

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

January 08, 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: January 22, 2025

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)	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)	PRESENT
Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner (District 6)	PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Clifton Dawkins, Jr., County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CONSENT AGENDA

25-0001 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 AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended by removing item #25-0019 for separate consideration as requested by Commissioner Ivory. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

25-0002 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing “Edna Lafayette Moffett Remembrance Day.” **(Hall)**
December 17, 2024

Proclamation recognizing “Christopher Williams Appreciation Day.” **(Hall)**
December 28, 2024

Proclamation recognizing “Michael Blackson Appreciation Day.” **(Abdur-Rahman)**
December 29, 2024

Commissioners' District Board Appointments

**25-0003 Board of Commissioners
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF
THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

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 expires: 12/31/2024
Vernitia Shannon (**Abdur-Rahman**)

Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman nominated Vernitia Shannon for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

**25-0004 Board of Commissioners
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF
THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Term = Staggered two (2) year terms

Term below expired: 12/31/2021
Vacant (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Tina Nechelle Aldridge for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

**25-0005 Board of Commissioners
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF
THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Term = Staggered two (2) year terms

Term below expired: 12/31/2022

Vacant (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Tara Miller for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

**25-0006 Board of Commissioners
ANIMAL WELFARE HEARING BOARD (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE
CONSENT AGENDA)**

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

Commissioner Arrington nominated Pamela Harvey for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

25-0007 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

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: 12/31/2014
Vacant (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Victoria Rogers for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

25-0008 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY VETERANS' EMPOWERMENT COMMISSION, INC. (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

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
Eldson McGhee (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Eldson McGhee for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

25-0009 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY VETERANS' EMPOWERMENT COMMISSION, INC.
(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

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
Walter Mitchell (**Abdur-Rahman**)

Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman nominated Walter Mitchell for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

25-0010 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY VETERANS' EMPOWERMENT COMMISSION, INC.
(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Term = 3 Years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024
Anthony Merritt (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Anthony Merritt for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

25-0011 Board of Commissioners
FULTON-DEKALB HOSPITAL AUTHORITY D/B/A GRADY HEALTH SYSTEM
(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Consists of ten (10) trustees (members). The Board of Commissioners of Fulton County appoints seven (7) trustees (members) and the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County appoints three (3). (See Fulton County Code § 13-2-11). The Fulton County Code does not prescribe the method of appointment; however, historically, each Commissioner has appointed one person to serve.

Term = 4 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Thomas W. Dortch, III (**Abdur-Rahman**)

Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman nominated Sandra De Shields Hightower for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

25-0012 Board of Commissioners
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATION PROCESS
CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT
AGENDA)

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 nominated Kemi Inegbedion for a District appointment for a term ending December 31, 2026.

**25-0013 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. 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.

Term below expired: 12/31/2014

Vacant (**Arrington**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Giavani Vickers for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

Open & Responsible Government

25-0014 Real Estate and Asset Management
Request approval of a Resolution authorizing a Neighborhood Service Center Lease Agreement between the City of Atlanta (Lessor) and Fulton County (Lessee) for the County's continued use of approximately 5,237 rentable square feet of office space at 215 Lakewood Way, SW, Atlanta, Georgia, for the Bethlehem Neighborhood Senior Center, from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; authorizing the Chairman to execute the Lease Agreement; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the Lease Agreement as to form prior to execution; and for other purposes. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0015 Real Estate and Asset Management
Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 5792 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from the Georgia Power Company, for the purpose of constructing the Georgia Power Encroachment Project at 0 Stonewall Tell Road, South Fulton, Georgia 30349. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0016 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 47,729 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from EdgeconneX ATL11, LLC for the purpose of constructing the EDCATL11 Project at Stonewall Tell Road # R, Union City, Georgia 30349. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0017 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 56,215.27 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from the Toll Southeast LP Company, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Hawthorn Subdivision Project at 0 Kimball Bridge Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0018 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Easement Dedication of 69,328.49 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Toll Southeast LP Company, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Hawthorn Subdivision Project at 0 Kimball Bridge Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Arts and Libraries

25-0019 Library

Request approval of a Resolution to accept the name change of the East Point Library to the William H. McClure Library at East Point. Mr. McClure was a fixture in the East Point community and a former Library Board of Trustees member. **(FILED)**

