to perform State of Georgia requested capital improvement projects (CIP) funded through the State of Georgia's capital reserve established through their leases at 5710 Stonewall Tell Rd, 515 Fairburn Rd, and 1249 Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy. Effective upon BOC approval.

# **25-0073** Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to amend an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 22ITB121622K-DJ, Industrial Racking for the Fulton County Central Warehouse, in an amount not to exceed \$260,000.00 with McGee Storage & Handling (Norcross, GA), to continue providing services that support the most functional and cost-effective solution of equipment and related components that facilitate a multi-business functional workplace environment for the selected County Agencies at the Fulton County Central Warehouse and to extend the contract through December 31, 2025 to complete the work. Effective upon BOC approval.

#### 25-0074 Finance

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Finance Department, 24RFP1336388C-MH, Professional Property & Casualty Broker Services in an amount not to exceed \$94,500.00 with Edgewood Partners Insurance Center (EPIC), (Duluth, GA) to provide professional Property & Casualty brokerage services effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2025, with two renewal options.

## **25-0075** Finance

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Finance Department, 24RFP1337774C-MH, Financial Advisory Services in an amount not to exceed \$217,000.00 with Raymond James LLC (Atlanta, GA) to provide financial advisory services upon execution of contract through December 31, 2025, with two renewal options.

#### **25-0076** Finance

Request approval of a Resolution authorizing membership in the Association County Commissioners of Georgia -Interlocal Risk Management (ACCG-IRMA) Agency and participation in the ACCG-IRMA First Responder PTSD Fund and an Intergovernmental Agreement with ACCG-IRMA to effectuate such participation.

## **Health and Human Services**

## 25-0077 Public Works

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Public Works, 24ITB1335637A-JWT Sanitary Sewer Easement Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$382,764.50 with Mariani Enterprises, LLC dba Ed Castro Landscape, Inc., (Roswell, GA) to provide easement maintenance in both the North and South Fulton service areas. Effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2025, with two renewal options.

## Infrastructure and Economic Development

#### 25-0078 Public Works

Request approval of a contract - Public Works Department, FAA Contract #693KA7-25-C-00003, Air Traffic Control Services - Night Coverage for the Fulton County Executive Airport at Brown Field with CI2 Aviation, Inc. (Dunwoody, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$323,584.00 to provide annual air traffic control night coverage services (M-F 10:00 pm to 6:00 am and Sa-Su 10:00 pm to 7:00 am) at the Fulton County Executive Airport. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contract as to form and shall make such modifications as are necessary prior to execution. Effective February 1, 2025 for fourteen months with six, one (1) year renewal options. Funded from Airport funds.

#### **COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**

#### **25-0079** Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to provide the financial resources necessary to comply with the Consent Decree. (Arrington)

## **Commissioners' Full Board Appointments**

## 25-0080 Board of Commissioners

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FULTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Trustee position #1 is the Chairman or designee. Trustee positions #2 and #3, members of the Fulton County Commission, shall be designated or elected at a regular January meeting for one (1) year or until their successors have been appointed and qualified. Trustee Positions #4 and #5 are members of the Board of Trustees by virtue of their County position; hence their terms expire when their positions with the County terminate. Trustee Positions #6, #7, #8, #9, #10, #11, and #12 are held for four (4) years, after serving the initial staggered terms prescribed in the enabling Resolution.

Term = 1 Year / 4 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Commissioner Khadijah Abdur-Rahman (Trustee Position #2)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Commissioner Abdur-Rahman for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

#### **25-0081** Board of Commissioners

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FULTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Term = 1 Year / 4 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Commissioner Dana Barrett (Trustee Position #1)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Commissioner Barrett for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

#### 25-0082 Board of Commissioners

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FULTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Term = 1 Year / 4 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Vice-Chairman Bob Ellis (Trustee Position #3)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Vice-Chairman Bob Ellis for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

## **25-0083** Board of Commissioners

**BOARD OF ETHICS** 

Each member selected after the initial terms of office have expired shall serve a term of three (3) years or until the termination of his or her membership in the organization from which he or she was selected. The chair shall serve as chair for the remainder of the calendar year and until a successor is chosen. (See Fulton County Code of Laws, Section 2-80).

Term = 3 years

<u>Term below expires</u>: 2/12/2025 Louis Levenson (Pitts/BOC)

Chairman Pitts has nominated Louis Levenson for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending February 12, 2028.

#### **25-0084** Board of Commissioners

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY (MARTA)

All appointments shall be for terms of four (4) years except that a vacancy caused otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired portion thereof by the appointing enity which made the original appointment to the vacant position, or its successor in office. A member of the board may be appointed to succeed himself or herself for one four-year term; provided, however, that the board membership prior to January 1, 2017, shall not be considered in calculating limits on length of service. Appointments to fill expiring terms shall be made by the appointing entity prior to the expiration of the term, but such appointments shall not be made more than 30 days prior to the expiration of the term. Members appointed to the board shall serve for the terms of office specified in this Code section and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified.

Term = 4 years

Chairman Pitts has nominated Elizabeth Bolton Harris for a Full Board appointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

## **COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# **Open & Responsible Government**

**25-0085** External Affairs

Presentation: 2025 State Legislative Session Update.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## **25-0086** Board of Commissioners

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**