

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RECESS MEETING**

October 20, 2021

10:00 AM



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



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Ratification Date: November 17, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts

10:02 a.m.

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

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)

PRESENT

Liz Hausmann, Commissioner (District 1)

PRESENT

Bob Ellis, Commissioner (District 2)

PRESENT

Lee Morris, Commissioner (District 3)

PRESENT

Natalie Hall, Vice Chair (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

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

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CONSENT AGENDA**21-0784 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 Recess Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. **(ADOPTED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Hausmann, to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended by removing item #21-0806 as requested by the County Manager. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

21-0785 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Sheila A. Williams Remembrance Day." **(Pitts)**
August 18, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "SiMan Baby Alexander and DJ Mix Master Mitch Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
October 30, 2021

Commissioners' District Board Appointments**21-0786 Board of Commissioners**

FULTON COUNTY HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Term = 2 Years

Term below expired: 12/31/2020
Johnathan Davis **(Morris/BOC-3)**

Commissioner Morris nominated Peter Hausmann for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2022.

21-0787 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of the proposed 2022 Fulton County Board of Commissioners Meeting Calendar. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Open & Responsible Government**21-0788 Finance**

Ratification of September 2021 Grants Activity Report **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0789 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Line Easement Dedication of 50,631 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Lennar Georgia, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Villas at River Park Project at 5976 State Bridge Road, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0790 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 440 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from JJ/DB-KROS Real Estate, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Julio Jones Kia Project at 10955 Westside Pkwy, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0791 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 50,631 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Lennar Georgia, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Villas at River Park Project at 5976 State Bridge Road, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0792 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 55,074 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Academy Park Neighborhood Association, Inc., for the purpose of accepting the Academy Sewer Easement Dedication for Phases 1 and 4 at 0 Webb Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0793 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 5,578 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Weingarten Investments, Inc., for the purpose of constructing the Existing Sewer Line South of Hall Road Project at 0 Campbellton Fairburn Road, South Fulton, Georgia 30213. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0794 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 20ITB125868C-CG Glass and Plexiglas Repair and Replacement in the total amount of \$55,000.00 with (A) Brad Construction Company II (Fayetteville, GA) in the amount of \$40,000.00; and, (B) P&E Mirror and Glass, LLC. (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$15,000.00 to provide glass and Plexiglas repair and replacement for Fulton County on an "as-needed" basis. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0795 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 20ITB125925C-CG, Septic Tank and Grease Trap Maintenance Services Countywide in the amount of \$25,000.00 with Darling Ingredients, Inc.- Dar Pro Solutions (Atlanta, GA), to provide septic tank and grease trap maintenance services on an "as needed" basis for Fulton County. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services**21-0796 Community Development**

Request approval to amend the Community Development Block Grant contracts with the following municipalities: College Park (\$584,000.00), East Point (\$162,487.00), Fairburn (\$200,000.00), Hapeville (\$150,000.00), and Union City (\$422,500.00), to extend the contract end date from September 30, 2021 to July 31, 2022, which will allow the cities additional time to complete construction timelines. The award amount for each contract does not change from these amendments. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contract amendments as to form and make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0797 Community Development

Request approval to amend the Community Development Block Grant CV-1 contracts with the following sub-recipients: College Park (\$500,000.00), Fairburn (\$50,000.00), and Palmetto (\$120,000.00), to extend the contract end date from December 31, 2021 to April 28, 2022, to allow the cities additional time to respond to the needs of their communities. The funding levels for each contract stays the same and does not change as a result of these amendments. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0798 Community Development

Request approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding by Fulton County, Georgia with (a) Community Assistance Center in the amount of \$25,000.00, and (b) North Fulton Community Charities in the amount of \$25,000.00, to be paid from Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG 20) for Homeless Prevention activities. Effective upon BOC approval through October, 30, 2022. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0799 Community Development

Request approval to amend the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG 20) contract with the Society of St. Vincent DePaul, GA, to increase the grant award from \$33,286.00 to \$55,000.00, and extend the contract end date from April 30, 2022 to July 31, 2022. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0800 Department for HIV Elimination

Request approval of FY2020 Carryover and FY2021 Ending the HIV Epidemic Initiative grant funds totaling \$1,133,172.00 pursuant to Health Resources and Services Administration grant H89HA00007. Contracts are 100% grant funded with no Fulton County match. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute contracts with selected subrecipients. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and substance and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chair. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0801 Department for HIV Elimination

Request approval of additional Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) grant funding to Grady Hospital dba Grady Health System for services to be provided in Fiscal Year 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00. This is 100% grant funded with no County match required. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute contracts with selected subrecipients. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and substance and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chair. Effective October 1, 2021. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0802 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 20ITB112420A-FB, Emergency Sewage Cleanup Services in the amount of \$101,890.00 with American Property Restoration (Atlanta, GA), to provide emergency sewage cleanup service. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0803 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 19ITB111419A-YJ, Laboratory Testing Services in the amount of \$100,000.00 with Analytical Environmental Services, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) to provide laboratory testing services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0804 Public Works

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 20ITBC124898A-YJ, Precision Fill Two-Component Structural Polyurethane Foam and Materials for Filling Voids in the amount of \$74,574.84 with Prime Resins, Inc. (Conyers, GA), to provide precision fill two component structural polyurethane foam and materials for filling voids. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0805 Senior Services

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Senior Services, #21ITB000011A-CJC, Pool Maintenance Services (Roswell, GA), in the amount of \$130,000.00 with United Pool Maintenance, to provide pool maintenance services, repair and preventive maintenance to the four Senior Multipurpose Facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0806 Public Works**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 19ITB120391A-FB, Landscape Maintenance Services at Fulton County Executive Airport - Charlie Brown Field in the amount of \$45,024.46 with Ed Castro Landscape, Inc. (Roswell, GA), to provide landscape maintenance services at Fulton County Executive Airport - Charlie Brown Field. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(REMOVED)**

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER

RECESS MEETING AGENDA**21-0807 Board of Commissioners**

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

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Commissioner Hausmann, to adopt the Recess Meeting Agenda as amended by revising items #21-0809 and #21-0779. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to reconsider the Recess Meeting Agenda. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

21-0808 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

Recess Meeting Minutes, September 15, 2021

Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, October 6, 2021

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to ratify the meeting minutes. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

21-0809 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Fulton County Library System Friends of the Libraries Appreciation Day." **(BOC)**

Proclamation recognizing "Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Make a Difference Day." **(Pitts)**

Proclamation recognizing "Clean Water Week." **(Hausmann)**

*Proclamation recognizing "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month." **(Hausmann/BOC)**

**added during the meeting*

PUBLIC HEARINGS**21-0810 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.

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. **(CONDUCTED/READ INTO THE RECORD)**

13 Speakers: Lauren Waits (Board of Registration and Elections); Maggie Goldman (Mortgage Relief/Board of Registration and Elections); Nazeera Dawood (BOC Recognition); Madhu Chatterji (BOC Recognition); Seema Kohli (BOC Recognition); Arunima Chakrabarty (BOC Recognition); Aimee Uphues (Board of Registration and Elections); Julie Adams (Poll Watchers); Kevin Muldowney (Board of Registration and Elections).

Zoom Speakers: Matt Rowenzcak (Board of Registration and Elections); Ben Howard (Commission on Elder Affairs/Voting); Sheila Hamilton (Public Comment-Time Allowed).

Comment Read into Record: Donna Renfro Lawson (Libraries).

COUNTY MANAGER'S RENEWAL ACTION ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****21-0811 Real Estate and Asset Management**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 20ITB125835C-GS, Carpet, Carpet Tile Installation and Repair Services Countywide in the total amount of \$645,500.00 with (A) Bonitz, Inc. (Norcross, GA) in the amount of \$225,500.00; (B) Prime Contractors, Inc. (Powder Springs, GA) in the amount of \$300,000.00; and (C) HPI Floors, LLC (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$120,000.00, to provide carpet and carpet tile installation and repair services for all Fulton County facilities. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0812 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 20RFP1247348C-CG, Standby Emergency Repair and Restoration Services in the total amount of \$3,000,000.00 with (A) Full Circle Restoration & Construction Services, Inc. (Duluth, GA), in the amount of \$1,500,000.00; and, (B) CRM Services, LLC (Austell, GA), in the amount of \$1,500,000.00, to provide standby emergency repair and restoration services for Fulton County facilities on an "as needed" basis. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0813 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 19ITB121190C-GS, Medical/Clinical General Cleaning Services in the amount of \$346,160.00 with Olde Maid Services (Columbia, SC) to provide the highest quality medical and clinical general cleaning services for selected Fulton County Health facilities: Adamsville Regional Health Center, Center for Rehabilitation, Fulton County Public Health at 10 Park Place, Oakhill Child, Adolescent and Family Center and College Park Regional Health Center. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0814 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 21RFP120820K-CRB, Standby Professional Services for Environmental Engineering & Testing Services in the total amount of \$90,000.00 with (A) Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. (Atlanta, GA), in the amount of \$30,000.00; (B) Atlas Technical Consultants, Inc. (Austin, TX), in the amount of \$30,000.00; and (C) United Consulting Group, Ltd. (Norcross, GA), in the amount of \$30,000.00, to provide standby environmental engineering and testing services on an "as needed-task order assignment" basis for a variety of professional services projects in support of the Department of Real Estate and Asset Management. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Health and Human Services**21-0815 Senior Services**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Senior Services, 21RFQ000007A-CJC, Senior In-Home Services in the total amount of \$1,246,042.26 with (A) Southern Homecare Services dba Always Caring Homecare (Roswell, GA) in the amount of \$906,696.26; (B) Help At Home LLC. (Newnan, GA) in the amount of \$99,346.00; (C) Trusted Hands (Stone Mountain, GA) in the amount of \$120,000.00; and, (D) At Home Atlanta (Roswell, GA) in the amount of \$120,000.00, to provide In-Home Services to senior residents of Fulton County aged 60 and above. This action exercises the first of four renewal options. Three renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0816 Senior Services

Request approval to renew existing contract - Department of Senior Services RFP# 17RFP109210A-FB-Comprehensive Nutrition Care in the amount of \$2,536,259.00 with Open Hand Atlanta (Atlanta, GA) to provide congregate and home delivered meals, meal delivery, nutrition education and nutrition counseling for Fulton County residents aged 60 and above. This action exercises the fourth of four renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0817 Senior Services

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Senior Services, 19RFP117031A-FB, Food Services Management in the amount of \$1,173,874.85 with Piccadilly Holdings, LLC (Baton Rouge, LA) to provide food service management and purchasing of perishable and non-perishable food items for the four senior multipurpose facilities and three training centers. This action exercises the second of three renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0818 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 19ITB120723A-FB, Sewer Line Chemical Root Control Services in the amount of \$200,000.00 with Dukes Root Controls Inc. (Syracuse, NY), to provide sewer system chemical root services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0819 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 19ITB120718A-FB, Sewer System Cleaning and Manholes Camera Inspection Services in the amount of \$300,000.00 with Video Industrial Services, Inc. (Birmingham, AL) to provide sewer system cleaning and manholes camera inspection services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0820 **Public Works**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 19ITB119976A-YJ, Fire Hydrants Maintenance and Repairs in the amount of \$200,000.00 with American Flow Service, LLC. (Buford, GA), to provide fire hydrants maintenance and repairs. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0821 **Public Works**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 20ITBC124903A-FB, Corporation Stops and Brass Fittings in the amount of \$200,000.00 with Delta Municipal Supply Company (Lawrenceville, GA), to provide corporation stops and brass fittings. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0822 **Public Works**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 19ITBC120735A-YJ, Fire Hydrants and Parts in the amount of \$270,552.91 with Core & Main, LP (Athens, GA), to provide fire hydrants and parts. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0823 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 201TB092320A-FB, Large Water Meter Installation Services in the amount of \$750,000.00 with Wade Coots Company, Inc. (Austell, GA), to provide large water meter installation services. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0824 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 201TB100720A-CJC, Water Meter Testing and Repairs in the amount of \$156,575.00 with Taylor Made Industries, Inc. dba Taylor Meter Technology (Memphis, TN), to provide water meter testing and repairs. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-0826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0825 Public Works**

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Department of Public Works, 17RFP107440K-JD, Professional Services for Airport Consultant and Engineering Services in the amount of \$840,000.00 with Michael Baker International, Inc. (Norcross, GA), to provide consulting and engineering services for updating, modifying and implementing the Capital Improvement Program at the Fulton County Executive Airport- Charlie Brown Field. This action exercises the fourth of four renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0826 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 20RFP126602K-BKJ, Building Code Administration Services, Construction Management Services and Planning Services in the amount of \$390,000.00 with NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC (Kennesaw, GA), to provide building code administration services, construction management services and planning services. This action exercises the first of two renewal options. One renewal option remains. Effective dates: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

(APPROVED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve items #21-0811 through #21-0814; #21-0816 through #21-0824; and #21-826. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****21-0827 County Manager**

Presentation of COVID-19 Operational Response Update. **(PRESENTED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to approve the allocation of \$3.5 million funding from the General Fund for mortgage assistance, with a friendly amendment from Vice Chair Hall to fund from other resources. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Ellis

Did Not Vote: Pitts, Hausmann, and Morris

21-0828 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

Request ratification of emergency procurement - County Manager, Countywide Emergency Procurements. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, and Hall

Did Not Vote: Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0829 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

Request approval of a Resolution to extend emergency purchasing authority of the Chairman and County Manager for COVID-19 related purchases. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Arrington

21-0771 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution to adopt and implement a new Policy 600-74, to be known as the Fulton County Facility Use and Rental Policy, to regulate the one-time use or rental of space in select facilities Countywide for County Departments, Organizations, Associations and the General Public; and for other purposes. **(HELD ON 10/6/21) (HELD)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to hold. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Morris

21-0830 Finance

Presentation, review and approval of October 20, 2021 Budget Soundings. **(PRESENTED/APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0831 Finance

Request approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract between the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority and Fulton County, Georgia for the renovation of the Grady Health System's Infectious Disease Program Facility located at 341 Ponce de Leon Avenue and the provision of medical services and hospital facilities for the indigent sick in Fulton and DeKalb counties and authorizing the use of the general funds of Fulton County in an amount sufficient to pay its debt service obligations under the Ponce de Leon contract, to be approved by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Georgia, related to the issuance of the series 2021 certificates in a principal amount not to exceed \$8,025,000.00 and for other purposes. **(HELD)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Ellis, and Morris

21-0832 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of lowest responsible bidders - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 21ITB130553C-GS, Locks, Doors & Hardware Countywide in the total amount of \$90,000.00 with (A) Overhead Door of Atlanta dba D.H. Pace Company, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$55,000.00; and (B) Acme Security, Inc., (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$35,000.00, to provide on-site locksmith services to include the installation of new locks and door hardware as required and to supply lock and door hardware for Fulton County facilities on an "as needed" basis. This bid does not include service for vehicles. Effective dates: January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0833 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to increase spending authority - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 19ITB120487C-MH, Generator System Maintenance and Repair Services, in the amount of \$105,258.00 with Power & Energy Services, Inc. (Powder Springs, GA), for the replacement of an existing, non-functioning generator system with a new 150kw diesel generator system for the E911 Communication Center located at the Fulton County Government Center Complex Public Safety Building, 130 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA 30303. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0834 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to increase spending authority- Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, Bid#18ITB113793C-GS, Countywide On-Site Door Repair and Overhead Door Preventive and Predictive Maintenance in the total amount of \$179,222.00 with Overhead Door Company of Atlanta, dba D.H. Pace Company, Inc., (Atlanta, GA), to provide replacement of two Revolving Doors at the main entrance and major repairs/replacement to the two Fire Doors on ground Floor and 2nd floor in the Justice Center Tower located at 185 Central Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30303. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

21-0835 Human Resources Management

Request approval to amend the Retention Bonus Personnel Policy (No. 329-16) to rename it "Retention Bonus, Sign-On Bonus and Relocation Costs" and to permit payment of a sign-on bonus and relocation costs to certain candidates offered employment reimbursement. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann, and Abdur-Rahman

Health and Human Services**21-0836 Senior Services**

Request approval of a statewide contract - Department of Senior Services, SWC99999-SPD0000136-0003, Temporary Staffing Services in the amount of \$233,532.60 with Happy Faces Personnel Group Inc. (Tucker, GA), to provide staffing services to support the operation of the Department of Senior Services facilities. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

Justice and Safety**21-0837 Superior Court Administration**

Requests approval of a statewide contract -SWC #47100-001-GBI0000100-001, in an amount not to exceed \$248,000.00 with Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, Inc., to purchase medical/drug testing supplies for random drug testing for Superior Court Accountability Courts, State Court and Juvenile Courts. This procurement is primarily grant funded through the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Effective upon BOC approval through August 31, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Arrington

21-0838 Solicitor General

Request approval of a contract - Office of Fulton County Solicitor-General, SWC# ES-RFR-40199-409, Vehicles for Investigations in the amount of \$125,662.92 with WADE FORD, Inc. (Smyrna, GA) for the purchase of three vehicles. This is a one-time procurement. **(APPROVED)**

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**21-0712 Board of Commissioners**

Discussion and request approval of a Resolution to enact the "Fulton County Homeowners Economic Lift Program and Services Plan" and for other purposes. **(Abdur-Rahman) (HELD ON 9/15/21 AND 10/6/21) (HELD)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN

21-0779 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution declaring the importance of local sustainable food sources by supporting the growth and development of urban agriculture, small farms, urban farming and the local food economy; directing the Director of Public Works to provide a recommendation for expanding the land use provision in Unincorporated Fulton County to support urban agriculture more broadly; and a call to action for Municipalities within Fulton County to support urban agriculture and remove obstacles or roadblocks that discourage or prevent this industry.

(Ellis/Abdur-Rahman/Hall) (HELD ON 10/6/21) (APPROVED)

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

21-0839 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of an Ordinance amending Section 101-36(b) of the Fulton County Code relating to the selection process for the Vice-Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. **(Hausmann) (APPROVED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Arrington

Nay: Abdur-Rahman

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman to amend the Ordinance by requiring the selected Vice Chair be of a Political Party opposite of the Chairman.

Motion failed for a lack of a second

Commissioners' Full Board Appointments**21-0840 Board of Commissioners
REGION III EMS COUNCIL (APPROVED)**

Term = 3 Years

Term below expires: June 30, 2022

William Compton (Grady EMS) - **BOC/Position 1/Eaves (Resigned)**

Chairman Pitts nominated Roderick “Rod” M. Smith (City of Atlanta Fire Chief) for a Full Board appointment to an unexpired term ending June 30, 2022.

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Ellis, and Arrington

COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**Justice and Safety****21-0841 County Manager
Discussion: Fulton County Jail Feasibility Study (DISCUSSED)****COMMISSIONERS' PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS****21-0842 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Invest Atlanta Board of Directors September 16, 2021 Meeting Summary (Morris) (DISCUSSED)****21-0843 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. October 13, 2021 CEO Report (Morris) (DISCUSSED)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION**21-0844 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 Chair Hall, Commissioners: Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman; County Manager Dick Anderson; Interim County Attorney Kaye Burwell; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier.

PRESENT IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING AND PERSONNEL: Chairman Pitts, Vice Chair Hall, Commissioners: Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

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

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

Did Not Vote: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S

RECESS MEETING

October 20, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Alexander Solutions, LLC

(Whereupon the meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Good morning everyone, County Government Center, I'm Robb Pitts; I chair the Board of Commissioners. This is the Recess Meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Today is October 20th, 2021. It is 10:02 a.m. Madam Clerk, please call the roll.”

CLERK GRIER: “Chairman Robb Pitts.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Commissioner Liz Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Commissioner Bob Ellis.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Commissioner Lee Morris.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Vice Chair Natalie Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr. Commissioner Khadijah Abdur-Rahman.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Present.”

CLERK GRIER: “Mr. Chairman, you have a quorum.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Thank you, Madam Clerk. Please rise for the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.”

(Whereupon, the invocation was given by Reverend Dawkins followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Thank you. Madam Clerk.”

CLERK GRIER: “On page 2, Consent Agenda, **21-0784**, 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 Recess Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, on page 6, we have one item to be removed from the Consent Agenda. 21-0806: Public Works. Request approval to renew an existing contract to provide landscape maintenance services at the Fulton County Executive Airport. This item will be removed and back on a later date in a different form.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Any other items on the Consent Agenda –“

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: MIC IS OFF “[Inaudible.] entirely --”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- what, that was to be removed entirely -- yes, sir. Any other items on the Consent Agenda to be removed for further discussion? If not, cast your vote, please, on the Consent Agenda as amended by a motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Hausmann.”