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER IVORY

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

Health and Human Services**25-0020 Department for HIV Elimination**

Request approval to extend an existing “Ryan White Part A” service contracts for a three-month period from March 1, 2025, through May 31, 2025, and, subject to federal funding, amend existing contracts to increase the spending authority of “Ryan White Part A” subrecipients in the amount of \$5,650,169.00 pursuant to the Health Resources and Services Administration “Ryan White Part A” award H89HA00007. Contracts are 100% grant funded with no Fulton County match. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute contracts with subrecipients. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

25-0021 Department for HIV Elimination

Request approval to extend existing “Ending the HIV Epidemic” service contracts for a three-month period from March 1, 2025, through May 31, 2025, and, subject to federal funding, amend existing contracts to increase the spending authority of “Ending the HIV Epidemic” subrecipients in the amount of \$836,630.00 pursuant to the Health Resources and Services Administration “Ending the HIV Epidemic” award UT8HA3393. Contracts are 100% grant funded with no Fulton County match. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute contracts with subrecipients. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**25-0023 Board of Commissioners**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to adopt the First Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by removing item #24-0901 as requested by the County Manager; and hearing item #25-0028 after Executive Session as requested by Chairman Pitts. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

25-0022 Board of Commissioners

Appointment of the Vice-Chairman. **(APPROVED)**

Appointment of the Vice-Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners for a one-year term, in accordance to the current Fulton County Code § 101-36 (b), amended by the Board on October 20, 2021 (Item #21-0839).

A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to appoint Commissioner Bob Ellis as Vice-Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners for 2025. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Barrett, and Arrington

25-0024 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

First Regular Meeting Minutes, December 4, 2024

Second Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, December 18, 2024

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

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

25-0025 Board of Commissioners

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. **(NONE)**

PUBLIC HEARINGS**25-0026 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)

17 Speakers: Judge Rachel Krause (Budget); Solicitor General Keith Gammage (Budget); Chief Judge Cassandra Kirk (Budget); Nancy Mau (Budget); Jewel Johnson (County Resources); John Garrett (Senior Services); Michael Collins (Fulton County Jail); Christopher Escobar (Arts Funding); Angela Watts (Arts Funding); Paul Hershey (County Finances); Tanjuria Willis (Arts Funding); Afreen Kheundumiri (Arts Funding); J. Wesley Day (Justice/Solicitor Office); Janet Hill (Deed Fraud); L.A. Pink (Fulton County Jail); El Lewis (Arts Funding); Randy Davidson (Arts/Film Funding);

2 Zoom Speakers: Kevin Muldowney (Budget) Matt Rowenczak (Budget)

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**Invest Atlanta**

- 25-0027** Board of Commissioners
Invest Atlanta Briefing (**PRESENTED**)

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****24-0901** External Affairs

Request approval to amend and extend an existing contract - Repairs Taskforce Fiscal Agent Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 with the Atlanta University Center Consortium, Atlanta, GA, to serve as the Fiscal Agent for the feasibility study and provide community outreach on behalf of the Fulton County Repairs Taskforce. This is not a request for additional funding, but is to utilize existing funds for necessary services. Effective upon BOC approval through June 30, 2025. (**MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 12/18/24**) (**REMOVED**)

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER

25-0028 Finance

Review and approve the FY2025 Final Adopted Budget and FY2025 Budget Resolution. (**DISCUSSED**)

a. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to "opt in" to Ad Valorem Tax Provisions and new Sales Tax for Property Tax Relief - HB 581. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

b. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Ellis to adopt the proposed FY2025 Budget and all of the other related funds, as presented by the management team, encompassing the \$13.9M reserve with \$4.6M in each of the categories related to the DOJ report for operations and facilities, and \$4.6M towards the reserve fund for potential litigation. There was no Second.

25-0029 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a statewide contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, SWC #99999-001-SPD0000183-0006, Police Pursuit and Special Services Vehicles in the total amount not to exceed \$161,655.00 with Smyrna-F, LLC dba Wade Ford, to purchase and deliver three (3) 2025 Ford F150 Police Responder 4x4 trucks, 5.5 box, 145" WB XL (W1P) for the Fulton County Emergency Management, Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Station (ARFF). This is a one-time procurement. **(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, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

25-0030 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to utilize Cooperative Purchasing - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Cooperative Omnia Partners, Contract # 159498 - Public Safety, Preparedness, Safety Equipment and Solutions with Mallory Safety and Supply LLC (Longview, WA) in an amount not to exceed \$190,528.00 to provide Cardiac Science Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and accessories to ensure State of Georgia life/safety equipment compliance countywide in all Fulton County facilities. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett 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**25-0032 Public Works**

