

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING**

September 6, 2023  
10:00 AM



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



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## **A G E N D A**

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**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)  
Natalie Hall, 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****23-0560 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 Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration.

**23-0561 Board of Commissioners**

Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes.

Proclamation recognizing "Joseph R. Bankoff Appreciation Day." **(Hall)**  
August 17, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Mary L. Jacobs Remembrance Day." **(Hall)**  
August 19, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Bishop Greg Fann Appreciation Day." **(Hall)**  
August 20, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Leonard Tate Remembrance Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**  
August 22, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Councilman Jim Maddox Remembrance Day."  
**(Hall/BOC)**  
August 24, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Kabul Fallen Heroes Appreciation Day." **(Thorne)**  
August 26, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "LaTonya Gates Appreciation Day." **(Hall)**  
August 27, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Richard Lightfoot Remembrance Day."  
**(Abdur-Rahman)**  
August 28, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Micah Robinson Womack Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**  
August 29, 2023

Proclamation recognizing "Ellen Porter Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**  
September 3, 2023

### Commissioners' District Board Appointments

**23-0562 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: 7/31/2014  
(District 3 - Vacant)

**Commissioner Barrett has nominated Vernice Cole for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2024.**

**23-0563 Board of Commissioners**  
FULTON COUNTY REPARATIONS TASK FORCE

The Reparations Task Force shall have the following members: Each Commissioner shall appoint two (2) members, for a total of 14 members. Each member shall be a resident of Fulton County at the time of the appointment. A member shall serve for a two-year term and subject to removal by the appointing Commissioner for cause. No member's term shall exceed that of the appointing Commissioner but shall remain as a voting member until replaced or reappointed by the successive Commissioner.

Term = 2 Years

Term below expires: 12/31/2023

Dr. Bernice King (Vacant - Resigned) (Hall)

**Commissioner Hall has nominated Ann Hill-Bond to replace Bernice King for a District appointment to an unexpired term ending December 31, 2023.**

**Open & Responsible Government**

**23-0564 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval to accept assignment and assumption of the contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management Contract 21ITB1302418C-CG, Standby Plumbing Services from Work Order Management LLC (formerly Talon Property Services LLC) to Liquid Services and Logistics LLC dba Talon Plumbing and authorizing the Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance to reflect the name change. Effective upon BOC approval.

**23-0565 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a change order less than 10% - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 21RFP132087K-DB, Design/Build Services for the Fulton County Government Center Cooling Tower Repair and Retrofit in an amount not to exceed \$82,962.82 with Mallory & Evans Service Company, Inc. (Scottsdale, GA), to modify the existing scope of work to perform additional services required for the project. Effective upon BOC approval.

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**Health and Human Services****23-0566 Community Development**

Request approval to execute the 2024-2026 Cooperation Agreements with the cities of Alpharetta, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Mountain Park, Palmetto and Union City for continued participation in the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, and ESG program (if awarded to the County) for fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the Cooperation Agreements as to form and to make modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman; authorizing the Chairman and the County Attorney to execute and deliver all related documents necessary to implement these agreements.

**23-0567 Community Development**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Community Development, 20RFP110420A-FB, Environmental Review Assessments for 2020 CDBG, Home, ESG & COC Projects in an amount not to exceed \$19,800.00 with BluLynx Solutions, LLC (Atlanta, GA). This action exercises the third of three renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, contingent upon the adoption of the FY2024 budget including \$4,800.00 for this contract in the General Fund. The remainder of this contract will be grant funded.

**23-0568 Community Development**

Request approval of a contract between Fulton County and The Lionheart Life Center, Inc. (dba The Lionheart School) in the amount of \$11,000.00 to provide the following services to individuals with disabilities in Fulton County: Social Emotional Learning, Educational Technology, Hippotherapy, Lionheart Gardens, Design, Production and Retail Sales Experience, Extracurricular Programs and Summer Camp Activities (Camp Happy Hearts and Camp Joyful Soles); and to authorize the Chairman to disburse funds and execute and administer contracts, and other related documents consistent with any necessary agreement in support of this funding allotment. The term of this Contract shall be upon approval through December 31, 2023.

**23-0569 Senior Services**

Request approval of a Right of Access Agreement ("License Agreement") between the City of East Point and Fulton County, Georgia to access the H.J.C. Bowden Senior Multipurpose Facility parking lot on September 16, 2023 for the City of East Point's Senior Stroll event. Effective upon Board approval.

**Infrastructure and Economic Development****23-0570 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Water Line Easement Dedication of 5,779 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Old Milton Residential Development, LLC for the purpose of constructing the Hickory Crest S/D Phase 2 Project at 0 Hickory Pass, Milton, Georgia 30004.

**23-0571 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 1,294 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Camden Manor Homeowners Association, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Oakhurst Glen Phase 4 Project at 0 Butner Road, South Fulton, Georgia 30213.

**23-0572 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Water Line Easement Dedication of 7,669 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from CCVH New Providence, LLC for the purpose of constructing the Whisper Woods at Milton Project at 14000 New Providence Road, Milton, Georgia 30004.