CLERK GRIER: And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays.”

CLERK GRIER: “On page 6, Recess Meeting Agenda **21-0807**: Adoption of the Recess Meeting Agenda. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have two items to be revised. First item on page 6, 21-0809, this item is revised to include a proclamation recognizing National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, sponsored by Commissioner Hausmann. On page 13, 21-0779: Request approval of a Resolution declaring the importance of local sustainable food sources. This Resolution was amended to include Vice Chair Hall as a cosponsor. That's all I have.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Commissioners, any other items, any other corrections, additions? If not, on the Agenda as amended, let's vote please. Recommended to approve by Commissioner Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Hausmann.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0808**: Ratification of Minutes, Recess Meeting Minutes, September 15th. Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, October 6th, 2021.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Please vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0809**: Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. The first proclamation is recognizing Fulton County Library System Friends of the Libraries Appreciation Day, sponsored by the full Board of Commissioners.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “You want to read it?”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay. Good morning, everyone. We really appreciate our library. And it was a pleasure to do the ribbon-cutting for the library, the new Central Library and Event Center. And so, to show our appreciation to our Friends of the Library, the Proclamation reads: WHEREAS, the Fulton County Library System's Friends of the Library Volunteer Program is a unique opportunity for citizens to contribute their time and expertise to enhance the services of Fulton County and the library system. Growing from a few dozen volunteers in 1989, when it was -- when it first began to over 3,257 Friends volunteers who have served since. And WHEREAS, the Fulton County Library System Friends Volunteers play a vital role in advocating for library services, collecting, sorting, organizing, and selling thousands of donated books at book sales and bookstores, hosting fundraisers, funding and sponsoring library programs, returning materials to the shelves, and more. And WHEREAS, the Fulton County Library System acknowledged 187 Friends volunteers during National Friends of Libraries Week, October 17th through the 23rd including Friends Volunteers celebrating as many as 25 years of service to the Library System and countless other volunteers who served -- serviced thousands of hours throughout the years. And WHEREAS, there are currently 19 Friends of the Library Groups throughout Fulton County that provide significant support to the Library System by contributing over 393,522 lifetime volunteer hours, and funds to enhance the important programs and services of the Fulton County Library System. And WHEREAS, Library Friends Volunteers have given unselfishly of their time and talents to the Fulton County Library System, donating 7,830 hours in 2021, providing services worth \$223,468 and bringing the Friends Volunteers lifetime total to 3,257 volunteers who have served 393,522 volunteer hours. Now, THEREFORE be it resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the accomplishments and dedication of the individuals who donate their services to the Fulton County Library System, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday October 20th, 2021, as Fulton County Library System Friends of the Libraries Appreciation Day in Fulton County, Georgia. Congratulations and thank you.”

HEATHER STANISZEWSKI, VOLUNTEER SERVICES: “Thank you very much. I'm Heather Staniszewski, and Marcy Meyers in Volunteer Services. We are truly grateful

for Ms. Gayle Holloman and Teryn Gilliam's support of the Friends Groups, as well as all of the Board of Commissioners for their support at our libraries. Right now, we have six Friends Bookstores that are open. So, our Friends could not join us today. But we will be celebrating them all week long. It is a national celebration of library groups across the United States. So, thank you so much for recognizing this in Fulton County. Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Make A Difference Day, sponsored by Chairman Pitts and Vice Chair Hall."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Good morning and it's great to have many friends down here this morning. And they're doing great work in the Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities arena. Without further ado, I'll read the proclamation. WHEREAS, making a difference can come in many forms and the Fulton County Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities in collaboration with Alchemy Sky Foundation recognizes the unique contributions and gifts of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. And WHEREAS, the power of hope, inspiration, and dreams that bring joy and smiles to others in the midst of the world changing events in a community where persons with disabilities feel included and participate as a desire can always make a difference. And WHEREAS, the collaborative effort of individuals, Staff at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, and caregivers to create the Dream Out Loud music video has made a difference within the community. And WHEREAS, through the Dream Out Loud video, which we're going to see, right? All right. Adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities are able to communicate their aspirations and desires that will enable them to enjoy a meaningful and fulfilling life. And promote the self-esteem and motivation needed to succeed. And WHEREAS, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities is committed to identifying and establishing effective partnerships with local and national organizations to help Fulton County adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to succeed. Now, THEREFORE be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the collaboration between the project participants and the Alchemy Sky Foundation and does hereby proclaim, Saturday, October 23, 2021, as Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Make A Difference Day in Fulton County, Georgia. Let's give them a hand. So, I think I'm going to let LaTrina Foster, who's our Director of BHDD, explain a little bit about the collaboration. And then I think you've got some other folks who are going to share. And then we're going to get to the video, correct?"

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Absolutely, thank you."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “All right.”

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: “So actually, I'm going to allow Jaye Byrd to, Jay Budd, I'm so sorry, to talk about the collaboration, his willingness to reach out to our department and put together this fabulous video that you all are getting ready to see. However, I wanted to just take the opportunity to thank the Board of Commissioners and our County Manager's leadership team for their ongoing support of our department where we can collaborate and make a difference in the lives of individuals living with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Jaye.”

JAYE BUDD, ALCHEMY SKY FOUNDATION: “Good morning everyone. So, we're very -- first very grateful that we were able to partner with so many amazing people. The Alchemy Sky Foundation is a local nonprofit here in Atlanta whose mission is to bring the healing power of music to those who need it. And we wanted to do something whereby we could give the opportunity for everyone to show what they dream about. And so, this music video is for that. So, thank you very much.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Where is it --”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “-- it's over here --”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- Madam Clerk --”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMAN: “-- oh, it's over here probably --”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- what?”

CLERK GRIER: “-- what was her name, the making a difference, [Inaudible.] -- ”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- do you have it? All right, while y'all find it, we'll go to the next. Be ready when we come back to you.”

CLERK GRIER: “The next proclamation is recognizing Clean Water Week, sponsored by Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “-- y'all stay --”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “-- we didn't even get a picture yet --”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “-- let's get a picture before y'all go up. And then we'll close out hopefully with the video unless you get it ready just a second after the picture.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Let's do the next one.”

CLERK GRIER: “The next proclamation is recognizing Clean Water Week, sponsored by Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Good morning. As we all know, access to clean water is -- means life. And I'm proud to say that among the many things that we do well in Fulton County, this is certainly one of the best that we offer. One of our best services -- good to see you -- so I'm really pleased to have this proclamation with full Board support and to read it to celebrate Clean Water Week. WHEREAS, Clean Water Week celebrates the 49th Anniversary of the Clean Water Act and is a weeklong reminder of the many ways Public Works demonstrates its commitment to providing safe and reliable collection and treatment of wastewater for discharge to improve our environment and communities. And WHEREAS, Public Works is committed to improving and maintaining the quality of its water and wastewater system through daily activities that are vital to the integrity of the system including the installation, repair, and maintenance of the water and wastewater systems, maintaining security, and implementing emergency response plans when needed, while also educating customers. And WHEREAS, Public Works effectively and systematically evaluates water and wastewater needs for more than 111,700 existing customers to ensure adequate system capacity for future growth, and actively manages and renews its assets and human resources with an 82 million annual operating budget and projected \$651 million capital improvement program through the use of innovative technologies and utilities management systems to effectively serve water and sewer customers. And WHEREAS, Public Works has received numerous awards in 2021 including the National Association of Counties NACOs Achievement Award, County Resiliency Category for the Little River Facility. The NACO Achievement Award Civic Education and Public Information Category, the Georgia Association of Water Professionals Platinum Award for the Tom Lowe Atlanta, Fulton County Water Treatment Plant and the Camp Creek Johns Creek Environmental Campus and Little River Reclamation Facilities, GW -- GAWP Collection Systems Platinum Award, GA WP Comprehensive Education Program of Excellence in Water and Wastewater, continued recognition as a Water First Community in Georgia. And most recently, the Public Works Wastewater Collection Systems was recognized nationally for its inflow and infiltration reduction programs. That's a lot y'all. I don't think -- is there anything you haven't won? Did you get them all? I think you got them all. Now, THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County commends the Division of Water Resources for its continued dedication in public service. And HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of October 17th through 23, 2021, as Clean Water Week '21 in Fulton County, Georgia. Congratulations. David.”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "Thank you, Commissioner. I'm David Clark. I'm the Director of Public Works here. And certainly, I'm very, very blessed to be working with such a highly talented group of people. You heard the Commissioner list the number of awards we've been given this past year. It's all what they do on a day-to-day basis and we certainly appreciate that. And it's nice to know that everybody doesn't have to think about us on a day-to-day basis. But during Clean Water Week, everybody needs to remember that the water that we are either using is for us, or more importantly, for those people downstream from us. So Clean Water Week certainly is important. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Anybody else?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No, that's it -- we have one more --"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "-- yeah --"

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, sponsored by Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, thank you again. Breast Cancer is one of those dreaded diseases that has affected so many families in our community and in our country. It's touched us here, right here in Fulton County recently with the deaths -- death of Joan Garner. It has touched my family. I lost my mother when she was only 50. So, it's very important that we celebrate anything we can do to stem breast cancer. And I'm happy to tell you that beginning tonight, the lights outside of the Government Center will be illuminated in pink throughout the rest of this month of October. So, first time I think we've done that with our new light system. So very, very happy about that. (Applause.) And now I'm happy to read this proclamation into the record. WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the CDC, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths for women in the United States in Georgia. And each year in the United States, about 245,000 cases of breast cancer are diagnosed in women and about 2200 in men. Thus causing about 41,000 deaths among women and 460 deaths among men. And WHEREAS, early detection is critical through the prevention initiatives such as mammograms that can detect breast cancer up to two years before physical symptoms can be seen or felt. And WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Health Breast and Cervical Cancer prevention program, through funding from the Georgia Department of Public Health, provides breast cancer screenings, diagnostic services, and referrals to treatment as medically indicated to help reduce the impact of breast cancer on uninsured women residing in Fulton County. And

WHEREAS, as part of the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and as part of the ongoing commitment to encourage early detection and treatment, the Fulton County Board of Health offered free breast cancer screenings on October 18th and 19th, 2021, at the Adamsville Regional Health Center and the College Park Willie J. Freeman Regional Health Center. And WHEREAS, both health and public officials strongly encourage women to remain vigilant about their regular mammograms despite the challenges brought on by the current COVID-19 pandemic. Now, THEREFORE be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners hereby commends the Fulton County Board of Health Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program community medical providers and community partners who dedicate their lives to fighting for a world without breast cancer. And does hereby proclaim October 2021, as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Fulton County, Georgia. I don't think we have anybody from the Health Department. And I'm joined in sponsoring this by Commissioner Hall and Abdur-Rahman. Thank you."

DARREN SMITH, IT: "Commissioners, we do apologize. We were experiencing some technical difficulties, but we do have that video ready to play."

(DREAM OUT LOUD VIDEO PLAYS.)

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "While people are walking back up, I just want to say thanks to the folks at Alchemy Sky for producing that. I know we got a little bit -- our speed wasn't great on that. So, I know the production quality is even better. So, we're going to have this up and available on our site. And I know that means a tremendous amount to our clients in our centers. Personal point of privilege, I have a brother who attends a center, not in Fulton County, but in another county. And COVID's been extreme isolation for these folks. And this type of stuff makes a huge difference in terms of bringing out who they are and allowing them to express themselves. So, thank you again and thank you for all our folks that work in our centers and work with our clients with ADD."

CLERK GRIER: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Before we begin let me remind everyone that tomorrow is the --"

MULTIPLE MEMBERS: "-- we can't hear you --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- tomorrow, we will host the first of its kind by a county government in the United States of America, the Cyber Security Summit at the library. We have over a hundred attendees signed up from all over the state. So, I hope that at some point, y'all will be able to stop by, that's number one. Number two, next Tuesday,

will be -- from 5:30 to 7:00, will be the Second Annual -- we didn't have it last year due to COVID Reception honoring our Consulate Corp at [Inaudible]. So, you've gotten invitations to that as well. So, I look forward to seeing everybody there. It's only for an hour and a half next Tuesday. And we'll send another reminder, so everybody can please stop by to show -- pay our respects to our Consulate Corp. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 7, Public Hearings, **21-0810**: Public Comment. Citizens wishing to participate in public comment will be allowed to appear in person or may choose to participate virtually via Zoom videoconferencing or by submitting their comments in writing online by registering on the County website www.fultoncountygga.gov. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each. 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. In the event 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. Mr. Chairman and members of the Board, we'll start with speakers here in Assembly Hall. We have received nine speaker cards. Will the first five speakers, please come down? Lauren Waites, Maggie Goldman, Nazeera Dawood, Madhu Chatterji, Seema Kohli."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Speakers, as a reminder, we you have 15 minutes left, I'll simply say, 15 minutes, which will be your queue to -- what did say -- 15 seconds, 15 seconds to sum up. Thank you."

LAUREN WAITES, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "But I'll take 15 minutes. Good morning, my name is Lauren Waites. I have lived and voted in Fulton County for 20 years. I'm here to thank you for your appointment of our highly qualified Board of Elections Chair. I'm here to thank you for resisting inappropriate partisan pressure from the Secretary of State regarding that appointment. I want to ask you for your continued support of our Fulton Registrations and Elections Board. And I want to ask you to stand firm against the state takeover of their vital community informed work. I'd like to share my personal experience and that of my neighbors and family and friends who vote here in Fulton. We -- things are getting better. We are really having good experiences at the polls. We have seen significant improvements for the voting process including mobile voting, which has helped people like my elderly father and people with disabilities. Early voting, where I plan to head as soon as I finish this meeting and I hope everyone else will if you have not voted already. I vote at our newly-renovated Ponce de Leon Branch Library. My experience there is open, accessible, easy. The staff are fast, the explanations are straightforward. They are friendly, it is going well. As you consider elections matters, I

just ask that you base your judgment on facts, like these that I'm sharing. Facts from the majority of people in Fulton County rather than any comments that are based on hearsay and fear. And again, I thank you so much for your time.”

MAGGIE GOLDMAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “My name is Maggie Goldman. I'm a resident in Johns Creek, District 1. I'm in support of the providing mortgage assistance to residents in Fulton County who are in need of it until the state's program begins to disburse funds. As Commissioner Arrington said, if we don't help now, they may be recipients of rental assistance if they can't stay in their homes. We know that the multiple attempts of Commissioner Hausmann and Ellis to defund the Elections Board staffing was just a ploy to get the state to take over our Elections Board. They consistently insisted that Fulton County could do all their own recruiting, hiring, and training for early voting staff instead of using temporary staff. And that there were plenty of Fulton residents ready to step up and work our elections. I've been following the hiring for Election Day workers who only need to work one day total. It has taken into October to hire all the staff needed. If there were truly so many Fulton residents ready and available to work three weeks of early voting, than surely, we could have staffed up Election Day workers faster than we have. You know what I'd also like to have addressed, the truly unnecessary language of Commissioner Ellis in July, when he claimed that Mr. Barron's memo to the cities was a gun to his head. You were elected in 2014? So that means you oversaw and allocated funding for elections in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. I believe by now, you'd have a fair understanding of the timeline of allocating election funding. Not to mention the fact that you were told at every meeting since May that there was a deadline looming to recruit, hire, and train staff. You were just upset that your grandstanding attempts to have our Elections Board taken over by the State were ending. Your language was inappropriate, and I hope you don't speak like that again in the future.”

NAZEERA DAWOOD, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning Commissioners, I'm Nazeera Dawood. I'd like to thank each one of you, the County management team, and especially the rank-and-file for their leadership and the -- at the Fulton County Government. I separated from Fulton County Government in August of 2017. My time at the Health Department and the Chairman's Office was a remarkable chapter in my life. Over the course of these years, I've been privileged to serve the most brilliant people committed to making a change in the lives of those whom they serve. It was amazing to witness, as well as partake in the structural evolution of internal operations. The ultimate goal of local government is to serve its citizens and work collaboratively to devise meaningful solutions to their problems and concerns. Public-private partnerships and coalitions have proved to be successful. It is important for those in government to grasp at outset that everyone we serve has potential, talent, and valuable skills. I want

to reiterate a small story that my dad told me many years ago. There was a king who wanted a statue created at his palace. He invited three architects to create that statue. After two weeks, he disguised himself and visited those architects, and asked the first one, what are you doing? The first architect responded, I'm actually doing my job. The second one responded, I am actually doing something that the king wanted me to do. The third one said, I have this opportunity and I want to create history. I come before you today with an appeal to entreat each one of you and department leadership to continue and accelerate in interactive envisioning of how innovatively great Fulton County can be for all of its people. In my role of having forged a company to continue my work --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--15 seconds--"

NAZEERA DAWOOD, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "-- of helping to direct the best quality of private partnerships to county business, it remains most paramount to me that every good idea from small innovators and mega developers be valued, propositioned equally appreciated, and equally considered. Thank you."

MADHU CHATTERJI, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, Commissioners. My name is Madhu Chatterji and I work in Fulton County area. So, I would like to start by thanking you all for your services to the community. As citizens, we can rest peaceably knowing that our leaders are keeping us safe. I arrived in this country 12 years ago as an international student. Not only was the country new to me, but everything around me was new and I was adjusting to it. Fulton County played a very key role at that time. My first official job in the United States was as a health promotion intern here at Fulton County under the mentorship of Dr. Nazeera Dawood, who was then my preceptor. I was embraced with open arms by the entire Health Promotion Department. And I still remember how excited I was to get my ID and badge to enter the building. I know these are small things, but they were huge accomplishments for a young woman, new to the country and getting an internship from school as a public health student. The Fulton County Health Promotion Department boosted my confidence and helped me shape my professional career. Prior to working here, I had basically minimal understanding of the U.S. Government system. And now, I am the Director of Federal Contracting at my company. So that's far -- how far I have come here. Not only did Fulton play a role in my shaping my career, it provided me with my needed data to complete my thesis on food deserts and diabetes mortality here at Fulton County. And my thesis was well accepted, not only in Georgia State University, my alma mater, but Georgia Tech, Atlanta Beltline, and the American Public Health Association. My story mirrors thousands --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--15 seconds--”

MADHU CHATTERJI, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “-- who may never be recognized despite their most earnest efforts. Therefore, I'm most proud to spark this partnership with Dr. Nazeera to be continual in my service to this Board of Commissioners and the vast pool of small businesses. Thank you.”

SEEMA KOHLI, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good afternoon. My name is Seema Kohli, and I thank you for giving us the opportunity to talk to you all. As we all know, Fulton County is the biggest county of Georgia. Fulton County lies in North Central Georgia in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. Fulton County is a kind of mini-country in its -- on its own. We moved to Atlanta about 12 years back. And our first choice was to reside in Fulton County for many numerous reasons. First and foremost, the education of my kids. Besides school, it gives us a platform to several other things, like, greenbelts for healthy living, various parks, numerous activities, great places like Coke, Mercedes Benz Stadium, Georgia Aquarium, Centennial Park, to name a few to visit. And a hub for several big companies like Delta, NCR, to name a few. It is also the home of public ivy league colleges like Georgia Tech, Emory University, where students from across the nation love and look forward for joining it. They gain immense experience and knowledge to carve a better future and become responsible citizens. I personally have seen the growth in the last 12 years and it is still growing. It is a land of opportunity, where everyone has the opportunity to prove themselves. No one is left behind here. I'm fortunate enough to be part of this diverse place, which has given great education to my kids, a safe place for me and my family to live, and a great workplace to work. And of course, a great place where you get lots of different places to shop, eat, and have fun. Like my colleagues, it is true, my commitment to help ensure that no one is left behind, no struggling minority business, no sizeable establish business that sensibly wants to serve more to the core of what the people individually need. Once again, I would like to thank the Board of Commissioners and --”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--15 seconds--”

SEEMA KOHLI, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “-- all the leadership, for all the service to the community, and for giving us the opportunity and platform to speak. Thank you.”

CLERK GRIER: “Last four speakers, please come down. Arunima Chakrabarty, Aimee Uphues, Julie Adams, and Kevin Muldowney. “

ARUNIMA CHAKRABARTY, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Dear Chairman Pitts and the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. I'm Arunima Chakrabarty and I work in Fulton County. What a great morning to be here with you all. And I'm thankful for all of the hard work

and leadership that you have provided to make this County a thriving one for businesses and communities alike. My journey in America started 14 years back, when we came from India to our first home in Buckhead. What appealed to me is the openness of people, opportunities presented to an individuals and businesses to realize their goals and potential. It gives me great pleasure to be standing here today and saying thanks and being grateful. I'm a lawyer by education and my current job allows me to serve the government and businesses under Dr. Nazeera Dawood. Under her mentorship and guidance, I have come to understand and appreciate the different workings of the government and how that impacts our lives and those around us. Today, I take much pride in the fact that I help companies, large and small, to better research government proposals to better understand what government servants want and better respond to those needs with precision and quality. It also builds my confidence in the system and good governments. That makes such a difference for myself and the businesses that I help. I look forward to continuing to grow as a person, both professionally and personally, and this continues to be achievable because of the leadership that you have set for us. I also thank Dr. Nazeera for giving me this opportunity to be here today--"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--15 seconds--"

ARUNIMA CHAKRABARTY, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "--I'll look forward to the growth of our continued partnership to be of service to the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Thank you."

