

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

April 14, 2021
10:00 AM



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



MINUTES - RATIFIED

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Ratification date: May 5, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts

10:04 a.m.

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

Chairman Robb Pitts (At-Large)

PRESENT

Commissioner Liz Hausmann (District 1)

PRESENT

Commissioner Bob Ellis (District 2)

PRESENT

Commissioner Lee Morris (District 3)

PRESENT

Vice Chair Natalie Hall (District 4)

PRESENT

Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr., (District 5)

PRESENT

Commissioner Khadijah Abdur-Rahman (District 6)

PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Clifton Dawkins, Jr., County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

CONSENT AGENDA**21-0234 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the Consent Agenda - All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. **(ADOPTED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and second by Chairman Pitts, to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended by removing item #21-0246 for separate consideration as requested by Commissioner Ellis. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

21-0235 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Curtis Lovejoy Remembrance Day." **(Arrington)**
March 20, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Mount Pisgah Patriots Varsity Boys Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Hausmann)**
April 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Milton High School Varsity Boys Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Ellis)**
April 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Pace Academy Varsity Boys Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Morris)**
April 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Westlake High School Varsity Girls Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Arrington/Abdur-Rahman)**
April 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Woodward Academy Varsity Girls Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
April 14, 2021

21-0236 Board of Commissioners
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICERS (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Term = 2 Years

Two year terms pursuant to Section 34-67(a) of the Fulton County Civil Service Act

Commissioner Ellis nominated Sterling Eaves for a reappointment to a two-year term.

Commissioners' District Board Appointments

21-0237 Board of Commissioners
RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES FOR THE ELDERLY AUTHORITY OF FULTON COUNTY (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Term = 6 years

Term below expired: 12/3/2020
Monosij Dutta-Roy (**Eaves**)

Chairman Pitts nominated Monosij Dutta-Roy for a District reappointment to a term ending December 3, 2026.

Open & Responsible Government

21-0238 Real Estate and Asset Management
Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 6,379 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from Greenstone Parkway 400, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the Evans General Contractors Office Project at 0 Amber Park Drive, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0239 Real Estate and Asset Management
Request approval to accept a Sewer Easement Dedication of 239,143 square feet from LandLife LLC to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, for the purpose of constructing the Camp Creek Village Phase 3 Project at 0 Camp Creek Pkwy, South Fulton, Georgia 30331. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0240 Real Estate and Asset Management
Request approval of a Sewer Easement Dedication of 4,241 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from BP Northpoint, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the North Point Chick-Fil-A Project at 6085 North Point Pkwy, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0241 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 300 square feet to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, from 100 North Main Street, Alpharetta, LLC, for the purpose of constructing the 100 North Main Street Project at 6 Christine Drive, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0242 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to accept a Water Vault Easement Dedication of 304.92 square feet from the Target Corporation to Fulton County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, for the purpose of constructing the Regions Bank-State Bridge Branch Project at 5950 State Bridge Road, Johns Creek, Georgia 30097. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0243 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution authorizing the granting of a permanent Easement in Fulton County-owned land to the Atlanta Development Authority d/b/a Invest Atlanta by and through its designated special agent Atlanta Beltline, Inc.; authorizing the Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners to execute the easement agreement and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the easement agreement and related documents as to form and make modifications as necessary prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0244 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution conveying six Underground Easement Agreements between Fulton County, Georgia, and the Georgia Power Company for the purpose of completing planned infrastructure equipment improvements along the Fulton Industrial Boulevard roadway and installation of service lines along Sandy Creek Road; authorizing the Chairman to execute the six Underground Easement Agreements and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the Underground Easement Agreements and related documents as to form and to make necessary modifications thereof prior to execution. Effective upon approval. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0245 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution authorizing a parking space license agreement between Fulton County, Georgia, and Lanier Parking Holding, Inc., d/b/a Lanier Parking Solutions, for the purpose of providing parking for Fulton County Superior Court Administration and related services; authorizing the Chairman to execute the license agreement and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the license agreement and related documents as to form and to make any modifications thereto prior to execution. The effective date of the Parking Space License Agreement will be retroactive from January 1, 2021, with an ending date of December 31, 2021. The Parking Space License Agreement will automatically renew for up to two (2) consecutive one (1) year renewal terms after the expiration of the initial term. The annual parking rental fee is \$55,200.00 based on the monthly rental of \$115.00 per parking space per month. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA).**

21-0246 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution approving a Ground Lease Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia and Brakkam Aviation Management, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, jointly with The Integral Group, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, for the purpose of formalizing rental terms for an airport site consisting of approximately 13.879 +/- acres at the Fulton County Executive Airport - Charlie Brown Field; authorizing the Chairman to execute a Ground Lease Agreement and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the Ground Lease and related documents as to form and make all necessary modifications thereto prior to execution. For 40 years, with two five-year option periods. **(HELD ON 4/14/21)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER ELLIS

21-0247 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution approving a Fourth Amendment to Master Lease Agreement for Facilities between Fulton County (Tenant), and KDI ATLANTA MALL, LLC (Landlord), for the purpose of expanding the leased space and extending the lease term for the operations of the Fulton County Tax Commissioner at 2841 Greenbriar Parkway, Atlanta; authorizing the Chairman to execute a Fourth Amendment to Master Lease Agreement for Facilities and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve a Fourth Amendment to Master Lease Agreement for Facilities and related documents as to form and to make any modifications thereto prior to execution; and for other purposes. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0248 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a change order less than 10% - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, RFP #19RFP072419K-DJ, Wayfinding Static Signage and Services with DeNyse Companies, Inc. (Douglasville, GA) in the amount of \$53,078.71, to modify the existing Scope of Work to incorporate the additional exterior entrance signage, monument signs and plaques to the Fulton County Government Center/Public Safety Building Complex located at 141 Pryor Street & 130 Peachtree Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0249 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a change order less than 10% - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 18RFP120126K-DJ, Wayfinding Design and Signature Services in the amount of \$24,622.00 with Selbert Perkins Design (Chicago, IL) to modify the existing scope of work to provide a comprehensive Wayfinding Static Signage and Services study on the pedestrian traffic flow of the Government Center and Public Safety Building. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services**21-0250 Department for HIV Elimination**

Request approval for Business Associate Agreements between Fulton County and subrecipients receiving grant funds via the Department for HIV Elimination. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute Business Associate Agreements with subrecipients. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the Business Associate Agreements as to form and substance and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0251 Department for HIV Elimination

The Department for HIV Elimination requests approval of FY2021 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants totaling \$26,121,636.00 in Part A funds and \$1,866,811.00 in Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Funds for a total of \$28,008,447.00 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)**

21-0252 Community Development

Request approval to amend the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) 2020 contracts with Subrecipients (a) City of East Point; (b) 24/7 Gateway, LLC (Gateway Center); (c) Latin American Association; (d) Partnership Against Domestic Violence (PADV); (e) Travelers Aid of Metropolitan Atlanta; (f) Society of St. Vincent DePaul GA; and (g) Youth Empowerment, to change the service time period for each contract from December 1, 2020 - December 31, 2021 to May 1, 2021 - April 30, 2022 to align with the grant funding period. The County Attorney may approve the contracts as to form and make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0253 Community Development

Request approval to amend the 2020 Action Plan and the related Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Subrecipients contract activities for the City of East Point and Partnership Against Domestic Violence, to move funding from Rapid Rehousing (RR) to Homeless Prevention activity. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and to make changes thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0254 Select Fulton**

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Select Fulton Workforce Development Divisions, 18RFP552018B-JD, Workforce Service Delivery Providing Adult, Dislocated and Youth Services for Select Fulton in the amount of \$2,000,009.00 with Arbor E & T, LLC d/b/a ResCare Workforce Services (RWS) (Louisville, KY), to provide adult and dislocated career center and youth services. This action exercises the third of four renewal options. One renewal options remain. Effective dates: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This contract is 100% grant funded. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA).**

21-0255 Select Fulton

Request approval to renew an existing contract - Select Fulton Workforce Development Division, RFP# 17RFP072417A-CJC, WIOA One Stop Operator for the American Job Center in the amount of \$129,704.00, with In the Door, LLC (Atlanta, GA) to provide the coordination and facilitation of a "One-Stop Operator" service. This action exercises the third of four renewal options. One renewal options remain. Effective dates: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This contract is 100% grant funded. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA).**

Justice and Safety**21-0256 Emergency Services**

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Fulton County and the Allied Universal Security, for the provision of the Digital 800 MHz Radio System Access, retroactive January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 with one (1) automatic renewal commencing January 1 of each successive year, ending December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$10,388.00 annually for years 2021 and 2022. This amount is a revenue increase to Fulton County for services provided. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA).**

21-0257 Medical Examiner

Request approval to enter into a contract with Dr. Fredric Hellman to provide part time, intermittent Board Certified Forensic Pathology Autopsy Services to the Medical Examiner's Office. Dr. Hillman will replace Dr. Ryan McCormick: Ref. BOC 20-0333 and 21-0011. This is not a request for funding. The daily rate of \$2,000.00 per day for 7 days per month (as needed) will be funded with salary savings from the vacant associate ME position. Effective date: June 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA).**

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**21-0258 Board of Commissioners**

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

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to adopt the Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by removing items #21-0269, #21-0270 and #21-0276 as requested by the County Manager; revising item #21-0222 as requested by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman; and holding Item #21-0278 as requested by Commissioner Arrington. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

21-0259 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes **(RATIFIED)**

Regular Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2021

Recess Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, March 17, 2021

Special Called Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, March 30, 2021

Special Called Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, April 2, 2021

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

21-0260 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "County of Champions Day." **(BOC)**

*Proclamation recognizing "Woodward Academy Varsity Girls Basketball Appreciation Day." **(Abdur Rahman)**

Proclamation recognizing "National Child Abuse Prevention Month." **(Pitts)**

**presented during the meeting*

PUBLIC HEARINGS**21-0261 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. Those who could not speak during Public Comment will be allowed to speak first at a subsequent Board meeting. For more information or to arrange a speaking date, contact the Clerk's Office.

27 Speakers: Amy Hues (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/Voter Suppression); Thomas Bose (Item #21-0219 Elections Director); Melissa Dale (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/Item #21-0222 SB202); Julie Allen (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/ Item #21-0222 SB202); Rev. Greg Fann (Item #21-0222 SB202); Hilary Harris (Item #21-0222 SB202); Bridget Thorne (Item #21-0222 SB202); B Rohr (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/Item #21-0222 SB202); Hannah Sheikh (Item #21-0222 SB202/Drop Boxes); Kevin Muldowney (Dominion Voting Machines); Lori Ohen-Carbone (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/Item #21-0222 SB202); John Nace (Item #21-0219 Elections Director); Robin Auerbach (Item# 21-0222 SB202); Christie McCraine (Item #21-0219 Elections Director); Zach Hines (Item #21-0222 SB202); Melissa Brown (Item #21-0222 SB202); Kari Hines (Item #21-0222 SB202); Racheal Moorman (Item #21-0222 SB202); Jill Wright (Item #21-0219 Elections Director); Sarah Pedro (Item #21-0222 SB202); Jeffrey Mullavey (Item #21-0222 SB202); Cynthia Qualtire (Item #21-0219 Elections Director/Item #21-0222 SB202/Item #21-0277 Task Force); Elizabeth Verderber (Item# 21-0219 Elections Director/Item #21-0222 SB202); Donna Renfro Lawson (Library Services); LaRoyce Morgan (Item #21-0222 SB202); Sheila Hamilton (Item #21-0222 SB202); and Maddie Goldman (Drop Boxes/Fulton County Elections).

ZONING, USE PERMITS, AND ZONING MODIFICATION APPLICATIONS**TWO RELATED CASES****21-0262 Public Works**

2021Z -0001 SFC, Wendell Drive, Fulton Industrial Boulevard **(APPROVED CONDITIONAL)**

Public Works Dept. Recommendation: Approval Conditional

CZB Recommendation: Approval Conditional

CLUP: Consistent

Application by Nathan V. Hendricks III for H & Hab Services, Inc., Kiflemeriam Teele seeks a rezoning from M-2 (Heavy Industrial) to C-2 (Commercial) to develop a 4,200 square foot convenience store with gas pumps.

The subject 0.82-acre site has 171.33 feet of frontage along the northeast side of Wendell Drive and 200.00 feet of frontage along the north side of Fulton Industrial Boulevard (SR 70). The site is located in Land Lot 23, District 14F, Fulton County, Georgia.

PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED**SPEAKERS: Nathan Hendricks (Applicant)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve the recommendations of the CZB in items #21-0262 and #21-0263. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

Nay: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Vice Chair Hall to approve items #21-0262 and #21-0263 including conditions requested by Fulton Industrial CID. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

21-0263**Public Works**

2021ZVC-0001 SFC, Wendell Drive, Fulton Industrial Boulevard **(APPROVED CONDITIONAL)**

Public Works Dept. Recommendation: Approval Conditional

CZB Recommendation: Approval Conditional

CLUP: Consistent

Application by Nathan V. Hendricks III for H & Hab Services, Inc., Kiflemeriam Teele, seeks a concurrent variance to reduce the required 15-foot landscape strip along Fulton Industrial Boulevard to allow the proposed pavement to encroach on the landscape strip as shown on the site plan.

The subject 0.82-acre site has 171.33 feet of frontage along the northeast side of Wendell Drive and 200.00 feet of frontage along the north side of Fulton Industrial Boulevard (SR 70). The site is located in Land Lot 23, District 14F, Fulton County, Georgia.

PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED

SPEAKERS: Nathan Hendricks (Applicant)

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve the recommendations of the CZB in items #21-0262 and #21-0263. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

Nay: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Arrington and seconded by Vice Chair Hall to approve items #21-0262 and #21-0263 including conditions requested by Fulton Industrial CID. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**21-0264****Board of Commissioners**

Presentation - Fulton County School System **(PRESENTED)**

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****21-0265****County Manager**

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

21-0266 Finance

Presentation, review and approval of April 14, 2021 Budget Soundings
(APPROVED)

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

21-0267 Finance

Request approval of a Resolution to authorize the Administrative Reprogramming of certain funds relating to the Fulton County, Georgia General Obligation Library bonds Series 2010 A/B and related matters. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

21-0268 Human Resources Management

Request approval to make routine modifications to the classification section of the Classification and Compensation Plan, by adding new classifications within the Sheriff's Office. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

Did Not Vote: Pitts, and Ellis

21-0269 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, 20RFP127341K-DB, Judge Romae T. Powell-Fulton County Juvenile Justice Facility Building Automation System Upgrades, Air Handling Unit Repairs and Chiller Replacements in the amount of \$1,802,591.00 with Trane U.S., Inc. (Atlanta, GA), to provide renovation of the Building Automation System (BAS) upgrades, Air Handling Units Repairs and Chiller Replacement at the Fulton County Judge Romae T. Powell Juvenile Justice Center. Effective upon issuance of Notice to Proceed for a period of 12 months. **(REMOVED)**

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

21-0270 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of statewide contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199409-0001, SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199409-0002, SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199409-0003 SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199373-002, SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199373-005, SWC#99999-SPD-ES40199373-009S, SWC#99999-SPD-SPD000155-0001, SWC#99999-SPD-SPD000155-0007, SWC #99999-001-SPD0000102-0004, and SWC#99999-001-SPD0000102-0023, Purchase 2021 Vehicles and Equipment Countywide in the total amount of \$3,156,140.68 with: (A) Akins Ford-Dodge-Chrysler-Jeep-Pursuit (Winder, GA) in the amount of \$439,868.41; (B) Hardy Chevrolet -Pursuit (Dallas, GA) in the amount of \$380,148.38, (C) Wade Ford, Inc.-Pursuit (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$615,357.00; (D) Allan Vigil Ford-Administrative (Morrow, GA) in the amount of \$782,894.00; (E) Hardy Fleet Group Chev-Administrative (Dallas, GA) in the amount of \$93,717.20; (F) Wade Ford, Inc.-Administrative (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$169,768.12; (G) Rush Truck Center of Georgia, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$145,312.57; (H) Peach State Truck Centers, LLC (Norcross, GA) in the amount of \$212,998.00; (I) Atlanta Kubota, LLC (Marietta, GA) in the amount of \$92,115.00; and (J) Flint Equipment Co., Inc., dba John Deere (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$223,782.00; for the purchase of 71 vehicles/ equipment that includes 34 police pursuit vehicles, 32 administrative vehicles, and 5 specialized heavy equipment for various county departments. This is a one-time procurement. **(REMOVED)**

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

21-0271 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing contracts - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, GSA Contract #GS-07F-169DA, NJPA Contract #062117-DAC and NJPA Contract #122017-SCA, Purchase 2021 Specialized Heavy Equipment in the total amount of \$231,374.67 with: (A) Deere & Company dba John Deere (Conyers, GA) in the amount of \$23,477.75; and (B) Sewer Equipment Co., of America dba Jet-Vac Equipment Co., LLC (Dixon, IL) in the amount of \$207,896.92 for the purchase of specialized heavy equipment for the Public Works Departments. This is a one-time procurement. **(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, Ellis, Morris, Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Hausmann

21-0272 Information Technology

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Fulton County Information Technology (FCIT), 21ITB0101B-EC, Countywide Audio-Visual Services and Systems in the total amount of \$518,000.00 with A) Audiovisual Innovations, Inc. (Duluth, GA) in the amount of \$ 259,000.00 and B) Basesix (Marietta, GA) in the amount of \$259,000.00, to provide Countywide audio visual systems, equipment, support and services to be effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2021, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

21-0273 Information Technology

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Fulton County Department of Information Technology (FCIT), 19RFP050719B-BR, Fulton County Jail Video System in the amount of \$3,222,473.04 with Johnson Controls, Inc. (Roswell, GA) to provide CCTV Products, Services, and Installation. The contract will commence as of the date indicated in the Notice to Proceed (NTP) and shall continue until the sooner of (a) a period of 24 months; (b) Final Acceptance; or (c) the Agreement is terminated as provided herein.

