

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

August 21, 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: September 4, 2024

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, Commissioner (District 2)	PRESENT
Dana Barrett, Commissioner (District 3)	PRESENT
Natalie Hall, Commissioner (District 4)	PRESENT
Marvin S. Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5)	PRESENT
Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Vice Chair (District 6)	PRESENT

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**24-0526 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 Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0527 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Paula Lawton Bevington Remembrance Day."

(Abdur-Rahman)

August 16, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Curvy Lips by Miko Appreciation Day."

(Abdur-Rahman)

August 17, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Eagle Scout Akshaj Shajeev Appreciation Day."

(Thorne)

August 17, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Eagle Scout Marriano Smith Appreciation Day."

(Thorne)

August 17, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Eagle Scout Josh Chandran Appreciation Day."

(Thorne)

August 17, 2024

Proclamation recognizing "Walter Fuller Young Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**

August 18, 2024

Commissioners' District Board Appointments**24-0528 Board of Commissioners**
FULTON COUNTY HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

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: 12/31/2022

Vacant (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Chris Portis for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2024.

Open & Responsible Government**24-0529 Finance**
Ratification of July 2024 Grants Activity Report. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**24-0530 Real Estate and Asset Management**
Request approval of a Water Easement Dedication of 15,505 square feet to Fulton County, Georgia, from JBGL Atlanta Development 2014, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Park Walke Project at 132 Brooke Street and 51 Thompson Street, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**24-0531 Real Estate and Asset Management**
Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 15,505 square feet to Fulton County, Georgia, from JBGL Atlanta Development 2014, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Park Walke Project at 132 Brook Street and 51 Thompson Street, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Arts and Libraries**24-0532 Arts and Culture**

Request approval of a statewide contract - Department of Arts & Culture, SWC 99999-SPD-0000136-0008, Temporary Staffing Services with Corporate Temps Inc. (Norcross, Georgia) at no additional cost to provide temporary staffing services for an additional six (6) month period. Effective dates: July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

SECOND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**24-0533 Board of Commissioners**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to adopt the Second Regular Meeting Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0534 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

First Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, August 7, 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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0535 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "National Aviation Week."
(Abdur-Rahman/Pitts/Thorne/Ellis/Barrett/Hall)

Proclamation recognizing "Bronzelens Festival 15th Anniversary Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman/Pitts)

PUBLIC HEARINGS**24-0536 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)

7 Speakers: Chief Judge Cassandra Kirk (Item #24-0538); Paul Hershey (Item #24-0516); Devin Barrington-Ward (Item #24-0516); L.A. Pink (Community Needs); Siegfried D. White (Community Needs); Latonya Gates (Community Needs) and Charles Rambo (Fulton County Jail)

3 Zoom Speakers: Matt Rowenczak (Corruption); Ben Howard (Senior Services) and Sabrina P. Goodson (Fulton County Housing Authority)

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****24-0516 Finance**

Request approval of a Resolution adopting the 2024 Millage Rates for the General fund, General Obligation Bond Fund, and the Fulton Industrial District Fund, as well as the 2024 Fulton County Board of Education millage rate.

(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 8/7/24) (APPROVED)

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve the 8.87 General Fund millage rate. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Thorne, Ellis, and Hall

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Hall, to approve an 8.80 General Fund millage rate. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Thorne, Ellis, and Hall

Nay: Pitts, Barrett, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

24-0537 Finance

Presentation, review, and approval of the August 21, 2024 Budget Soundings and Resolution. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0538 County Manager

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve holding the \$9.8 million interest and any further interest earned from ARPA funding into a facility reserve. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, and Ellis

Nay: Thorne, Barrett, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

24-0469 Human Resources Management

Request approval to modify an amendment to Human Resources Management Policy 316-16, Internship Program Policy. **(HELD ON 7/10/24) (APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Pitts

24-0520 Human Resources Management

Request approval to modify an amendment to Policy 320-16, Outside Employment Policy. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Pitts