AIMEE UPHUES, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, my name is Aimee and I would like to voice my opposition to Cathy Woolard as Board of Registrations and Elections, and continued employment and the continued employment of Richard Barron. The mission statement for Fulton County Board of Elections is to ensure that registration and elections process is efficient and effectively provided to all eligible citizens of Fulton County. They have failed that mission. Richard Barron continues working as Elections Director even though he is not fit or qualified to hold his position. Why, just last week two election workers were fired for shredding voter registration. At best, Richard Barron is incompetent, at worst, his mismanagement is intentional. By reinstating him, you now own this disaster. All over budget with taxpayer money and the blank checks you've given to Richard Barron. The citizens you work for have lost faith in you and the integrity of the elections you run here in Fulton County. Project Opal used Fulton County's own data to prove how inaccurate and flawed the accounting, ballot data, and procedures were in the 2020 election under Richard Barron's leadership. We have demanded audits, investigations. Whistleblowers have been fired and ignored. You say you don't want partisanship, but you're actively working to create that environment.

On its face, the 2020 Georgia Election was unlawful because the Georgia Legislature did not approve the changes and the election procedures made in the Raffensperger/Abrams' consent agreement. The election violated well-established federal law that such changes in an election for a federal office can only be done by State Legislature. Who exactly are you representing when you rehire Richard Barron-- “

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--15 seconds--”

AIMEE UPHUES, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “--the questionable Happy Faces Temp Agency and purchase more Dominion machines? There are more than enough reports to justify a full forensic audit. Remember, you serve us, the citizens of Fulton County. Thank you.”

JULIE ADAMS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Hi, my name is Julie Adams. In the handouts you're receiving, the poll watcher instructions on page 1 from Fulton County Elections reads: A poll watcher must present a letter and badge bearing his or her name and they're assigned precinct. Page 2 and 3 have sample letters and badges approving all Constitution Party poll watchers at all locations. After approving our poll watchers, the leadership of Fulton County Elections has required of our party only, 24 hours-notice with daily updates as to which of our poll watchers will be where, including the times they will be there. Logic would seem that this is a ridiculous request of when and where and who is going to poll watch. They require this of no other party. There is no law requiring this, and no other county in Georgia requires this. Page 4 is a letter from the Constitution Party's Election Director, Mr. Garland Favorito, sent to the Fulton County Attorneys Rosenberg and Ringer asking for a quick Resolution in this matter. As of this moment, we haven't heard back from them. Yesterday, our poll watchers were told from an elections department manager that unless we comply, we can no longer poll watch. I was told not to walk in here today without knowing who to hold in account to immediately rectify this miscarriage of justice--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--15 seconds--”

JULIE ADAMS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “--and here I am with no answer to that question. Clearly, it's not the Elections Department leadership. I'm not sure if it's the BRE, whose rulings you have overturned. I'm not sure. It doesn't appear that there's anyone in charge of Fulton County Elections Department. Thank you.”

KEVIN MULDOWNEY, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning, Chairman Pitts, esteemed Commissioners. I'm Kevin Muldowney from Milton County, Georgia. Chairman Pitts, you have been quoted as saying, elections are the most important function of government. We have committed to transparency and integrity. We're not getting that

from the Fulton Board of Elections. We still don't know who was fired on October 8th and the actual details of what it was they were shredding. Were they temp workers from Happy Faces? And why were they so badly trained? Why did it take until Monday the 11th for the BOA to alert the Board of Commissioners to the problem? Regarding the current election, certain political parties have been subject to oversight suppression, as mentioned by the previous speaker, despite having valid poll working credentials provided to the Constitution Party from Fulton County, valid at any poll locations throughout the County. We have been told that we must provide a schedule as to where and when our workers will be performing their oversight duties. There is no such rule in our Election Code or SB202. The poll managers try to do their best, but they are not properly trained in Georgia election regulations. They and their upper management seem to be making things up on the fly. The current election will not fail due to underspending, quite the opposite. At the Alpharetta Library, where I've been poll watching, they have a crew of about 12 people, clerks, poll techs, compliant officers, compliance officers, managers, assistant managers, scanner clerk. A total of ten BMDs, two scanners, and a myriad of poll pads for an election that is averaged at this location, 80 votes per day. It seems the approach is just spend, spend, spend --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--15 seconds--"

KEVIN MULDOWNEY, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "--and details like, training go by the wayside. Chairman Pitts, in your own words, election transparency and integrity. Do you ever think we will get there under the current leadership of Director Barron? I think that you will have to agree with me that the answer is, no. Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, the next speakers will be via Zoom."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "How many?"

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "Good morning, Commissioners. The first person to speak is Matt Rowenzcak."

MATT ROWENZCAK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning, Commissioners. Can you hear me?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

MATT ROWENZCAK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Thank you. My name is Matt Rowenzcak. I'm a Fulton County resident. My question to you today is simply, why is Richard Barron allowed to continue his underperformance, at best with our taxpayer dollars? This man is either incompetent, unwilling, or both in running a successful Elections Department."

What more information do we need? In addition to the damning financial review from last year and many other data points, I can tell you, as a poll watcher, right now that things are not getting better as mentioned by our previous speaker. Poll workers are not proficient in their duties. Many poll managers are less than transparent. I was even told, I could not observe and write down ballot counts from scanners and BMDs until I presented the election code and wasn't -- she was then corrected by a poll worker trainer. Now the Elections Department is trying to prevent some of us from poll watching. This is not fear or hearsay that a previous speaker mentioned, this is real. It is time for Mr. Barron to go. It is time for more transparency. Eight years has been way too long. Thank you."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "The next person to speak is Ben Howard."

BEN HOWARD, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Greetings Commissioners."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Mr. Howard."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "You're on mute."

BEN HOWARD, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Thank you. Greetings Commissioners and staff, and special greetings to you citizens and voters of Fulton County tuned to your county government in action. Ben Howard, Senior Advocate, Public Policy Analyst. I have three items, belated congratulations to our new County Attorney Y. Soo Jo. When time permits, Madam Jo, please take a look at the ongoing wranglings of certain administrators of the Office of Aging and Youth, the Council on Aging and others, as they find ways to keep Ben Howard from legally filling any vacancy under Commission of Elder Affairs, age notwithstanding. To you voters who are internet savvy, you will really appreciate downloading the Fulton County voter app. Lastly, permit me to remind all voters that the last date to request an absentee ballot is Friday, October 22nd, two days from the date of this meeting. One may begin the absentee ballot process by calling that Fulton County Registration and Elections phone number (404) 612-7060, that's (404) 612-7060. Thank you."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "The last person to speak is Sheila Hamilton."

SHELIA HAMILTON, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Mine was submitted. And it can be read. But it basically states that I'm disappointed that more time is given to the proclamations versus time given to our public comments. And I'm humbly requesting that that be changed immediately. That equal time be given to both or either proclamations be cut to two per session. And more time given to the public comments, which impacts the decisions and the votes that you all make. Thank you for what you do for us. But right now, I'm not happy about the way the Agenda is set up. Have a great day."

RICO DOLLAR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: “And that concludes our virtual comments.”

CLERK GRIER: “Next comments will be email submitted.”

REGINA WALLER FOR DONNA RENFRO LAWSON: “Good morning. We have one comment from Donna Renfro Lawson. Subject: Facility maintenance. Good morning, elected, selected, and rejected Fulton County leaders and engaged supported listeners. Gayle Hunter Holloman, the Executive Director of the Library will not respond to the question presented of, can facility maintenance be defined as, sanitizing the branch. Believe it or not, the pandemic is ruling and causing our community to operate out of fear, indecisiveness, and chaos. The East Point location has been closed a reported six times since reopening on June 1st. Were any of those closures caused by pandemic concerns? We should know why. Think safety first, matters. Are East Point employees paid when they don't work because of unexpected shutdowns? Northwest at Scott's Crossing was closed Saturday, for what? Are any employees from that site out of work due to the virus? Why are we made to do an open records request on library questions that staff should respond to? Vicky LaJesse, Interim Manager of the East Point location and decades-long employee of the Library System is simply not a good fit for East Point, especially when she refuses to answer simple questions. For example, who is the President of the Friends Group? Mrs. Holloman should not and could not answer that basic inquiry because of the branch's manager's failure to communicate with her as the Executive Director. These kinds of trivial issues are symptomatic of bigger library administration and subordinate relationships, better defined as micromanaging. People make decisions from what they are told by library staff. And the library staff appears ignorant and suspect when they cannot answer questions. The system of hope and humane servicing has crashed and is burning when the code of conduct cannot be adhered to by the employees. Commissioner Hall, I do believe that you might know, if any Northwest staff members are not working because of COVID-19 diagnosis. It has been implied that Northwest is under your purview. It has not been confirmed by your staff at the time of this submission. Teryn Gilliam of the alleged group branch manager for that site should be able to assist you with that data. Be warned that she is known to not be a team player, though her title alone expresses that she is skilled. But her writing begs for interpretation and/or clarity on her assigned duties. Thank you, Commissioner Arrington for the early-morning email. However, you might consider a more direct hands-on approach with managing East Point until it comes up to a more professional standard. Nicholas Rodriguez, another group Branch Manager with oversight of that component does not reply to phone calls or emails--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--fifteen seconds--”

REGINA WALLER FOR DONNA RENFRO LAWSON: "--Bridget Bailey, Customer Service Director has engaged her staff to trying to locate him. I believe that everyone needs to vote, yes, to closing down the libraries again. Listen to the staff and the community and move forward."

REGINA WALLER: "That concludes the online announcements of public speaking."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you for your public comments. Commissioner Hausmann, why do you seek recognition?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Just a quick comment. There were some serious issues raised with our poll watching program during the public comment. As we all know, early voting is ongoing right now. As you also all know, we all support transparency in our elections. I would like to request that those comments be conveyed immediately to the Elections Department and have them investigated and ensure us that all people or treated fairly in this process, okay. So, if you -- someone would please do that right away, it's happening right now. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. All right. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Continuing on page 7, County Manager's renewal action items."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Okay. Let me make a suggestion here. We're on page 7?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The following 16 items are all contracts for renewal. Pages 7 through 11, there's 16 of them. So, I would like to take these as a group unless there are some that you'd like held out for a separate discussion."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So I move we amend the Agenda to do just what you just stated."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "On page 7 through 11, there's 16 items."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So it's 811 through 825 -- 826?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "826, correct. But we'll need to sound the caption. Let me just take the caption. Take one vote on it. All right. No objections. Sound the caption quickly. Any?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “Mr. Chairman, just for awareness, 826 was removed. So —“

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--that's right--”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “-- so, it would go to 825--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. And Commissioner, 825, all right. With the exception of -
- on page 10, 0825, we'll take all of the others in one vote after the — “

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “--so, amending it's through 824--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- correct--”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “-- so, I made that motion, if someone —“

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Yes, sir. Let's hold out 815. So, we're holding out 815 and 825?”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “It is in. Ms. Roach just made a correction, so you want to state that for record? 826 is in, 825 is out; is that what you —“

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “That's correct. So, the Public Works item 0826, is the Building Code Administration Services, that is in. The one that we're removing is the Ed Castro item, which is 0825, I believe.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “825 is [Inaudible.]”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “No, no, no, it was 806--”

CLERK GRIER: “-- 806 --”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “-- it was 806 on the--”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “--and was Consent what we removed--”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “--oh, on Consent, yes.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. This is not complicated, now. What -- all I'm suggesting —“

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So the only out is 815?”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “815, correct. Of these 16, the only one that we'll be holding out will be on page 8, number 0815.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “So hold on.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “We do not, no.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So don't -- do we not need to amend agenda—”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “-- that's what we need to do, yeah --”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “-- okay --”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “-- because that's not on there, [Inaudible.]”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “--all right. So, I'm going to say this again, I move that we amend the Agenda to put together in one vote, after they're sounded out individually. 811, 812, 813, 814, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, and 826.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. What are you going to say?”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Nothing.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote on - the motion on the floor to reconsider the Agenda.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Now, you making a motion to do what?”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Consolidate them into one vote.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “That's what I said. We just take them all in one --”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “But we have to amend --”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “But I had a question on 825. That's what the problem was.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Go ahead, Vice Chair. Go ahead, you have a question.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I had a question on 825. So, I wanted that one to be out of that vote so I could ask my question.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I give. Y'all do what you want to do.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Here's where I think we are. All except 815 and 825, we will take one vote after the Clerk sounds the caption and the amount on each one. No, we don't.”

CLERK GRIER: “We still have to amend the Agenda.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “No, we don't. Madam Clerk.”

CLERK GRIER: Okay. On page 7, Open and Responsible Government, **21-0811**: Real Estate and Asset Management, request approval to renew existing contracts to

provide carpet and carpet tile installation repair services. **21-0812**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide standby emergency repair and restoration services for Fulton County facilities. On page 8, **21-0813**: Request approval to renew an existing contract to provide the medical and clinical general cleaning services. **21-0814**: Request approval to renew existing contract to provide standby environmental engineering and testing services on an as-needed task order assignment. Under Health and Human Services, we're skipping that one. On page 9, **21-0816**: Senior Services, request approval to renew existing contract to provide congregant and home delivered meals and meal delivery, nutrition education for Fulton County residents age 60 and above. **21-0817**: Senior Services, request approval to renew existing contract to provide food service management. **21-0818**: Public Works, request approval to renew existing contract to provide sewer system chemical root services. **21-0819**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide sewer system cleaning and manhole camera inspection services. **21-0820**: Public Works, request approval to renew existing contracts to provide fire hydrant maintenance and repairs. On page 10, **21-0821**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide corporation stops and brass fittings. **21-0822**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide fire hydrant in parks. **21-0823**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide large water meter installation services. **21-0824**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide water meter testing and repairs. On page 11, **21-0826**: Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide building code administration services, construction management, and planning services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Entertain a motion to approve those that have been sounded by the Clerk. Motion to approve by Commissioner Hausmann, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Cast your vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously."

CLERK GRIER: "Back on page 8, **21-0815**, Senior Services. Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide in-home services to senior residents of Fulton County age 60 and above."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: Yeah, I just have a question on this particular item related to -- not -- my question is, are we presently able to -- is the vendor presently able to meet the service needs? Do they have the staff to do so, or is that an issue? I know I've had

some inquiries you know relative to these services. It seemed like there was a gap in service -- gap in staff or something. So just curious about that --

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Impacted by COVID. I think Ladisa can provide additional detail."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "But we have been in communication with them -- they are making improvements."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: But they were impacted by COVID last year."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: Okay.

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Ladisa."

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: "Good morning. Commissioner Ellis, we recently requested approval from the Board to approve two additional vendors. So that is allowing us to serve more seniors and to address those that there were impacted by COVID, either those who requested for services to be placed on hold for fear of the pandemic, or even some of the wage issues that the providers were experiencing, which is an issue that has been experienced across the country."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So with this -- so we're getting the response now that they're -- they're getting -- they're able to get staff and you've added these other vendors to supplement it? I'm trying to understand exactly what --"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: "We're getting information from one vendor --"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Right."

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: "-- that they have been available to successfully recruit more staffing."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: "The Board just approved the other two vendors."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Right.”

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: “And we're starting to onboard them. So, data is still coming in on their rate of service.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Okay.”

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: “But our intent is for those four total to address the gaps and the services –“

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Okay.”

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: “-- and the needs for seniors.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “All right, thank you.”

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICE DIRECTOR: “You're welcome.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Entertain a motion to approve. Motion to approve by Commission Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Cast your vote, please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays.”

CLERK GRIER: “Bottom of page 10, **21-0825**, Public Works. Request approval to renew an existing contract to provide consulting and engineering services for updating, modifying and implementing the Capital Improvement Program at the Fulton County Executive Airport.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: Yes. My questions are pertaining to the Contractor's Performance Report. On the very first page it says, the services are good and the technical expertise is there, but not always available when needed. The plans and specs are great, but they would -- they must hold to the approved plans and specs since they are governed by the FAA. Can you explain that, please?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “Sure. David Clark, Public Works Director. Michael Baker has had some turnover in staff, which has not been rectified. But during the past year, during that transition period, they were missing a couple of deadlines we've given them. As well as some of the material they were presenting, did not meet all the FAA requirements. But again, that was more of a transition as they brought new staff onboard. We think we have -- that's been resolved.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: "It's been resolved? Thank you. And then the next one said, on-time completion is difficult as they deal with contractors. Does that fall under the same issue?"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "Same, but different. They have a couple of subcontractors that they hire to do some specialty work. Because of COVID and some other delays that they have -- those subcontractors were behind schedule, which made Michael Baker behind schedule."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And that has been resolved as well?"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "It has been."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And then if you turn to the back of that page it says, we're generally satisfied with the quality of work in most projects. They are close to budget on most projects, but their estimates are generally low. So, are they low bidding or underbidding, and then the cost increase? What's going on there?"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "No. What that point is saying is, is at the end of every design project, a design engineer typically puts together an engineer's estimate of what they think it's going to cost to construct. And then we use that information to build our budget and to solicit construction bids. What that point is saying is, they do that work but when they finish their engineer's estimate, let's say it's a million dollars, we're expecting a million dollars from the contractors. But when we actually go out to solicit the bids, the bids are coming in at 1.5 million. And so, we start the process looking for a million dollars, and then all of a sudden, we have to come up with an extra half a million dollars for the contractor."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So it is starting out low and then increasing?"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "It's not -- it's not awarded low, and then increasing. We solve all of this before we actually award the contract. But what happens is, when we start the solicitation process, we are expecting a lower bid than we actually get."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So, what you're expecting is not what you're getting. You end up with a bid that's higher?"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "That is right."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. That's what I'm -- that's all I'm saying."

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "Okay."

VICE CHAIR HALL: “And then the next one said, our expertise should be considered and used more. Is -- does that mean, is our, talking about the Fulton County employees?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “Yeah. We have two Assistant Airport Managers, who work under Tim Beggerly. And they have expressed the desire to work more closely with the design engineer than they have been in the past.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay. And that -- that has been resolved?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “It has.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “So that they're considered more, okay. Thank you very much.”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “You're welcome.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: All right. Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Yes, thank you. All right. So, this is the fourth of four-year renewal?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “I believe so.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So what happens next?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “Next year, we'll put it back on the street for a competitive RFP process.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So have they also been working, I guess, on the master plan?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “They have been, yes.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Where are we with that project?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “We should be close to submitting it to FAA at the end of this year, just on schedule. And then the FAA has about six months to review and comment before it's approved. So, we're expecting an approval document next -- mid-next year.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay. And so, if we were to change contractors in the middle of that, what would that mean for us?”