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

Health and Human Services**21-0274 Behavioral Health and Development Disabilities**

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Fulton County, on behalf of the Fulton County Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (BHDD) and Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System, for the purpose of integrating strategies to provide medication assisted outpatient treatment of substance abuse for Fulton County residents. The term of this MOU is effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0275 Public Works**

Request approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Fulton County, Georgia and the City of Roswell, GA for water main relocations associated with road widening improvements to SR 140/Holcomb Bridge Road and Warsaw Road, in an estimated amount of \$741,799.00. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Hausmann

21-0276 Public Works

Request approval to increase spending authority - Department of Public Works, 20ITB125848K-DB, Road Resurfacing in the amount of \$4,427,272.00 with C. W. Matthews Contracting Company (Marietta, GA), to provide resurfacing of roads within the Fulton Industrial District. Effective upon BOC approval. **(REMOVED)**

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

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**21-0219 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution expressing the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County regarding the appointment, hiring, and termination powers of the Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections; and for other purposes. **(Ellis) (HELD ON 3/17/21) (HELD)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY CHAIRMAN PITTS

21-0220 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution expressing the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County regarding the authority to terminate the Fulton County Elections Supervisor; and for other purposes. **(Arrington/Hall) (HELD ON 3/17/21) (HELD)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY CHAIRMAN PITTS

21-0222 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners in Support of Voters' Rights, Equal Access to the Ballot, and Stopping "~~Jim Crow~~" Voter Suppression; and for other purposes. **(Abdur-Rahman)**
(APPROVED AS AMENDED)

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

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

Nay: Ellis, and Morris

Absent: Hausmann

21-0277 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution creating and establishing the Fulton County Reparations Task Force to research the feasibility of slavery reparations for Blacks who live in Fulton County, Georgia; and for other purposes. **(Arrington/Hall/Abdur-Rahman) (APPROVED)**

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

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

Nay: Ellis, and Morris

Absent: Hausmann

21-0278 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution amending Article 2, Division 2, Subpart B of the Fulton County Code of Resolutions, to amend Subsection 118-50 regarding membership and qualifications of the Board of Directors of the Development Authority of Fulton County; and for other purposes. **(Arrington/Morris) (HELD)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON

21-0279 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution amending Resolution No.18-0168 authorizing the creation of a Fulton County Superior Court Clerk's Technology Fund; and for other purposes. **(Morris) (HELD)**

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS

COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****21-0280 External Affairs**

Update of 2021 Legislative Agenda. **(PRESENTED)**

21-0281 County Manager

Discussion: Elections Cost Update. **(DISCUSSED)**

COMMISSIONERS' PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**21-0282 Board of Commissioners**

Discussion: Resolution creating and establishing the Fulton County Veterans Empowerment Commission **(Arrington) (HELD)**

21-0283 Board of Commissioners

Discussion: Election 2021 Cycle **(Hausmann) (HELD)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION**21-0284 Board of Commissioners**

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

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

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

Did Not Vote: Hausmann, and Ellis

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve requests for representation in items #1 and #2 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Morris

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve settlement authority in item #3 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2021
10:00 A.M.

(Where upon the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Good morning, and welcome to the Regular Meeting of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Today is Wednesday, April 14th, 2021. It is approximately 10:03 or :04 a.m. Madam Clerk, please call the roll for the purposes of a quorum."

CLERK GRIER: "Chairman Robb Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Liz Hausmann. Commissioner Bob Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Present."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Lee Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Vice Chair Natalie Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr. Commissioner Khadija Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Chairman, you have a quorum."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you very much. Please rise wherever you are for the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 2, Consent Agenda. 21-0234, Adoption of the Consent Agenda. All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the regular meeting agenda for separate consideration."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I'd like to remove item 21-0246, which is on page 4."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Page 4. Repeat the number again, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "It's 21-0246."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah. Ideally, I'd like to remove it for -- I guess we could -- ideally, I'd like to remove it from the agenda altogether so we can have some more information or hold it until the next meeting, but for purposes of this, so this has to be removed from the consent agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Any other items on the Consent Agenda? Any other questions? If not, I'll entertain a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll second. Cast your votes, please. Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris. Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes unanimously."

CLERK GRIER: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have one item to be added to today's regular meeting agenda. 21-0285, Purchasing and Contract Compliance. Request ratification of emergency procurement countywide."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So what's the -- what's the emergency?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I think, as it went through the new system, it didn't get properly put on the agenda, so the memo's been delivered to the Board. These are emergency purchases that have already been made. So, from that perspective, it could just be slipped to the next agenda or as a matter of forum, you could leave it on this agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "But it's not a true emergency."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. So if it's not a true emergency -- if we're going to have this rule, I think we need to obey it and abide by it. So if it's not a true emergency, I recommend that we not add it. Any objections?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "No objection."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Thank you, Vice Chair. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. On the bottom of page 7, Regular Meeting Agenda, 21-0258, Adoption of the Regular Meeting Agenda. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have amendments to today's Regular Meeting Agenda. Items to be removed, on page 10, 21-0270, Real Estate and Asset Management. Request approval of statewide contracts for the purchase of 71 vehicles and equipment. On page 11, item to be removed, 21-0276, public works. Request approval to increase spending authority to provide resurfacing of roads within the Fulton Industrial Districts. Item to -- Commissioner Arrington has also requested to hold an item on page 12, 21-0278. Request approval of a resolution amending Fulton County code resolutions regarding membership and qualifications of the Board of Directors of the Development Authority of Fulton County and for other purposes. That item is to be failed. And we have an item to be revised as requested by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman on page 12, 21-0222. Request approval of a resolution in support of the voters' right equal access to the ballot and stopping Jim Crow voter suppression. This item was revised and includes an amended resolution. And that's all."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Excuse, Chair. Chair, that's not the correct title."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "21-0222, that's -- what are you saying, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman? It's not the correct title?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "That is not the correct title. The title was corrected and sent over."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, so --"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, that is -- that's what we had on the Agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, we'll have a corrected title before us. Okay."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Mr. Chairman --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "This is Sharon. Felicia Strong Whitaker, the purchasing agent has advised that we have a -- received a protest for one of the procurement items that's on today's Agenda, and we would like to remove that item as well. Its item number 21-0269, on page 10 of 13 of the Agenda. It's the building -- juvenile justice facility building automation system upgrades, air handling unit repairs, and chiller replacements. It's that item. If we could remove that for the purpose of processing the protest."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "What is it?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "It's on page 10, item -- first item, 21-0269."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Removed. Okay. Any others? All right, on the Regular Agenda as amended, I'll entertain a motion."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second. Cast your votes, please. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

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

CLERK GRIER: "21-0259, Ratification of Minutes. Regular meeting minutes March 3rd, recess meeting post Agenda minutes March 17th, special call meeting post Agenda minutes March 30th and April 2nd, 2021."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Move approval."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Let's vote, please. Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington. Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I vote, yes."

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

CLERK GRIER: "On page 8, 21-0260, Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. First proclamation is recognizing County of Champions Day, sponsored by Chairman Pitts and Commissioner Ellis."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Who has a proclamation?"

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Carver."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Carver."

DARRYL CARVER: "Good morning, Mr. Chairman. Yes, this is for County of Champions Day and starts with as -- whereas the Westlake Lady Lions continue the championship dynasty winning a four consecutive GHSA girls championship by capturing a 6A basketball state title dominating Carrollton 64 to 46 before winning the Geico National Championship earlier this month and whereas the Woodward Academy War Eagles completed their championship run by winning the GHSA 5A girls basketball title after beating Forest Park 62 to 59, winning their first championship since 1999. And whereas, the Milton Eagles boys basketball team completed their run to the GH 7A title outlasting Berkmar by a score of 52 to 47, earning the program it's third state championship in the school's history and it's first since 2012. And whereas, the Pace Academy Knights repeated as state champs claiming a 2A boys championship dominating Columbia 73 to 42 in the GHSA championship game in a season where the team lost only one game. And whereas the Mount Pisgah Patriots boys basketball team capped the title winning season by beating Holy Innocence 43 to 41 to seize the Class A private boys state championship. Now, therefore be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County honors the season, the South Fulton County Schools dominate their opponents statewide and earned the title of state champions and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 14, 2021, as 2021 County of Champions Day in Fulton County Georgia."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you Chair, I'd like to make -- make that -- see if we can make that a full board proclamation?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Absolutely."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Any representatives present? I thought there were going to be."

CLERK GRIER: "I think so."

DARRYL CARVER: "I believe -- I know that Coach Hankerson from Westlake is on here and Coach Whitehart, and Coach Sharman White, they're all on the call as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, coaches, we're very proud of our student athletes and we'D love to hear from you for a moment, if you so choose to do so. Sirs."

DARRYL CARVER: "Yes, if Coach Hankerson could start? I know she's on the call."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, Coach."

COACH HANKERSON: "Yes. How are you doing, sir?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Fine. I'd like to hear from you. Thank you again for number four and we're ready for number five."

COACH HANKERSON: "Well, I just want to say thank you to you, sir, and to the other commissioners for this honor. We are so proud to receive it once again. It is unbelievable what the girls have done in these past few years. You know, we've dreamed of the first championship, but to do it four times in a row, you don't even dream about that. It just happens with great athletes and great support by the community, great parents, and administration at Westlake High School, and we're just thankful. And to be given the opportunity to play at the Geico Nationals. We played the first year in 2018, and we did not win. But to go back within four years with two of those girls that played on that original game, is an unbelievable accomplishment. And we're just truly blessed and honored that you all have taken the time to recognize the accomplishments of the girls at Westlake High School. And we just want to say thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you so much, Coach."

COACH HANKERSON: "You're welcome."

DARRYL CARVER: "I believe Coach White from Pace is on as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Coach, good morning."

COACH WHITEHART: "Good morning. How are you doing, sir?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Fine sir."

COACH WHITE: "First of all, on behalf of Pace Academy we want to thank you and your staff for all the support you all have given us throughout the season -- throughout, you know, just our whole season with this being a COVID season and all the different trials and challenges that each one of us as coaches had to endure, but to have that support of our community and our County, it's truly, truly big for us. And thank you for coming out to practice. It really meant a lot to the guys. We still have that picture. We have it framed because we thought that was a very special moment, and we like the way you proclaimed this County as the County of Champions and us to be a part of it was truly great for our kids, you know, for three of these coaches to be able to go on to the national tournament, I think it says a lot about Fulton County and about the kind of talent, and the kind of moxy this County has when it comes to athletics. So again, thank you so much for your support, and we look forward for your continued support."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Coach."

DARRYL CARVER: "We also heard earlier from Coach Whitehart from Milton. I'm seeing if he's still on the phone."

COACH ALAN WHITEHART: "Yes, I'm on the call. Good morning, everyone. First, congratulate the other championship coaches on this platform. Unbelievable coaches in Fulton County. I personally know quite a few of them. Coach Hankerson and Coach White have the opportunity like myself in my program to be able to go to Geico, which was an unbelievable experience. And, you know, like Coach Hankerson said, she was able to win it, which is an unbelievable feat considering the competition that she was up against at the national level. And you know, Coach White being down there as well, his team represented the state of Georgia all year at a national level, which I think can't go unnoticed. And we are very thankful for everything Fulton County does for us and the support all the help they give us to be able to run the kind of program that we have. And we at Milton are just blessed to be able to have this opportunity to win another state championship. It had been quite a few years, and like Coach White said, we had to navigate through COVID. We didn't know at times if we were going to be able to even play for a state championship or even have the playoffs. So for Fulton County and the other coaches, to be able to navigate through that is really big for our program, and we're very thankful for all the support that each of you give us and the platform that you allow us and our students to perform on. So thank you for everything you've given us."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you very much, Coach."

DARRYL CARVER: "There are two more, I'm not sure if they're on the call. I'll start with Coach Hixenbaugh from Mount Pisgah."

COACH MATT HIXENBAUGH: Yes, I am here. And again, thank you so much for, you know, providing this opportunity. And our communities, obviously our program and our school and our community is very proud of our team, but we're really appreciative of the County and the Commissioners to, you know, take the time out when you have so many other things to worry about and especially in the chaos of our modern world to recognize young athletes as student athletes who are doing things the right way, which I think it says a lot about y'all, and we really appreciate it. And I think it kind of provides wind in their sails that will really pay off down the future to get the recognition in a positive way when they're young. So thanks so much for all you do, we really appreciate it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Coach."

DARRYL CARVER: "And the last of our coaches was Coach Lawrence from Woodward."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Chair, we're doing a proclamation. The coach is here with us and the entire team. And so if we can have the actual coach to speak at that time, I would appreciate it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Woodward?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Woodward. Woodward's here. The entire team is here with me now."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Oh, okay."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Would you like for me to do a presentation now for them?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, that's fine. Go ahead."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "All right. We got everybody? Great. Great. Great. This is a proclamation for the Woodward Academy Lady War Eagles. Whereas, the Woodward Academy Lady War Eagles, girls basketball team, led by Atlanta Journal-Constitution, girls coach of the year, Kim Lawrence, performed at a high level throughout their 2020-2021 campaign ending their season with only one loss all year and whereas, the Lady War Eagles completed a perfect 14-0 region schedule and capturing the Region III 5A championship and entered the 2021 GHSA state tournament as the top seed in their class, and whereas the Woodward Academy girls basketball team -- basketball squad featuring Atlanta Journal-Constitution all Metro guard Sidney Bowles took on several of the toughest teams in the state including Harris County, Coffee County, Southwest DeKalb, and Griffin on their way to the 5A state finals. And whereas on Thursday, March 11th, 2021, in Macon, the Lady War Eagles clinched the 2021 girls 5A GHSA state championship in dramatic fashion with a steal on the Forest Park's final possession to hold onto a 62-59 victory. And whereas, the 2021 GHSA Class 5A title was the fourth state championship. Now I'm going to repeat that again. Was the fourth state championship in the program's history and its first since 1999, marking a return to the Lady War Eagles' legacy of excellence. Now therefore, be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners congratulates the varsity girls basketball team at Woodward Academy for a season that saw the squad emerge as state champion and does hereby proclaim Friday, April 16th, 2021, as Woodward Academy Lady War Eagles varsity girls basketball appreciation day in Fulton County Georgia. So on behalf of Fulton County and all the Commissioners, we would like to present this to you and, Coach, and give you an opportunity to say a few words."

COACH SHARMAN WHITE: "Thank you. Thank you. Very much for this proclamation. This is truly a special honor. I want to thank the players for all their hard work throughout the season. I'd like to think, as the coaches already alluded to COVID was a challenge for everyone, and I'm not sure that if we were going to have a season, but thankfully we did. Thank you, Commissioner, for the signs out. We are so appreciative of that and you're recognizing our team. And thank you to the Woodward family and the community for all their support throughout the years."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "And we also want to give you and the other coach and all your players a Mighty Six Bag from the Fulton County Commissioners. Thank you, Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Commissioner. This is truly becoming a tradition for us because I really believe we are a County of champions. These are student athletes. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "And the next proclamation is recognizing National Child Abuse prevention month sponsored by Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, Mr. Carver."

DARRYL CARVER: "Chairman, that proclamation reads as follows: Whereas children are Fulton County's most valuable resource and are most vulnerable. They have the right to be safe and an opportunity to thrive, learn, and grow in an environment that fosters healthy development for their future success, prosperity, and quality-of-life. And whereas, Fulton County Juvenile Court along with our many partners is dedicated to coordinating and providing services that are trauma informed to better serve children who've experienced adversity. And whereas, affected child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, healthcare providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community. And whereas, child abuse neglect can be prevented by supporting and strengthening Fulton County's families thus forbidding the far-reaching effects of maltreatment and providing the opportunity for children to develop healthy trusting family bonds and consequently building the foundations of communities. And whereas, by providing a safe and nurturing environment for our children, free of violence, abuse, and neglect, we can ensure that -- ensure that Fulton County's children will grow to their full potential as the next generation of leaders helping to secure the future of the state and the nation. And whereas effectively intervening in the lives of children threatened by abuse as a shared responsibility of Georgia citizens must come together so that the voices of our children will be heard by all and we all must ensure that our communities are extending helpful hands to children and families in need. Now therefore be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the dedication exhibited by the juvenile court system in preventing child abuse. And, therefore, does hereby proclaim the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Fulton County Georgia."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Mr. Carver, and congratulations. All right. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Page 8, Public Hearings. 21-0261. Public comment. Citizens wishing to participate in public comment registered online to join the public comment portion of the zoom call can submit public comment in by e-mail or by filling out the form located on the County website www.fultoncountyGA.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."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, how many do we have?"

DARRYL CARVER: "Chairman, we have 26 that have logged on and e-mailed comments to us."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. There are 26?"

DARRYL CARVER: "Twenty-six, yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Twenty-six speakers. Speakers, as always, when you have two minutes remaining, I or the clerk will say 15 minutes, which should be -- or it will be, rather, a signal for you to sum up. Fifteen minutes, a few seconds remaining. I'll simply say 15 seconds. Also --"

DARRYL CARVER: "These are all e-mail comments, sir. I apologize. Those are 12. Those are 26 e-mails, that's correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Twenty-six e-mails, okay, all right. But still --"

DARRYL CARVER: "I have Judge Scales on the line from -- to accept the previous proclamation."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Judge Scales?"

JUDGE SCALES: "Good morning, Mr. Chairman. Good morning, everyone. I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for an opportunity that you've given us in recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It's with great honor that I accept this proclamation on behalf of the Fulton County Juvenile Court and our partners, Atlanta Court-appointed special advocates, and the Spark. The National Child Abuse Prevent Month observation began in April of 1983 and with sole focus on raising awareness and preventing child abuse. Juvenile Court and its partners remain committed to rehabilitating families and dedicated to the prevention of child abuse. We firmly believe that we all play a role in cultivating positive relationships, and environments for children throughout our community. We worked tirelessly as we realized the future success and wellbeing of children is at stake. So I thank you, Chairman Pitts, and the Fulton County Board of Commissioners for this declaration and recognition today."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I said thank you and congratulations."

JUDGE SCALES: "Thank you, sir."

CLERK GRIER: "Public comment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Now this public --"

DARRYL CARVER: "Okay, Chairman. I'm going to start with Amy Hughes of Alpharetta. I support Bob Ellis' resolution that the partisan Board of Commissioners

does not have the right to usurp authority over the BRE authority to fire Richard Barron. The running of our election should be bipartisan. Your actions would give the voters of Fulton County no faith in the integrity of our elections process. If you support Mr. Arrington's resolution, you're making our election process partisan and corrupt. The running of our elections will have the Board with no powers and thus useless in overseeing our election process. The Election Integrity Bill is not Jim Crow voter suppression. It is an effort to ensure that legal voters vote and that there's only one vote per person. By voting no to Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution will give the citizens of Fulton County assurance that you're seeking fairness and integrity in our election system. By voting, yes, you are saying that you want opportunities available for fraud to seep into our election system. There's no voter suppression in the bill. As the Board, you require that citizens provide IDs for the COVID vaccine. Are you vaccination suppressionists? The false narrative about the bill is hurting our state and hurting our economy. If you vote yes to this resolution, your response will help companies boycott our state. We do not want our tax dollars to be spent on reparations task force. It is preposterous to think that the Fulton citizens in the 21st century should be responsible but for actions taken by a small subset of people hundreds of years ago. Please vote no. It is a waste of time and resources. These resources would be better served to help people fight human trafficking and the growing homeless population."