**23-0573 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 8,678 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from 1858 Alpharetta Partners, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the 1858 Project at 101 Cumming Street, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009.

**23-0574 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Resolution approving a Right of Access License Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia ("Licensor") and the City of Atlanta ("Licensee") to facilitate the installation of new ADA-compliant warning surface tactiles on property adjacent to County-owned property located at (i) 135 Peachtree Street SW, Atlanta, (ii) 162 Pryor Street, Atlanta, (iii) 141 Pryor Street, SW, Atlanta ("Fulton County Government Center,"), and (iv) and 136 Pryor Street, Atlanta, Georgia; to authorize the Chairman to execute the Right of Access License Agreement; to authorize the County Attorney to approve the Right of Access License Agreement as to form and to make modifications thereto to protect the interests of Fulton County prior to execution; and for other purposes. Effective upon BOC approval for a period not to exceed 365 days.

**23-0575 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Resolution approving a Right of Access License Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia ("Licensor") and the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority ("Licensee") to facilitate the construction of a new bus stop platform next to County-owned property located at 0 Mitchell Street SW, 0 Forsyth Street SW, and 0 Broad Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia; to authorize the Chairman to execute the Right of Access License Agreement and related documents; to authorize the County Attorney to approve the Right of Access License Agreement and related documents as to form and to make modifications thereto to protect the interests of Fulton County prior to execution; and for other purposes. Effective upon BOC approve for a period not to exceed 365 days.

**23-0576 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval of a Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) between Fulton County, Georgia (“County”), the City of College Park, Georgia (“City”), and the College Park Business and Industrial Development Authority (“BIDA”) for the purpose of the County implementing a pilot program for a cottage home development in the City on property to be donated to the County by BIDA; to authorize the Chairman to execute the IGA and related documents; to authorize the County Attorney to approve the IGA and related documents as to form and to make necessary modifications as necessary prior to execution; and for other purposes.

**Justice and Safety****23-0577 Juvenile Court**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Juvenile Court, 22RFP051-KM, Family Treatment Court Peer Support Specialist in the amount of \$8,800.00 with Kelly Cox to provide peer support services. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. This contract is 100% grant funded. No county funding is required.

**23-0578 Medical Examiner**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Medical Examiner, 21ITB131809C-MH, Forensic Postmortem Toxicology Testing in the amount of \$125,000.00 with Axis Forensic Toxicology, Inc. (Indianapolis, IN) to provide toxicology testing services. This is the second of two renewal options. No renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

**23-0579 Superior Court Administration**

Request approval to amend a Memorandum of Agreement with Goodwill of North Georgia (“GNG”) to include a one-year extension effective October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, for the continuing provision of services by GNG for the fully grant funded Fulton County Peer Recovery Support Services Project, coinciding with and contingent upon approval of the extension by the grantor, and the approval of the Board of Commissioners. No additional funds are required or provided. A total of \$52,525.00 remains on the grant.

**23-0580 Superior Court Administration**

Request approval to amend a Memorandum of Agreement with Applied Research Services, Inc. (“ARS”), to include a one-year extension effective October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, for the continuing provision of services by ARS for the fully grant funded Fulton County Peer Recovery Support Services Project, coinciding with and contingent upon approval of the extension by the grantor and the Board of Commissioners. No additional funds are required or provided. A total of \$30,000.00 remains on the grant.

**23-0581 Superior Court Administration**

Request approval to amend a Memorandum of Agreement with Georgia Council on Substance Abuse (“GCSA”), to include a one-year extension effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, for the continuing provision of services by GCSA for the fully grant funded Fulton County Peer Recovery Support Services Project, coinciding with and contingent upon approval of the extension by the grantor and the Board of Commissioners. No additional funds are required or provided. A total of \$73,800.00 remains on the grant.

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**23-0582 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the Regular Meeting Agenda.

**23-0583 Clerk to the Commission**

Ratification of Minutes.

Regular Meeting Minutes, August 2, 2023

Recess Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, August 16, 2023

**23-0584 Board of Commissioners**

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates.

Proclamation recognizing “Recovery Month.” **(Pitts)**

Proclamation recognizing “Shruthi Balachander Appreciation Day.” **(Thorne)**

Proclamation recognizing “Dewayne Crowder Appreciation Day.” **(Abdur-Rahman)**



**PUBLIC HEARINGS****23-0585 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 30 minutes at the Regular Meeting, nor will this portion exceed thirty minutes at the Recess Meeting.** In the event the 30-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. Similarly, written comments (that were timely submitted) not previously read, may be read 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****23-0586 Finance**

Review and approval of September 6, 2023 Budget Soundings.

**23-0587 Finance**

Request approval of an authorization to proceed with planning and initial actions related to an anticipated request for amendment to the existing 2019 installment sale agreement with the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) for an additional amount up to \$10,914,307.60 plus interest, resulting in a total agreement of \$25 million principal plus interest, to be used for final completion of the County facility at 4700 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia, including approval for a public hearing to consider authorization of said amendment as a multi-year lease purchase agreement(s) or installment sale agreement(a) pursuant to O.C.G.A. Sec 36-60-13 and publication of notices of the public hearing; and for other purposes.