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: “It really shouldn't mean anything because all the master plan is doing is saying, this is the project we want to do. They

don't do any preliminary conception design work associated with it. So, any contractor or any design engineer should be able to pick up the description that is included in the master plan and run with it and give us a complete design."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. So, this will go out on the street soon then? For the next –"

DAVID CLARK, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS: "I would say spring of next year."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Spring? All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Commissioner Hausmann asked my question. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions or comments? All right. I'll entertain a motion. What's your pleasure? Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Let's vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 11, County Manager's items, under Open and Responsible Government, **21-0827**. Presentation of COVID-19 Operational Response Update.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Mr. Manager, we're doing great so far. Work with us."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, Sir. We're going to pick up the pace. So, what I'm going to do is, again, give this very brief overview. I would like to reserve just a little bit of time in this presentation to discuss a conceptual around the Behavioral Health Crisis Center, which we have reviewed with a few of the Commissioners. I'd like for you all to see that, as that was one of our use cases. And so again, get through this up front, see if there are any questions, and then ask Ms. Roach and Ms. Foster to review those charts with you. Generally, the trends are good, still headed in the right direction. All the cities are showing declines except one over the last 14 days. And it is a different one than the one that we talked about in the Mayor's meeting. The new cases are down to 117, that's at 21 percent decline. Hospitalizations are down to 263, which is a 36 percent decline. And the death rate is back down to around two from five. So all of those are definitely good news. The only outlier is the positivity rate. When tested, it's at 6.7 percent, which is above that 5-percent benchmark that we've all focused on. With about 60 percent of the citizens, or 623,000 citizens in Fulton County

with one dose, we still have plenty of work to do. So, we had a very robust discussion yesterday afternoon about the next phase of this. Both looking at targeting in underserved areas with our mobile sites, emphasizing, of course, the fixed sites that we now have in place. And I'm also pleased to say, for all of you, but certainly for Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, we're going to trial \$100 incentives now at the fixed sites. That seemed to be kind of the going rate. Gwinnett has announced that, DeKalb started it. Just as a reminder though, if we were to try to for 400,000 remaining citizens, to pay \$100, that's 40 million. So, it's got to be very targeted. And hopefully, what our plan will reveal is, is that it does generate additional demand. So, we're going to try it on four separate days. So, it's kind of a call to action, Wednesdays and Saturdays at our four sites, \$100 incentives. And then go from there. On the employee side, we're now up to 70 percent of our employees being vaccinated. By the way, that's almost double where we were in May. So there has been a tremendous response. We had only seven new cases in the last period of time. But we now do have about 400 folks or so that are facing disciplinary action, in terms of one-day suspension. And about half that, facing five days. So, we got to carefully watch that as we go forward. And again, hopefully that will correct itself. You may have seen this morning that New York City announced a mandate, effective the end of the month for all employees. So, it is one of those things where we have, I think, gone along this path, as many have. And again, we continue to act in just as it relates to this. Our largest initiative, of course, is Project ORCA. In each of these meetings, we included charts for review, so Alton can certainly give you an update on that if of interest. I can say that in our review this week, everything is on track. We've hired 180 folks out of the 318 but have 724 interviews scheduled. So, I do believe that the staffing part is moving along well. The physical side in terms of courtrooms and technology also has begun. So, all of that is coming together with projections for before the end of the year fully being engaged. And we will begin to publish metrics. So before we publish those metrics, we'll bring back here the charts to give you a preview of what those metrics will look like for success of those programs. We've also received -- and this is very good news, our next tranche of ERAP funding, 14.9 million. And by the way, this is just in time because we have exhausted the other funding that was available. So now we're into the next tranche. At the rate that we're going, one suggestion that we've made to our team is to really see if we can go with approvals even beyond where the funding would carry us. So, in other words, we get to the end of our funding and we have approved, not necessarily misleading the citizen, but at least approved for purposes of administration, let's say, another 10 million or 20 million. Then go to the Feds or to the State and say, look, we've got 10 to 20 million ready to go immediately if we simply had another tranche of funding. So, we're working on what that next step may look like and we'll come back to you with that as we get closer. We do not have any approval from the State to advance mortgage

assistance and then reimburse us. So, we did ask that explicit question. And unfortunately, they still yet to have any approval for their mortgage assistance program. So, we're still somewhat in a quandary as it relates to that. We have developed, again, these further plans for this Behavioral Health Crisis Center. Again, I hope that you do have the time to take a look at that this morning. I think its very significant. As you know, we've worked for years trying to find a solution to this that the State would both approve and help fund. That's not been successful. But now with the ORCA funds and with your approval, is that part of our plan, being part of our plan. We want to bring conceptually that plan forward. It's not mutually exclusive with what the Board's discussion was with the diversion, in fact, it's complementary to that. And represents, I think, some interesting synergies. Last part, not in this presentation, but based on the concerns expressed about security at the South Annex, and then coincidentally at the North Annex, I did ask Chief Yates to go do a review of both of those. We do now have a plan. I will be putting that into the budget process because it will require a sworn officer and a guard to be complementary of the Fulton County Sheriffs and Marshals that are at those locations for different reasons. So, I think you'll be pleased with that. And we'll ask him to overview that with you at the appropriate time. So, Mr. Chairman, with that, we're ready for questions. And then again, I hope we're able to discuss, in a little bit more detail, this Behavioral Health Center concept."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, followed by Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "County Manager, thank you for that increase. I know how frugal you are and I know sometimes what I ask, I may get less. So, to get more than the ask, I want you to know that I truly appreciate that. I know that we are trending better in trying to get more people vaccinated. And I think that this plays a part in it. And so I think it's very, very important that any and all incentives that we have that we continue to do it to the best of our ability. I do realize that \$40 million is quite a bit. And I would not expect for you to do that. However, I think if we continue to do targeted and in areas that we know that that is the only reason that they will come out. Like I said, I was fortunate enough when you did the smaller one, and the parents were very excited about that. In fact, they wanted to know, could it be -- could they go back and get one for themselves because they already had been vaccinated. And I think generally, the tone was very appreciative. So, I know I have been critical in the incentive area. But I do want to say that you are doing a good job in that, and I appreciate it. What I would just want to maybe suggest is that those areas that are struggling or we're not getting as much of a output of individuals coming out that we may try to do much more targeting in those areas. Because as we know, sometimes the information does not filter out. And so, I'm not sure what four areas that we are actually targeting, but I would want those areas to make sure that we do everything in

our power to target, not only the people of color and younger people, but also individuals that may not traditionally listen to the radio or traditional advertisement. I don't know if you all have thought of different things. But on the political side, we have things called Street Teams. You go in and knock on doors and say, listen, we're doing an incentive, you know, on this particular day and come out. So, these are just some things that I would like to throw out there that may help in certain demographics in certain areas. But thank you, nonetheless."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah. I just had three or four just quick things. Number one, I'd made this request to the Public Health folks. So, I think they're considering it. Hopefully, we'll have an update. But my -- there was a request on the epidemiology reports that the population data we use that we update that to include the most recent census data versus the prior data that we've been using. So that they really accurately reflect that. I think they're working on that. But I don't know, if you wanted to follow up with them, Matt, that might be worth checking in with them and see when they would have that, sort of updated to reflect that. The -- I think page 22 of the slide deck, the stuff about our own internal acquisition and testing policy. I think it does highlight the challenges of trying to implement these policies. We've got 769 that are not compliant. That's a lot of folks and a lot of administrative time. So, I'm not suggesting any change to this, per se, but I would be interested, you know, after the next meeting, hearing from y'all about, you know, can we actually administer this in this fashion. Or is it potentially, you know, have some unintentional flaws in what we have set up. I do think we need to think about that because that's a lot of folks trying -- to try to monitor. And I think it does sort of highlight the challenges. If we're facing that, that, you know, a lot of employers are facing trying to deal with on the surface, you know, what appear to be easy or not that hard. But, you know, it's proven to be fairly hard. I don't necessarily have any visceral reaction -- visceral objection to using incentives, but would be interested, and certainly in a data that's, you know, kind of showing the high net, and then, you know, it sounds like you're monitoring that to make sure that we're not basically, you know, presuming we're not doing these for like boosters and that kind of thing, right? I mean, this is first-time dose kind of stuff, okay. And then, you know, the other -- the other area that I think at some point, bears some consideration for discussion, and I'm not necessarily looking to open up discussion on it today. But I'd just raise it, you know, similar to the test or vax, you know, kind of policy we've got. The positioning we've had around, you know, mask, you know, does it -- should we consider sort of a request mask but, you know, versus, you know, mask requirement, per se. Particularly, I'm getting at sort of citizens coming in and out of our buildings because it's obvious from kind of observing for me at different, you know, facilities and meetings and that sort of

stuff that it's not across the board followed. So, and then we've got the ability to truly enforce it. So just -- I just had to put that out there for consideration at some point, particularly, certainly, we're seeing our numbers trend like they have trended. So, thanks."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Mr. Chairman, if I could ask --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, sir."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Let Matt give a very brief summary of all of the discussion. I think it'll be responsive to both Commissioners in terms of our targeting, the use of incentives and kind of next steps."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA: "If I may start with Commissioner Ellis' concern about mask. Page 5 inside your packet. If you could look at that, you'll see on -- we have a bullet point there about any color above yellow, the CDC is still recommending indoor mask usage. So that does tie into the pages 6, where we see cases per hundred thousand. If we start getting below the case per hundred thousand mark, we will change in color and the CDC recommendation will change when it comes to masks indoors. So that's just something we'll continue to watch, sir. And we'll go ahead and make sure we update the County Management Team to make sure they're aware of those issues. To the other Commissioner's concern, page 11, you'll see our Mobile Outreach Equity Program that we have, over 80 percent of people of color, who we've targeted with that program, we're very proud of this particular effort. And you'll see where we have spent some of our time. And what you'll also see on the map on there is the dark green arrows. That is what we're talking about when it comes to micro targeting. That's the areas that we have seen the lowest amount of uptick in vaccination efforts. And what we would like to do is to go ahead and concentrate our efforts. We want to see our yellow dots on those particular green areas, we want to make sure that we're working with External Affairs Team to find the best way to reach those individuals. We have done the door to door. We have had the Street Teams. We have actually downsized a little bit to just have four mobile trucks. And we don't have the Street Teams anymore. But if that turns out to be the demographic group that would benefit from that, then we'll work with the County leadership to go ahead and bring those type of services back. But thank you for that. And it's a great idea and something that we have definitely listened to you in the past and implemented in that particular regard. And the last piece is page 12, if I could. So, we're talking about the \$100 incentive. You'll see that highlighted there. This will be first and second doses only. It will be offered at our fixed sites in October 27th and 30th, as will November 3rd and 6th. We ask you and your team to go ahead help us amplify that message. Our communications team, External Affairs Team is pushing that information out. And we want to really go

ahead and break the bank with this, you could say. We want to be able to use every one of the cards that we'll be able to have to give out to the public. We are asking individuals to register to make sure that we have the appropriate staffing there as well as resources to accommodate that. Once again, those are the dates. It's first and second doses only, boosters are not eligible for this incentive. Once again, you heard Dr. Paxton say it a hundred times. You've heard Dr. Holland say it, the only way of getting us out of this pandemic event is to get people vaccinated initially. It's not the booster aspect of it, it's this initial vaccination process. So that's what we're trying to do. So, we appreciate your guys helping getting that message out. The one last thing if I may, is when it comes to our mobile team too, we're starting to see minimal amounts of vaccinations at the events that we're covering. So now that we only have four trucks in our mobile fleet, we're working with our partners to make sure that we have a minimum amount of individuals that register for those events. So, we're also changing the times that we'll be dedicated to a site. In the past, if it's a bigger location, we would spend six hours there. Now we're going to be looking at doing shorter periods of time, maybe a two-hour window, seeing if we can get more individuals during that smaller period of time. Pick up our truck, move to another site, and be able to go ahead and cast a net and see what we can catch there at a newer location. So, we're changing our process as we continue to see these numbers change. But we want to make sure that every partner we work with is pushing this out to the public, making sure it's known. We're educating them as well. So, if you're at one of these events that you'll see on side -- on the other pages in the packet, we're asking them, please, make sure you put a flyer up, tell the community to come to your location and we'll be here. Anything we can do to go ahead and increase our visibility is what we're looking for. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir. Without any further questions, I'd like to ask Ms. Roach to go to the discussion of the Behavioral Health Crisis Center."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board. I do not plan to go through each and every slide that is outlined in our packet. But I do want to highlight a few of them. So, if you can go to slide 29, we can start there. In fact, you can go to 31."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "31?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Slide 31. When we received the American Rescue Plan allocation, we developed a plan for expending those funds that included a focus on behavioral health. And saw it as an opportunity to target funds with

that funding to increase our capacity to support behavioral health crisis in Fulton County. Since that time, Dr. Roshell and LaTrina Foster, who leads the organization. Have undertaken a number steps to begin to develop that plan. And those steps included visiting other crisis centers in the region, having conversations with the state about potential partnership or what their role would be in our development of a crisis center. And most importantly in my view, what we did as a part of our background is, sit and talk with Grady and Wellstar, who are our neighboring hospital our regional hospitals, who are hugely impacted by the fact that there are limited crisis bed capacities in Fulton County. And so given all of that background work, we have come up with a proposal for moving forward with our crisis center. And we do hope to have the Board's support on it. I think it's a fantastic recommendation of a set of services that we would provide within that facility. And our recommendation for the location, which came from Ms. Foster and her experience in this area, I think is also transformational and a great opportunity for us to utilize a space that is currently underutilized. So starting with this slide, what we tried to do is outline for the Board of Commissioners, the continuum of behavioral health care. And the indicators that are on the bottom try to give a sense of where we are in terms of capacity for each of those verticals in the continuum. So if you think about how our community is capable of addressing the barriers to receiving behavior health care, I think we're good there as well as services in the prevention and outpatient areas. I think we have a good network of services between core behavioral health services and community partners to address those three pillars. Where we start to fall short is intensive outpatient. There's capacity at Grady Hospital with their ACT Team and the like. But for outpatient crisis and commitment care, and on the commitment care, that's your Georgia Regional facilities. That's where our capacity in Fulton County is below where, obviously, we desire it to be. And given our investment interest with the ARPA funds, we decided to focus our investment in crisis care. Next slide, please. So, the individuals we would target for treatment in the crisis facility are both adults and adolescents. While there's some capacity for crisis through Grady for adult behavioral health crisis, there is not that capacity for adolescents at all in Fulton County. So, one of the transformational parts of this recommendation is to put in place, behavioral health crisis capacity for adolescents, which doesn't really exist in our community right now. The things that we would try to address are, adults and adolescents in mental health crisis. Those who require medically-assisted detoxification, as well as have the capacity to have wraparound services so that we can try to keep people in care as we address their crisis situation. Slide 34, please. As we evaluated the -- how we could make the most of the funding that we had available, we asked our Department of Real Estate and Asset Management to give us a rough order of magnitude on the costs for construction. And in new construction, we were landing at around \$350 per square foot for a 50,000 square-foot

facility. But if we found a facility that we owned and only needed to renovate, we were landing at approximately \$150,000 per square foot. And that's what lead, I think, LaTrina to recommend what she did on -- if you go to the next slide, which is to target Oak Hill Child and Adolescent Family Center. For any Commissioner who was around at the time, Oak Hill was originally designed to be a behavioral health residential facility. And so the fact that we would expand this to both adult as well as adolescent is something that we think is a real opportunity here. The square footage that is available within the existing footprint of the building is quite conducive to the model that LaTrina has come up with for the crisis center. And more importantly, it sits on 27 acres. And so the opportunity for expansion and co-locating complementary services are there as well. Next slide. I won't go through all the conceptualls that DREAM has come up with as we have conversations with them about programming. But the priorities that we communicated with them on the front end was to ensure that we had the ability to keep adults separate completely from adolescents as we treated them on this campus setting. And also significant was the ability to separate both males and females even as you separated adults and adolescents. And were able to in the conceptualls, achieve that in the design for the delivery of services. The other thing that we prioritized as we talked to DREAM about developing the conceptualls, is making sure that the services that are currently being offered there, which are principally, public health services and behavioral health services and nonpermanent presence with 4-H, that we were able to continue to provide those services because we do find them complementary to behavior health crisis care within the current footprint of Oak Hill Child and Adolescent Center. And so, the third thing we also wanted to do, and we talked about this on the first slide, was ensure that we were able co-locate the wraparound services as well. And so, the area D over there is an existing gym, which we find to be a really ideal space for the co-location of wraparound services for all of the pillars that we would try to address on the continuum at Oak Hill. If you will go to slide 40. So, the next thing that we wanted to make sure we had a sense of was what our timing and budget would be. And so that's explained at the top of the slide. And even with the things that we continue to have to do in terms of additional conversation with our justice partners to see if what we develop could be helpful and supportive of anything in our criminal justice system. And more importantly, working closely with the Board of Health to figure out how we reappropriated their footprint to be complementary there. So still lots of conversations to be had. But even with those conversations, we believe that the renovation would take us to being able to deliver the Behavioral Health Crisis Center some time in 2023. And if things go quickly and we don't end up with some of these construction challenges that we're seeing across the nation, we may be able to deliver something in the fourth quarter of 2022. So, those were the major components, Mr. Chairman, of the proposal.

Again, there is additional detail in the slides provided, but I wanted to hit the highlights for discussion.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. Ms. Foster, you want to add anything? All right. The lineup is as follows: Commissioner Arrington followed by Commissioner Morris.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “So, definitely supportive of the Crisis Center. I guess, I'm more -- my questions are more around the location. Where would we be relocating the existing services? What is the cost of that relocation and the cost of the ongoing rent? Because that obviously has to be added. I don't know if it's fair to compare 24 to 11, when it doesn't include the relocation costs and the ongoing rent for where ever you're relocating.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “Yeah. I'm really not so sure we'll be moving public health out of that facility. If you think of the service, it is complementary to crisis care. And if you want folks to continue in their behavioral health treatment program, you do want them to have their public health -- their public health issues addressed as well. And so, we believe that leaving public health there. But figuring out what their footprint looks like in that building is going to be important. And we haven't, again, gotten that far down in the conversation. But my interest would be to talking to Public Health to see if they could stay exactly where they are in terms of location, but perhaps, maybe refit them somehow within the facility. LaTrina, do you want to add anything to that? And I feel the same way about the current behavioral health services that are there, which are core service. Services are also complementary to crisis. And so, we -- our preference would be that they stay, perhaps in a different footprint. But that it is complementary and we would want them to stay at Oak Hill.”

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: “That's correct.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “Have we spoken with anyone from the neighborhood, the NPU's, the surrounding communities?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “No, Commissioner Arrington, we haven't gotten that far in our development plan as yet.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “All right. Well, again, I think it's a great idea. I think we definitely need a crisis center. Certainly, I guess, it makes sense to use an existing facility. And if this is the best recommendation. Did we give any consideration to the use of the additional -- or the 27 acres that are available? Or that gets us back into the new construction at 350?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes, sir. You know, consideration is there. But quite frankly, the building we have right now is underutilized. So, building something new next to the building that's underutilized, is not something we considered. But again, as we go deeper into the actuals, the layout, if we can't find that we can co-locate Public Health there as well as the existing core services, we may need to add on some construction. But the funding that was awarded in ARPA for this effort is 17.3 million over the three -- three, four years of the Rescue Plan Act. So, we're trying to work within the constraints of that \$17.3 million. And this was the best option we came up with it with that constraint."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes. Some of what I was going to ask, Commissioner Arrington has asked about. I wanted to understand a little better about what functions are actually in that building now. Could you briefly?"

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Yes. So currently, we offer -- Hello, LaTrina Foster, Director of Fulton County Department of Behavioral Health. Currently at the Oak Hill Child and Adolescent Facility, we offer programming for outpatient behavior health services for children, adolescents, and emerging adults. We also offer services through the Board of Health. That includes, Babies Can't Wait. It offers hearing testing for children as well and the WIC Program is a part of that facility footprint currently. And then we have some complementary programming through the community that utilizes the facility on -- I won't say consistent basis, however, they are present."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So and we think we can keep those things there perhaps if we add this Crisis Center to it, to the facility."

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Yes. So our end goal would definitely be able to offer additional wraparound services to individuals that are placed at our Crisis Center."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Okay."