DARRYL CARVER: "The second of these public comments is from Thomas Bowes in Alpharetta. Good morning, Board of Commissioners. My name is Thomas Bowes. I'm a Fulton County resident. Thank you for hearing my comments today. I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to file the Fulton County Registration and Elections Board to hire and fire it's his own director. It is their responsibility, no one else's. The Election's Board reviewed the job done by its director and rightfully determined that his performance was sorely lacking. They were correct to fire him-- the Board of Commissioners was wrong to interfere. No other County in Georgia allows this Board of Commissioners to override its Board of Registration and Elections. Why does Fulton County? This is absurd and only further perpetuates the image of Fulton County as corrupt. Past Commissioner Ellis' resolution stopped this political nonsense. I also implore you to reject Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution to call SB202 voter suppression. This too is absurd. SB202 was passed by the Georgia legislature and signed into law by Georgia's governor. That's how a representative of the public works. The Board of Commissioners has no right to object or malign lost property unequally passed by our elective representatives. There exists absolutely no reasonable objection to require a personal identification in order to vote. To claim that requiring ID to vote is somehow suppressive, it's an insult to 97% of Georgia's registered voters who already have and use an ID to vote. Thank you for allowing me to comment."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next comment is from Melissa Dale of Milton. Thank you for the opportunity to give my thoughts today as a 13-year Fulton County resident. I was -- I would like to give my thoughts on several items being discussed today. First, I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registration and Election's Board power to appoint and terminate the director of the corresponding Boards. Second, I support SB202. I don't believe that requiring all voters to show an

identification in order to be allowed to vote is voter suppression. In fact, I think it's insulting to single out African Americans and claim that only people of color aren't able to get a legal photo ID. I believe that African Americans are basically smart, strong people. And to spin such a tale is incredulous and harmful to the black community. Third, I've recently been made aware that there's been talk of a reparation for African Americans of Fulton County. What does this look like? How do you decide who receives these reparations? I wasn't aware that all white people in the United States were descendants of slave owners or that all black people in America were descendants of slaves. My great-grandparents immigrated here from Poland, Italy, and Holland in the early 1900s. Does that make me responsible for slavery? I don't believe this is a solution to current problems. I'm a huge supporter of Martin Luther King's ways of approaching problems. Dr. King looked at the situation, figured out what the root cause was, and then came up with a solution and created a roadmap to get that solution, what is the root of the problem? How do you expect to solve it with reparations? I leave you with this question to ponder in the words of the great Dr. King, an eye for an eye leaves everybody blind."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Julie Allen of Atlanta. As a resident of District Three, I commend -- I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registration Elections Boards power to appoint and terminate the director of the corresponding board. I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it harder to vote. I stood with Governor Kemp at his -- from April Capital press conference where he outlined why this bill makes it easier to vote and hard to cheat. The bill was an answer to the record number of calls to the Georgia state legislators and the Georgia Secretary of State for witnesses to corruption and errors at the polls on election night. The pandemic of 2020 allowed for millions to support the conveniences of mail-in voting, mobile voting, numerous drop boxes, and extended time past election day to accept votes. These emergency measures don't need to be permanent as they contributed to the chaos and corruption of the election. If requiring voter ID is considered voter suppression, why not make an effort to help the community obtain voter ID? SB202 does not restrict -- for any registered voter of Georgia. We are required to show ID to get on an airplane and drive a car. If voter ID is suppression, why not those not suppression as well, I do not agree with the resolution to allow for reparations for blacks who live in Fulton County. Everyone in America can live the American dream. We are each responsible for our own choices and actions. We as all Americans live in a democracy where we can earn a living and get an education. We have witnessed 150 years of legal, social, and economic progress obtained by millions of American minorities. Why shouldn't the black community of Fulton County prefer to have a job and no handout of business than an unemployment check? An expense account rather than a free phone, school choice for a good education, black Wall Street 2.0 than Section 8 expanded?"

DARRYL CARVER: "The next comment is from Greg Fann of East Point. Good morning, Commissioners. My name is Greg Fann. I am the president of the South Fulton Ministerial Alliance. I write to you on behalf of our parishioners of South Fulton. We are concerned about the law that is passed by the legislators on voting. We believe

that this law is suppressive and will cause hardship on many people and make it difficult for them to vote. Fulton County exemplified it in its efforts in the last election to ensure that everyone who wanted to vote could vote investing thousands of dollars to purchase two mobile units where people could vote. And we applaud you for that. We also asked that you -- asked you today to support the legislation that's been presented to protect our right to vote introduced by Commissioner Khadija Abdul-Rahman. We know that you represent people in Fulton County and all eyes are on you and you also know that God's eye is on you too."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Hillary Harris of Milton. Fulton County Board of Commissioners, thank you for consideration of my comments regarding two of the revolutions you're considering today. First, I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it harder to vote. Saying that SB202 is a requirement for -- SB202's requirement for voter ID is considered voter suppression is absurd and an insult to the intelligence of all of your constituents. An ID is required for many activities regardless of race or gender. So the next time a citizen checks into a hotel in Atlanta, boards a flight at Hartsfield Jackson International, picks up Braves or Falcons tickets, will call, opens a bank account, I assume no ID will be required moving forward. The question for you is, are you trying to make it easier to cheat or actually protect the integrity of the vote for those who vote in person versus mail-in/absentee ballots. Please vote against this resolution. Secondly, I do not agree with creating reparation's task force. Let's focus on how to offer a hand up instead of a handout. Deconstruct what reparations really mean and ask the question what problem does this solve besides building divisiveness and creating an exemption from personal responsibility. Reparations overlooks the main success is achieved by African-Americans of Fulton County all the way to the office of the US President. But reparations does not solve the Fulton County social dilemmas created related to crime drugs, or a lack of choice in education. This also does nothing to stop slavery that is taking place in the world currently. Please vote against this resolution. I appreciate your time."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Richard Thorne of Alpharetta. Dear Commissioners, can you please stop dividing our County by race. Please look for unity and what is best for all citizens. A task-force reparation is divisive and a waste of County time and resources. No one -- no one today has owned or been a slave. False rhetoric creates a victim mentality that's harmful to the black community and, therefore, our entire nation. Reparation is the socialist idea that only de-incentivizes work. Is socialism what you want for Fulton County? What message are you sending to potential investors in our County? SB202 integrity bill is not Jim Crow 2.0. That is a lie that is perpetrated by Abrams, LeBron, and Sharpton. Their lies are hurting our County's economy and people requiring ID is not racist. You're requiring ID for the COVID vaccine. Are you vaccine suppressionists? Early voting days are expanded. Water can be given 100 feet away. This bill seeks to correct lies that Rick Barren is notorious for creating with these poorly trained workers. I, therefore, urge you to support the Board of Registration and Election's decision to fire Barron. By therefore -- by overriding their decision, you render the Board useless. The Board will have no

authority over him. Chairman Robb Pitts with more than everyone else in the County, will have to help Barron run our elections. Currently, there was no confidence in our election process. Without integrity, you lose democracy. Do you want Fulton to be a socialist country? Let's use our resources to support homelessness, mental illnesses, small business, sex trafficking, opioid addiction, et cetera. Let's not divide Fulton. Let's unite. We're stronger together."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Bea Rhorer of Alpharetta. I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registration and Elections Board power to appoint and terminate the director of the corresponding Board. We do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it hard to vote. There's too much corruption and errors witnessed at the polls on Election Day if this bill addresses some of these concerns. If requiring voter ID is considered voter suppression, why is having an ID in other incidences such as opening a bank account, boarding a plane or entering a corporate building such as -- when you're entering a corporate building such as Coca-Cola, Delta, UPS, not considered banking oppression. Transportation suppression or access suppression. To use the label of Jim Crow is offensive to Americans of all colors and ethnicities. We do not agree with the resolution to allow for reparations for blacks who live in Fulton County. Why are we seeking to implement narratives that contribute to the racial division and animosity. Why do our leaders assume that we do not know that slavery/human trafficking is still a very real reality. Why do our leaders not address that very real tragedy of humanity in our own communities?"

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Hannah Sheek of Roswell. Hello, Commissioners, I'm Hannah Sheek of Roswell, Georgia in District Two. I really wish I could be there face-to-face to look you all in the eyes and tell you do not with a capital NOT agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it harder to vote. It actually makes it harder to cheat. A large multitude of people who witnessed cheating and errors first hand called our Georgia's Secretary of State and state legislators. I was there that day at the Capital, but those people patiently waited all day to tell the dastardly story of what they had witnessed on Election Day. I believe that the quote/unquote pandemic, and it's spelled, P-L-A-N-D-E-M-I-C, of 2020 allowed many people to get comfortable with the conveniences of mail-in voting, mobile voting, numerous drop boxes and extended time past election day to accept votes. It's absolutely not necessary to have these extreme measures be permanent as it would only allow for further corruption. Thousands of us here in Georgia are furious that the absurd idea of requiring a voter ID is voter suppression. It absolutely does not. SB202 --"

CLERK GRIER: "Time. Thank you. Next speaker, please."

DARRYL CARVER: "The next speaker listed is Kevin Muldowney of Alpharetta. We need to get rid of the Dominion voting machines and start using old-fashioned paper like they do in Canada. The Dominion machines can easily be connected to the Internet which is highly illegal, and manipulated as we've seen in the 2020 election."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next public comment is Lori Owen Carbone of Johns Creek. I do not approve of Commissioner Ellis' resolution that we should allow the Fulton County Elections Board to -- the power to appoint/terminate the Director of the Board. I also do not agree with the position of to -- with opposition to SB202 by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. SB202 does not make it harder to vote. It does the opposite. It makes it easier to vote. And finally, all men are created equal in our country. That would be a crime to favor one group over another to pay reparations and it's in and of itself racist to believe that one group is inferior to another is a horrible form of racism."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next is John Nance of Sandy Springs. We support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registrations and Elections Board power to appoint and terminate the director of the corresponding board."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next is Robin Arabach of Roswell. I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution of SB202 makes it harder to vote. Georgia voter integrity laws are more lenient than other states, Colorado, for example. Does Ms. Rahman know that we allow drop boxes to stay? Without the new law, all drop boxes would have been done away with when the governor's emergency order expires. ID is required for everything, given even the COVID vaccine. Is this vaccine suppression? I believe it's racist to assume that any group of people are not smart enough to get an ID, which is free. I do not agree with reparations for anyone. I do not want my tax dollars to be spent studying this ridiculous idea. We are all Americans and I'm tired of the racist rhetoric."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next is Christy McCrane of Roswell. I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registration and Elections Board the power to terminate and appoint the Director of the Elections Board. I also do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution stating that SB202 makes it hard to vote. But a court requiring an ID is a form of voter suppression. I'm sure the commissioner has an issue with showing ID -- I'm sure the commissioner has no issue with showing an ID to get on an airplane, buy alcohol, or get the COVID vaccine. This is a selective implementation of the idea of suppression that's easily seen through completely illogical. Finally, I oppose any resolutions offering reparations to the people of Fulton County."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Zach Hines of Roswell. Good morning. I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution of SB202. It makes it harder to vote. Actually, it clearly makes it harder to -- makes it easier to vote and harder to cheat. I'm very frustrated with the false narrative being spread by lawmakers, CEOs of large corporations, and the media. This bill was an answer to the enormous number of calls to the Georgia State Legislators and to the Secretary of State for multiple witnesses to the fraud, corruption, and errors of the polls on or before Election Day. The pandemic helped many to get comfortable with the conveniences of mail in voting, mobile voting, numerous drop boxes and extended time past election day to accept votes. I feel it's important that emergency measures are not made permanent as they contributed to chaos and corruption during the election. There is no need to continue to scare the public as the polls are perfectly safe. As you may know, there weren't any

reports of an outbreak stemming from a polling place. And if requiring ID to vote is considered voter suppression, perhaps there should be an initiative to further educate the community on how to obtain an ID. SB202 does not restrict access to vote for any registered voter of Georgia. There are numerous things that we are required to show identification for, to rent a home, to open a bank account, to get on an airplane, to buy alcohol, to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, et cetera. If requiring an ID to vote is suppression, the afore-mentioned examples are suppression too? Clearly not."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Melissa Brown of Roswell. I don't agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it harder to vote. In fact, it makes it easier to vote harder to cheat. There are so many calls to the Georgia state legislators and the secretary of state from witnesses to corruption and errors to the polls on Election Day. The pandemic allowed for many of us to get used to the conveniences of mail-in voting, mobile voting, numerous drop boxes, and extended time past election day to accept votes. These new -- these emergency measures do not need to be made permanent as they contributed to fraud, chaos and corruption of the election. People should vote in person and have an ID as an honor and privilege for requiring voter ID is voter suppression, then why not make this an effort to help the community obtain a voter ID."

DARRYL CARVER: "The next one is Carrie Hines of Roswell. I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution that SB202 makes it harder to vote. It makes it harder to -- it makes it harder -- it makes it more secure. It makes it -- which should be quelled. Instead, I'm trying to loosen restrictions on how we vote. We should be finding ways to make it easier to get voters to the ballots securely. We must have integrity in our election process, and SB202 helps to guarantee that. Thank you."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Rachel Moorman of Fairburn. Good morning, Commissioners. I'm Rachel Moorman, president -- a resident of Fulton County. I'm here to say two things; one, I support the stop voter suppression resolution before you today because we need to fight SB202 with everything we have legally and politically and stage resolution is just that. Gives us a starting point. Second, you are our voice, and we also need you to speak loudly that we want two federal voting rights bills in Congress, HR1 and HR4 to pass and have President Biden sign it into law to protect our right to vote. Please adopt today's resolution as the moral thing to do. Thank you."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Joe Wright of Milton. Good morning, Commissioners. I would like to support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County Registration and Elections Board to have ultimate authority to appoint and terminate the director of its corresponding Board as this board works in hand and hand with the director. I would also like to oppose Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution to fight the election reform bill, SB202, which was signed into law by Governor Kemp. This bill makes it easier to vote and harder to cheat. The bill was an answer for the record number of calls to the Georgia state legislators and the Georgia Secretary of State of Georgia by Georgia voters who felt their vote was suppressed."

DARRYL CARVER: "The next one is from Sarah Pedro of Milton. Good morning. Thank you in advance for considering my comments. First, as it relates to the resolution of providing a reparations task force, this sounds like a big waste of taxpayer money. Task forces are not assigned to solve problems, but more to create the appearance of solving a problem. If you really believe in the disenfranchisement of the people impacted by slavery, perhaps you should look to those who originally sold the slaves, i.e., African warlords. Please do not insult the intelligence of black Americans with false appearance of caring for them. This is just another way to spin off taxpayer money to programs that do not ever see the light of day. Instead, why don't you take all the money you'd be wasting and put into the inner-city infrastructure to entice businesses to come back to these areas, which would bring jobs of prosperity and a much better life than a small cash payout. Keep in mind only 2% of the current U.S. population owned slaves. So very little will come of this proposed task force. And regarding the resolution in support of voting -- voter rights, equal access to the ballot and stopping Jim Crow voter suppression, this again was another attempt to create a false impression that of what SB202 actually did. This bill actually increased the early voting days, secured the absentee ballot with ID requirements giving everybody a better comfort level of voter security and secured ballot boxes so they weren't just sitting out for anyone to access, in addition to other security members. Yes, it would most likely reduce voter fraud such as [Inaudible.] , out-of-state voters, underage voters, which is actually a good thing because it protects everyone's right to vote. It is again insulting to the black community to imply they can't get an ID or access to the Internet or even more ridiculous a copy or 73% of black voters support voter ID, and all of the laws that they are not protected by these measures. Their vote is secured as well. The only reason they fight against enhanced security of the vote would be if you want to make it easier to cheat."

DARRYL CARVER: "Next public comment is Jeffrey Mulbaney of Atlanta. As a resident of District Four, I want to voice my support of SB202. I believe it is the people's right to ensure our elections are secure and representative of a collective opinion. The changes to the system could only present a very minor inconvenience to myself and my neighbors, but can maximize our peace of mind by knowing our votes matter. Voting is an honor and a privilege. Anyone who is not willing to provide the necessary legal documentation and extend a few minutes of their time to exercise their right must look internally as to whether they're deserving rather than looking for loopholes in the system."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Cynthia Crossshire of Alpharetta. Good morning Commissioners. As a resident of Fulton County, I'd like to comment on three items on the Agenda. Item 21-0219 please support the resolution presented by Commissioner Ellis on appointment hiring and termination powers for the Fulton County board of elections. The resolution is critical to voter integrity and not suppressing my personal vote. As I stated in the previous meeting, my vote was taken from me and I hold Richard Barron accountable or responsible for that fact. Two, item 21-0222, the recently passed SB202 for voter integrity provides more equal access to the ballots than maybe states especially like New York and Delaware. This is not voter suppression. Allowing fraud to continue so my vote does not count is voter suppression. A list of

businesses, government agencies, and even getting the COVID vaccine all require a valid form of identification. Would that be considered voter suppression? Number three, item 21- 0277 please vote NO on a resolution to establish a reparations task force. This resolution is yet another vehicle to divide the community and disallow unity. This will cause deep polarization. Even discussions of reparations is harmful to national confusion, solidarity and a common good rooted in citizens mutual rights and obligations to one another. We don't need more ideological explosions to bring about friction in our communities."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by Elizabeth Verdiber from Milton. I support Commissioner Ellis' resolution to allow the Fulton County registration and elections board to appoint and terminate the director of the corresponding board. I do not agree with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's resolution SB202 makes it harder to vote. "

CLERK GRIER: "Next is public comment by Donna Lawson. Good morning, God morning elected, selected, and rejected, engaged community. A measure of success has been experienced through the interpretation of a certain reply from Fulton County library system representative. However, there are standing inquiries that still need to be addressed. Kimberly [Inaudible.] George, branch administrator successfully answered my question in regards to being pinpointed as the sole library employee that I can contact. Her designation of a legal department director. Her response was that -- was that the job duties for open records requests did not belong to her, but the deputy attorney Stephen Rosenberg of the legal department. This is a library management issue. Next. Ms. George did not provide an answer to who should be directed for discussion about my library records. Mr. Rosenberg is not responsible for explaining record content, so the library management issue is binding. It's a serious mistake to have library staff ill-informed. It's costly; it's frustrating to the worker as well as the seeker of the information. Who knows what's going on with library employees and their job responsibilities? It was very surprisingly disclosed to the citizens inclusive of your Board of Trustees in the March 24th meeting of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners are solely responsible for the hiring, firing, pay, etc., of library employees. This node causes conflict in organizational implications and understanding which one of you can designate someone to explain my library records to me per this request? Dr. Pamela Rochelle is not responding. Commissioner Marvin Arrington is the District 5 representative and should be very aware of why library management has chosen me to expose petty internal library management concerns that they are devastating to the mission of assisting our engaged patrons that their needs for professional library services. Will you please help us and before this scheduled reopening of our much needed and heavily funded branches return to an updated traditional service model. Responses are awaited. Thank you for your coordinated efforts."

DARRYL CARVER: "Public comment by LaRoyce Morgan of Atlanta. Good morning commissioners. I am LaRoyce Morgan, an Atlantan and longtime resident of Fulton County. I support the stop voter suppression resolution before you today. We need to stand against SB202 legally and politically and today's resolution provides this help.