24-0539 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to utilize a cooperative purchasing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Sourcewell Contract RFP #032824-CER, Equipment, Product, or Services in the total amount not to exceed \$313,111.81 with Certified Stainless Service, Inc. dba West-Mark through Sourcewell's Authorized Representative Vacutek, LLC (Austell, GA), to purchase and deliver one (1) Hydro Sewer Jetting Truck, Aquatech SJR-1500 (steel water tank), with a 1,500 gallon capacity for the Fulton County Public Works Department. This is a one-time procurement. **(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, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

24-0540 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to increase the spending authority - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 23ITB138741K-JAJ, Task Order Contract for Minor Construction in the total amount of \$600,000.00 with (B) Hawk Construction Company, LLC (Ellenwood, GA) in the amount of \$300,000.00 and (C) Complete Contracting Partners, LLC (Powder Springs, GA) in the amount of \$300,000.00, to cover the cost to provide continued standby repair, alteration, modernization, maintenance, rehabilitation, construction services for County facilities and to complete the on-going replacement/emergency repair projects at the Fulton County Jail Complex. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve as amended by striking the verbiage "pending Bond funding for related projects in the County on an as needed basis," in the Project Implications. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0541 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to rescind an award - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Statewide Contract #99999-001-SPD0000177-0009, Tractor, Mowers, and Earthmoving Equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$343,469.00 with (B) Environmental Products Group, Inc., for the purchase of one (1) Vactor Sewer Cleaner for the Public Works Department. 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

Absent: Arrington

Arts and Libraries**24-0542 Library**

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Fulton County Library System - 24ITB1288009B-PS, Newspapers, Magazines and Serials in an amount not to exceed \$252,145.90 with Ebsco Information Services, LLC (Birmingham, AL) to provide annual print material to all 34 library locations. Effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2024, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Health and Human Services**24-0543 Public Works**

Request approval to increase the spending authority - Department of Public Works, 21ITB081321K-CRB, Standby Miscellaneous Construction Wastewater System Services with Sol Construction, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$2,336,423.00 to provide standby miscellaneous construction wastewater system services. Effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2024. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0544 Community Development

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between Fulton County, Georgia, as the GA-502 Fulton County Continuum of Care ("CoC") Collaborative Applicant, and 24/7 Gateway, LLC ("Gateway") in the amount of \$384,972.89 for Gateway to serve as the coordinated entry lead agency and manage coordinated entry at the County-wide North and South Homeless Assessment Center offices. The term of the MOU is September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025. This item is funded with \$304,940.24 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Coordinated Intake and Assessment System (CIAS) grant and \$80,032.65 in General Fund match. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

24-0545 Community Development

Request approval of the 2024 Veterans Services Program (VSP) Evaluation Committee's recommendations in the amount of \$750,000.00 to the non-profits identified in Attachment "A". VSP funding will support the delivery of essential community services to Fulton County Veterans in the areas of: Health and Wellness, and Homeless and Housing. The Fulton County Board of Commissioners approved \$1,000,000.00 in General Funds for the Veterans Services Program at the January 24, 2024, Second Regular Meeting (Agenda item# 24-0051). The contract period runs from July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **(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

Absent: Arrington

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**24-0546 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution to correct clerical errors by the Clerk to the Commission relating to the terms of service for the newly appointed board members of the Housing Authority of Fulton County; and for other purposes.

(Pitts) (APPROVED)

A motion was made by Chairman Pitts and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve the Resolution correcting the below ending term dates:

Felicia Moore to fill the unexpired term of Hazel Jacobs to a term to end or expire on July 13, 2027;

Stephen Davis to fill the unexpired term of Leonard Morrow to term to expire or end on July 13, 2025;

Holly York to replace Barbara Duffy to a term to end or expire on July 13, 2028;

Lauren Waits to fill the unexpired term of Stuart Canzeri to term to expire or end on July 13, 2029;

Ryan Glover to fill the unexpired term of Earnestine Pittman to term to expire or end on July 13, 2027

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Hall

Nay: Barrett, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

EXECUTIVE SESSION**24-0547 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, SECURITY AND PERSONNEL: Chairman Pitts, Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, Commissioners: Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Hall, and; County Manager Dick Anderson; County Attorney Y. Soo Jo; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier. Commissioner Arrington was absent.

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hall

b. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve the requests for representation in items #4 through #7 as discussed in Executive Session. 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 Thorne, to approve settlement recommendations in items #8 and #9 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.