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Which would include the Board of Health services."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Thank you. And Ms. Roach alluded to the proposed pre-arrest diversion program, which could have some nexus in connection here, you think?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes. I think the principle nexus is to make sure that we work with whatever we put in place as a temporary solution to number one, gain learnings from that. But more importantly, service sort of the basis for the design of whatever we could locate here. We would not be able to deliver something this year. You heard the timeline."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "So really and truly, this would be more of the permanent solution."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So if the proposal that we heard last time from Judge McBurney and others, proceeded at the ACDC. This would not supplant that, replace that."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Correct."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "It'll be a substitute for it and in effect."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Correct. Again, this would be more of a long-term permanent view. I think, both Commissioner Ellis as well as Judge McBurney, viewed ACDC as a temporary solution. And so the benefit of doing that in the interim, again, are the learnings from that as we look to build this out. But this wouldn't be available in time to meet their needs."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "All right. And Commissioner Arrington raised the neighborhood issues. Having been on the City Council and dealt with lots of zonings, the indication -- the implication here is that it's zoned. And wouldn't require any rezoning, I assume."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Obviously, that's something that as we requested the permits to do the renovation, we would find out."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Sure."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "But again, this was constructed to be a behavioral health residential facility to begin with."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Right."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "So we don't suspect we'll have any zoning issues."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "And if it were site-plan specific, it'll need to be site plan amendments-- and then it's in the zoning process --"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah. Okay, awesome, thank you. That's it, Mr. Chairman, Ms. Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Morris. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes. First of all, I'm very pleased to see us finally making some progress on this. We've been talking about the need for this for six, seven years at least, maybe longer, well before the pandemic. It does occur to me though that we've got different needs. We've got drug usage, which is prevalent and a problem. And then we've got just general mental health crisis. So, they overlap sometimes, but they don't always overlap. And then we've got an 80-mile long County. And we've heard recently of concerns with just transporting people that get, you know, caught up in some criminal activity in North Fulton just to come down to the jail. So, I'm just curious, you mentioned our medical partners. Are we engaged with conversations currently? Is that planned? You know, as far as locations, is one sufficient? Should we be looking at regional locations? Have we thought about what we're doing at North Point? We have that facility, which, you know, I guess if we're going to go down this route, which we desperately need to do, do we need one large center? Do we need different centers in different parts of the county, using our partners? Because we're going to need staffing assistance as we know. We don't want to have a building that is logistically not going to be utilized because they don't want to transport them to that facility. So can you just speak to all that a little bit, please?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes. And that's a fantastic question. You must have been in the room somehow when we were having these discussions. Because we started out with an aspirational hub-and-spoke model, where we would have downtown footprint that would support Grady and be able to relieve their crisis overload. But then again, going back to the funding that we have available, we would not be able to spread that over three locations. And so I think that what we ultimately need to do is consider a phased approach. We have to do something right now to put the fire out in terms of crisis capacity. And I think this would be ultimately just the first step to put something in place to compliment the services that Grady is providing. But we certainly need to put something in place in both North and South Fulton. Because of the way that our county is geographically, this would not be optimal. And we would need to put something North and South in order to wholly fulfill the need."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, I'm glad to hear you recognize the situation long before I'm raising it publicly. But, you know, I think we have to look at who we need to serve here, and where they're coming from. And so, you know, this is a big investment. Have we done any sort of analysis on where the folks that would go to these facilities actually come from? I'd like to see that."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yeah. Some things came through in our discussions with Grady and Wellstar. And so, for instance, we talked about the capacity or the need that Grady is fulfilling, which is approximately 1000 to 1500 clients. And then Wellstar was at 400. And so that doesn't give you a South perspective, but it gives you a Central versus North perspective. And again, so both need crisis capacity. Grady is probably the one that's most acute in terms of need. So, I think putting something in place that can relieve that need first, is probably the best approach. And then again, we do have to think about how we would address this need for North and South as well. And just as anecdotal in my conversations with Grady two weeks ago, they were on crisis diversion for 11 days in a row. And so, we definitely view this as a crisis, no pun intended, that we have to address the need here in the center of the county most immediately."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So was that crisis diversion COVID related, or mental health related at Grady?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "I don't know if they meant -- he did not mention COVID. This was only crisis -- mental health crisis care. So, this was not their emergency room or emergency department. This was their crisis center."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Have we talked to Wellstar, because they have North and South locations --"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "We have."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "-- about using some of their facilities in the partnership, so that we don't have to invest in whole new buildings?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yeah. We haven't spoken to them specifically about using their hospital to host a crisis center. But that would be a part of the conversation as well. That's not off the table."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So again, I want to support this. I don't know if I can support a major investment in one location in an area that's not, in my opinion, where the need is. It's off -- it's even from downtown. It's not really in downtown. So -- and we've invested a lot of money already renovating this facility years ago. So, I think we

need to do this. But I think we need to make sure that the plan that you've outlined is exactly where it needs to be, serving the people that need the service. And that, you know, our partners throughout the county will actually take folks there, rather than just taking them to the emergency room, because that's where they always take them. And they're not off the street for three hours. So, you know, again, we desperately need this. I personally think we could do better; we'd be better served with two regional locations. And then figure out a way to help Grady in another, perhaps, way. And serve the entire county."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Hausmann. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "How many people do we anticipate being able to serve?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "LaTrina."

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "So what we're looking at doing is creating a facility that has 28 crisis stabilization beds as well as 18 observations units. So therefore, throughout the year, we should have the capacity to be able to serve at least 5,000 individuals that experience a mental health crisis."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON: "What's the average length of time that someone would stay in the facility?"

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Eight days is the max. So in the observation units, the max time is 23 hours and 59 minutes. In a crisis stabilization bed, you can stay up to eight days."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON: "I hear you all saying, talking with Grady and Wellstar. My immediate thought was, you know, what about the Sheriff? What about APD? I don't know if Grady is the first place to go to, or if it's APD or the Sheriff. I think we might need to broaden our footprint or broaden our partnerships and the people that we're talking with about this process and facility. You know, 5,000 sounds good in a year. But what you're really saying, 28 and 18 is, what, 46 people at any one given time?"

LATRINA FOSTER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR: "Correct."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON: "And so the 5,000 would be more an aspirational number, compared to the 46 at one time. I do think we also, you know, need to look at this need holistically. Maybe to some extent, we've got the other people at the South Fulton Service Center that are doing -- I guess they're not really doing crisis intervention. But, you know, we might need to talk about maybe using some of that

space as we talk about, making sure we spread it out across, you know, the entire county. I think Commissioner Hausmann's point is well taken, that we do need to consider North Fulton and South Fulton. Because if you're saying that that much need is in the center of the county, and in the City of Atlanta, then, you know, obviously that doesn't include the North and the South. So, we do need to think about those areas as well. And so really, if the existing people are staying there -- how much square footage is currently being used? Because I mean, we're saying we're giving them 50,000-square foot building, but then we're saying, we're also going to keep everybody there that's there."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "So, go ahead --"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- no, no, you go ahead."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "-- I was going to say, so on our current conceptual, the way we mapped it out is that we have space to do some different program design, so as Anna indicated, just may be changing the Board of Health's footprint within that building. So, where they're currently located, the way that we did the conceptual is that we kind of allocated this huge space, and tagged it as a medical clinical area; and we can figure out how we can recon form what the Board of Health is doing, and place it within that particular space with on the conception."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "But, I guess, what I'm saying, so then how much square footage does that take up out of the 48,000? Is that take up ten or twenty thousand square feet? So that, I mean then, basically, what you're saying, is really we're only talking about twenty or thirty thousand square feet -- the remainder for the crisis center and not the full amount, right, because --"

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "--so, the conceptual takes over the entire building and the way that DREAM did the conceptual -- can you go back to that slide; you know what page number that is --"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- ten --"

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "-- so the way -- you can go back, back, another one, one more, yeah, if you just want to stay right there -- so, the way that they did the conceptual the bottom chart is downstairs the chart on top is upstairs and so in the blue spaces on the chart, those are all clinical and medical areas that we could designate offices for the Board of Health to be able to continue their services that they're currently rendering at this current facility. And what we're trying to do is integrate services so, yes, someone may be in a mental health crisis; however perhaps they need WIC services if it's an adult and they have children so just being able to figure

out how can we fold in all the services that Fulton County offers altogether and create this comprehensive crisis center. So, I'm not able to give you the exact square footage of what we would be able to allocate for behavior, I mean, Board of Health programming, but we put together this conceptual where there is room to modify what's written on paper."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And what happens after eight days?"

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "So, after eight days, typically what you're trying to do is prior to that eight-days, is have a multidisciplinary discharge plan. Where you are bringing in these partners, if there are gaps in this individuals' needs; so if they're in need of housing, if they're in need of financial resources; employment; whatever it is, you're trying to wrap these services around them and create a discharge plan to help them be independent in the community and then continue to connect with outpatient services. For those individuals that need ongoing stabilization, then, we would have to go to the next level within the continuum of care which will be a Georgia regional referral."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "(Inaudible.) 1400 or so people--"

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "I'm sorry?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I thought I heard there was a number, a thousand from Grady and 300 from WellStar. How many people are we--"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "That's just their volume. That's their hospital -- that's their volume."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay, so that's a minimum number that we obviously it could be larger. So, we'll be taking then, 50 people out of fourteen hundred."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yeah, the model here is not inconsistent with Grady's current crisis center nor is it inconsistent with the Cobb crisis center that we visited. Because of the short-term nature of the stays, you know, we don't need to do a 300 bed capacity because again as LaTrina stated for the stabilization units those are just under a day, and then for the other it's eight days, I believe. And so, we're not looking to have long-term stays here. And so, just, you know, I think the number of beds that we are estimating to be able to accommodate here are a good complement to the crisis capacity that's currently in existence. And if phase two of this includes identifying locations North and South Fulton where we would have satellite locations and services on a smaller footprint, and I think, I think that's a good comprehensive plan for the County."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And we may also want to think about some of the properties that we have off of Fulton industrial for use after the eight days."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Absolutely."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "Thank you."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Arrington. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I'm generally in support of the proposal that's here before us. I guess a couple of things is to having gone these facilities. I do think while in theory the notion of having multiple sites in different geographies sounds good. I think the practicality of it proves very, very difficult. These are -- these are com—it's a medical facility, you know, where people are staying overnight, it's a complex facility. So, I think it's got complex, challenging staffing needs in the ability to stand up and do one right, in and of itself, is going to be significantly challenging. Much less, multiple ones. The other thing I would say and suggest is, you know, by the very nature you know a facility like this is, you're going to have sensitivity around for people around it about where they're located right? So, you're going to have challenges with that if you decide you're going to try to do multiple locations and trying to find a site that's acceptable I think where this is, you know, and comparing it to some of the others -- there's only what I think, four of these in existence in the state right now, I think right now; is that right? Outside of the hospital setting."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "There's six."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Six, there's six that exists. You know, they're [Inaudible.] in settings like this, so I think that that's, the setting is a good one. And people -- if they're in crisis, they will get there. You know, if you visit one of these facilities and you understand where people -- help far many of them have traveled from. They've traveled pretty significant ways. And then some of these that are sort of regional in nature, you know, even law enforcement you know if somebody's picking somebody up that's in crisis and they're under some sort of mental health director or whatever and they're dropping them off driving and they're driving a long distance just to find, to find a bed, right? So, the needs are there. When the needs are there, people will travel to get there is my point. So, I think one facility does make sense. And the idea of trying to start off with two or multiple, I think is probably not very advised from a cost or operational standpoint. So, I like the idea of one location and I think this locations presented makes sense. The one, the one thing that I do and kind of parlay off couple of things Commissioner Arrington had noted, I do, I do think just as we sort of we think

about sort of the concept of everything that's here, I would be a little reluctant to say let's keep your existing public health stuff in there, I mean, yes, there may be overlap, but, you know, a lot of people coming in for WIC assistance does not have anything to do with what they're coming in for. As much as possible I think this really should be a location that's providing these services, and then you know, you can have something maybe approximate to it, with these other things I think is fine; right, because many of these other locations do, other facilities do have other services around them, but they're in separate structures. I just think we need to be really –and I'm not saying the buildings but I don't kind of grasp it in its entirety, but I just would be really cautious about how much we were blending in other services into this that the general public was going to be using. I think it's both important for not only the general public, but also the clientele in the operations of the center, the sensitivities around security and all those aspects. I just as much as possible I think this needs to be a self-contained facility doing crisis work, so that's all."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "Thank you, Commissioner Ellis."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Ellis. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, thank you. I recognize – I think we all recognize this is complicated. There's not an easy solution to this. I just want to make sure that before we finalize our plans that we've explored all options and that we have thoroughly talked to our hospital partners to make sure that there might not be some options that could be utilized in other parts of the County as well where we're not having to totally come up with the facility and everything on our own. And we also have to really determine who's going to be served there; is it limited to Fulton County residents? If there is only six in the state and this is considered regional, are folks coming from other counties, Douglas or, you know, Cobb or somewhere else close to this location. So, I just think this is a great start to this center that we need, but I think we have some serious decisions to make on the details and who served, where it is, who our partners are all those things, you know, as we come up with really what we're going to do here."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "Thank you, Commissioner Hausmann."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Hausmann. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Just briefly, before Commissioner Ellis I was just letting him know that the facility actually has two wings; so, I mean, theoretically you could and -- bi-level on both sides -- so theoretically, you could maybe make one whole side the crisis center and make the other wing available to the public. There may be a way to do it all in the one facility; particularly the way this Oak Hill is laid out. But if

we're going to do it all in one center and get rid of all of the other services then I don't want to do it here. I'd rather do it somewhere else if that's the plan. But maybe even right there on the 27 acres. I don't know if that 350 is just actual construction or if that included the price of getting land somewhere as well or not--"

LATRINA FOSTIER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "The 350 was just a complete new bill per square foot."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. Thank you."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Commissioner Arrington. And I just have one question: If we do not utilize Oak Hill, we still know that Oak Hill as it currently is, is actually under-utilized by the citizens. So, I would still want us to continue to look at what can we do to increase the residents' usage of Oak Hill? Because I recently had a nonprofit organization contact me, and wanted me to meet them down there. And they still thought it was part of the district because it used to be Commissioner Gardeners old district six. And but they were talking about how the daycare had closed down and many of the services were no longer there because it's under-utilized, so please continue to just look at that if we do not utilize it for this."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Thank you, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you for all your hard work."

LATRINA FOSTER, DIRECTOR, BHDD: "Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the Boards feedback; so, we'll continue to refine this at a decision meeting. I think there is ample good action items for us to follow up on and we'll do so and as we continue to refine this, we'll bring it back trying to answer the questions about co-locations and services as well as partnerships with others. I do think this location is a unique opportunity. It's just one of those ones in our portfolio both because of where the need predominately is and the under-utilization of this facility and its original intent. And I think it's part of a solution set. Not saying it's holistically the only thing to do; but at some point on this continuum - just like the previous discussion in the last meeting, we've gotta get started, so that will continue to refine and bring back. I've also had some individual conversations. Commissioner Arrington, I don't think we've not had an individual conversation with you about this. So now that we've we seen it and want go into a little bit more depth with you. No, I'm just saying, I'm not saying exclusively of anyone else; I'm just saying to his district. So I think that concludes our COVID report, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, I want to talk real quick about the mortgage assistance that you know we're trying to work out with the state. I just shared with you that I just have returned from a NACCHO meeting, and this was a big topic. This not alone. Treasury has not released any money. They're still finalizing their guidelines. They don't expect any money to actually flow till January, and the guidelines should be complete this month, but it will take them two months to get the program up and running. That being said, the conversation was that many mortgage companies if the person in trouble because of COVID, let's them know that they're struggling that they will have an abatement program to wait for these funds to come in January. So, I'm just asking that you explore that and make sure that that might actually be the case and if it is, then we can start educating the public that that's their options rather than sitting around getting in trouble, not acting and working with their mortgage company with the potential of relief in the early winter -- early part of the year. So, I know that we, you know, are in a position where we really don't have the ability to help them, but if we could help them understand that help is coming, and may be help them keep their homes, I think that's the goal."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "I can work with Jessica to try to figure out how we communicate some of the abatement programs set with the major lenders so that we can have that be a part of our dialogue with them."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Again, just verify it; that's a fact, and if it is, I think let's communicate that. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Morris followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Just, just a quick question. I understand we're not going to get into details of some of these other items in the report like Project ORCA, but I did have one question about, about it. I recall hearing a number at one point that we had 208,000 back logged criminal cases. I'm curious if we know, Alton, where we might be these days?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Hi, good morning, Commissioner. Actually, we had 208,000 total cases that included the majority of which were magistrate court cases. 32,000 approximately for state court and the same about for Superior Court; and then a subset of those were criminal versus civil cases. So, and as we have started to, to kind of ramp up, we made a lot of headway not necessarily on the ORCA cases but just kind of getting ramped up on the civil side; so, we're actually operating pretty well as a system, and addressing the civil cases. We're operating at what you'd call, you'd consider it to be business as usual. We're still catching up on the criminal side in large

part because those require the indictments that the DA is working on as well as jury trials which tend to take a little longer obviously to get set up. So, that's a big constraint on the criminal side at this point."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Okay. Thank you for the correction on the 208,000. Do we have some idea about what that number is now in total cases?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "You mean in terms of the total cases? I can get that information for you. We had predicted those numbers that I'm referencing were based on a forecast as to what we thought we would have in October based on our run rates. So, I'll double check and make sure that those are still the case."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I just want to clear up something right quick: The, the -- Commissioner Hausmann, you said, I'm not sure if you meant to say it, but my perception was that if we were to put something in as mortgage that it would be illegal, is that; I just want to make sure."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "It's in the report."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "It's clear because you know we have listening public and I just want to make sure if it's illegal or that we state where the information comes from."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, you want me to answer?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "--yes

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "It's on page 26 here that DCA confirmed it would not preapprove reimbursement for a County initiated mortgage --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "--yeah, well, that's why I--"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "-- and no Treasury guidance exists to allow for such--"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- that's why I wanted to clear up. It's not illegal for us to help our Fulton County tax paying citizens, who have to pay their taxes; who have to pay their mortgages; who have to pay their assessments every year. I do understand with all due respect that the County manager did let me know and thank you that it's not reimbursable. But being not reimbursable does not mean that we do not help. And so, I am open to any alternative but like Commissioner Arrington said, in our

previous Board of Commissioners meeting, we need to try to, try to do something. If we can do something; fine. But we know it's not reimbursable, but we don't want to put out in the public that if we were to do that to help the citizens, that that would be illegal. And so, that's what I just wanted to share that -- clear that up because there were miscommunications. I immediately received a text from a constituent when they heard you say that. So, I just wanted to clear that up for the listening audience. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. Not only that, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, we need to -- well one I agree we need to allocate some money whether it's reimbursable or not. Number 2, what I heard was that DCA will not approve county reimbursements because it is not a part of the guidelines which means we need to lobby to have it included as part of the guidelines, so that it can be reimbursable. And Commissioner Hausmann, if you were at NACCHO, hopefully that is exactly what they were doing so that we're not just one County lobbying for that. It's all 2000 plus counties from the country lobbying to have that guideline included so that mortgage assistance can be reimbursable from the states. So, I mean that would be my direction for us and/or for staff and/or for our federal lobbying team to have, you know, to attempt or lobby to have mortgage assistance included -- have a reimbursement from state to County and/or from Feds to County for such purposes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, I just want to make sure I'm clear: Is it or is it not illegal for us to do a reimbursement because I think that stem from the last BOC meeting where it was brought up that while we can just go ahead and create our own mortgage assistance program and then we'll just submit the costs to the state for them to reimburse us. And it was said, can you County executives, County attorney to check into if that was possible, and that is the reason why we have the answer today. But there seems to still be some ambiguity, even though you brought forward an answer to that so can you reaffirm exactly what that -- what is legal and not."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "So, it is not reimbursable at this point if the County established a mortgage program with plans to submit it to DCA for reimbursement. That is what the DCA Commissioner said. I don't know what the Treasury guidelines will ultimately say; but as it stands today, that funding is not reimbursable. I have not made a representation about what's legal, and what's not legal because I don't think it's a question of legality. I think it's a question of whether we would get our money back; and the answer today is, no."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you. And so, is there a way for us to -- and I'm going to ask Madam CFO to weigh in on this -- is there a way for us and do we have funding that we can allocate to a mortgage assistance program now so that we have something available for our residents who need it? Has that been looked into?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Vice Chair Hall, the guidelines for the local assistance fund which is the portion under ARPA funds that the county received directly, I believe does provide for mortgage assistance to be considered as an allowable use. So if the Board chose to do that, we would have to adjust our ARPA spending plan to reallocate funds to make them available for that purpose."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So when you say readjust your current ARPA plan to include that, does that mean that you would be taking away from one program to give to a new program specifically a mortgage assistance program? And if so, what programs would you have to take money away from? Basically, robbing Peter to pay Paul."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Essentially, yes, Vice Chair. We would need to go in and take a look at all of the proposed uses that we've provided to the board and realign, you know, realign our plans accordingly."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And what would those current plans be?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Well, referring to page 57 of the deck -- we currently have 17.3 million set aside for health infrastructure. That was the funds that Ms. Roach mentioned as part of the Behavioral Health Crisis Center presentation we have 28 million set aside for pandemic proofing of County facilities, 4 million for day porters, 1.5 million for childcare, we had some set asides for premium pay, PPE, the \$75 million for the court backlog project, information-technology virtual support, long-term revolving loan program, food insecurity, job-training, testing and vaccination and the vaccine incentive program. The ERAP allocations came as a separate allocation, so I did not include those as part of what we specifically received under the local fiscal recovery funds allocation."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. Thank you. And so, can you -- Mr. County Manager and Madam CFO, and COO -- can you present something to us showing us what that would look like to take funds from one of these areas, or more than one of the areas to create a mortgage assistance program of some kind?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am, we can."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. And I'm assuming that nothing has changed as far as the situation with the 300 -- is it \$354 million that the state of Georgia received for a mortgage assistance program?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And nothing has changed since the last report?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "No, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes. A couple of things: That 354 million might be what the state will get, but no, no money has been released at this point by Treasury. And yes, Commissioner Arrington, the conversations are ongoing about finalizing the rules, so this is a part of that discussion, but again no decisions have been made."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm going to make it quick, Chairman. With all due respect, I didn't mean for this information or this conversation to go this long. I just wanted clarification, Commissioner Hausmann, because I know that was not your intent to say it was illegal, but because somebody in the listening audience got that perception. I think everybody on this Body wants to do something and know there's a need. We in the beginning approved mortgage help and then we turned it over to the state which I don't have a problem with -- the problem I have is that I'm still getting phone calls from all over Fulton County asking for help because the state has not done something. And so, if we are able to do something, if someone has an alternative, if we want to do an outreach to tell them what they need to do to keep from being in foreclosure. My way is not the only way. The beauty about Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, is I'm willing to work with all my colleagues to make sure that we do something for our mortgage holders, because it is a crisis. And so, on that note, I'm just going to end it there. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So, I don't know -- I guess I'm wondering Madam CFO -- I don't think we have to use any of the American Rescue Funds. In fact, if it's not reimbursable, then we ought to be using general -- money from the general fund. ERAP money is for money that is reimbursable that we know is reimbursable. To me, the money we would use is general fund. If there's thirty 354 million for the state and I

guess I'll make this a motion, that if there's 354 million from the state, and approximately 10 percent of that will be allocated to Fulton County which would be about 35 million; and we as a County ought to be able to do at least 10 percent of that 35 million. So, we ought to be able to take and I don't know Madam CFO maybe you can help answer that question. Mr. Manager, can we do at least 3.5 million to maybe get us through the gap between now and January? And that way, we put money out there, but we minimize our risk for reimbursement because we're only doing 10 percent of the amount that may come in. And it may in fact be reimbursable because I mean, it only makes sense. I mean otherwise we're pushing people back to the eviction court. So, I'll make a motion that we direct our staff to come up to find three and a half million to deal with mortgage assistance until the Treasury can come back with additional guidelines or release the money to the state and even if we don't get it reimbursed, we've at least, you know, filled some gap. And I think we could very easily use the similar system to what we're doing in our emergency rental program to help on the mortgage side. So that's my motion that we ask the staff to allocate 3.5 million towards mortgage assistance and to determine and help us make sure that it hopefully it will be reimbursable Mr. Chair I don't know if you and/or the County, and the NACCHO, and whoever we need to get involved to help in that regard, but I think it's certainly worth at least 10 percent of 10 percent one percent of the 354 million I think we could handle that out of our general fund. Maybe Madam CFO, might say different, but I think that we can."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. There's a motion on the floor by Commissioner Arrington to take 3.5 million, directing our CFO to find 3.5 million in the general fund to be used for mortgage assistance, which may or may not be reimbursable, and if it's not reimbursable, we'll have to suffer the consequences, but it's that's the motion by Commissioner Arrington, and seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I just want to be clear because I remember an e-mail, Anna, where I believe you said the ten percent is not, it's not set in stone. It could be much more than 10 percent; is that correct? "