You are our voice and we also need you to speak loudly that we want the two federal voting rights bills in Congress HR1 and HR4 to be signed into law to protect our rights as voters. Please adopt today's resolution. It is the moral and just thing to do."

DARRYL CARVER: "The last of our public comments via e-mail is from Sheila Hamilton of College Park. Greetings Commissioners. As a Black woman in American, a resident of Fulton County District 6, it's troubling when it's 2021 I see the same Jim Crow tactics that my great-grandparents and grandparents had to endure as it relates to voting rights. The difference is if it's Jim Crow in a suit and tie and is still trying to suppress black and brown voters after more than 100 years. But as Maya Angelo states in her poem, "still I rise", people will overcome anything evil men and women throw at us. This is your notice that nothing will keep us down. The more you put your foot on the necks, the more we would come together and fight. Commissioners you have a charge from your constituents. The challenge, SB202. As Black people, we once -- we all knew -- once Donald Trump saw on TV all the Black votes poll workers encountered in Fulton County, all heck was going to break loose. Especially when the tally came and Fulton County voted for Biden. As it relates to Park Cannon, the 29 year old young Black woman representative who was cuffed and arrested in Fulton County for performing her job. Please note Black women are organizing and educating Black girls and women ages ten to a hundred I understand Jim Crow, but more importantly to understand how to use the ballot box to fight voter suppression back. When men and women on January 6th, did storm the Capital in the violent attack against the U.S. Congress, it is unbelievable that 90 percent of them are still running loose. It is a single defenseless Black woman who was cuffed and removed from the Georgia capital, but that's how the games are to be played. Bring it on. Again, I asked the County to oppose SB202."

DARRYL CARVER: "That's the last of the comments."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. "

DARRYL CARVER: "Mr. Chairman, we do have one public comment attendee, Maggie Goldman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Goldman."

MAGGIE GOLDMAN: "Can you guys hear?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

MAGGIE GOLDMAN: "All right, my name is Maggie Goldman. I'm a resident of Johns Creek District one. I like to voice my disapproval of the resolution regarding the appointment hiring and termination powers of the Fulton board of registration and elections. The Fulton commission is ultimately responsible for everything in its budgetary control, and therefore should retain the ability to approve or disapprove the board of election hiring decisions. The commission retains the approval authority over

all other comparable positions across Fulton departments. This department should be no different. I'd like to voice my support for the resolution in support of voter's rights, equal access to the ballot and stopping voter suppression. Based on the motivations of SB202 claiming election fraud when after various audits and recounts, there were none. I am very concerned about the partisan actors in the state legislature appointing the chair of the State elections Board which could then decide to push aside all five members of our Fulton elections board and replace it with one election superintendent which would likely be a partisan individual who would force their agenda on the staff and the director of the Fulton elections department. If this would happen, it will be the very opposite of a free and fair election process. There's absolutely no good reason to reduce Fulton County's drop boxes down from 38 to eight. Greatly reducing access. It is disingenuous that the Republicans claim that they made it a requirement that all counties have drop boxes which technically speaking may have added drop boxes to the state, but they eliminated drop boxes from the voters that made the greatest use of them. There's also no good reason to forbid County election officers from accepting grants to help run elections while at the same time creating unfunded mandates for elections departments. We should do everything we can that saves taxpayer dollars. I look forward to the report detailing how the Fulton Commission can take action to protect Fulton voters in the face of SB202. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any others?"

DARRYL CARVER: "That's it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No other? Okay, that will conclude the public comment section of the Agenda. Continue Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 8, top of page 9, Zoning Use Permits in Zoning Modification Application two related cases, 21-062 Public Works. And 21-0263, Wendell Drive to Fulton Industrial Boulevard."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Let's take both of these together, two related cases. Who will be here?"

PETE HENDRIX: "Mr. Chairman, Pete Hendrix, representing the applicant."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Go ahead Mr. Hendricks."

PETE HENDRIX: "Can you all hear me?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

PETE HENDRIX: "This matter comes to you all with the approval of your staff, together with the unanimous approval of the community zoning board, I would like to reference the staff report at the bottom of page 4, it states the applicants request to develop a

4200 square-foot convenience store with gas pumps to better serve the retail needs of the areas consistent with the intent of the comprehensive plan and the Fulton Industrial Boulevard redevelopment plan. The new building will also complement the recent pedestrian and streetscape improvements funded and installed by The Boulevard community improvement district. Furthermore, the applicant's proposed density is consistent with existing development in the surrounding area given all the above considerations staff is of the opinion to recommend approval of the applications. The applicant has agreed to all of the proposed conditions. I would specifically point out on page 1a of condition F it is stated to allow the existing nonconforming billboard to remain as long as it abides by article 4.3.1 section D. of the Fulton County zoning resolution for nonconforming structures. I also would reference the memorandum that was submitted by the applicant in response to a dialogue and communication with Gil Prado of the CID as to a litany of attachments that are attached to that memorandum that gives some further amplification to concerns that the community had as to -- as to the application. Specifically, that the applicant will agree to coordinate with Frank Mazelli of the CID to come up with a security plan for the purposes of controlling crime in the area. The applicant does not agree not to sell or pursue a beer and wine licenses for the property. So with that I would also like to comment that the owners of the property are Pen Hodge and John Varner, and they have been very proactive with the property investments that they have in that corridor as evidenced by the fact of the sale of the Mosley hotel, and redevelopment of that into an upscale U-Haul location. And the applicant is proposing a Circle K with associated Shell gas pumps for their proposed redevelopment of this property. So, I do think that the sellers of the property have been very, very proactive in securing the upscale development needs that are so sorely needed in that particular area of Fulton Industrial Boulevard. With that, I would like to reserve any time that I would have for any rebuttal."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right thank you Mr. Hendricks. Now let's see what the staff has to say. Mr. Beck is no longer with us, is that correct?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir. We'll call on Anna Roach and David Clark."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right Madam COO and/or Mr. David Clark."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the board. For this item Mr. Chairman the staff is recommending approval with the conditions Angela Parker our consultant is here and can provide additional details on the staff recommendation. Ms. Parker."

ANGELA PARKER: "Essentially, this is a request for a 4200 square-foot convenience store with gas pumps. And the application includes a concurrent variance to allow proposed pavement along Fulton Industrial Boulevard to encroach into the landscape strip as shown on the site plan. The staff and the planning community zoning Board both recommend approval. In our opinion they've met the test of the variance, the hardship and that the configuration of the site -- the site is quite small. The right-of-way

along Fulton industrial somewhat irregular and the turning radius required to get vehicles into that site do call for somewhat of an encroachment into that landscape strip and as a result we also recommend approval of the concurrent variance.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Thank you very much. Now let's open the public hearing to hear from the public. Anyone from the public available to comment or would like to comment one way or the other? Anyone from the public? I thought there were a couple people.”

CLERK GRIER: “No.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Just Mr. Hendrix and Ms. Parker?”.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Anyone from the public caring to speak for or against? Hearing none, then that will close the public hearing. So let's take both of these together. I'll entertain a motion.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Mr. Chairman.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Yes.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “May I ask Mr. Hendrix a question? Did I understand Pete that you are not -- the applicant is not totally in agreement with all of the proposed conditions?”

PETE HENDRIX: “That's correct Mr. Morris. There was a proposal that this particular piece of property have an independent security guard service assigned to it, and we took exception to that. And we stated that we would work in a very outreach fashion with Mr. Frank Marcelli that we understand to be the governing force for security in that area to help coordinate --not singularly for this piece of property, but for the entire corridor a more secure and safe working environment. In addition to that, we do not agree not to be able to pursue beer and wine licenses for the property.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “With those two conditions that is currently in the proposed legislation before us.”

ANGELA PARKER: “As a point of clarification, the conditions that you are referring to that Mr. Hendrix highlighted are conditions that the Fulton industrial CID had sent to Mr. Hendrix. The two conditions that he was not willing to agree to are not in our zoning conditions; however, all of the others are incorporated in our zoning conditions.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Okay. So, are we then in agreement Mr. Hendrix that we can approve the paper as it is presented to us since those conditions are not in it.”

PETE HENDRIX: “Yes. That's correct Mr. Morris.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Mr. Chairman, I'll make a motion that we approve both of these items."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Second."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Question, I'll second for the purposes of discussion."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Mr. Hendrix, I assumed that you all have GDOT approval for the encroachment onto Fulton Industrial Boulevard."

PETE HENDRIX: "The application has gone through the process with the procedure necessary to be able to secure the curb cuts along Fulton Industrial also along Wendell Drive."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So then, any approval is given your client will be fine with it being subject to GDOT approval?"

PETE HENDRIX: "Absolutely."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "You know, 'I'm fine with that, if the CID is asking for these additional requirements, you know, they're on the ground out there more than I am. And so -- me personally I would want to see the two additional requirements by the CID. I guess Madam County Attorney, are we allowed to include those or not?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hold on, Commissioner Arrington."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "The board can agree with the staff recommendation, but to the extent that the board wanted to make some sort of amendment that would be appropriate."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Well I guess I will offer a friendly amendment to include the additional two recommendations by the CID. I don't know how you can work with them -- I don't know how the applicant can work with them or propose to work with them and at the same time not accept their recommendations. To me, the two go one in hand. So I don't know, Commissioner Morris, I don't know if you will accept that friendly amendment or not."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Well, you know I tell did so many zoning things when I was on the city Council. And when the staff -- our staff and the applicant agree on conditions I was always loath to add any additional ones. The staff seems to be okay, without including these things. So I don't think it's appropriate for a friendly amendment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So Commissioner Arrington, Commissioner Morris does not accept the friendly amendment."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay then, I'll make a substitute motion to add the two conditions by the CID."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second? Is there a second? All right, hearing no second, the motion fails. Back to the main motion which was to approve any further comment?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm sorry, I missed a motion. I didn't hear the motion."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "The motion was to approve the [Inaudible.] report."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "It was to do what, you're chopping--".

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute. The motion before us now is to approve both applications."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "She's saying she didn't hear the substitute motion."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- cause it's choppy."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You didn't hear the substitute? All right. Commissioner Arrington asked Commissioner Morris if he would accept a friendly amendment to add the two conditions that were recommended by the CID. Commissioner Morris said no. Then Commissioner Arrington offered an amendment. There was no second to his motion to amend -- to add the two, and therefore the motion failed. So now we're back to the main motion which is to approve."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So the motion that Commissioner Arrington put forward was to amend to accept the CID's recommendations?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "The motion that Commissioner Arrington -- "

VICE CHAIR HALL: "It's a lot of background noise because somebody is not muted. Okay, thanks. Go ahead Chairman, I'm sorry."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "The motion that Commissioner Arrington offered was to amend the staff recommendation which was for approval, but Commissioner Arrington's motion was to add two conditions that the CID had wanted. One was that they would not pursue an application for beer and alcohol. And the second dealt with security."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And somebody said no to those two recommendations for security and no alcohol?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "As a point of order Mr. Chair, if she didn't hear the motion because it came through choppy, then we need to have an opportunity to have it heard. It wasn't our fault that the technology was not properly working."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's do this everybody. Now, I thought we had Vice Chair Hall's computer straightened out. Have we not done that?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "This is my third computer that they've given me."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I don't understand."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I have had like three probably in just like the past month and a half or two months."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Mr. Melendez and guys, y'all got to get her -- I'm not sure what the answer is; we need to get it worked out."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Most of my teams' computers are slow and choppy as well. I just think -- it's not the CIOs fault; it's just the computers."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. We need to solve it somehow. Okay, Mr. Arrington, so let's --"

PETE HENDRIX: "Mr. Chairman, I think it would help to be very specific about the two requests that were made."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hear me out."

PETE HENDRIX: "The applicant will provide a minimum of 40 hours per week of private uniform security and night hours. And also applicant will not sell or pursue alcohol, beer, and wine licenses. He has -- the applicant has agreed not to pursue alcohol licenses, but to be allowed to pursue beer and wine."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So those are the two amendments that Commissioner Arrington would like to make to the staff recommendations."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Those come from the CID?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "The CID had a laundry list of conditions. The applicant accepted all of them except those two."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Why? Because this is in the Fulton Industrial Boulevard area? Is that correct?"

PETE HENDRIX: "Yes."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Is it -- somebody said yes?"

PETE HENDRIX: "Yes, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And so why would security be something that would be rejected especially in a area that we know has some serious issues?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Well the security is not being rejected totally. They have a way to provide security; it's just different from what the CID wanted. Would you repeat the security what you're proposing Mr. Hendrix one more time."

PETE HENDRIX: "Yes, the commitment was made by the applicant to work with Frank Mazelli of your CID to come up with a security plan for the purpose of controlling crime in the area. And that is important to note in the area and not specific just to this piece of property."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yeah, but how can you work with someone and deny their request at the same time?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yeah, I don't understand that especially because usually these recommendations are made because these people know the area and they know the needs of the area."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's do this. I'm going to go back to Commissioner Arrington's motion. Commissioner Arrington's motion was to amend the staff recommendation to add those two conditions back. Now, is there a second to that motion?"

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Properly moved and seconded on the Arrington amendment. Let's vote."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Mr. Chairman?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah all right. Commissioner Morris followed by I believe that was Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I think you said the motion was to put those back. My understanding is they weren't in there. They came from the CID, but our staff did not include them in their recommendations so I want to make that clear."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Correct."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “You know, usually I always relied on our staff and the applicant working things out and apart apparently they did without these two items being in it, so it’s safe to say being put back probably mistakes it.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “That’s correct. Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Yes, thank you. Mr. Hendrix, good to see you. I believe you have said that in your security matter that you had agreed to 40 hours a week of private security; is that not correct?”

PETE HENDRIX: “No, we took exception to that. The request was 40 hours of private security per week of uniform security in the night hours. That was the request of the CID. Just as the request was made not to sell or pursue alcohol, beer, and wine licenses and we have agreed not to pursue alcohol licenses; but, be allowed to pursue beer and wine. And we agreed to work with Frank Mazelli, who we understand to be the point person for the CID for the purpose of coming up with a security plan for the purpose of controlling crime in the area. And it’s very important to note that we said in the area and not singularly just for this piece of property.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right thank you for that clarification. And then on the area of the alcohol permit, who would provide that permit for this location? Would it be the County or would it be in the city of South Fulton if and when the new law takes effect?”

PETE HENDRIX: “Well whomever the issuing authority would be for beer and wine, I don’t know who that entity --”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “[Inaudible.] you know, will it remain unincorporated or not?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Commissioner Hausman, this location is north of I-20, so it’s in the portion that would remain unincorporated at least til the next legislative session, again assuming the Governor signs the existing legislation that has passed.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, so regardless, this would say unincorporated at this point.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “That’s correct.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “We would have the final authority on granting that liquor license or that beer and wine permit, correct?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Yes, ma’am.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, is this customary, back to staff, is this customary to have in a zoning matter, a restriction that touches on the sale of alcohol in the zoning application; or is that generally a separate item when they apply for a permit?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “We’ll let Angela answer that in terms of what’s customary. I think the Chairman made this point previously, but it may be worth repeating that this was a consequence of several months of negotiation I guess if you can use that term including the CID staff as well as the applicant. There were many conditions that were agreed to by the applicant and ultimately the CID was okay with where we landed based on my conversation with Gail in terms of the conditions that were ultimately agreed to. Of course I’m sure that they would like for every condition to be agreed to, but they did appear to be satisfied with where we ended up.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “[Inaudible.] that did not include [Inaudible.] is that clear, is that correct?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “That is correct, Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, so did the alcohol permit issue, again does that generally include a zoning matter or is that generally a separate item from a zoning?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Angela?”

ANGELA PARKER: “I don’t recall any instance where the zoning conditions have actually prohibited the sale of alcohol. There is a alcohol license or permit that is required that would be reviewed and issued by the County assuming the County approved it and there are standards to that permit. But customarily there has not been a condition of zoning related to alcohol sale.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right. Thank you very much.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “Ms. Parker, how long have you been in this role?”

ANGELA PARKER: “I have been working with Fulton County since 2016 in the planning services role, but I was with the County before that.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: “Okay, so in your current role, you’ve been in the same current role since 2016?”

ANGELA PARKER: “No. We’ve taken on since Randy Beck retired the planning services function; we’ve been assisting with that.”

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay, so again how long have you been in your current role?"

ANGELA PARKER: "Since Randy Beck's retirement in early this year."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. So it's safe to say then that you're not familiar with what goes on -- you've only been in the role since earlier this year."

ANGELA PARKER: "I was involved with the planning Commissioner prior to this for many years approximately 28 years with the County."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay, and if approved as is now, it would allow them to sell alcohol."

ANGELA PARKER: "The conditions of zoning do not prohibit as currently written do not prohibit the sale of alcohol. The applicant would have to obtain a permit and meet the standards of that permit in order to sell alcohol."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, but the applicant has agreed that they're willing not to sell alcohol, haven't they?"

PETE HENDRIX: "We've agreed to pursue beer and wine singularly but not alcohol."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I want to confirm that with Ms. Parker."

ANGELA PARKER: "I'm sorry I was considering beer and wine also to be a type of alcohol, but, yes, as Mr. Hendrix stated that is their agreement."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Well, that agreement is not part of the existing resolution and it is currently worded and proposed is it?"

ANGELA PARKER: "That's correct; it is not a part of the conditions."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Right, and so the only way [Inaudible.] in there is to make it an additional condition; isn't that correct?"

ANGELA PARKER: "That's correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anything else Commissioner? All right. Let's vote on the Arrington amendment. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote no. Now back to the main motion which is to approve. Let's vote. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington. Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "My vote is no, but for a point for the record, he also said that they were willing to have this subject to DOT approval. And I don't know if that was part of this or not. You know I think that has to be something because we have no control over them doing anything on Fulton Industrial Boulevard which is a state road."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Not that we have anything to do with that is that correct Mr. Hendrix?"

PETE HENDRIX: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, no objections to that. We'll add that. All right Commissioner Abdur-Rahman you voted no? And I vote yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes, four yeas and three nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. Both are approved. Continue Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 9, Presentation to the Board of Commissioners, 21-0264,

PETE HENDRIX: "Thank you Mr. Chairman, and thank you Commissioners."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Presentation Fulton County school system."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right Dr. Looney. Mr. Superintendent."

DR MIKE LOONEY: "Yes, good morning Chairman Pitts and County Commissioners. It's so delightful to spend time with you. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to give the commission an update about the many things that are happening in Fulton County schools. I would just like to begin and acknowledge that we have several school board members on, and I would like to turn it over to our board president Ms. Julia Burnett for greetings. Ms. Burnett."

JULIA BURNETT: "Good morning everyone thank you so much for allowing us to be a part of the commission meeting today and it's always a pleasure to work with another body with our mutual interest for our constituents would like to say hello Vice President Dove and I know that Mrs. Stewart could not be here today because she's helping with our final vaccines, I believe that Ms. Reeves might have had to drop off, but if Ms. McCain or Ms. Dean or Ms. Warren, our newest support member, might just want to say hello quickly, we don't want to take up too much time. And if I don't hear from anyone --".