**23-0588 Tax Assessor**

Request approval to appeal the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts (DOAA) 2022 sales ratio study for Fulton County, authorizing the Fulton County Board of Assessors, staff, and the Office of the County Attorney to act on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for purposes of this appeal.

**23-0589 Human Resources Management**

Request approval to modify the classification section of the Classification and Compensation plan by adding the new titles of Division Chief, Animal Services (grade 24) and Program Manager, Senior (grade 25).

**23-0590 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval to increase the spending authority - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 21RFP120820K-CRB-(B), Standby Professional Services for Environmental Engineering & Testing Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,800.00 with Atlas Technical Consultants, Inc. (Austin, TX), to provide a second round of infiltration tests for the proposed expansion to the Fulton County Oakhill Child, Adolescent and Family Center located at 2805 Metropolitan Parkway SW, Atlanta, GA 30315. Effective upon BOC approval.

**23-0591 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval to amend an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 21ITB128258C-CG-(A), Janitorial Services for Selected Fulton County Facilities (Groups C, D, & G) in the amount of \$111,520.00 with A-Action Janitorial Service, Inc. (Lithonia, GA) to add the Fulton County Central Warehouse to the existing contract Group C (Central Libraries) and assume the janitorial services responsibilities according to the terms and conditions of the contract. Effective dates: September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

**Health and Human Services****23-0508 Community Development**

Request approval of a contract between Fulton County and Fulton County Schools in the amount of \$250,000.00 to support the Community School Initiative - Student and Family Engagement (S.A.F.E.) Centers in response to the growing need to address barriers to student learning; and to authorize the Chairman to disburse funds and execute and administer contracts, and other related documents consistent with any necessary agreement in support of this funding allotment. The term of this Contract shall be upon approval December 31, 2023. **(HELD ON 8/2/23) (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 8/16/23)**

**23-0592 Community Development**

Request approval of the 2023 Youth Homelessness Program (YHP) Evaluation Committee's recommendations in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to the non-profits identified in Attachment "A". YHP funding to these non-profits will support Fulton County's commitment to making youth homelessness rare, brief, and nonrecurring. General funds in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for the YHP were approved by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners at the January 18, 2023 Recess meeting (Agenda item# 23-0044). The contract period runs from June 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023.

**23-0593 Public Works**

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Public Works, 23ITBC060923A-KM, Uniforms and Accessories in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 with Onyx Ink, LLC (Doral, FL) to provide uniforms and accessories upon execution of contract through December 31, 2023, with two renewal options.

**COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS****23-0512 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution requiring contracts or other written agreements to accompany agenda items appearing on the meeting agenda of the Board of Commissioners to uphold transparency in governance; providing exceptions for those contracts or agreements processed by the Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance and for those excluded under the Georgia Open Meetings Act, or for emergency situations; and for other purposes. **(Thorne)**  
**(HELD ON 8/2/23 AND 8/16/23)**

**23-0594 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners supporting operation Green Light for Veterans; and for other purposes. **(Thorne)**

**23-0595 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 101 (General Provisions and County Governing Authority), Article II (County Governing Authority), Division 1 (Generally) of the Fulton County Code of Ordinances relating to budgetary controls for members of the Board of Commissioners by reducing the travel/conferences budget for members of the Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes. **(Ellis)**

**23-0596 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution directing the County Attorney and the County Manager to develop a mileage reimbursement policy for members of the Board of Commissioners and their staff; directing the County Manager to divest or repurpose the vehicles currently owned by the County and used solely by the members of the Board of Commissioners and their staff for other appropriate County use; and for other purposes. **(Ellis)**

**23-0597 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners in opposition of any proposed interruption or suspension of Federal Grant funding or State funding awarded or appropriated to the Fulton County District Attorney's Office; and for other purposes. **(Barrett)**

**23-0598 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners censuring the conduct of Commissioner Natalie Hall (District 4); and for related purposes. **(Pitts/Ellis/Thorne/Abdur-Rahman)**

**Commissioners' Full Board Appointments****23-0599 Board of Commissioners**

FULTON-ATLANTA LAND BANK AUTHORITY

The Authority is governed by a board of directors comprised of an odd number of individual representatives- with no fewer than five (5) or more than eleven (11), hereinafter the "Board". Initially, the Board shall consist of seven (7) representatives comprised of: (A) four (4) appointed by the Mayor of the City of Atlanta and (B) three (3) appointed by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners.

Term = 4 years

Terms below expired: 8/7/2023

Jane Bradshaw Burnett **(BOC/Morris)**

Calvin Brock **(BOC/Abdur-Rahman)**

Kyle Lamont **(BOC/Hall)**

**Commissioner Hall has nominated Anita Harris for a Full Board appointment to a term ending August 7, 2027.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION****23-0600 Board of Commissioners**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**