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "It could be more or less. It just depends on what the state, I'm sorry the state's plan that it submitted to Treasury was."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Right. And so, if we already have these funds -- the American Rescue Funds -- we already have them available. Why would we need to do general funds if we can just go ahead and use American Rescue Funds? And why limit it -- because we know the need is great. I just had a conversation last night where Representative David Dryer called me about the evictions, and we were talking about the fact that I was pushing the, you know, the expunging of evictions and they're

actually looking at that at the state. And so, the need is there and it's great. And so why, why limit it to that? Why would we use general funds when we already have funds we can use?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "—I'll accept that as a friendly amendment--"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "--yeah, okay, good Commissioner Arrington said he doesn't care where it comes from and that's it right there. It just needs to be done. And I don't think it should be limited to that. We have these funds, that general fund is a little more sticky situation. And I see you shaking your head affirming that, but I'd like to hear from you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am. So, I was going to offer that up just for clarity. So, our ARPA funds could be used for mortgage assistance and that's an appropriate use. So, it's by definition refundable, if you will. In other words, what may not happen is if we use our ARPA funds and then we go to the state and we ask them to reimburse us for the use of our ARPA funds; well we could then turn around and use it for something else; that's what may not be reimbursable. But to your point, in terms of the media seeing the clearest path between two points is to use these funds to do what you're suggesting. I do think that either one of a couple of places, and again, the CFO is not going to like me going out on this limb, but the reserves are there in anticipation that we receive all of our FEMA reimbursements. We may not, and we're just, you know starting on that process. That's why they set there at 30 million; however, 3 million against 30 million is probably an acceptable risk to take or 3 million against one of these other items and the most notable one to me is the pandemic proofing of all of our facilities. Now we have a lot of plans for those dollars. So, I'm not saying that they're readily available, but in the spirit of doing something now and adjusting later, between those two I think is an appropriate place. Now, if we go all the way out to 30 million that's a whole other matter. And I think the getting started notion is quite appropriate. The only question I had, which I'm going to have to ask in public since I don't know the answer to this Dr. Roshell is how fungible is the process that we currently have? And the understanding of the rules, to take what we're doing with ERAP and do for mortgage assistance, or is that something we don't know the answer to?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "So, we don't have rules for the mortgage assistance as it relates to Treasury guidance. So, we would use existing best practices for the administration of a mortgage assistance program would be my recommendation. And we would talk with our current program partner PNN for the administration of such a program since they have in the past administered disaster related mortgage assistance."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So you accept my friendly amendment, Commissioner?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “Yes, absolutely. And, you know, even maybe it can all come from ARPA, maybe half can come from general and half from ARPA, a third from reserve, a third from ARPA, a third from general, as long as we come up with the money I don't care, but I think it is important. And I think the state may have already set up some guidelines for its program; so, we certainly want to make sure we check with them as well. So, that just in case it is reimbursable, we've met all those requirements that they may have. That sounds perfect.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “All right. So, my friendly amendment was that we go ahead and look at the ARPA funds. And so, Madam Clerk, do you need to change that on the screen? Commissioner Arrington seconded it.”

CLERK GRIER: “We'll, approved as amended with your friendly amendment.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Ellis.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Just a few comments: I just would want to point out almost the lunacy of this discussion given how much money is approved at the federal level and that we're still down here screwing around having a discussion on this page and Janet Yellen in Treasury, act. I mean, you've committed the funds, put the programs in place, to allow you know the intended entity which you set up by this act obviously whether way it's worded states so that one editorial comment died, you know, the you know mortgages are fundamentally different than, you know, rental arrangements, you know, and there are forbearance programs which are available which you know distinctly different than what you got in rental agreements, you know, I understand the desire to potentially do something, but I do not think we are the entity to seek to try to administer it. As Commissioner Hausmann has indicated, you know, there is you know it appears to be further push on mortgage companies to further extend these forbearance agreements until such time as funds are available coming through the states they know that so that they're not, you know, aggressively going out. They don't really have an incentive to really aggressively go out and evict clients. So, you know, I'm not in support of us moving forward and try to administer something on our own. I certainly am in support of seeking and tell all these federal folks that they need to act. I mean it's ridiculous. I mean, this stuff is passed – when was this thing passed? And then the funds are just sitting there? I mean, so, you know. So anyway.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I agree with you, Commissioner Ellis, but like you said, it is moving just too slow. There are so many people hurting in this area, and the need is

just so great that I just cannot just sit here and allow us to wait and wait and wait while people are dealing with this in their life. And so, just finding some way to do something now to start helping people is important to me, but I do agree that we have a lot of money coming down through the federal government to the state, but it's just the process is too slow -- too many lives at stake right now."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yeah, I'd have to say that while I see a need and I certainly want to help, that's what we're in the business of doing is helping people that are in trouble with all of our safety net services. If, in fact, there are, you know, concrete forbearance programs in place which it appears there are, I don't see the need for us to supplement this. I would think if this passes, that that needs to be part of the approval process to make sure that they have not exhausted that option before they take advantage of these funds and verify that they've exhausted that option. Because, you know, the likelihood of us getting reimbursed is highly unknown. And you know, yes, that shouldn't be our primary concern, but we have already identified a lot of other needs like this crisis center that we just went into great detail about. And so, I would hate that we expend funds that are targeted for, you know, direct purposes that we've identified on an area that is going to be funded in another way and may not be a crisis situation at this point for these folks if they can get forbearance from their mortgage company. So, I just want to make sure that we're making good, thoughtful decisions on the limited -- which seems like a lot of money, but limited resources in a County of 1.1 million folks we have so much need. I certainly don't want it to come out of the general fund. I think we can figure this out with our ARPA funds, but even that gives me pause when we know it's coming, and there are ways to stave off any sort of eviction currently in place. If that's not the case and that's, you know, a different situation, but I'm not sure that I know that that's not the case."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Other comments at this time? All right. The motion is before us by Commissioner Arrington, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman with a friendly amendment by Vice Chair Hall. Let's vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion fails; three yeas, one nay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Anything else, Mr. Manager?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "No, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Well, I want to talk a little bit more about this ORCA. We didn’t go into a lot of detail on that; and I think that Commissioner Morris brought up a couple questions. Can you say anything more at this time, Mr. Adams, about where we are?”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “Absolutely, Mr. Chairman. We actually had a presentation that I'm happy to go through rather quickly and touch on a couple points and then feel free to ask questions.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “This is seventy-five million of the, of that 206 that we received; a significant portion of it. And I’d like to also when you’re talking about this to discuss where we are with the contract, well, the agreement that I thought we had with the Cobb County jail to relieve the number of inmates in our jail that was sleeping in the boats; what’s happening with that as it relates to getting those inmates off the floor.”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “Okay, and I will defer to the County Attorney to weigh-in on exactly where we are with Cobb. It is my understanding that the document is being discussed and negotiated between our legal department and theirs’ at this point in time. But in terms of ORCA overall if we can go to the next page, please. I’ll talk briefly on where we are with the hiring, the space requirements, talk very briefly on where we are with court capacity as a follow-up to Commissioner Morris’ question, and then give you a sense of the overall progress. On page 3 -- next page. Just as a reminder of what we’re talking about, we are focused on cases accumulated and were impacted by COVID-19 and that we at this point in time have a significant backlog to address. On page 4, talks specifically to where we are with the hiring, and as the County Manager mentioned in his opening remarks, we have hired approximately a hundred and eighty individuals compared to our target of 318. Significant progress made specifically in the DAs area which is critical because her investigators are important as they in fact are the ones that investigate and allow us to move forward with indictments and as you know we have a number of unindicted individuals in the jail.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Speak about that in a little bit more detail, if you would, please?”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “Specifically, around the DA?”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Yes.”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “So, as we laid out the hiring plan, the district attorney's resources were in a since prioritized because her investigators, and she has a number of investigators she is bringing on board as well as attorneys, are critical to indicting cases and getting them prepared for court. And so, the fact that she has been

able to hire 71 out of her targeted 74 positions is really important because it's very much a leading indicator of whether we will be able to get after these cases at the pace that we'd like to. The other area where we made--"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--seventy-one of her target of 74 have been hired?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "That is correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. And were any, any on that target date, I guess what was it, September 28th and 29th, when they were supposed to be, I don't know, there were felonies released from the jail; what's the status of that?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Well, they were, they were eligible for, eligible for a bond. There was no guarantee that somebody would get a bond. And I'll defer to Commissioner Arrington because he's the attorney and so a little bit stepping out of my lane here. But it's my understanding that these individuals were eligible for bond at the end of September. There was no guarantee that they would get a bond. And in fact that those cases in fact were indicted and that we moved forward. But at this point in time, I can't comment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "[Inaudible.] that no one was released--"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "--on the 28th, that's correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "And, in terms of hiring, the other area we made significant progress was in the public defender area. We had some concerns based on the pace when we started, but we have made considerable progress there. We still lag a bit specifically when it comes to the Sheriff. And one of the things that we anticipate doing is offering signing bonuses to deputies to attract them. I think we are all aware of how competitive it is right now for sworn officers across the country. So that's the one area that we--"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- based on this chart, the target is 50 and none have been hired; is that correct?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "That's correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Any other, next page. The second big priority for us is getting some additional space, court rooms. We have seven courtrooms over in our courthouse that were identified -- that we're taken out of quote/unquote mothballs

I guess as you describe it as. And, we have started the work on those -- we started the work on those last week, and we anticipate that we will be completed with those by mid to late November. It's important because it will allow us to expand our jury trial and jury selection capabilities. We're also looking at additional locations at the Central Library and the Sloppy Floyd Building as potential areas for expansion as well. Next slide. Talk to this briefly in addressing Commissioner Morris' question. But in short if you look at the far-right column, what that indicates is how -- how we are doing relative to what would be considered a normal period i.e., pre-COVID. And so, if you looked on the list of numbers here, what it says is when it comes to civil cases, we're actually operating very well compared to what we would have been doing historically. The reason why they're above 100 percent is that, is because we actually added some resources in April as part of the reopening, judicial assistance and the like, which allow the magistrate court and state court to continue operating and actually to operate at a scale above and beyond what we would typically operate at. So, I guess the way I would look at this, two things: 1 doing well on the civil cases; and 2, when it comes to criminal cases, doing better in September than we were in August. And that the -- the important number here is if we get to a hundred percent in each one of those areas which is the target it means that we are not in fact continuing to contribute to the backlog. That's the big take away as you look at that particular column. So next page please. In terms of overall progress, more than 50 percent of the hiring has been achieved. I think I feel like we have some good momentum; the pace is increasing. We began renovating the court rooms. We have some software that has been defined as really critical because it's going to allow us to manage capacity across not only the new courtrooms, but the existing courtrooms. And so, that's very important as we start talking about increasing through-put. All of the individuals who are being brought on board, those 180, will in fact have laptops and other technology when they are on-boarded; so, they'll be ready to go and those orders have been placed and the technologies has actually been delivered to the agencies. And a lot of focus is being placed on triaging cases focusing on cases for example where the individuals in the jail; focusing on cases where we might be able to expedite some of the -- some of the cases and so a lot of focus here on case triage. So, that's kind of where we are in terms of momentum and where we stand at this point."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. And lastly, any idea of the 75 million; how much of that has been spent to date or a percentage of the 75 million?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "I don't -- if Sharon has, the CFO has the numbers here. The last number I looked at was approximately \$2 million."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Well, based on the report through October 15th, it was 1.6 million.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Of the 100, of the 75 that we have, okay; one point what—”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “--1.6 million.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay.”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “Our target for this year as it relates to timing was approximately \$11 million for 2021. So, that gives you a sense for the percentage of spend versus what we anticipated in the last six months of this year.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. Commissioner Arrington followed by Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “If we can, back up to the previous slide; I think it was 52. It talked about – it says it’s compared to 2020 and then it goes on to talk about capacity based on the baseline in 2018 and 2019, but I don’t see any 2020, 2018, or 2019 numbers, or any columns for any such numbers.”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “That’s my -- when we put together this slide, we wanted to focus on the last couple of three months. We used the, we used the 2018, 2019 first-six-months, Commissioner, to establish the benchmark. But I didn’t include--”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “-- well, you say that; but you got to put it up there.”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “-- okay, I had it in a previous slide, but we took it out so we could have more of a three-month rolling average. So, I’ll pull, I’ll get that information to you. We did have that.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “-- okay, the 2018, 2019, 2020 --”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “-- okay --”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “-- as compared to -- I mean, I want to see them all on one page with 2021--”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: “--got it--”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “-- so I can--”

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "-- compare it. I got it. Okay. Well, we'll include that next time. We had a previous slide, I took it off to include the current month, but I'll include that."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes. I'm looking at the hiring page and it looks like we're making really good progress --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--where are you, Commissioner Hausmann--"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "-- slide 50, please. Looks like out of the 318 positions approved, 180 have been filled and hired and are onboard. That's great. But a couple three of these categories -- four of these categories say in progress and there's really -- looks like not any activities actually happened. Can you just tell us what's going on there, Sheriff and the Marshall?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Yeah, the Sheriff and the Marshall are two big ones. In the case of the Marshall, we had to make some changes to the compensation for her existing staff because our target salaries for Project ORCA were higher than the existing staff salaries. And so, it took us a bit to get that going and now that she has had that she's in the process of doing the hiring. She just had her positions posted last week. In the case of the Sheriff, the biggest challenge there is what we're facing in not only - in ORCA, but outside of ORCA, which is they're having challenges attracting and retaining individuals. And so, I believe on the Board agenda today, there's a request to approve the use of signing bonuses or to change that to increase because that will allow us now to have the ability -- for the Sheriff to offer 20 percent signing bonuses to get individuals on board which we think are critical. Heretofore, we have not been able to do that and that's been then constraint in terms of getting additional resources in his department."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. So, thank you for that update. To me, those are two of the most critical pieces on this page. So, I just appreciate your explanation, but you know, to hear, you know salary adjustments and things in our paperwork HR system that might have slowed down the Marshall's not really very comforting. We know we're all working as hard as we can, but let's don't let those kinds of things slow us down like this when it's just administrative not actually getting the people in the door."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, Mr. Hermon, why would you be having trouble hiring one person?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Good morning, good morning. Why not Commissioner. No, I'm not having trouble hiring the one person. The individual that we have tapped for that role is currently out on FMLA; so, we're waiting until she returns back and then put her into that role.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “I can't hear what you're saying.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Oh, I'm sorry. Good morning, Commissioners. The individual that we have identified, who is going to be supporting Project ORCA after all of the heavy lift on the hiring has been completed, she is currently out on FMLA. We're waiting for her to return. And once she returns, then we can hire her in to that position.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. Strategy and performance, what's the issue there, two people?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “They're literally in progress. They're doing interviews for the positions as we speak. One's been hired and they're still interviewing for the other.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. All right, Mr. Manager, is there anything else on your report?”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “No, sir.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Any other questions at this time? The time is 12:50, colleagues, I'll entertain a motion to recess for lunch executive session.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Yes, sir.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “Mr. Chair, if I can, maybe, I see our Solicitor is with us; and there's an item coming up that we can maybe take it that item before we take our break. 21-0838—”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “--what page--”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “—13; or we can maybe take that item before our recess; I think it will be a quick one. And our Solicitor is here to answer any questions you may have.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “That's just about vehicles, right? Yeah. I don't see any controversy there Mr. - where is he, he needs to be – you know, it's just 125,000 for some vehicle's right, Commissioner Arrington?”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "It is."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, I don't see any issues there, so let him go back to work, unless -- you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "No, no, that's fine—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--you okay?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "No, that's fine."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. All right."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Mr. Chairman, I move that we move into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing real estate, litigation, and personnel."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Let's vote, please. Tell the Solicitor, we got him."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Press the button, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Tell [Inaudible.] to press the button."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously."

(Executive Session begins at 1:00 p.m.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: All right. "Without objection, we'll resume the regular order of business. Madam Clerk, continue."

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, sir. Are we going to do executive session; do we have anything?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Executive Session?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Yes, is there a motion to approve the request for representation set forth in the item one on the executive session agenda?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Cast your vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; four yeas, zero nays."

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CLERK GRIER: “Continuing on page 11, **21-0828**, Purchasing and Compliance, Contract Compliance. Request ratification of countywide emergency procurements.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Let's vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0829**, request approval of a Resolution to extend emergency purchasing authority of the Chairman and County Manager for COVID-19 related purchases.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Cast your vote, please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Excuse me, I didn't get to vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “Okay. Six with Commissioner Hausmann.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0771**, request approval of a Resolution to adopt and implement a new policy to be known as the Fulton County Facility Use and Rental Policy.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Is there any update, Mr. Manager? Is he here?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “So we did circulate a memo yesterday Mr. Chairman. There's not a change, or a recommended change to the policy as drafted. We do recognize the Vice Chair's request to do something as it relates to nonprofits. And that may make sense from a Board standpoint, but from the provisions of this policy standpoint there's not a recommended change because the way that we would handle nonprofits is to ask them to enter into a lease, and then that lease agreement would be brought forward for the Board's consideration, but this policy on the other hand reflects procedures that we would use for single usage of the facility, so [Inaudible.] that's different.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay. Commissioner Ellis -- so, the only thing I was asking about was adding a line that just addresses the fact that we do offer leased space to nonprofit

organizations within our facilities, and it may be at you know a costs, but also it could be, you know, cost in conjunction with them providing services, that's all."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Absolutely."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "—just so you note it, you know--"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "--absolutely. We can add that into the procedures and I we'll send you an updated copy of that."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you. I appreciate that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So, then, we're going to move to approve."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "—yes—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Vice Chair Hall -- Commissioner Arrington. Sorry."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, I was looking for it and I thought I heard these comments the last time, it says the tenth-floor conference room is that the Commissioners or Manager's?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "I would say either one."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So, it's both of them."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "I would say either one. So that would be managed by the Clerk's office. So, she would make the final determination on whether that should be rented and under what circumstances it would be rented."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I guess one-side is secured or both sides are secured."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Both require card access, Sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So, we're letting people rent rooms in secured areas?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "We would not."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So, which tenth-floor conference room is it then?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "So, if an internal department such as — I'll give an example of the IT department wanted to meet with commissioners on the

cybersecurity conference, we would work with Tonya to reserve that conference room consistent with these procedures. I don't see any tenth-floor conference room being a place where we would allow the public to reserve the room. And so, these procedures are meant to cover internal user departments use of the facility as well as external."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "All right, I had some more notes, I'm sorry. I mean for the library, it has an entire branch down, and the space where the room would be specified, was left blank. So, is someone able to rent the entire library? The entire branch?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Again, I think that the director for the library would make a decision on whether or not it's appropriate for someone to rent the entire library."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Well, what I'm talking about is this chart here, and it says the available spaces column—"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "—does it have a page number, Commissioner Arrington—"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "—yes, page 5, revised September 2021. The available spaces column is empty for all of our branches. And it would seem that we would know which space in those branches are being rented or for the entire branch itself is being rented, and then we would want to—"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "—specify—"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "--correctly convey that information to the public."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "—yeah, we could do that. Or Joe, do you want add to that?"