LINDA MCCAIN: "Well, can you hear me? This is Linda McCain District 5, Fulton County School Board and I just wanted to thank everyone for this opportunity and it has been quite a year. So we are just happy that we have a little bit of normalcy ahead of us and we look forward to working again closely with the commission in the following year. Thank you."

MS DOVE: "And also, can you guys hear me?"

LINDA MCCAIN: "Yes Ms. Dove, we can hear you."

MS DOVE: “So, in technology my microphone fails -- really, really interesting. I am Kimberly Dove and I represent District 6 in Fulton County schools. And I want to thank you guys for your time today as we continue to navigate through our learning impacts for COVID-19, so thank you guys so much for your time today.”

LINDA MCCAIN: “Thank you Vice President Dove. And I think Dr. Looney --”

DR LOONEY: “Mrs. Warren, Mr. Warren is on, I wanted to give her an opportunity.”

LINDA MCCAIN: “Great. Mrs. Warren you're on mute we can't hear you. And I think Ms. Dean is on as well. But it may be that they are fine --.”

DR LOONEY: “Well, I'll proceed. I know all my board members are excited to share time with the Commission. You are such essential partners to us in the work that we do, so thank you for your partnership, your leadership and your continued commitment to our school district. It truly takes all of us working together to make Fulton County schools what it is today. So thank you very much. It looks like somebody else is controlling my slide presentation, so if somebody could go to the second slide, please. Awesome. So today is a big day for Fulton County schools. We are administering our last round of the second vaccination at Mercedes-Benz Stadium as the County Commissioners know and thank you for your support. I have been able to work very, very closely with the Fulton County Board of Health and I believe Dr. Paxton is on. I will say they have been invaluable partners as we have stood up the vaccination process for our employees in Fulton County school District. It has done exceedingly well. We're so thankful for the opportunity to have our employees participate in the vaccination process. I do not have an exact count of how many people have been given the vaccination. I will say that yesterday we administered over 900 vaccinations just on yesterday. But now that the vaccination process has become much more available we have a number of employees that have received the vaccination on their own. But we will have a final count of all our employees who have been vaccinated either by us or have already been received vaccination in other settings and hopefully the school board meeting next week so that we can begin to publicize what our participation was. Once again, I just wanted to extend my deepest gratitude to the Fulton County Board of Health specifically Dr. Paxton for her leadership. We could not have done it without their partnership and without their support. In that process we have engaged in lots of different activities to facilitate our employees. In making a decision we have not mandated the vaccines. We have encouraged our employees to consider getting them. We've had information sessions. We've given out door prizes and all sorts of things to facilitate our employees becoming vaccinated. And that will allow us to continue to provide face-to-face instruction rather than continue to remote as a lack of employees due to exposure. So we're looking forward to that coming to an end. I will say that as more employees are vaccinated, now that 16 year olds can be vaccinated as well, we do anticipate having traditional graduations. We'll be opening up our facilities again for use from outside groups for rentals as we have in the past. And we will be re-examining some of the extracurricular activities that our students and school communities engage in our facilities as temperature rises and the risk of COVID exposure decreases. Next

slide, please. We are right in the middle of the budgeting process. In fact the board has the budget book, so they will begin diving into it. Just from a broad prospective, I thought it would be productive for you to kind of see where we are. I will say the board has had very tight conservative budget oversight historically and that has put this district in a position where our fund balance has been able to hold us up during the downturn as a result of COVID. And so we are in a financially stable position and I am really proud of the budget that's going to the Board for their consideration. However, we have had some significant reduction in state funding. Primarily, as a result of two items; one, we did experience a loss of student enrollment this past year we believe that many of those students will actually come back to us this upcoming year. Most of the students that did not show in the current year were actually kindergarten students. So, kindergarten enrollment was significantly lower than it had been. We believe that's because our kindergarten parents decided to register them or just keep them at home for one more year or perhaps enroll them in some other program until the risk of COVID declines. So, we're hopeful that many of those students will come back. We are anticipating an increase in student enrollment this year that will help mitigate that. But that has resulted in approximately a \$20.1 million cut from the state funding source that we have. And then as our Commission knows very, very well our local fair share continues to increase. In other words the state sends us less with expectation that our local fair share has to pay more and that represents almost a \$20 million decrease in revenue. Once again we are in a good place and I do not anticipate any kind of recommendations about a tax increase, a millage rate increase from Fulton County schools and the budget ahead and in our projections moving forward the 3 and 4 and 5 year mark. I feel very comfortable as the Superintendent of schools of where we are in a financial position. As you might very well know, we just recently received another AAA credit rating and so that is once again a testament to our school boards' leadership and the financial acumen of our CFO who is actually out today in the process of receiving an award for his good work. Next slide please. As it relates to how have we responded but I wanted to share with you thanks to the board's planning we have been in a position to quickly pivot to remote learning because we had already furnished many devices to a large group of our students. But we did increase our bandwidth in the district by threefold. At this point in time, we've issued laptops to all of our students in grades two through 12. We've issued hotspots to our families and students who do not have Internet access at home so that they are in a position to continue their learning. And the virtual private network really became the foundation of learning and teaching. We have completely transitioned our form of business in much the same way the commission has and that most of our meetings and much of our work is now done remotely using technology. Teams: We use teams rather than zoom. They're both very good products, it just so happens that teams was always something that we had invested in and Fulton County schools as part of our Microsoft office suite. And we have had a 433 percent increase in the utilization of teams. Our teachers, our students and our families have become such more effective and efficient at using technology to communicate and to use for learning to be quite frank with you. And then we have had a 3000 percent increase in the amount of the platform utilization that we have. It's not that we purchased additional software or platforms it's just that the utilization of the equipment and the tools that we've had, increased in a profound way. Next slide,

please. I am -- I am sad to report to the Commission that we are in the process of losing our chief operations officer, Patrick Burke has served this district for many, many years. He had in many ways has been the architect of the SPLOST programming and our Capital improvement plans for the last nearly two decades. And I thought it would be very appropriate on Patrick's last official day giving presentations to share our capital plan progress. . And so Mr. Burke if you're able to unmute yourself and take over this slide presentation from here that would be greatly appreciated."

PATRICK BURKE: "Thank you, thank you very much Dr. Looney and thank you Board for this opportunity to present. As Dr. Looney indicated, we are so fortunate to have a Board that is focused always on the execution of programs and being fiscally conservative in the approach and how we do our work. And I am here to report that our current capital program continues to be on schedule and we are within the budgets that the taxpayers of Fulton County have approved. I'm going to hit on a couple of recent openings in recent projects that are to be completed or that have been completed this school year. I'll talk a little bit about things that are opening next year. But just know, we're entering our fourth year of a 5-year capital program and as an overall global program from a facilities perspective, [Inaudible.] of our facilities will have received some type of improvement whether that's enhanced security systems, or renovations, or the roofs, types of improvements, and almost 80,000, students directly benefit from this work and improved learning environments. In this past year, we've opened several fairly large renovations; Campbell Elementary school in South Fulton County which has been a two summer effort and we have done things there that I have never done in my career. Replacing a sewer system, actually trenching hallways and putting that all back together again for our students and teachers to arrive at that great working environment and learning environment. Chattahoochee high school has received a series of renovations and modifications in this current capital program our schools built prior to our current prototype high schools our Westlakes and our John's Creeks are all receiving modifications that improve the educational learning environments and bring it more in line with our current educational specifications that's required. So Chattahoochee, those are permits opened this year. Seaborn Lee elementary, Staybridge Crossing, and Stonewall Tell received modifications as well. This is the third year we opened new media centers in our middle schools that every media center in Fulton County for our middle schools is receiving modifications. This is building upon the efforts of our Board and how we've improved the environments of our high schools better aligning media spaces with how they're used today versus how they used to be used. They used to be the quiet space where everyone would go "shhhh". Now today they're active learning spaces. There's breakout spaces. There is much more than the environments much more consistent with what learning looks like today in our schools. So we're very proud of those projects. These are the middle schools that opened this year. We'll show you here in a moment the remaining -- the final wave of media Center projects of the next year. Then of course we're always doing improvements to safety issues - issues around [Inaudible.], fire alarm upgrades, communication upgrades, roofs and security camera upgrades and you may have read something about Fulton County schools and how our security team really pushes the envelope and making sure that we provide high -- high quality systems so that we're providing safe environments for our

students. We're in the middle of our camera upgrade program and we continue to execute that as well. And then lastly under this current year, we opened Langston Hughes turf improvement as always turf when we place it, it has to be replaced and it was that time in the cycle for Langston. Next slide. So we actually had three schools opening. Two are highlighted here for this fall. So this will be the first to be opened our STEM schools. We have one in Alpharetta and one in Fairburn. We're very excited about these projects. These have been really works that this Board has been focused on for quite some time what learning opportunities might look like providing additional types of opportunity for our students. And we spent a lot of time with our parents or teachers, our administrators, our business leaders on what the schools might look like and how we could reinvent a little bit and provide a different option for students and what learning might look like. These are great programs focused on STEMs and health computer science and those types of areas and both schools are scheduled to open this fall. We're very excited about that. Again, these both were ones this Commission had heard quite a bit about when we were discussing this for Austin when it was before our voters. There's one other school opening this fall that is Crabapple middle school. So Crabapple middle school replacement school is also opening this fall. Next slide. And then coming up in the upcoming year, we're entering our fourth year of the program. We have a number of renovations. I won't go through all of them, [Inaudible.] quite a few; Riverwood's final building phase does open mid-year, this upcoming year. So, we're very excited about that project. That project is coming to an end. That's been a very long project because of the phasing that's had to occur on the site, but we are coming to an end at that project. Our south transportation maintenance actually just opened so we're a little bit ahead of the schedule, and that is providing support to every school south of the city. And the high school renovations continue. These are the three projects that are currently under construction -- these will actually open not at the beginning of Fall, but mid-year in the case of Tri-Cities because of complexity of projects year opens closer to 2022 . We have our technical roof replacement; these are last of our media center renovations or improvements for our middle school program. We have two more phases of security cameras and those are the schools that we are making those improvements on. Those are done really throughout the year so they're not just executed during the summer. They're executed where students are not present so we're not interrupting instruction but those are projects that could continue through the school year. And then lastly and importantly is the remaining renovations that are scheduled to open this upcoming fall. And again some of those are really large renovations, ECWest in particular [Inaudible.] A substantial project "shake rags", [Inaudible.], those are major [Inaudible.] projects. And I believe those are the slides for construction. Thank you, Dr. Looney. Thank you Board."

DR LOONEY: "Thank you. Next slide please. So one of the dilemmas that we have is our elementary student population has been declining slightly. The middle school population has been growing. And so you know the Board and the staff are having conversations about what did we do with the fluctuations that are happening in student enrollment and what does the resource tell us about what the best school configurations are for a district such as ours. And so we have been reading and doing research on the K-school model. The k-school is something that I implemented in my previous district or

have some knowledge about their successes. I have been sharing their research with the school Board. And we just want to make you aware of the conversation that we're having. It gives us an opportunity rather than simply closing schools because student enrollment is shrinking in different locations to reimagine and rethink schools. There's a lot of research out there that talks about the benefit of K. model school. They built more continuity in small community collaboration and buy-in. And so there is -- I'm not gonna read this slide to you, but there's a lot of benefits that are proven over time that K. model schools benefit students in districts and I don't know if you have experienced K-schools, but they're really, really cool models of school. So we're looking for an opportunity to add K-school. We can configure school to our portfolio and to schools across Fulton County. Next slide, please. And then so why are we having this conversation? We thought we would share a little bit of the research with you. There's been some extensive national studies done on K-8's and if you look at many of our private schools -- our counterparts and many of the successful charter schools they too are configured as in many situations as K-schools. But Baltimore city schools has been doing a conversion to K-8 so too has Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Texas has gone down that road this point in time now and then here locally we have several of our charter schools that are K-8 configured schools and they are outperforming their peer schools that are non K-schools. Next slide, please. And so where might we employ K-model schools? Obviously, we have to have our parents as willing participants. And so we're trying to grow the knowledge base and interest in the K-model school and across our communities. And school communities where there's a lot of mobility. the research shows that the academic achievement goes up go out behavior issues go down and surprisingly schools become less mobile because families commitment to a specific school increases. And then there are student populations that benefit more than others based on the research in the K-8 model schools. Next slide, please. And so I wanted to talk for the last part of my presentation about COVID-19 and what it's done. We all recognize I believe that you know we have done a good job of providing remote instruction, universal remote instruction, but there is no replacement for a teacher in a classroom with the students in it, and their personal hands-on interaction. That's where students learn best.. So we have been analyzing our internal data. We've been comparing it to other school districts around us and other places to see where -- where we stand and what has happened to learning as a result of COVID. So here's the lessons that we have learned. We have now had students in a face-to-face environment, and in a remote environment, and when we test those two significance to students we have found that the students that are at home learning remotely and taking their assessments remotely have a tendency to do better on their tests. We believe that based on where they had been and what their projected scores would look like at perhaps getting some support on the assessments from people living in their homes we're not sure. That's something that we're trying to wrestle with. We also have learned that our learning loss appears to be higher in reading than in math. In other words, students have not made as much progress in the area of reading as they have in math. In our schools the average losses are generally higher for students who qualify for free and reduced lunch and that seems to make sense that there is perhaps fewer supports at home. Our Hispanic students tend to experience higher learning loss than their non-Hispanic white or black counterparts, so our English language learners have suffered

more than perhaps most of our other student population. Surprisingly -- we were surprised by this. Our students with disabilities has less learning loss than their peers without disabilities. And perhaps that's because we have been able to continue offering substantial services to our students with disabilities. They still have received OT and PT in-services throughout the pandemic. And then learning loss appears to be greater for male students than our female students. And consistent with multiple state evidence reported by Curriculum Associates, learning loss was much greater amongst students taking the assessment at school which I had already indicated in other words if you are taking a test at home, they have a tendency to do better. Next slide, please. So we know that there has been learning loss and I really don't like the term learning loss. It's really loss of learning opportunity as a result of lack of engagement or all of the other things that have been associated with the pandemic, but we know that our students are further behind than we would like for them to be. And so, we are using our federal dollars CARES one cares two. And we'll be making our proposal to the school board in the month of May when they get CARES three. We're referred to as the third round of stimulus money specifically focused on how do we recover learning loss and accelerate student learning for the students in Fulton County schools. We have a six-point strategy. The first point being it's going to take more time. We're going to use more of our summers. We're going to use before and after school programming. We're going to redesign the things that are happening during a traditional school day. But we know it's going to take more time. In fact, this summer, we're offering the largest most robust summer school program that this district has ever offered. We're anticipating up to 30,000 students, that's about a third of the population and we have more teachers that have agreed to work this summer than we have in any other year. Obviously, as I had indicated, we know that just doing the same thing in the summer is not sufficient. We're going to have to rethink what we're doing when our students are with us and so we're focused on small group instruction and high-dose interventions and acceleration. We know that in order to measure accurately the student's progress relative to where they are today. After we give these supports, we're going to have to have a robust assessment strategy which will include a gnashing on assessment so that we can compare the Fulton County schools students to students in other areas. The next most important thing in my opinion is we have to invest in our teachers training and supporting their work so that they are utilizing the best research-based practices for instruction that maximizes students' outcomes. And then finally, in order to do this work, we are intensifying our work and our focus on parent engagement. There is a direct connection between how engaged our parents are and how well their children do at school. And so we're going to be focusing our efforts on how do we get parents more engaged in their children's learning. All of this is tied to the curriculum that's been approved by the Fulton County school Board making sure that the work that we're doing is aligned to the values into the objectives the school board has established. Next slide, please. So what does this summer look like? I want to say this -- this summer is just one of a three-phased approach. So this is going to happen this summer, it'll happen again next summer, and then a third summer. But this summer we're planning at the elementary level, two different sessions. Session one beginning June 7th ending the 24th; session two beginning July 1st through the 22nd; again, the times are listed there. And then for our students that are needing extended school services, those are

students that have disabilities and they need more time, they will to be able to come in the afternoon as well is in the regular session to get additional time and you can see the middle school timelines associated with our summer focus program and at the high school level we're offering two sessions as well; and once again additional support for our students that need extended school services who are disabled. I want to thank you so much for giving us the opportunity. Next slide please. I want to thank you so much for giving us the opportunity to share what's happening in Fulton County schools and I know the school board members and myself along with staff members are prepared to answer any questions that you might have. Thank you so much for giving us the time and I'd like to take questions if you have any."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right thank you, Dr. Looney, and members of the school board. Colleagues any questions?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Mr. Chairman, I'll just make a point, if I could."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "You don't know Dr. Looney; you wouldn't have any reason to know that I retired a few years ago from my architectural engineering firm that did so much work for Fulton County schools. We designed schools throughout the Southeast and there was simply no system that exceeded Fulton County school system for planning and running the construction programs. With such little overhead and such cost efficiency. It was a real pleasure to have had that opportunity to work with the school system. Some of the Board members were on the Board way back then because I have been retired for some years. But it was just a real pleasure you all do a terrific job and I just wanted to make that comment."

DR LOONEY: "Thank you, sir. And we thank the Commission, we thank our taxpayers for continuing to support [Inaudible.][Inaudible.]through this bossed effort as you know, ending this loss program, we'll be presenting the board with a capital plan that will go through 27 . I anticipate that will include a SPLOST referendum. And of course we will need our community support to continue the good work that we're doing to make sure our facilities [Inaudible.] to the community."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I just also want to thank the Board and you Dr. Looney for your ongoing collaborative efforts with us and with the Fulton County Commission. We think it's invaluable to have such ongoing communications. And we thank you all for that collaborative effort."