Request approval of extend an existing contract - Public Works Department, 22ITB136410K-BKJ, Pine Valley Phase 2A Interceptor Sewer Replacement at no additional cost for extension of "time only" with Wade Coats Company, Inc (Austell, GA) to provide all labor, material and equipment to remove and replace approximately 4,062 feet of 30" to 48" RCP gravity sewer pipe with 54" HOBAS fiberglass pipe and epoxy coated precast concrete manholes. Effective upon Boc approval through March 31, 2025. **(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, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

25-0031 Public Works

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidders - Department of Public Works, 24ITB091324K-CRB, Standby Miscellaneous Construction Wastewater System Services in an amount not to exceed \$14,000,000.00 with (A) Site Engineering, Inc., (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$3,400,000.00; (B) Wade Coots Company, Inc. (Austell, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$3,600,000.00; (C) Sol Construction, LLC, (Atlanta, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$3,800,000.00; and, (D) Kemi Construction Company, Inc. (College Park, GA) in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000.00; to provide standby miscellaneous construction wastewater system services. Effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Justice and Safety

24-0906 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

Request approval for the procurement of supplies and equipment required for residents housed in the County’s Jail facilities in a total amount not to exceed \$2,239,975.02 with various vendors identified in Exhibit 1 attached to this package and incorporated hereto. Funding is provided in the inmate services unit in non-agency. Effective January 1, 2025 approval through December 31, 2025. **(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 12/18/24) (APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

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

Vice-Chairman Ellis offered a friendly amendment to allocate future funds with 50% going to facility needs and 50% going into the Sheriff’s budget.

Commissioner Arrington did not accept the friendly amendment.

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve adding the funds to the Sheriff’s budget to purchase the items directly and bypassing Finance, with a friendly amendment from Chairman Pitts, to ensure only the 20 specified items listed are purchased. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Ellis, and Arrington

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**24-0908 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of an Ordinance to repeal and replace Part I, Subpart B, Chapter 101 (General Provisions and County Governing Authority), Article II (County Governing Authority), Division 2 (Rules of Order and Procedure), Section 101-68 (Decorum) of the Fulton County Code of Ordinances; and for other purposes.

(Pitts) (HELD ON 12/18/24) (APPROVED)

a. 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, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Arrington

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

24-0910 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to declare a local emergency with respect to the conditions at the Fulton County Jail for the purpose of expediting resources to support remedial measures to address the DOJ investigative findings; and for other purposes. **(Arrington) (HELD ON 12/18/24) (FILED)**

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

b. A 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, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Barrett

25-0033 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners in Observance of the 96th Birthday of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

(Abdur-Rahman) (APPROVED)

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

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

Commissioners' Full Board Appointments

**25-0034 Board of Commissioners
AUDIT COMMITTEE (APPROVED)**

Pursuant to Resolution #15-0461, adopted by the Board of Commissioners on May 20, 2015, the appointment process for the Audit Committee consists of the following amendments to the Fulton County Code of Ordinances Section 2-231: The Initial Audit Committee shall be composed as follows: (1.) Five (5) voting members; (2.) The initial Committee members shall include two (2) members of the Board of Commissioners and three (3.) Citizens with expertise in the areas of accounting, auditing, internal control and local government operations; (3.) The citizen members will be appointed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners. may not hold any elected office, may not be employed by the county, nor have any direct or indirect business relationship with the County; (4.) The citizen members will serve at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners and may be removed at any time, with or without cause; (5.) The citizen members shall be paid a stipend of \$250.00 for each meeting attended but in no event shall the total stipend for a year exceed \$1,000.00; and Commissioners who serve as committee members will receive no compensation; and (6.) Members of the Committee shall select a Chairperson from among its members annually.