JOSEPH DAVIS, DIRECTOR, DREAM: "Good morning, good afternoon rather, Joe Davis, Director of DREAM. Commissioner, to address your concern directly, it's important to note that this particular policy was not intended to be an all-encompassing, policy and procedure for the rental of space for one-time events. Each individual user agency will still self-determine the parameters by which those spaces can be rented out. We had subsequent conversations with Gayle Holloman, the Director of the Library system as it relates to the rental of space in the libraries. At no time will the library be rented out in whole or in part as you're aware they are multiple friends of groups of the libraries. While there is no formal agreement in place, as it is for the four multi-purposing senior centers, those particular friends' groups do operate bookstores and use the proceeds from their sales to do other programming in the library. So, at this

particular point per Ms. Holloman, the library, the branch libraries, not the Central, would not be rented out in that fashion unless it was managed or requested by the friends of group."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. All right. This doesn't really address the friends' group either - at least I'm unaware of it anywhere of where the friends' groups are addressed in here.

JOSEPH DAVIS, DIRECTOR, DREAM: "Commissioner, Commissioner if I may, the Policy Team purposely chose to omit the friends of groups particularly with the senior centers because there were agreements in place to be outside of the purview of this policy as those agreements give them specific rights as it relates to the rental of space in those facilities."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. All right. That's fine. I'm not comfortable with it, but that's fine. I don't have any more questions."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I kind of feel like a little bit like is this is a solution looking for a problem with this. And I'm struggling a little bit with mixing in internal stuff with my understanding of a rental in use policy, but an internal use policy commingled with it. I mean, so is this, I don't know -- seems to me maybe like maybe it should be more tailored, just for which facilities are available to rent; one of the guidelines around such? I don't know, it's just, I'm a little, when we get into stuff like non rental spaces and internal users, and the internal users are responsible for cleanup, and I mean, yeah, I mean so if somebody doesn't pick up their trash and we have a meeting in one conference room -- I don't know what we're trying to get at with all the internal use stuff within this. Maybe I'm missing something so."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Well, what about the courthouse? Like, when people rent the courthouse, they want a courtroom. I don't see any courtrooms listed. I see juvenile court. I mean, if somebody -- if I wanted to rent something in juvenile court it would probably be the courtroom. If I wanted to rent something at the Superior Court house, probably would want to rent the courtroom? I don't know that we've -- I don't know if this is ready -- I'm in agreement with Commissioner Ellis it may be too much intermingling with internal and external. I'm just -- I'm not comfortable with it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So, what's your feeling, Madam COO -- I'm sorry Vice Chair, you want to take another turn?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I just want to go -- thank you Mr. Chair. That is why I brought the Resolution forward to separately address nonprofit organizations leasing in specific buildings because I felt exactly the way that Commissioner Ellis and Commissioner Arrington are speaking of right now that is too much co-mingling within this one thing. But since this is what the County executives brought forward, I wanted to be supportive since they felt like it would be better if all this stuff was meshed together, but I’m still concerned about 1.2. And yes, Commissioner Arrington I was the person who questioned the tenth floor being on here during the last meeting and the reason was because of security issues because we know we’ve had a stalker come to the floor, and then disappear. We know that we have blind spots from the elevator to the front desk and things like that. And so, I was concerned about it being used by the general public and you know what hours and things like that. And the checks and balances, so, I did question that Commissioner Arrington.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “And it says, nonrental spaces—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “—Madam COO—”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “—and then it proceeds to list the rental spaces. What is the nonrental spaces about?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “So, let, let me go back to the reason this was brought forward to begin with. We had almost every department that had available space with a set of procedures associated with their individual spaces that were inconsistent, and we were applying different standards for each department. The purpose of bringing all of that together was to centralize the management of the rental of County spaces. The reason we felt it was important to include internal users as well is for spaces like the Atrium that the Sheriff may use for one reason or the other. I completely agree that internal reservation of a conference room -- if Finance wants to use a conference room that’s not in their department that may be sort of overmanaged within this particular process, but I do believe a centralization of the management of how we lease facilities is necessary. I think we can go back and look and pullout where we’re doing internal user department approvals. And the third thing is, I certainly think we can take out anything having to do with the tenth floor given the security procedures, but a central set of consistent guidelines around rental and use of our facilities is necessary. And that’s why this was brought forward. So, we’re glad I think to go back and look at it given the feedback, but I don’t think we throw the baby out with the bathwater. I think we do make the adjustments and bring it back for approval.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “I think it’s a little premature. I know we have a separate policy in place I think for the Wolf Creek Amphitheater which hasn’t transferred

yet. I think I'm told that transfer more or less is listed as a carveout here, I mean, there are a lot of hanging chads. I still, I have no idea why the top of page 5 it says nonrental spaces that if somebody help me understand that, I would —"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "—would you like to hold it, Commissioner for further work?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON: "Bring it back later."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yeah. I'll second it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "—no, I'm asking—"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I mean, I would just table it. If it was up to me, I would table it altogether. Whatever the group wants to do, I don't think it's prime time right now; so, I mean I could do a motion to hold."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And I'll second that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, there's a motion before is to hold by Commissioner Arrington, substitute motion rather seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Let's vote on the motion to hold, please. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open on the motion to hold. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0830**, Finance presentation, review and approval of the October 20, 2021 budget soundings."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam CFO, what do we have here? Quickly -- CFO."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Sorry, Mr. Chairman. My mask wasn't cooperating with my glasses. The items that are before you today with budget soundings include a vendor name change for an item that's on the AML list as well as additional resources being provided to three departments in the general fund. The magistrate court, the Superior Court judges and state court judges associated with implementation of ICS and the chamber's compensation plan. All other agencies were able to absorb the costs within the existing budget. And then a similar item in the Fulton Industrial district budget for public works of 35,000."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0831**, Finance. Request approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract between Fulton DeKalb Hospital Authority for the renovation of the Grady health systems’ infectious disease program facility.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “You want to address this quickly, so we can—”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is the final piece of the bond issue related to the requests that the hospital authority made back in 2018 for the County to support the construction of the surgical center as well as the renovation of their infectious disease facility located on Ponce de Leon. This is the County's portion of the cost associated with the renovation on Ponce.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, Vice Chair Hall —”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “—Commissioner—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--followed by Commissioner Morris.”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “—Mr. Chairman, can I just have -I’ll provide additional context toward what the CFO just provided you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay.”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “Provided you. Are we good? I mean, I just want you to know what the interest rate is you know which is 2.24 percent. And also, we’re looking at a majority terms to be roughly a little over 12 years, and it’s going to be through Truist Bank formerly SunTrust. And an average annual payment for the debt service will be \$742,000 roughly.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Let’s start at the beginning, because some of us, I don’t even remember this. Some have presentations and some do not. So, can somebody describe it? What we doing?”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Is there someone here for Grady?”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “They were here earlier, Madam Vice Chair—”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “They were here earlier?”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “Yeah, but I think they are available via Zoom. Jessica did you provide them a Zoom link?”

JESSICA CORBITT, DIRECTOR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: [Inaudible.]

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: “Mr. Chairman, this is Tim Jefferson, and I’m on the Zoom, if that’s, okay.”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “We didn’t know that they had a presentation.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Do we have the presentation to pull up on the screen—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Do you have a presentation Mr. Jefferson?”

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: “Well, we gave the information to the Staff about the status of the project. Basically, the project is underway in terms of the renovation at the Ponce center. We’ve expended a little over \$8 million already, and we’re about 25 percent through on the project. And so, that information has been provided.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I think it should be held.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Yeah, nobody seems to understand. I’m not even sure I was here when this came. But nobody seems to know what’s before us, why it’s before us.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I actually contacted Matt Hicks, the -- I don’t know what his new title is, I just know he was a VP under John. And that’s one of the reasons why we have the presentation because I didn’t understand what it was either.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So, I contacted him also. He sent this presentation. I would have thought we would have had a briefing on.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Me too, yeah, so.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Mr. Jefferson, is this time sensitive?”

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: “Well, it is, yes, Mr. Chairman, in the sense that we’ve already spent over \$8 million—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “—I understand that--”

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: “-- – the project is well underway—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--just a minute. Just a minute. Does it have to be acted on by us today because nobody seems to know what’s before us.”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Mr. Chairman, originally, I believe it was 2018. The Board approved \$82 million you know for this project? And there were two different—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "--I understand that. All I'm saying is nobody has the information before us. Several are saying let's hold this. I think we need to hold it unless somebody tells me it has to be acted on today. I'm not hearing that. Mr. Jefferson, you there?"

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: "I am here. Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Well, I think you've got some work. Does it have to be acted upon today, is all I'm asking?"

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Mr. Chairman, we might lose the rate. The rate that we have is gotta closing date of October 30 if I'm not mistaken. So, it it's not approved today, it's possible that the interest rate might go higher."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "But it's also possible that it could be lower."

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "It is."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All I'm saying—"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "And then is Dekalb not doing this without bonds? They're paying cash—"

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "—yeah, they're paying \$4 million, you know, that is their share of the cost. And the total cost is \$35 million. So, Fulton County is paying eight, Dekalb is paying four, and then Grady hospital is paying \$23 million and any cost overruns they'll be paying."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'd like to hear Mr. Jefferson answer your question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Jefferson, it's been requested to hear from you—"

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: "Well again—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- just a minute, we don't have anything before us. You're asking for this; we're always supporting Grady, but I don't think you – you're going to have to tell us something today."

TIMOTHY JEFFERSON: "Okay, you should have in front of you the Resolutions that we're asking you to pass. And that's all we're asking the County to do is adopt the

Resolution. The authority will be the bonds and the County will be supporting those bonds.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “You’re complicating this. What?”

SANDY DAY: “Sir, this is Sandy Day, and I don’t know if you can hear me. I’m on the telephone line—”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “--yeah, we can hear you—”

SANDY DAY: “—but this is part of the original [Inaudible.] with the surgery center and we separated it because you all didn’t have all of the information originally; but now the certificate of [Inaudible.] has been given, and we’re ready to move forward. So, I’m representing the authority.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “What I’m hearing, ma’am, whoever you are, Mr. Jefferson and others that there is a sense of unreadiness here and a need for more information. I’m going to entertain the motion to hold. All right, is there a motion to hold. Is there a second?

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Second.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Properly moved and seconded. Let’s vote on the motion to hold. Motion to hold by Vice Chair -- wait a minute. Who made the motion to hold? Hausmann, seconded by Commissioner Morris -- Vice Chair Hall --”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Commissioner Abdur-Rahman is in the system, just let it go.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right, the motion before us now is to hold.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “I would like to speak.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “You want to be heard? Go ahead.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Yeah. I’m sorry that it’s caught folks by surprise. I do recall that we had basically approved this -- in conjunction -- in connection with the surgery center and as I understood it, this was the next step. We were, as you’ve indicated total cost of 35 million; we were going to pay about a fourth of it, the 8 million, but no more than that. Because Grady was going to take any responsibility for overruns and Dekalb was going to pay about 4 million. And we were going to issue certificates I guess like bonds. And what was the annual payment we were going to be making out of the general fund for that approximately because we don’t—”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “—yes, it is an average of \$741,000.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “And so, we've been planning for that in upcoming budgets.”

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: “—that is the plan, yes.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “So, again, I recall it. We sort of understood all of this, and if there's un-readiness I guess, I guess we can hold it, if it's not time sensitive, but anyway. I thought it was, okay, and we were going to go ahead with it today.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. The motion before us is to hold. Let's vote to hold please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open on the motion to hold. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Continue Madam Clerk.”

CLERK GRIER: “On page 12, **21-0832**, Real Estate and Asset Management, request approval of the lowest responsible bidder's to provide on-site locksmith services.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Hausmann, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Please vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. and the motion passes—”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “—wait—”

CLERK GRIER: “-- six yeas, zero nays -- unanimously with Commissioner Hall. I got you.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “All right.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0833**, Real Estate and Asset Management, request approval to increase spending authority for the replacement of an existing nonfunctioning generator system for the E911 communication center.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ellis, please vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously.”

CLERK GRIER: “21-0834, request approval to increase spending authority to provide replacement of two revolving doors and repairs replacement of two fire doors in the justice center tower.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Cast your vote.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously.”

CLERK GRIER: “21-0835, Human Resource Management. Request approval to amend the retention bonus personnel policy.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “There's a motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Please vote. I'm sorry, Commissioner Morris followed by Vice Chair Hall.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “In another life of mine, I had to do these occasionally, and we often provided with the prospective employee that if he/she left within a period of time that there'd be a repayment; is that something we're talking about or thinking about here?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “Good afternoon, Commissioner, yes. Kenneth Hermon, Chief HR Officer. In any instance where we give a retention bonus, which was something that we have on the books right now or a signing bonus which is what we are trying to extended it to; that respective employee will have to sign an agreement that goes between 12 and 24 months. If they leave before that period of time of the agreement, there is a repayment mechanism within the existing procedure.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Okay. I didn't see that in here. And what about the relocation costs? You mentioned there's a signing bonus and retention, same thing?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “Same thing, Commissioner.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Good, good--”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “—yes--”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “--great. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right, Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you Mr. Chair. So, I know there’s been conversation from the Sheriff and others about the need for filling positions. Are there other positions that we’re experiencing challenges with hiring or retaining employees in?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “Yes, Commissioner. So how we’ve structured the procedure is we’ve already identified a list of what we’re calling preapproved positions that this could be extended to. So, it includes the law enforcement, the attorneys, our operations in 911 which is always difficult because of the high turnover, our medical examiner’s office, even our plumbers and electricians because I think you may have heard me talk about how quickly we lose a plumber and electrician because we have an offer, but they’re getting five to ten thousand dollars more. So, it’s a myriad of different classifications that we are trying to have this target as well as the ones that you’re familiar with that the Sheriff.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you. And also, Commissioner Morris did ask part of my question, but I was looking at the personnel policies subject retention bonus number 329 dash 16; and it was saying that a retention bonus generally not to exceed 20 percent of an employee’s base rate of pay may be paid to a current County employee in a position that is critical to the mission of the county. And I was looking for possible -- possibly the same type of language as it relates to the sign on bonus, and any relocation bonus for there to be a percentage; is there not a percentage in those cases—”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “—there is; twenty percent is our baseline—”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “--across-the-board?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “--across the board for both the signing bonus and the retention bonus.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay, thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Yes, thank you. So, Mr. Hermon, did I hear you just say that you have the list developed of who qualifies for this?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “We have a list of classifications that have historically presented a problem in recruiting for the County, yes, ma'am.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Are you going to share that with us?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “Yes, we can.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Seems like that would be part of what we’re approving here is the list and the compensation associated with that.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “I can share it with you, Commissioner.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “When, after we vote?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “No, I guess what we wanted you to do if you recall of what we did in 2017, where we separated the policies from the procedures; so, we have a new look at the policy without the procedure component, and maybe that’s where we should have shared the procedures, so you could see all of the historical and the detailed background behind of what the policy statements are.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I think this is necessary and needed and I certainly think that there’s some positions that need to have a retention bonus that are critical needs, but this is incomplete for me to be able to make a good decision. So, you know, I’m really in a quandary here because I do see a need here in this area, but without knowing who’s going to get it just seems kind of open-ended.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “And again—

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Let me help you Ken—”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: “—sorry—”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “-- so I think one of the things, and this is a larger discussion not even just about this; I was going to say it, Vice Chair Hall was asking her questions. We're literally each week, coming up with something -- another department, another set of employees that we have either lost a number down to a level that we can't function, purchasing being most notable; legal is the next in line. I get a text from Dr. Ferdinand each morning about a resignation. We all know about the Sheriff's deputies; my point in that is when we present it, I think in the last meeting, and we talked about the elected officials' compensation, we also teed up and this is to be brought back, 70 or so job titles and that was presented then. Now that's 10 percent of the 700 job titles that we have. But my point in that is, we can give you that list today and say here's 70, that we probably do need to take not only these actions, but in some cases I am hearing everything that I can to figure out near term solutions for example working with Kaye on some retention as well as recruitment in legal because we can't wait until such time that either we have the next budget or even some of these

procedures. So, I do think your points very well made. I also want you to know there is a real fundamental change. Different at least through my tenure here where we are target -- we are dealing with a market place that is changing significantly and your right it's not in every job; but it's not when it's painters and electricians, to lawyers it's a, it's kind of a wide and changing set of folks that I would have not anticipated."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "And thank you for that. And I would be in a better position to make a good decision even if it wasn't a final list but at least I would know what is included, and then you could certainly come back and make additions or subtractions based on what's going on in the community and the job market. But again, I'm blindly asked to just approve this blanket thing that I really don't know who's going to get it."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Again, the only thing I would say in addition maybe to what I've said, was is what he was trying to express is what you're approving is the ability for us to do this—"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: "—correct—"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "--and the reason that you don't approve then every single job title is, it changes every day that I come into work. So, you fundamentally kind of entrust management to judiciously use this tool when necessary, confined by the budget and good common sense. But you are being asked to approve us having this tool which is commensurate with the tool that we already have in a retention bonus. So, we could list it. It might change tomorrow."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "In theory I support this, but I would -- I would be remiss if I didn't tell you I think this speaks to the hypocrisy of how we sometimes do things. You want me to support that you are trying to make sure that we do retention, and I understand we are losing people daily, and you don't want to let the level of staff go down. You want to make sure it's operating and you want to make sure that the Sheriff has what he needs to do, but then we don't apply that same logic to home mortgages and helping the people that live in Fulton County that ultimately pay our salaries. And so, I will support this because I understand it is needed, County manager. I know that you need to be able to give retention bonuses. I know in light of a pandemic, we are losing people and their talent is going other places, but it still is around money. It's still around a decision that has to be made with money that Fulton County has, but we don't apply that same logic to the voters or the base of voters that need help with mortgages. So, I will support this, but I would be remiss if I didn't say it

is hypocritical to look at this and want us to pretty much give a carte blanche with it because you've got to be able to do the work. But then we should not look into trying to help the home owners and we should just wait for the State at whatever point they are going to do it. So, I'll support it, but I just want to show how glaringly hypocritical this is as opposed to the citizens and the help they need. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Well, I do understand that this will be used on an as-needed basis, but currently you have identified those positions. And I agree with Commissioner Hausmann, that we need that list of positions. But just generally, for the purpose of the need for this on an as-needed basis I do see where it is, okay, to move forward. But I do want to also address while we're talking about retention bonuses and sign-on bonuses and relocation bonuses, I want to also go back to the COVID response plan and there was a line for premium pay for employees and just have you -- can you just tell me what that is about because I want to make sure that we're looking at all of our employees even those that are still here have been here they work so hard all of the time, all through COVID, coming in the office and not coming in the office, and then the fact that now I know I read an article just the other day saying Social Security checks are going up by 5.9 percent because of, because of inflation. I think we need to just look at all of our employees and what we can do for them. So, we need to be looking at also just what kind of increase in pay can we give our own employees because there is inflation; and you see that even the federal government is addressing that with the residents in this United States of America. So, if you could just, just talk about that really quick -- the premium pay because how does that fit into all of this?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Vice Chair Hall, the premium pay item that's in the COVID response plan is what we did earlier this year. So, we were able to allocate a portion of the payments that were made to employees to the ARPA funds based on the job function of the employee. The balance of the premium pay that was made of course was retained in the general fund and in other operating funds. So that's what that \$3.4 million that's in the COVID response plan under premium pay, that's what that's in reference to."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And you know while we're talking about is I read that line in the retention bonus policy about paying it to a current County employee in a position that is critical to the mission of the County. I think that if we just treat our employees with respect and thankfulness and gratefulness for the work that they do that, and you know pay them, do some kind of performance increase for them that you know you won't have to worry about so many getting up to 20 percent of retention because they'll be