DR LOONEY: "Yes, sir, thank you. It is an honor."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Here's the lineup, Morris, Hausmann, Ellis, and Arrington. We're a little out of sync here now. So, we've heard from Morris. We've heard from Arrington. Now Commissioner Hausmann followed by Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Thank you Mr. Chairman and thank you, Dr. Looney for that comprehensive review of where you are. I want to just thank you for all of the work the system has done throughout this past year especially. I mean prior to that we know how exceptional Fulton County schools are. But you really stepped out in the last year and it’s greatly appreciated. I’m real pleased to see the efforts going into summer school because I know that a lot of students that really need that extra help that normally would not. But they may find themselves in that situation and everybody benefited to provide it to our community. And I appreciate that. And great to see the overview of all the work still ongoing with the new school and maintaining our buildings. Making them safe and appealing for our students. I appreciate that. And you’re right. The taxpayers of Fulton County have supported that because it’s transparent because you keep the workup and you do an exceptional job. I have to say that a lot of that is due to Patrick Burke and you know it’s a loss of the system. Patrick, you darkened your screen, but I just want to personally thank you for all of the good work and all of the bullets you’ve taken over the years when you talk about school redistricting especially and how difficult those transitions are for the community. Your comments, your matter-of-factness, your reliance on data, has really been instrumental in using that transition for a lot of folks. And so if nothing else thank you for that. But you know you’ll be sorely missed. Again, great to see you, your whole team. Thank you very much.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Ellis.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Yes, I just wanted to say thanks for the presentation as well. I thank you all for really your leadership. This has been you know I can't imagine how tough of a challenge this has been in so many different curveballs that have been thrown at you all as we you know started this pandemic over a year ago. And I want to say just really thank you all for seeking to make you know every opportunity to have face-to-face education occur in a safe way and have that option for our students. This has been such an incredibly difficult time and having that as an option and you all have been so focused on trying to make it happen when you could in the safest way possible; I can't thank you enough for that. And it's going to have an impact. We know certainly the learning disruption is there, but without all the attempts that were made there and kudos to so many of all of the teachers for their adaptability. I've seen this firsthand you know throughout the course of this year you know they've gone above and beyond to try to create as many normal experiences both either from the class delivery standpoint but also enabling extracurricular activities do occur which was critical for interaction and so forth. So I can't say thank you enough on that. Appreciate what you shared on the learning disruption stuff of what the activity in the summers will be in you know hopefully you know as we get through the summer period, there'll be an opportunity for you to come back and report to us about you know kind of where you think the current state of that is and what it looks like in terms of the different types of educational opportunities as we enter into the next school year.”

DR. LOONEY: “Thank you and glad to do that.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Okay.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. Dr. Looney, I just want to commend you on the care and kindness that you have put forward yourself and the Board to address that the students with socio-economic challenges are being you know taken care of they have the learning that they need. And then the extra care to ensure that the students are indeed learning. You know, I've heard over this entire year that COVID-19 was going to impact entire generations in a negative way as far as their education was concerned. And you have completely removed that from my thought process. What you presented today shows that you will really address everything that's necessary for our kids and I just want to thank you for that and the Board."

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, Ma'am, thank you. It's an honor to serve the students in Fulton County."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone else? Anyone else comments or questions? If not Dr. Looney, Board members thank you so much we look forward to hearing from you again."

DR. LOONEY: "Yes, sir, thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Continuing on page 9, County Manager's Items Under Opening Responsible Government, 21-0265. Presentation of COVID-19 operational response update."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Manager."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman, good afternoon Commissioners and Chairman. We'll walk through the COVID response that you received yesterday. You will see that it is rather lengthy and I'll explain why that is. In general, the trends continue to improve; testing demand is lower than we anticipated. But all the other indicators such as daily cases now [Inaudible.] above 100; hospitalizations at 2.5 and that most important number the present positivity rate being below the five are very, very good indicators. Vaccines of course continue with great demand through our major three sites exceeding 10,000 a day at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. So that's been an enormous operational success and we'll talk about what's held in the future for that. We do see some of the demand softening, so we are doing things creatively in terms of hours of operation. We even went to no appointments for the first couple of days of this week, and did see a surge in demand based on that. We're also introducing a \$150 incentive for our employees to be vaccinated by the 1st of July. The DPH dashboard has changed so we'll discuss that today. I don't think it gives us much insight into the total vaccinations that are being delivered in Fulton County as a result we'll continue to report the vaccinations occurring at our sites and the citizens

adoption rate of vaccines as we see from that state dashboard. What we are able to report today is we've administered close to 383,000 vaccines with 236,000 of those being of one dose. So we're still in very good stead as it relates to other jurisdictions. We remain though focused on health equity. We will talk about those numbers today as well through our multi-pronged approach. While that data also is lagging with a contingency of doubt, and a disparity between the demographics of folks who accepted the vaccine so, what we'll talk about again are programs as it relates to closing that gap. However, most of these charts are included in the stack are really a discussion of the global view of all the funding that will be available to us. And I say all the funding because of sources being three primary ones, the County which you authorized earlier on terms of emergency response, the American rescue plan which of course provides the bulk of these resources as well as other federal programs such as emergency rental assistance program and now the possibility of FEMA reimbursements. What we've done is brought all of these together so we can see them in one place and they are not discreetly shown. We'll show you not only the total, but what we anticipate the cash flow of those receipts to be, and then a use case that generally will be on one page give you a view of what we think will be the highest and best use of these funds on a case by case basis. And, that's what we will step through again as rapidly as possible to try to determine again a sense from you as to is this directionally correct? And of course many of these things you already know about such as CSP; you already know [Inaudible.] funding the mobile vaccines I think obviously you support the Mercedes-Benz Stadium. But there we'll be some new things on this list that I think will deserve quite a bit of discussion today. Such as the behavior health crisis center something long pursued by and may be more urgent during this period of time, pandemic proofing our buildings which I think we started on, but this would take that to the next level and assume no more than about a 50 percent return of our employees to buildings and the court backlog which we referenced last time we will give you more details on that. One of the most important initiatives I think that we'll have as well as the pandemic pay plan for all of our employees. We believe in these use cases are consistent with the three major parts of our plan as you authorized last year and we reaffirmed this year; health response, operational stability, community support, but as well we've tried to ensure that it meets the specific callouts in the BOC resolution. So I think you'll find these to be again comprehensive, informative, but then also leaving us still with a substantial amount of contingency giving the uncertainties that we will still face going forward. So we'll not only cover those cases but also then cover how we intend to manage these funds and report out on them as we did again during 2020 with CARES. We do remain concerned about the surges, and our call yesterday afternoon with the Board of Health and Emergency Management while all of our numbers look good, I think it is definitely a push on vaccines through the summer. We can still see examples like Michigan which have very restrictive policies. Certainly they have access to vaccines and they are having a significant surge at the moment. So I think our vigilance needs to remain very much focused and committed to seeing this through to its end result. So with that Mr. Chairman again we have a lot of material, but it can be stepped through I think fairly quickly, and then have questions. So, Ms. Roach will start that presentation."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, Madam COO, are you with us."

ANNA ROACH, COO: “I am. Good afternoon Mr. Chairman. We are going to step through the emergency management section of the report very quickly. And I will have maybe a slide or two to update the board on reopening and that also we'll be covered quickly. So that as the Manager stated we could spend more time and in discussion with the Board around our business cases for our recovery funds. So Mr. Kallmyer, will you please take over and quickly go through the emergency management slides.”

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: “Yes, ma'am, we're going to be brilliant and we're going to be brief. We'll go ahead and start off as we normally do which is an overview. Doug Shuster will get us kick-started. Doug, please start the process.”

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: “Good afternoon Commissioners. Thank you for your time. We always like to give an overview of where we are. Our seven day average per cases, hospitalizations, percent positives and deaths have all decreased since the last time we've met. And I will show you those on the chart. Our overall score card has no red for the first time since October, and Fulton County continues to hold position as the states' leading county per testing. We are at 1.883 million tests, and by the middle of next month, we should be over 2 million tests. Next slide. I think this is an interesting slide to present. You have mid-January, mid-February, mid-March, mid-April; and you can basically see the health of the nation and the health of Georgia. The darker colors are a more infectious state in the United States. And as you can see, if you were looking at the height of the wave and the cross of the wave, we are definitely in a trough right now at the bottom of the wave. I want to remind everybody that unabated COVID, we'll find a way. And by that, I mean, we are lucky to be giving vaccines at a time when we are in an un-infectious part, but as the County Manager told you, if you look at the April United States at the top you can see that the upper Midwest and upper Northeast are starting to experience new surges or a third wave of COVID-19. Even though they have the vaccines, I will point out that's where the second wave this winter started in late October. It's in the same areas of the country. So we need to make as much hay as we can while we're in a phase where we don't have a lot of infections. Unabated without a vaccine is the main mitigating factor. We can see surges again and we want to definitely prevent that. Next slide. So this is the dashboard for Fulton County. As you can see on the green on the left that we have really kind of stabilized or seen a 3-month decrease of testing demand, but we've kind of stabilized at the 3,500 mark on testing. And we'll continue to provide all sources of testing possible. If you look at the Orange slide second one from the left, you can see the decrease from our high January but you can also see the trough starting on the far right hand of that slide. We have dropped in cases from 178 to 115 7-day average, and it has, I would say, stabilized at that position for the last 20 days or so. Hospitalizations: We are at a 225 census for the County. Once again, we've kind of stabilized between 210 and 225 over the last ten days. So definitely kind of in a trough position there and stabilizing there. Deaths have not dropped as quickly as the other matrix that we're tracking, but they have dropped to 3.3 percent per 7-day average and you can see the light chart on the far right that the slow decline on the deaths with COVID as the comorbidity. Next slide. So this is the scorecard and as you can see there is yellow and green for our scores on the right.

Obviously, we'd like to get everything in the green. We'll notice that the cases are slightly up over the last seven days. Our percent positivity while in the green is up from 4.3 to 4.7, and so these are things that we need to monitor. Also, our hospitalizations are up just a bit too, so three metrics that are pretty important to us are trending slightly upward. But really on a pretty flat level, but we will continue to watch those. Next slide."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA: "We just want to go and draw attention to the fact that we will be reaching a milestone today sometime around now. We'd have to just go ahead and check with our numbers of our planning section, but 300,000 vaccines will be administered to all the people in Fulton County through our process. And procedures that we have between ourselves and the Board of Health and we just think that something great to go ahead and be able to share. If that's one of the milestones that we're shooting for is a third of the total people of Fulton County, we would actually go ahead and vaccinate through this. So kudos to the team and a lot of hard work still to go ahead. Everyone under the age of 16 is now available to go ahead and be vaccinated. We know some people that we work with have taken advantage of that opportunity, have come to the Mercedes-Benz community vaccination center, to do that with their family and friends. And have actually posted some of those photos on social media so we thank you guys for being able to take advantage of that and continue to go ahead and recommend that push to help us fight this virus. The other big thing is the VRAS system. Last time we reported to y'all, we were actually in the transition process. All of our fixed sites are actually and mobile sites are utilizing that. We are keeping a very small percentage of appointments outside of the VRAS system so we can go ahead and leverage that for our equity program. And that is something that will continue to use with our homegrown system that we have done from the get go back in January. And there's still plenty of appointments folks. You heard the County Manager talk about the fact that we tried something new and different. Our Director of Communications and External Affairs came up with the idea to do a "Flash-VAC" event. And we were sure that with the Board of Health. And we did that at Mercedes-Benz Stadium all day yesterday. The incredible thing about that is we ended up vaccinating 1,180 individuals through that process which is about 22 percent of the people that we vaccinated yesterday. We decided to do that because we just didn't see a lot of individuals taking advantage of the appointment schedule. After having an opportunity, myself and the FEMA individual from headquarters, we walked the line, we spoke to the folks and one of the things we quickly realized is there's a lot of spontaneous consumers for the vaccine process and there's also a lot of people that are very intimidated and overwhelmed with the registration process online. And they were not willing to go ahead and take advantage of the call-in process through our call center. So this is something we'll continue to implement at our site starting again next week. And we will go ahead and try to see how we can do this at our other fixed locations throughout our jurisdiction. We'll love to go ahead and just showcase the fact that since March 24th, we vaccinated over 120,000 people with the community vaccination center program that we're doing a partnership with the federal emergency management agency. One thing I just want to make sure that everyone in the BOC is aware of that while the FEMA is supporting us with DOD Department of Defense assets as well as the financial backing; this is a process that we are running ourselves. It is not like what you

see in some other parts of the country. There are ten type one FEMA vaccination locations across this country. That means 6,000 or more vaccines will be administered in a day. I think this is another proud thing for the residents of Fulton County as well as our Board of Commissioners to know is that we are affectionately termed a machine at the federal level. We have successfully operated this location. There's numerous next door posts, twitter feeds that you can go ahead and read. It talks about the efficiency how the process went at the site, and this is something we're very proud to say that we actually hold the most amount of vaccines administered in one day. The next closest jurisdiction to us was at 7800. We accomplished this on April the 16th. We've vaccinated 10,780 individuals in one day through that location. It's just a proud thing to be able to know that we're actually helping our fellow citizens in Metro Atlanta to go ahead and receive this critical resource. So, once again, a lot of work going to that end and a lot more to come. Next slide please; passing it back to Doug."

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: "Thank you Matt. As Matt reported, Board of Health, slides --vaccines, we crossed the 300,000 boundary this morning approximately 10:30. Updated numbers we've done 171,000 at Mercedes-Benz; and 61,000 at North Point in between the three locations that we've been at the South, we have crossed the 50,000 mark at the Southern 6 sites. And while the numbers you can see don't compare, we've had a pretty robust mobile solution too, between core and the Board of Health mobile units we've done over 10,000 and our tuxedo pharmacy partnership has produced well over 5,000 at this point. Next slide. Won't spend a lot of time here, but you can see vaccine availability became kind of more robust especially through the federal program where we got vaccines from the federal government program and at Mercedes-Benz. We did cross in the County from the County offices 14,000 one day last week. Matt talked about our record of 10,700. We will cross the 10,000 boundary again today for the second time. So pretty exciting stuff. Next slide. As was mentioned, I just wanted to bring the state does have a vaccination dashboard that is owned by DPH. It was closed down for 12 days as they transitioned to a new format. The old dashboard basically showed what vaccines had been administered in the County and it included all sources: commercial, hospital, Board of Health locations. The new vaccine dashboard shows vaccines that have been received by citizens with ZIP Codes within the County. And so the number was reduced some and it was quite shocking to some of us to see the difference. But it's just totally different information that they are catching. I also want to make people aware that there are many people that didn't put demographics or location info when they registered for the vaccine so all of the unknowns are now being captured in the state numbers. So that's just important to realize that the state numbers are much higher cause all the unknowns are captured there and it's very possible that what you're looking at is underreported. Next slide. Health equity response; we've run a lot of this by the group before but it's been about a month, so we kind of want to remind you. I will continue to work with the state and access demographic information through GRITS, which is the state database for vaccines, and VRAS which is the state registration system and our Jot form system. Between the three, we feel like we continue to improve our understanding of the demographics of how shots are being given. So we're also increasing our County's mobile units from 4 to 11 by the end of April. Actually, this week will be hitting 5 for the first time and we are targeting a communication plan to

emphasize hesitancy and misinformation. Next slide. So this is a snapshot in time on vaccine distribution by race. As you can see the blue bar represents the County demographic population. So if you look at the first to the left, the white 44 percent of the population of Fulton County is white, 50 percent of all vaccines given within Fulton County have been to white individuals, and the gray bar represents what we've done at the Mercedes-Benz community vaccination center. And then if you go onto the black 41 percent of the population is black overall 18 percent of black population has received the vaccine but 30 percent of what's gone through Mercedes-Benz and you can see on down Asian population seven. Obviously, a very high rate at 18 percent total and 11 percent at Mercedes-Benz. And then the Latino population which was below one percent due to a lot of our mobile efforts has really increased that to that population and then you can see the unknown which is seven to six percent. And so that's our demographic slide. Next slide. Once again, to talk about some of the efforts that we're doing. I want to spend a little bit of time to -- we spent early on going to senior centers for vaccines. We've done about 4,000 unique individuals at senior centers and they, most of them by this point, have gotten their second shot. And so they're fully vaccinated which was nice to be able to go. We're still communicating with people within those neighborhoods in scheduling appointments at one of our fixed sites. If we miss them during the three times that we went to the senior centers. We're continuing to work with faith leadership partners. We have vaccinated to this point over 5,000 large congregation, low-access, at-risk communities. We have a team and a standard that we work on that we're looking to as we get suggestions from many people within the County to continue that process and expand what we're doing with the faith-based leaders. Our lab next outreach: Which I talked about is a very successful with the Mexican Consulate in getting into some of the Latin communities, and we've vaccinated 1,200 there today. And then our long-term care facilities at 5,100 and really we are continuing to do that even though most of them they're starting to get people that were hesitant at first that want the vaccine now, and so we're going to continue that partnership. And then Street Teams working with the community around surrounding Mercedes-Benz Stadium to develop the capacity to deploy Street Teams with I-pads to locations like the pack centers and downtown for jury selection and community events that we'll have people helping them register as long as -- also with walk-up now capabilities at Mercedes-Benz. And so we're doing quite a bit -- and also leveraging the libraries and their staff to help register people also anybody that picks up something from the library will get a piece of paper with contact information to help them register. And also other online courses that the County provides, so pretty detailed strategy. Next slide. Just wanted to show what we're doing with mobile vaccines for the week as you can see I'm not going to read in the interest of time all of these but pretty diverse locations. And really geographically throughout the County. And our goal is like I said to expand seven more mobile units, really of different sizes to really pinpoint what we want to do as far as targeting the delivery of the vaccine into what we would call vaccine deserts. Next slide. Matt, going back to you."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA: "Two big campaigns that our external affairs team has been working on; one is the VaxUpFulton and the other one is called Alive and in Color. We'll be able to go ahead and answer some questions after this

presentation, but you have received an e-mail from the External Affairs Director which details his digital as well as radio campaign. A lot of this has gone out and we're seeing it distributed through all of our partners as well as some other folks are asking for additional resources from the VaxUp campaign to be able to go ahead and leverage in the community. Next slide, please. And Alive and in Color is another big thing that Jessica and the black cross team, and external affairs team and the Board of Health has been working on to go ahead and reach out to the African-American Latin community to go ahead and get vaccinated. So kudos to them for a lot of great marketing work and a lot more to come from that process. And the one thing I do want to go ahead and say before turning I turn it over back to the Chief Operating Officer that I just want to personally thank Mercedes-Benz Stadium for everything they've done thus far but specifically just for what has happened for the schools. Doug Schuster and our team have taken that on as a mission to: go ahead and ensure that all of the APS and all the Fulton County school teachers and staff members get vaccinated; made it a special project; worked diligently to ensure that happened; Mercedes-Benz and Arthur Blank stepped up to go ahead and help us to achieve that mission; and we just can't thank them enough was still working with our Board of Health partners to achieve that. So just want to go ahead and acknowledge for the hard work any other individuals that help to make sure that their school teachers were successfully vaccinated over the last couple weeks. Ms. Roach back to you, ma'am."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you Matt. Mr. Chairman we're ready to take questions and as a reminder we also have Dr. Paxton here. So questions can be directed to her as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right colleagues, any questions on this segment?
Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and followed by Commissioner Vice Chair Hall."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you Chair. The decision to open it up for no appointments necessary and the evening -- the late evening; how did you all come up with that? What was the determining factor that made you all --"

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA: "I'm sorry, ma'am, when we initially sat down and started to look at what would be a reason why someone would say I wish I got vaccinated, but -- one of the things we wanted to do is have nontraditional ways for them to be able to be vaccinated and that came in the form of hours. So Mercedes-Benz Stadium served by two MARTA rail lines, as well as bus, lots of opportunity to go ahead and do rideshare, walk up, and such, you don't need a car to go ahead and get vaccinated at our location and what we thought is, how do we go ahead and take care of those individuals that are working and how do we get individuals that have children and how do we make it a little more easy for folks to be able to come to our site and get vaccinated; so we created a schedule that had 15 days that we would go into the evening hours, 9:30 or 10:00 at night and we also have Sunday and Saturday opportunities throughout the whole calendar as well trying to capture as many folks as possible. So it was just once again trying to remove barriers Ma'am. That's how the decision was made."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Well, I want to just give you all kudos because my office and even my home I received so many calls of “thank you” for that. A lot of people who could not for whatever reason whether it's life, whether it was job, or whatever called me and said thank you. Of course I did not take the credit for it, but I think it was a great idea. I saw the effects of it and people reaching out to me wanting to know if we were going to be doing it the entire week. And so whenever and if you are going to do it again I just ask that if you can do the extended evening times again and if you can do they “no-appointment” if you can kind of let me know or if there's some kind of way I can find out maybe 24-hours before because I would just like to make sure that those communities that I know that are struggling and are more so of a spontaneous, I will actually do everything in my power to help drive those numbers up, because I know I received so many calls, e-mails, and even like I said they even reached out to my home to say thank you. And so I just want to say and tell you all openly “great job”. I got great response from it. I am quite sure the numbers showed it was a good idea as well and I would be more than accommodating and happy in the future to help with getting that information out if you all are going to do it at Mercedes-Benz or wherever you all may do it I just would like as an elected official my role to use the bully-pen of my voice to let people know hey no-appointments, you know no-appointments. But that was a great idea. I just want to tell you thank you.”