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Chairman Robb Pitts (**BOC - Commissioner**)

Vice-Chairman Ellis nominated Chairman Robb Pitts for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

**25-0035 Board of Commissioners
AUDIT COMMITTEE (APPROVED)**

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024
Jay Small (**BOC - Citizen 1**)

Vice-Chairman Ellis nominated Jay Small for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

**25-0036 Board of Commissioners
AUDIT COMMITTEE (APPROVED)**

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024
Robert Koncerak (**BOC - Citizen 3**)

Vice-Chairman Ellis nominated Robert Koncerak for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

**25-0037 Board of Commissioners
AUDIT COMMITTEE (APPROVED)**

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Commissioner Bob Ellis (**BOC - Commissioner**)

Chairman Pitts nominated Vice-Chairman Bob Ellis for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Arrington

**25-0038 Board of Commissioners
AUDIT COMMITTEE (APPROVED)**

Term = 2 years

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Ambuj "AJ" Jain (**BOC-Citizen 2**)

Chairman Pitts nominated Ambuj "AJ" Jain for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0039 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL (**APPROVED**)

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

Jennifer Pino (**BOC-Chairperson**) (**Pitts**)

Chairman Pitts nominated Jennifer Pino for a Full Board reappointment as Chairperson to a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0040 Board of Commissioners
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FULTON COUNTY DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN (**APPROVED**)

Members of the Administrative Committee shall hold office for a term of four (4) years or until their successors have been duly qualified and appointed. Positions 2 & 3 shall be appointed by the BOC at its regular January meeting or as soon as practical. Such members shall hold office for a term of one year.

Term = 4 Years

Term = 1 Year (Positions 2 & 3)

Term below expired: 12/31/2024

Vice Chair Khadijah Abdur-Rahman (**Chair/Designee/BOC**)

Chairman Pitts nominated Commissioner Abdur-Rahman for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0041 Board of Commissioners
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FULTON COUNTY DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN (**APPROVED**)

Term = 4 Years
Term = 1 Year (Positions 2 & 3)

Term below expired: 12/31/2024
Vacant (**BOC**)

Nominations for a Full Board appointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

25-0042 Board of Commissioners
ATLANTA BELTLINE, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following persons shall serve on the Board of Directors of the corporation: (a) the Mayor of the City of Atlanta (as a representative of ADA); (b) the Chair of the Community Development and Human Resources Committee of the Atlanta City Council (or its successor) (as a representative of ADA); (c) the President of ADA or a person with general business or legal experience (as a representative of ADA); (d) one (1) person with general business experience appointed by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of ADA (as a representative of ADA); (e) one (1) community representative to be selected in a manner to be determined by the City Council of the City (which appointee shall in all cases be ratified by the Board of Directors of ADA); (f) two (2) members appointed by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Beltline Partnership, Inc.; (g) one (1) representative appointed by the Atlanta Board of Education; and (h) **one (1) representative appointed by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners**. Each director shall take office as of the effective date of his or her appointment and shall continue in office until his or her successor has been duly appointed or elected and has qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, or removal, or, in the case of any elected official or positional appointee, until such person no longer holds the elected office or position entitling such person to membership on the corporation's Board of Directors.

Term = 4 years

Term below expires: 7/12/2026

Vacant (**Fulton County**)

Nominations for a Full Board appointment to an unexpired term ending July 12, 2026.

a. A motion was made by Chairman Pitts and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to nominate Commissioner Ivory. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Thorne

Did Not Vote: Barrett

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to nominate Commissioner Barrett. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

25-0043 Board of Commissioners

ATLANTA-FULTON COUNTY RECREATION AUTHORITY (STADIUM AUTHORITY)

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.

Term below expired: 11/1/2024

Commissioner Marvin S. Arrington, Jr. **(BOC)**

Nominations for a Full Board appointment to a term ending December 31, 2028.

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

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

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

- Yea:** Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman
- Did Not Vote:** Barrett, and Arrington

25-0044 Board of Commissioners
OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) TRUST

This Trust was established by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners by resolution Agreement January 16, 2008 (#07-0997). The Trust shall be held, managed and administered by the Trustee in trust in accordance with the provisions of the agreement. The Trust is intended to comply with and be a tax-exempt governmental trust under Section 115 of the IRS Code.

Term = 1 year

Term below expired: 12/31/2023

Vacant **(BOC)**

Nominations for a Full Board appointment to a term ending December 31, 2025.

A motion was made by Chairman Pitts and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to nominate Commissioner Ivory. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

25-0045 External Affairs
Presentation of 2025 State Legislative Session Update. **(PRESENTED)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

25-0046 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 Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Thorne

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve the request for representation in item #1 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to deny the request for retention of outside Counsel in item #2 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Barrett, and Arrington

d. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve the request for engagement of outside Counsel in items #3 and #5 as discussed in Executive Session. 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 5:22 p.m.