happy where they are and you don't have to retain them. So that's just my two-cent. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right the motion before us is to approve. Motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Vice Chair Natalie Hall. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 12, under Health and Human Services, **21-0836**. Senior Services. Request approval of a statewide contract to provide staffing services to support the operation of the Department of Senior Services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall, go ahead, you have the floor. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you. So, the thing that kind of stood out for me on this is, when I read 836, and it speaks to -- if you look to the contractor's performance report, number 1 says, there is a challenge in providing lifeguards, art and computer instructors, but they work hard and most of the time we eventually get them. Well, from what I know from just going around to the arts center that's in my district and other facilities, a lot of the neighborhood people ask well, how do I you know, get hired to one of the positions that support your senior center or your art center? Because they're not -- they don't see the -- I think maybe there's an outreach into the community that needs to take place when we're looking for jobs because most of the time what you see is the lifeguard is somebody who lives in the neighborhood and walks right down the street to the facility to work there, or the computer instructor. And I think may be that part of the problem is Happy Faces is in Tucker, Georgia and when I think about when I use to try to get temp jobs, I would go to the temp agency in my area. So, if I lived in Tucker, if I lived in Gwinnett County, I'm going to go to the local temp agency there. But somebody all the way down here in Atlanta or southwest Atlanta is not going to go all the way to a temp agency in Tucker, Georgia. So, I'd like to know if -- where is the problem in actually finding and getting these positions filled by the temp agency?"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "Good afternoon, Vice Chair Hall. To answer one of the questions regarding individuals who may be interested in working in the facility and they're interested in becoming a part of Happy Faces, we have had experience with residents requesting information about Happy Faces and we will refer them to Happy Faces and let them know how they can forward their resume, they go through the vetting process and it comes to us for review and consideration. So, that has happened. I cannot directly speak to your question about the possible inconvenience of traveling from where they live to the actual site, but I know that we

have provided referrals. Now, the facilities -- this contract supports two facility-based programs: a Delta health multipurpose we just resumed programming July 12th. So, because of COVID, only up to that time, we've been able to maintain four social services coordinators; no problem with keeping that staffing, and when we reopened, we brought back one of the cashiers to support. Regarding lifeguards, we have another plan in place. I believe we're issuing -- we're looking forward to -- we used Harper janitorial in the past which was approved by the Board to provide lifeguards. So, I think we're circling back to that but once we get to that point the pools are currently being resurfaced at Benson, and then they're slated to reopened within the next month or so, just because they've been down and the wear-and-tear. So, I'm not sure if I'm answering all of your questions, or if I can—"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "—well, you just created another question. So, you said that people have had to come to yourself or I guess your department to request to be put in contact with Happy Faces to apply for a job—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "I know that we have received requests from individuals who are interested and how can I become an instructor we know that in 2017, the Department presented to the Board an optimal staffing plan which is how we started using Happy Faces. So, we use Happy Faces to support the part-time instruction at the multipurpose facilities, and some part-time instruction at adult day health. So, when those requests have come in and they're not a lot, but I do know that we have been able to refer them to that entity —"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, do we post these jobs at all through our human resources department?"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "This is a contract, so these are not posted, not the contractual jobs."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay, so, then that appears to be the problem; because most of the constituents in my district who ask about these types of jobs, they say well I don't see anything on Fulton County's website. I don't see anything posted. And so, I think there's a gap in, you know, connecting with the community on the jobs—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "--and providing information about it--"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "—yeah—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "—okay, I can definitely get with Kenneth Hermon to pick his brain. About that, it is a contract; so, I'd be open to his suggestions."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That would be great. Yes--"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER: "I'm sorry Commissioner, if I may, we can work with Ladisa and her Team. We have in the past posted opportunities and redirected the applicants to the vendor of choice that the various departments could be using so we could definitely post it. So, if they come to Fulton County, they can see it's available, but once they click the link, they will be redirected to I guess in the sense this is Happy Faces - to Happy Faces, so they can complete the application under Happy Faces."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's perfect. Thank you so much."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Ladisa, how are you today?"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "I'm well, thank you."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: MIC IS OFF "have you had any complaints as a result of Happy Faces work resumed services?"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "I have not received any complaints directly, but I will definitely check with the Staff, Commissioner, and follow up with you to see if anything has been lodged with an individual facility and they've addressed it there—"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: MIC IS OFF/INAUDIBLE

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "I pray not. They're not supposed to. What we do is let our contractors and employees know that one of our key behaviors is respect; so, that's what we expect. We don't tolerate seniors not being treated well."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: MIC IS OFF/INAUDIBLE "--idea whether those seniors are republican or democrat—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "They should not. Not unless the senior shaes. But it doesn't matter."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: COMMISSIONER NOT SPEAKING INTO MIC/INAUDIBLE. "There's so many rumors about Happy Faces —"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "--okay, I understand—"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "—associated with certain – are they treating independents differently—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "-- I know that the Happy Faces contracted workers and we call them Team members because they are part of the Senior Services family. They love our seniors. They provide good service and they do treat them well. And if there's ever a complaint, we do have a policy and procedure in place to address customer complaints and resolve it."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: COMMISSIONER NOT SPEAKING INTO MIC/INAUDIBLE

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "It is an employment firm. Whether or not they're the devil, there's only one devil, but I don't know where we're going with this."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I'm just curious in general, what types of positions do we go to a temporary service for, you know, lifeguard seems like something we could be able to find, So, I'm just kind of curious how we determine if we're going to need a staffing agency to assist us or not."

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "Great question, Commissioner. It started with Agenda item 17-0343. And at that time, the department was looking to achieve an optimum staffing pattern at the facilities; so, the plan was to combine full-time permanent staff and part-time contract workers. So, the types of instructors or the types of positions are laid out in the contract and it consist of art instructors, lifeguard, cooks, chefs, some administrative support, and the reason why we decided to go this path was to make sure that there was not a gap in services, that we could fulfill our commitment to seniors, once we set a schedule. We -- I, did I answer your question."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, okay, are there any seasonal or temporary positions that we don't use a staffing agency to fill?"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "Are there any seasonal positions that we do not use a staffing agency to fulfill?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So we use a hundred percent staffing agencies to fulfill all or our seasonal and temporary positions, is that the answer—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "It's laid out and what I would like to do, Commissioner, is provide you with that original plan and how we've used it since 2017 to date. The intent is not to replace permanent -- what our goal was to make sure that we had a lot of staff who were temporary working 40 hours and it was important because they had served the County for so long and seniors that they were converted

into full-time positions. And so, working with the budget, we adjusted the staffing pattern. So, the intent is to make sure that if there's a gap then we have a fallback plan which is the staffing agency, which in most cases—"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "--which makes sense to me—"

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "--yes, ma'am. Now, as far as Benson, for example or Bowden, we still are able to use a staffing pattern of the Happy Faces contract to provide more classes. But those classes are not eight hours a day, they're just maybe one or two hours a day a couple days a week. So, we decided that using the contract would work with the strategy we have for senior programming."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. I think it would just be helpful to us to understand the overall scenario of how you're managing this whole operation using a staffing agency versus us just hiring directly. And I think it will be important for us to see the financial impact if we did it internally versus using a staffing agency."

LADISA ONYILIOGWU, SENIOR SERVICES: "Okay, I'll follow up with you and the entire Board."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You finished, Commissioner?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I am. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. There's a motion to approve but there's no second yet. Seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. The motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 13, under Justice and Safety, **21-0837**. Superior Court Administration, request approval of a statewide contract to purchase medical drug testing supplies for random drug testing for Superior Court, accountability courts, state court and juvenile court."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Vice Chair Natalie Hall. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: “21-0838, Solicitor General, request approval of a contract for the purchase of three vehicles.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “There's a motion to hold? Motion to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, and seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Commissioner Ellis, and followed by Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Just real quick. I know we've a lot of times have a lot of fleet purchasing at the end of fiscal years.” Are we still planning for that, and if so, are we actually able to make these purchases? Is/are these vehicles available? I know these probably are or I guess it wouldn't be before us. But sort of in general for future needs this stuff we're looking at in the pipeline Felicia--”

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: “--usually, Commissioner, good afternoon, everyone. Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Purchasing. We usually bring the list of contracts after the Board has approved the budget usually DREAM – brings us a list of all of the department's needs based on the approved budget. And we usually do that I believe -- we usually bring that in April of that fiscal year. So, I believe we did do one earlier this year. This is outside of that big list that we usually bring forward.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Yeah, I'm just having, I'm just really asking are we having trouble finding vehicles right now given the shortage. I mean there's stuff being published right now about governments that are looking for fleet purchases struggling to find vehicles, are we at that reflection point, that's my question.”

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: “No, we've not been cut off yet by the state—”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “—okay—”

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: “--no, we have not. Usually, we're notified when there is a shortage, but so far no. Thanks.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Hausmann, did I skip you?”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “No, you did not. My only comment was, you know, you hear nothing about how difficult it is to find vehicles these days; so, congratulations if you actually have already found them and can get them quickly. I am kinda curious about how the process goes if you wouldn't mind just letting us know if it's difficult to acquire them or not.”

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: “Now, there may be some types of vehicles that are different to acquire it just depends and usually Kier Freeman that

works with Fleet Management will let us know whether a request can be fulfilled or not when we contact the dealership to say we want to purchase this they will let us know--"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "--you know, you can't always count on what you read in the media—"

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: "—yes, that's true—"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I was just curious. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion is to approve by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioners action items **21-0712**, discussion and request approval of a Resolution to enact the Fulton County Homeowners Economic Lift Program and Services Plan and for other purposes sponsored by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Chairman, I would like to hold this item please."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. No objections to hold."

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0779**, request approval of a Resolution declaring the importance of local sustainable food sources by supporting the growth and development of urban agricultural, small farms, urban farming, and the local food economy sponsored by Commissioners Ellis, Abdur-Rahman, and Vice Chair Hall."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I have a motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Chairman, if you don't mind, Ms. Keefer is here if we would just oblige her to make a statement. She is a part of the Board and so if you don't mind if we would indulge her for a few minutes. Thank you."

ALLISON KEEFER: "Good afternoon. My name is Allison Keefer. I am the Chairman of the Fulton County Citizens Commission on the Environment, I know that's a mouthful, so we just say FCC CCCE. Sometimes, we can't stop our c's. But I want to thank you

for allowing me the opportunity to speak to you directly today in support of this Resolution—.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-wonder why I’m going blank on that—.”

ALLISON KEEFER: “--and also to give you a little context for how this Resolution came about. So, according to our organizing charter, one of the missions of the FCCCE is to advise the Board of Commissioners on environmental policy. So annually, we get together and decide what areas of focus we're going to look at each year, and one of the areas of focus that came to our attention was urban agriculture. Urban agriculture was one of the areas of focus that we identified in 2019, and because of that, that came to our attention because of the 2019 strategic plan that Fulton County put forward. We believe that the policy for supporting urban agriculture supports one of the goals of the strategic plan and that all people are healthy. Because we -- Fulton County has no urban agricultural policy, we believe that the first step in promoting this concept would be to bring it to your attention, and ask for your support and ask if you actually support the concept of an urban-act policy. So, to reiterate this Resolution -- the purpose of the Resolution is to ask for your support of an urban-act policy. There is no action items associated with this Resolution, and if the Board approves the Resolution in support of farms, small farms, and urban agriculture, any recommendations for action items that may be identified by the FCCCE will be provided to the appropriate Departments for consideration. So, as I said, what I'd like to reiterate is that there are no action items associated with this Resolution. It is strictly to ask for your support, and with that I'll sit down and be quiet. Are there any questions of me?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I had a quick question. You had reached out to a Board member in what year to get this on the agenda or to get this before the Board?"

ALLISON KEEFER: “2020.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "2020. Last year was the first time you brought it forward?"

ALLISON KEEFER: “Yes.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Well, because of the calls that I received -- because of the last Board of Commissioners meeting, I wanted to go on record to apologize to all of you. I don't think it was meant for you all. I think it may have been in house. I'm not sure the intentions or what happened but you all are a volunteer Board, you all are working for the environment and the Little Kindie Ray Johnsons who's in my district, who will ultimately be helped by, you know, the work that you all do. I wanted to go on record and say I apologize for any misunderstanding, anything that was directed

whether it was purposely or not -- I'm very sensitive to the work that you all do over there. And I apologize. And we thank you for the work that you do for Fulton County."

ALLISON KEEFER: "Thank you, Commissioner. I do want to point out that all of our board members are volunteers and we work -- we have worked for many -- sometimes decades on this Board. And again, our only -- our only mission is to help Fulton County to be healthier and more sustainable. So, I appreciate that. And I do apologize for any miscommunication or the lack of communications that may have come from our Board."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you for your service—"

ALLISON KEEFER: "--thank you—"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "--you and the other individuals."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I was just going to say, regardless of how we got here sounds like hopefully, we're together going forward and moving in a positive direction. I think this is a great Resolution we appreciate the work that the Commission is doing, so—"

ALLISON KEEFER: "--thank you—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, I agree. This is a good Resolution, and I apologize for missing the lively conversation you had a couple weeks ago on it. But I heard it was great. I am curious to one thing in here that says that we're going to urge local municipalities to participate and adopt similar ordinances. Will you be reaching out to the cities to communicate with them what this is and, you know, how they can be involved?"

ALLISON KEEFER: "Actually, yes. We actually have a list of our, I guess, counterparts in other counties, and in other municipalities that we try to communicate with routinely. Before COVID, we had actually planned on trying to put together a roundtable kind of discussion on some of the ideas that might percolate up from the support of the small farms and urban agricultural in Fulton County. That got put on hold unfortunately, but, yes, that is the plan going forward."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, you know we're always looking for ways we can work with our cities. So, if you want to consider, you know, copying the District

Commissioner when you send these out and then perhaps, we can work together to try and bring this more, you know, into reality.”

ALLISON KEEFER: “Okay, thank you.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “You're welcome.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. The motion is to approve – vote please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes unanimously.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0839**, request approval of an Ordinance amending Section 101-36(b) of the Fulton County Code relating to the selection process for the Vice-Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners sponsored by Commissioner Hausmann.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: MIC IS OFF “All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Hausmann, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes, Chairman, I would like to speak. After looking at this -- after looking at this Resolution and also having some conversations with a couple of the Commissioners, I want to make a substitute motion. I feel that the only way that we're going to move forward as a Body here, is to try to be bipartisan and Fulton County has a great opportunity to lead the district with showing that we would do it at our level. I want to make a substitute motion in order to be fair and bipartisan -- I understand we had a past practice from years ago; therefore, I move to amend by striking the language here and replacing it with each January with the majority vote of the Board, the Vice Chair shall be selected who shall be a member of the opposite political party of the Chairman and so in that case, you'll have equal representation with the chairman and the Vice Chair. Now I know some may frown on this, but if we are truly going to be bipartisan and set the tone here I think it's best that we start with ourselves, and I'm willing to step out there and offer this substitute motion.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: MIC IS OFF “I hear a substitute motion. Is there a second. Is there a second. It fails for the lack of a second. The main motion, cast your vote please which is to approve.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Yeah, I was in the queue. First of all, I appreciate that sentiment. I think that we all agree that most of what we work on does not fall within political lines. Some of it does. But, you know, I really do think that this, it speaks for itself. It just puts it out for a full vote. Things change. I didn't like the way it was set before where it tied us to a certain policy and your thoughts, while I certainly appreciate

it, would have another layer of something we would have to adhere to going forward. And so, in the spirit of bipartisanship, I'm not going to sit here and say that, you know, the likelihood that a Republican get elected Chairman in this County is pretty slim, okay? So, that would mean there would always be a Republican Vice Chair. That may not always be the right choice. So, you know while I appreciate very much your willingness to work across party lines, and you know I'm open to that, I don't want any ties here. I want us to vote for whoever we feel at the time is the best suited for the position. And I think we'll all come to an agreement on hopefully on who that should be."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: MIC IS OFF "The motion before us is to approve. Cast your vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, one nay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 14, Full Board appointment **21-0840**, Region III EMS Council. Chairman Pitts has nominated Roderick "Rod" M. Smith for Full Board appointment to an unexpired term ending June 30th, 2022."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This person was recommended by the Madam County Attorney -- not County Attorney; what's her name, chief operating officer; yeah."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Mr. Chairman, could you repeat the question please; the County Manager was distracting me. I threw him under the bus."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Manager."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "I'm sorry, sir."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: MIC IS OFF/INAUDIBLE

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We're on 0840. This person was nominated by the fire Chiefs, correct? Consistent with the new legislation?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "This person was not nominated by a group of Fire Chiefs. This is the Atlanta Fire Chief --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "—okay—"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "-- if I recall your nomination correctly, sir—"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "—Atlanta fire chief—"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "-- yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. All right. The motion is to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Please vote."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "County Managers presentation and discussion items under Justice and Safety, **21-0841**, Discussion Fulton County jail feasibility study."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Can you bring up the presentation, please?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Adams, are you making the presentation, please."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "I am, I'm waiting for them to bring it up, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Corbitt."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Is the Sheriff here for this?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "No, the Sheriff is in New York City. He and I had a discussion about this and I believe he contacted Vice Chair Hall regarding his thoughts about it—"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes, he did. He contacted me and said that he was very much in favor of this. That he had been working with you and them Team, and he was very excited about this."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "So, if we can - next page, and I'll go through very quickly and be available to answer any questions. We've had a number of discussions about the feasibility study and you were sent -- I apologize for the late, late notice in sending it to you. But, it was literally off the press, the draft document we sent to you yesterday which is the, which is the RFP that we plan on letting in December, I'm sorry, that we plan on letting next week on the 25th. So, short story, there are a number of drivers for this, for the feasibility study, you know, we are all aware of the over-crowding that the Sheriff has talked to recently, but at the top it's important particularly

for the long-term is that our current facilities present a range of maintenance, security, and pandemic management challenges as it was designed 40 years ago. The design also doesn't reflect what you'd consider to be the best trends, the best practices science trends associated with pretrial incarceration including the ability to have more space for individuals who might require mental healthcare, the ability to provide additional services including diversion and -- diversion services including GED including our culinary program and the like which are very much of the science as we move -- and will be part of the science as we move forward. The next slide just briefly talks to the objectives and I'll touch on a couple things first and foremost the goal of the feasibility study is to look at to evaluate the feasibility of a new facility, a purchased facility, as well as improvements to the existing physical plant of the current jail. So, we're going to be looking holistically at what the actual demographics and needs are; and what they, in fact tend to inform us about what kind of facility we should be looking at long-term. When we talk about looking at the long term, we are going to be looking at projections for the next 40 years. So, we got to be looking at what we need from now until 2063 in terms of a facility; so, it really is a long view. We're looking at space and service needs, I talked about some of the services. We're going to be looking at space design, the best location for a facility, you know, where that should be. We're going to be looking at costs and financing scenarios and obviously with a big focus on what our best practices associated with pretrial incarceration. Next slide, please. And here again very quickly, we've talked about looking at demographic trends and service and support requirements. We're going to be looking for a consultant, a consulting firm that has experience in the analysis of large, urban complex court and jail systems. We have the largest jail in the state, one of the largest in the country and so we expect the consulting firm that we're going to be working with to be able to bring bonified associates who are working with large jail systems. We're targeting January 2022 to come back to you with a recommendation on the firm that we would hope to go forward with and the typical duration for a study of this size and magnitude is nine to twelve months. Happy to take any questions."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: MIC IS OFF "No questions, thank you, sir."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioners' presentation and discussion items, **21-0842**, Invest Atlanta Board of Directors, September 16th, meeting summary sponsored by Commissioner Morris.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, this is a summary of the minutes from the most recent Invest Atlanta Board meeting. I think there were four items on it. If you need any information about any of them, I'd be happy to get you more. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: MIC IS OFF/INAUDIBLE

CLERK GRIER: "21-0843, Atlanta Beltline Incorporated October 13th, CEO report sponsored by Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: And again, as usual, this is the CEOs report for our last board meeting. That morning incidentally, we had a ribbon-cutting of the newly finished portion of the South side trail which was incredibly well attended. It was a trail that is being used and I think the new funding from that SSD is going to get the rest of the trails completed much faster. So, it'll be nice when we have the entire trail and we can all take a jog around the 22 miles."

CLERK GRIER: "No further items Mr. Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Chairman was not on the mic.

(Whereupon the meeting concluded at 3:25 p.m.)