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA: “Thank you Ma'am. Great team that helped me to make that possible. I appreciate that.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Hall -- Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you Mr. Chairman. To Matt and your team and Dr. Paxton and your team, thank you for your efforts on getting these vaccinations done and you know I'm a big fan of mobile units. I'm going to push for that when I first came into office so, I'm very pleased to hear about the mobile units being increased. And I do want to ask because Matt you said something in your presentation that has been on my mind because of the headlines and many elected friends and families across the United States calling in and having conversations with me about the increase in numbers of new cases and repeat cases and even cases of people who have been vaccinated and then catching COVID right after being vaccinated. And we hear you know that Michigan is number one in new cases and deaths are on the increase in Florida, New Jersey; so do we have any idea what Fulton County is doing differently from these other states and other places that are seeing these increases? Is there any information on that?”

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: “I wish I could say that we know right off-hand what the differences are. I think that I suspect actually it would be only in retrospect that we'll be able to look back and sort of pinpoint what might have been you know contributing differences. But I mean there is some pretty common things that run through all of this. As Matt has pointed out or I think it was Doug, some of the things that are going on in Michigan, you know for example, Michigan has or was the leading edge before, and so it's a warning, a wake-up call you know what happened there could very well happen here because we have not yet gotten a high-enough proportion of our

population in Georgia vaccinated so we still have a very large susceptible pool. One of the issues that we also are having is that we're having fewer younger people who are coming in. Our variants are going up. Estimate like maybe you know overall maybe even 20 percent or greater of our current COVID infections are with these variants which are more infectious and are putting more younger people in the hospital. So we can't rest on our laurels just yet; and we can't say that we're doing something so much better than any other place in the United States. I think that will only be borne out with time. And that's the reason why we feel at the Board of Health and I'm seeing in everyone that this is the time for us to really be pushing on every single thing we can. The vaccinations and the prevention methods because we know they're not being followed. All I have to do is walk outside my office and I can see you know crowds of people getting together and all that so we know that we got a ways to go. With the prevention thing, we've gotta keep the measures up. I wish I could say we have one or two things that we know why we are doing so much better than other places, but we really don't."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. I just wanted to refer back to something you said. So you're recommending that people continue to use the necessary precautions of wearing their masks, social distancing, and washing and sanitizing their hands. Even though many have been vaccinated they should continue those practices as well. Is that correct?"

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Absolutely, absolutely; and as I mentioned before and CDC has said, you do get some certain privileges if you're fully vaccinated you know in terms of hanging around with other people who are fully vaccinated. But you know there's still a lot of COVID running around and there's still a lot of things we need to know about it. So, all of us are still -- really need to continue these prevention methods; and so you know I'm always out - when I'm out in public, I have got a mask on. So I think that it's important that all of us need to not let up our guard. I may be giving totally different advice at the end of the summer we reached all of our goals and all that but right now; we need to keep our pedal to the metal as it goes."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And so also can you address the fact that there are people who have been fully vaccinated who are contracting COVID after being fully vaccinated even weeks later. I've even known some people who have family members and friends who were vaccinated and got COVID; and then some that have even died that were vaccinated and got COVID later. Can you address that situation?"

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Well yeah, absolutely I can. What I can say is I don't specifically -- I was looking at some of this data the other day and actually there have been few people who have gotten COVID and died from it. So I'd have to you sort of investigate more about that particular -- that particular assertion. But you know all you have to know -- I mean is that these vaccines are you know let's talk about the Moderna and the Pfizer, they are 95 percent effective at preventing an infection; so that already tells you that 5 percent of people might still be at risk for whatever reason

that it just did not work for them. However, what is still important is that we know that these vaccines are nearly 100 percent effective in preventing severe disease you know including death and hospitalization. So you know those figures tell you that yes, you can expect there's going to be a certain number of people who are going to get COVID infection even after being fully vaccinated. We can't tell beforehand who that's going to be, but it's going to happen. But almost invariably those people who do manage to have a breakthrough infection because that's what we call it a breakthrough infection; tend to have a mild inflection. It's not a failure. This is just a feature of the fact that this vaccine is not 100 percent effective, but it's pretty darn close. I'll take 95 percent effective any day of the week."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And can you give us an update on what's going on with the Johnson & Johnson vaccination because the last headline I saw was that they pulled it or they stopped it because of blood clots."

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Sure, yes, I expected this to come up. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine have some similarities with some other vaccines that we're not using in the states yet. AstraZeneca, vaccine in which it uses a particular vector -- is a different construction of a vaccine than the Pfizer and Moderna which are based on mRNA technology. These other vaccines use a different technology in a different vector. And what has been cropping up is that in other countries of which have been using AstraZeneca and here in the United States there been exceedingly rare instances of people having severe blood clotting disorder. And I just want to say that what this is actually shown us is that our surveillance system is working because it is picking up these exceedingly rare things. I'm a kind of stickler for not misusing the word literally and you know I get irritated when someone says my head literally exploded because I was so mad. You did not literally explode because you're talking to me about it now and you're not dead. So I'm not misusing this when I say these are literally one in a million cases. In the United States there have been six instances of people having actually died from this -- and that's out of 7 million doses of the J. and J. vaccine happening. But because this is such a serious side effect, and it was occurring in people who were relatively young and healthy and had no you know predisposed disposition to it. I think the decision was correctly made to halt the use of this while it is being investigated. I can tell you that what the thinking is about this is that these clotting disorders -- and I promise not to get too wonky about this -- but I'm still going to say this -- is that these are part of -- they're due to what we call a thrombotic [Inaudible.] Now, you can forget that. It basically is showing that in these people who had this clotting disorder these very few people when they actually investigated they found that they had antibodies to a thing called platelet factor 4. This is something that we in the medical profession are used to because actually that's something we see much more commonly in a similar type of clotting problem that is brought on in some people by the use of heparin, which is a drug -- is a blood thinner which you might have heard about. We use it all the time. And in a certain minority of people much greater than the group that have had this with the vaccine it occurs and that's due to antibodies being formed against this platelet factor. So in the small group of people who died after getting this vaccine they actually investigated and found that they had this platelet factor or this

antibody. Now what is not known is why whether or not this existence of this anti-platelet factor was before they got the vaccine or did the vaccine induce it, or are they totally unrelated, okay? So that is what one of the major focuses right now on what's going on. So it is plausible that the vaccine might have induced these platelets -- this anti-platelet factor; so it is plausible that that might be the root cause, but they need to investigate that and to find out. And the thing to keep in mind for all those people in Georgia I think roughly 125,000 people in Georgia have gotten the J&J vaccine throughout the state, and the important thing is to reassure people that again this is a one in a million occurrence. So, it's only -- so what we tell people is that you know you really don't need to worry if you got the Johnson & Johnson vaccine two months ago, you're fine. You know we're telling people within the first two weeks or so after getting Johnson & Johnson you know if you start to develop any symptoms that you think might be related to this like bleeding, or sudden you know anything that seems wrong you should get in contact with your doctor and let them work on and decide what to do about that because there is treatment for this. As I mentioned before, we have treated this -- I myself you know back when I was doing patient care, I had at least three or four people that I had to treat who had heparin induced this problem. And so we know how to treat this with the immuno-globulin with some non-heparin blood thinners we know how to treat it. So it's important that people keep an eye up. Just want to reiterate this is rare, extremely rare; one in a million doses that this is happened. We know how to treat it. And they shouldn't worry particularly if more than two weeks out of getting the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. You know these cases generally happened within the first two weeks. I would say basically relax. You're probably much more likely to get hit by a bus than -- well I know you're more likely to get hit by a bus than you are to actually to have this reaction after having Johnson & Johnson."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you so much Dr. Paxton. And thank you Matt."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions regarding this segment?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair, I've got one question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Sure Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, just for the Team, is our interest or rate of interest in vaccinations, do you have any indicators that it seems to be slowing or tapering off. "

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Yes."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "The short answer is, yes. I think we've reached a population that wanted it and do everything they can to take availability of an open space. But we're going to have to go to the next phase of our operation which is: 1. going out in the mobile units to those portions of the population that just can't get to the site; and 2. is like Dr. Paxton always says, how do we motivate individuals to go ahead and realize that this is the right thing to do. So we are quickly approaching the next phase of our operation."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “In light of that too, I know we've got it at Mercedes but at -- are we considering it at the two other sites going to evening hours and/or some days or times where we have no appointments, but just come and get served.”

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: “Oh, it's definitely on our planning board to go ahead and see how to do that. We have a little bit more flexibility in band-width here at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. If you go to our other locations you have one pod that is working. At Mercedes-Benz location, we have five to six pods that are working. So, we have more flexibility to handle the unknowns of people that are showing up as making sure that we have staff to register them on site and such. But we are working to -- how can we take these other two sites and start weeding that into our operation.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Okay. So you think pretty soon we'll be looking at weaving that into those other two sites?”

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: “This is Doug. I was going to say we still have two to three weeks of almost full capacity of those other two sites we're working due to the second shot. So it wouldn't be long after that; but we'll work it in Sir. So, we're going to be full for the next couple of weeks here based on second shot activity.

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “And just one last request, you know and maybe just for the next time we do the update or what not, could we get some data potentially from Grady about what type of success that they've had in terms of getting their own sort of population -- employee population vaccinated. And it would be an interesting sort of just to have a barometer for that. I've seen one other health systems' data; you know I've not really heard a report from them in sometime. They don't have to come on and appear, but if we can just get a sense of data from them about their own vaccination success, okay, that's all I got.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Anyone else? All right thank you Madam COO.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Thank you Mr. Chairman. Next slide please. Commissioners this was mentioned in the EMA report, but we have gotten to a stage now where we are green on all three of our reopening indicators. All good news. But I believe it was Vice Chair Hall and her remarks that cautioned us to make sure that we remain vigilant irrespective of the fact that we are seeing this progress. And so we are taking this information in and continuing to monitor it, but we do believe that we're at a point right now where we can plan for more in-person services. And so we will be presenting a very detailed plan about that activity at our next board meeting. Next slide. Our employee positives over the last three weeks it's been since we last reported to the Board is at 12. And again it does reflect a slowing in the positivity rate among our employee population which is also positive and good news that we have looked forward to. Next slide. That brings our total employee positive population to just 349 since we began testing. Next slide. So Commissioners as I mentioned before, we are in the process of planning for transitioning from a phase one reopening which as you know

primarily consisted of essential operations only and much of our services were either provided on a virtual basis, or they were closed all together. As an example with senior services: We took some initial steps with libraries as well as behavioral health which we have shared information about those two in particular with you at our previous board meeting, but beginning May 1, as you can see from this slide, we are planning a more wide-scaled reopening of our in-person reporting to work as well as services and I look forward to presenting a more detailed plan about exactly about what that will entail and the phases of that at our next board meeting. One thing I will tell you, is that following the advice of the Board of Health and our District Health Director Dr. Paxton, we will reopen with all of the precautions that the CDC continues to recommend that we take and keep in mind as we move along with our reopening consistent with the improvement that we have seen in our positivity rate. So, yes, we're taking steps to reopen -- which by the way to you all's pleasure does include a return to in-person meetings for the Board of Commissioners on May 3rd, but we are taking those reopening steps with an abundance of caution. But we do want to as soon as we can, reopen our services facilities to the constituents of Fulton County. So again I look forward to providing more information about that at our next meeting which will be next week. Next slide. Just a quick update on emergency rental assistance because it is an area of interest for the Board as well as our constituents. We are continuing to run this program. Our call center is open at a lower capacity because the number of calls coming in have decreased since we suspended our applications. We've had a total of, 10,400 plus calls taken. Some of them we have assisted individuals with filling out applications and you can see approximately 3,000 applications were filled out using that call system. And the other calls were primarily to either support case management. Of those cases that we have more applications that we have in or simply to answer questions. We've had a total of 17,732 applications that includes both ones initiated by landlords as well as tenants and there is a break down there of where they are in the process. Even though the applications have been submitted, I'll draw your attention to the 7,677 applications that have been submitted. Dr. Rochelle and her team are in process -- in the process of case managing many if not all of those applications because although they've been submitted, in our due diligence and reviewing those applications of course they may be incomplete, or incorrect information has been submitted, et cetera, so there's a huge amount of deliberation around those submitted employees applications which has resulted in the low approval number that you see there. Again, there's deliberations around those applications are extensive. We are in the process of talking with a provider to expand our capacity to deliberate those applications and so we'll have more information on that probably at our next Board meeting. We paid out approximately \$328,000; \$304 of that has been for rent services and approximately \$23,000 has been in utility services. Next slide. The final thing I'd like to leave you with Commissioners in the section of reopening is information about our \$250 incentive program that was developed by Mr. Hermon and the HR department as well in collaboration with the executive team. And the primary goal of the incentive to employees is to encourage employees who are hesitant or who have not yet gotten over that fear threshold of taking the vaccine to go ahead and take the vaccine. We're very excited about this push. We believe that it will result in employees taking advantage of vaccinations which will become important as we look to reopen services that have been

closed over the last several months, and returning to serving the public in person. So we're very excited about this initiative and we hope that it results in the vaccination of a very large percentage of our employee population as we look to reopen. Next slide. Next slide. Mr. Chairman I believe that was the last slide in reopening, and it was. And I'll take any questions about that. If not, we'll move onto the CFO and her section on the recovery funds."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, here's my suggestion Madam COO and colleagues, it's right at 1:00 now. In the following sections' going to require a lot of our time. I'm sure there's a lot of discussion. So what I'd like if there are no objections to take questions on this section and then break for lunch and then come back lunch in executive session and resume probably in the 2:00-2:30 timeframe. If there are no objections to that, we'll proceed accordingly. Commissioner Vice Chair Hall, I believe I see your hand."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I just have one question about the voluntary incentive program for COVID-19 vaccinations. What do we tell employees who have already received their vaccination who say if I knew that I was going to get \$150 for waiting to get my vaccination, I would have. How do we [Inaudible.] --"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "That's a good question, Vice Chair and I'm happy to share with you that all employees who receive the vaccination are eligible for the incentive even if they're fully vaccinated already. So they're all eligible to turn in that application that HR has created for this incentive even if they've already received both vaccines."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Excellent. Thank you, Anna. I appreciate that."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions? Any other questions at this time? If not then, I'll entertain a motion for lunch and recess for lunch and executive session; we have a couple of items of personnel, real estate, and possibly litigation. Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So moved Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second. Let's vote, quickly, please. Commissioner Hausmann. Ellis. Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes. I just want to be sure of the times and all of that stuff, but, yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes. And the motion passes. Why don't we executive session at 1:15, 1:20. That's enough time you think? All right. So we'll begin -- is that enough time? 1:20?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Yeah."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "1:20. Thank you."

(Break for lunch and executive session at 1:00 p.m.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We're back. Without objection we'll resume the regular order of business. Call the roll, quickly, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Morris. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Mr. Chairman, you have a quorum."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Okay. Thank you. So, turn your attention to, please to page --

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "-- you want to do executive session now?

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You ready for it? Let's take the items from executive session before we -- all right. Madam County Attorney."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Is there a motion to a request for recommendation that was set forth in items 1 and 2 on the executive session agenda."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So moved."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Cast your votes, please. Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris. Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes; 6 yeas, zero nay."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Is there a motion to approve the settlement authority as requested in item 3 on the executive session agenda?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So moved."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Properly move and seconded. Cast your votes. Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And motion passes unanimously."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's it? Okay. Turn your attention -- what page?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "It'll be page 27."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "On page 27, the Manager's handout of the COVID update. We have a lot to cover here, so, Mr. Manager."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir. What we're going to do Commissioners is, Sharon Whitmore is going to overview how we can use the 45.7 in emergency funding that you authorized in the budget. But more importantly, is we have about 15 -- I'll call it use cases, whereby, you'll be able to see proposals that we're making relating to the use of the funds, and you'll see the totality of the funds. And I think this will be a good global view of proposed uses, as well as contingency that will be recommended to be maintained. So, while there are a lot of pages, I think Sharon can step through them quickly, and then we can certainly answer questions as we go after each page, I would suggest. So, Sharon we'll turn it to you to walk through this."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: Thank you, Mr. Anderson. We can go to the next slide, please. Commissioners, this is the standard update on the use of our emergency response reserve, and our emergency rental assistance. So as you know we had 45.7 million that we set aside in the general fund to address our needs as we awaited federal resources to be made available. Of that 45.7 million, through April the 9th, we had committed 35.5 of that 15.2 towards the health response, 20.3 towards operational stability needs. We have paid out a total of \$5.7 million of that; most of that in the operational stability area, and most of those expenses are related to the procurement items that we had in place at the end of 2020, that we carried forwarded around our PPE needs for the response. Next slide, please. With regard to our emergency rental assistance, Ms. Roach covered the majority of this in her update earlier. Again, remaining the Board that we received \$18 million thus far in emergency rental assistance program. We've expanded a total of 600,000. A portion of that is related to the payments made for rental and utility assistance, and then the other portion is administrative costs; primarily the acquisition of the software solution that we're using to administer the program. So that leaves us roughly 17.4 million remaining to spend the majority of that in the rental assistance bucket with 14.9 in rental assistance to go. Next slide, please. As the Manager stated, we do have some information for you. To update you on our COVID-19 response and recovery plan, and the potential and proposed uses for the resources that we have available. Next slide. If you recall at the last meeting of the Board, we laid out for you all of the known and available resources at that point in time. And so, we change the presentation a little bit, and kind of wanted to walk you back through what the sources of funding are, and how we have sort of step through as we've become aware of the availability of resources. So in January, we knew that we had the \$46 million that we brought forward in our general fund as our emergency reserve fund. And we also knew at that point in time that we will be awarded that \$18 million for that rental assistance program. So in January we had about 64 million in resources at our disposal. Those are the resources that we are still using to fund all of our response activities. In March, with the passage of the American Rescue Plan Act, we increased the amount of known resources to 285 million; by adding in the 207 million that we expect to receive as a direct government assistance payment under the American Rescue Act in reminder that those funds will be paid over to the County in two tranches: One in 2021 and, one in 2022. We also learned that as part of that legislative package, there was an additional allotment for the rental assistance program, and that the County's portion of that would be approximately 14 million, bringing the total of our rental assistance program funding to 32 million. And then, of course, the 46 million that we carry forward from our general fund. And so today, we want to share with you some additional information in a different view of our available resources, increasing the total amount to \$340 million. And that is primarily through identifying the opportunity to seek reimbursement for our cost associated with our vaccination and testing program. So you'll see on the far right of the screen, at the very top -- in the top box, we have 55 million now that we are allocating for a FEMA reimbursement program, as well as the other funds previously identified. So when you take the FEMA reimbursement piece, and you add it to the other resources that brings our total to 340 million. What's not depicted on this slide are a number of other smaller grants that we are aware of that we have already received, those being some small

airport grants; we have a 900,000 dollar Workforce grant that was received. Yesterday we learned that we will be receiving 2.4 million for the home program, specifically, out of the funding that was set aside in the American Rescue Act Plan. So those amounts are in addition to this, and we will in future reports -- we will create a reporting mechanism so that we can show you those funds, and how we are spending those funds, or spending progress on those funds as well. Next slide, please. Commissioners, this slide is a view of how we have taken this \$340 million worth of resources and spread them across our three pillars of response: Health response, operational stability, and community needs. In addition to that, we have added in, down at the bottom of the slide, you'll see in the gray box a contingency. And how we generated or created that contingency is by looking in to each of the funding sources, and pulling those costs out that were associated directly with the vaccination and testing response, in moving those over to the FEMA bucket. And then leaving what we had planned to otherwise spend in support of those activities in contingency, should FEMA not reimburse a hundred percent of our costs. We would still have the resources in place to be able to ensure we could cover those costs from a cash flow perspective. So, in this regard, we're now looking at a \$72 million investment in our health response spread across four primary use: 39 million for vaccination and testing, 11 million, specifically, for the operations of the Mercedes-Benz Stadium mega site, \$2 million for communications, specifically, around the vaccination program that were operating to address vaccination hesitancy, and to ensure that we are able to inform our County residents how -- where, and how, and when they are able to receive vaccines. And then lastly, \$20 million in the health infrastructure area in order to continue to expand our underline health infrastructure -- public health and emergency management infrastructure. In operational stability: We have a hundred and 30 million planned in that regard. 21 million out of the emergency response fund in the general fund. A hundred and 7 million from the American Rescue Plan, and 3 million from FEMA. That 130 million is then spread across six primary potential use sources. The first of which is pandemic proofing County facilities for a \$35 million investment. Premium pay for County employees, \$15 million; \$5 million to continue to provide the necessary PPE for County employees, and the public coming in to County facilities to receive services, \$60 million for a major court backlog project, \$10 million to continue our investment in information technology to address our virtual programming, and virtual workspace needs for employees. And then lastly, 5 million of that is the funding that we needed to carry forward to cover those purchase orders that were hold from 2020-2021. In the community needs pillar: We've identified a total investment of \$70 million. 38 million of that coming out of the American Rescue Plan; 32 million coming from the rental assistance program; that 70 million would be spread across six primary uses. The first is rental assistance 32 million; the second is a safety net expenses and this -- in particular -- this is the funding for the CSP program that the Board took an action on at the last Board meeting; \$10 million for a mortgage assistance program, \$5 million for a long-term revolving loan program, \$5 million to address food insecurity, and \$10 million for job training. And then lastly, on this slide is the contingency of 68 million. And you'll see that that is being derived out of the 24 million of that coming from the amount that we had originally set aside in the general fund to support our health response -- a good portion of our health response activities, and then 45 million out of the American Rescue Plan. Next slide, please. This next

slide is another view of that same information that I just shared, so I won't -- I won't revisit each one of these. Each one of these line items what this is just to provide a little -- a little more information for the Board, in regards to what the potential uses are that we're recommending. Next slide, please. Commissioners, this slide is our first pass at what the potential cash flow will look like surrounding all of these funds that were talking about. At the top of this -- at the top of the slide, we've laid out the planned spend down of the resources, and we've identified the funding source. So the first line is the general fund emergency reserve fund. We would expect, currently, to expend 22.5 million of that in 2021. The American Rescue Act Plan, we've taken the funding and spread it out over the timeframe that we have to spend the funds based on the anticipated need. The majority of this spread relates to the multiyear court backlog project, and the pandemic proofing of County facilities projects. The Consolidated Appropriations Act that 18 million is the first tranche of the emergency rental assistance funds that were provided. And the FEMA bucket; we're showing the majority of that being spent and reimbursed in 2021 with the telling piece of perhaps holding over to 2021 -- I mean, 2022 depending on the timeframe that FEMA is able to reimburse. And then down at the bottom of the screen, are the sources of the funds, and when those sources are expected to be received by the County. The first line is, of course, the emergency reserve account which we already have. The second is a combination of the 206 million from the American Rescue Act, along with the second allocation of the emergency rental assistance funds; and then the Consolidated Appropriations Act: That 18 million is the emergency rental assistant, EERF One' and we've already received. And the FEMA -- the FEMA reimbursement: This assumes that we are making application for reimbursement as we continue through the course of this year, in spending our resources and seeking reimbursement from the federal government. And you can't really see it very well on the screen, but at the bottom of this page, it does sort of show you what the anticipated cash balance would be at the end of each of the fiscal year, and it does show, based on this scenario, that same contingency amount of \$68 million. From a practical perspective, we would not expect to have this contingency still in place when we get to the end of 2024 because as we move through this fiscal year and next and on through 2024, we will be making adjustments to this plan as we see what is going on with the FEMA reimbursement. So again, if the FEMA reimbursement comes through as anticipated, and timely then we would not see a need to draw on this contingency. But if not, then this contingency that we've built in would in effect be what would ultimately fund those expenditures that we will be incurring in support of the vaccination and testing program. And it's a little more than what we set aside for FEMA because we did feel like we should acknowledge that there may be items, or needs that we have not thought of in our planning process, and we would want to ensure that we have some resources to react with some should something come up as we move through the rest of this year, and into 2022 that we just didn't think about in our planning process. But we would plan to continue to evaluate the need and use of these funds, and make recommendations and adjustments as we move through the next several weeks. Next slide, please. And so with all of the information around the potential sources, and the potential uses of the funds, we felt like we should provide a little more explanation around each one of the proposed uses, and so in the package we did develop out a use case log for each one, which I will walk the Board through. And there

are two use cases; when we get to the operational stability part that Alton and Ellis will step in and provide some additional information. Next slide, please. So our first use case that we have prepared for you is mobile vaccinations. We have requested an amount not to exceed \$20 million for mobile vaccinations in order to be able to build up, and stand up a total of ten mobile vaccinations units, in order to provide the ability to go into communities, and go where our constituents are, and be able to handle their vaccine needs there within their communities, instead of trying to require them to come in to fixed sites locations. And so with this, we would be able to, we believe, reach some of the more difficult areas of the County to reach and address vaccine hesitancy issues that may exist within -- within those communities. Next slide, please. Well, -- I'm sorry. Mr. Anderson did you want me to stop after each one, and allow for questions, or do you want me to stop after each?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I think [Inaudible.] I saw Commissioner Arrington --

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- after each category here?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This is mobile vaccinations. Commissioner Arrington. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes. Thank you. My question, I guess, was back at the numbers look good. I guess, I was wondering how we came up with the number of 10 million for mortgage assistance? And do we know the percentage of people in the County that rent versus own? Or have a mortgage? I mean, if we ran out of 18 million in two weeks, what makes us think 10 million for mortgage assistance will be enough?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I think that's a very good question. If we could -- so each one of those that she overviewed, Commissioner Arrington, we have on a one-pager coming up. So if we can hold that question, when we get to that one, we'll take any direction. And the short answer to that is we don't know. The contingency of 60 or 70 [Inaudible.] in the end would be where the Board might want to allocate more; would be mortgage and rent, both assistance. But we have a page on that coming up, Commissioner."

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

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. So at this point, then on page 35, any questions on mobile vaccinations?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, sir, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I'm just going -- not necessarily a question on mobile vaccination. Just on an assumption, I guess, is we're developing this out, we're generally making the assumption that vaccines would be a one-and-done scenario for an individual, right? I mean, we haven't thought about, you know, might there be a need to come back and do another round of vaccinations, let's say in the following year. That's -- we built the assumption is the one-and-done, right? Absent the fact that we got a contingency sitting here?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Right."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I think that's correct."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. All right. That's fair."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I think that's one of the reasons, you know, what we've been pretty conservative with that contingency is not knowing what's the duration. And on this we can see an end date 2024 which would apply that maybe we have to do booster shots or something in the future."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, and then our 80 percent population targeted; is that an adult population, or is that of all population, or are we sort of assuming at some point these will be available for children."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I mean -- and the numbers we've been working with we've assumed the full population. I think it was 880,000."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Maybe it should be -- that should also be more as we go along."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Are you saying that the full population is 880,000, or just a target?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "That was a target that we developed some time ago, you know, really to meet herd immunity kind of state that getting 880,000 vaccinated will achieve that. That's not the full population, that's about 80 percent."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Further questions on mobile vaccinations? All right, hearing none. Continue, Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The next item is the Mercedes-Benz vaccination sites -- the mega site that is currently operational through May of 2021. The projected costs for operation of that site is \$11 million. So the County would incur that cost, and this would be a hundred percent reimbursable from FEMA. So it's \$11 million for the full operation at the Mercedes-Benz stadium mega site."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Questions on that?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, sir, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "This is -- so what we're talking about here is running it through May as it is right now in terms of capacity? Is that we're talking about?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, sir. This is specifically for this eight week operation as a mega site. Following that period of time, subject to the availability of the stadium, I believe that Mr. Kallmyer has been in discussion with them to potentially be able to continue operating it as a vaccinations site, but on a much smaller scale. Sort of at the scale that it was prior to the mega sites starting in the 3rd week of March."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Who's that?"

CLERK GRIER: "Hausmann."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Who? Oh. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Thank you. So while it's designated as a mega site, the expenses are reimbursable from FEMA; is that what I'm hearing say? And after it's not a mega site, the operational costs revert back to the [Inaudible.]?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "At this point Commissioner Hausmann, my understanding is that any of the counties costs associated with testing and vaccinations are eligible currently for a hundred percent reimbursement through FEMA, including our other fixed site operations. And so, we have planned for that in our analysis. After this period of time, where Mercedes-Benz is a mega site, if it reverts back to a County Board of Health operated fixed vaccinations site, then those costs would continue to be 100 percent reimbursable through FEMA for a period of time, which I believe is through September of this year, or unless they extend the emergency declaration that they're operating at this time."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So the \$52 million FEMA reimbursement encompasses everything you just categorized?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Is there anything else in that 52 million?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "It's all of the cost, and we had planned for vaccination and testing sites operations. It's also includes the cost of operating and maintaining the warehouse. It also includes the cost for the emergency management support staff that we have engaged with, and it includes some of the PPE that we have received and paid for in 2021 out of the reserve. So those are the cost that we shifted over to that FEMA bucket."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. So they have specific things then that we can be reimbursed for?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. My question -- I guess, question for the day, and I'll be quiet. It's not really a question; it's more of an observation. I know that we did not pay 1 penny to the State Farm during our voting."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I do not believe we paid anything to Mercedes-Benz Stadium during voting. And I do not recall -- unless I missed it -- any discussion about us reimbursing Mercedes-Benz for the great work that they're doing. I was a little shocked when I saw that number, \$11 million. I just made an assumption that their, you know, their contribution --"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: " -- contribution. Yeah, I think perhaps all of us -- as we set this up -- didn't totally understand that they were committing as we have gone along if someone is interested in this, or if any of the Board is interested in this subject; we do have a detailed listing of all of the incremental cost as they see them. Ranging from tables to security; and police outside. So from that perspective what their contributing, the use of the building more so than all of there incremental cost. So the incremental cost will be reimbursable under this approach."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, I just do not recall any discussion whatsoever about any reimbursement."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I don't think it was held up front. I think it evolved over time. So that's an accurate recollection."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Let's hope that 11 million will be FEMA reimbursable."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes. And by the way, Mr. Chair, you correct me if I'm wrong. I think we've gotten, or in the process of getting 5 million up front from FEMA against this 11 million. Sharon, have we received it yet? I'm not sure on that."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I do not believe we've received it, but we did get a question asked of us yesterday as to how the check should be made out. So our understanding is that it will come via a check, and Mr. Kallmyer will be delivering it to us once he receives it. But, yes, you are correct Mr. Anderson."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "I been suspicious of this all along. I don't know how the government is going to give us 206 million, and then turn around and reimburse us for vaccination, but it appears that that is the way it works."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's my favorite [Inaudible.] because a lot of this is loosey-goosey."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yeah."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "That's also brings up a question for me. I guess I'm trying to comprehend why we're spending 20 million on mobile vaccination, and only 11 million on a mass site where we're getting the highest numbers, and the most turnout. If anything, it would appear, it ought to be the other way around."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Well, the mobile will last longer. You know, the duration of this was scheduled for eight weeks, so mobile will go on -- I mean, we said through the duration of this, maybe even into 2024. It's a good question, but in the end with all those mobile sites that we'll have up, we could do 3,000 plus vaccinations a day through mobile units. So it is -- you know, it's just a function of supply, the personnel, and the units themselves, which will be leased, and then all those -- the accoutrements to go along with that. That's the math. The one last for a period of time. What I don't know, and can't answer very effectively is that if you took the total number of vaccinations that will be done through the mobile unit versus this one fixed site how it compares. And I'd have to go through that math. I don't have that off the top of my head."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And you're saying that 20 million could last through 2024?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: Well, you know, basically what we've said is that it could, you know, it could last that long. I'm not sure that 20 million would take us all the way through 2024 with all those units working."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Do we know per month amount because may be that might give us a better picture. You know, what is that cost per month for mobile vaccinations? And what is the target number of vaccinations?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Let me ask, Sharon."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I believe that the cost for -- the monthly costs on the mobile units -- I'm looking for my piece of paper where I wrote my numbers down -- is 1.7 million. The plan, and what that is based on is that would be the maximum that we would need for -- actually that 1.7 million, I believe is for the cost for all of CORE's services. CORE would be manning these mobile units for the County. And the total cost for all of CORE's services including their services at the fixed vaccination sites will be 1.7 million per month. But on the mobile units in particular, they have indicated that they will be able to recover some of the costs of their operations through -- by collecting residents insurance information because they will be able to bill for that administratively at no cost to the residence, but they will be able to bill for an underlying administrative fee that would help offset their cost of operations for these mobile units. And I don't -- I can't find my -- I'm sorry, I can't find my document that I had written that -- written that number down."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "You can send that to me later. How many mobile units are we talking about?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Ten in total from CORE, in addition to whatever the Board of Health runs themselves."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "And by the way, Commissioner Arrington, the plan right now at the state level is for learning from us what we did. The state is trying to push out one mobile unit utilizing CORE to every other health district. So think of it as: 17 of those units will go out in to the state. Ten of the -- an additional ten will be in Fulton County. So that all being said, part of it would be funded by insurance reimbursement. And part of it is funded [Inaudible.] It's hard to say how long it will last for given that we don't know exactly yet if it's insurance reimbursement is going to totally come to fruition."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. So CORE is providing ten mobile units, and the staffing for them?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And how many mobile units do we have? And are we providing staff through the Board of Health?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yeah, today the Board of Health only has one unit that's doing vaccinations, and just what Doug reported this morning -- in fact we had this discussion yesterday. I'm not sure that there's a plan beyond that one unit

because we said going from 17 to 11, which will be these ten, plus the one from the Board of Health."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: Okay. Thank you. I mean, it just gives a little better perspective on exactly what we're talking about."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I certainly would like to see what the projected number for each mobile unit is, and, you know, obviously, hopefully you guys will remain fluid on the 20 million number, I guess. And up to 1.7 million per month, you know, would probably, you know, not looking at a lot, you know. In 12 months that's 24 million, so --"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "-- yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "-- roughly, so."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "And we do have -- I just don't have it in front of me -- we have it a -- it's through the end of 2021, we do have a monthly breakdown in these units come on, how many vaccines will be delivered, how many staff are required because someone are what they call a heavy unit. Others are called a light unit. So we can provide that to the Board as additional detail."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Will there also be testing at any of these sites? Or are they only doing vaccinations?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "The plan right now is a move away from testing largely into vaccinations. The demand for testing now is down to about 3,000 or so a day, and I think in all Fulton County there was still a capacity with all the hospitals last report we looked at about 13,000. So it almost makes, you know, no sense to continue testing, but rather fully move into vaccination."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "And the testing sites that we currently have are being operated by MAKO, under the direction of the Board of Health, or the Department of Public Health. So all of the former Board of Health testing sites have transitioned over now to being operated by MAKO."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "So those still exist."

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

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, if someone's desires that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anything else on Mercedes-Benz Stadium? Thank you, Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The next use case that we have for you today -- next slide, please. Is the behavioral crisis center. This is a 20 million -- not to exceed a \$20 million investment. The projected start date being July 2021, running through the -- and of the availability of the resources in 2024. This is for us to be able to really expand our current mental health and substance abuse services. And in the description we reference it being a Fulton County led infrastructure. That does not necessarily mean a bricks-and-mortar facility. It doesn't -- not mean a bricks-and-mortar facility either. I mean, at this point we're not - we're not yet at a decision point on which path we will choose. But the intent is for this to be a Fulton County led initiative to be able to provide either through contracts, or direct services and expansion of our current mental health and substance abuse program. Particularly, in light of the impact that the pandemic has had on mental health and substance abuse issues in general. We felt like this was something that we needed to present as one of our major initiatives. I'm not sure if Anna wants to add anything to that or not."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "No. The only thing I would say to this one is that there is an incredible amount of unknown right now in terms of what is exactly needed to support a crisis services in Fulton County. As you know, our behavioral health structure is different from the structure of other community service boards across the state. We have more of a network of provider models for behavior health services. And so it's going to be important for us to have our desire to expand crisis services informed by some sort of study, or assessment of our service delivery model across the County to ensure that whatever we design, in the way of services to support or expand crisis services, is sort of unique for Fulton County because the way deliver our services is unique from the state. So we'll be informed by what the state's doing in terms of crisis, but I do think that we should do, or conduct a study to inform the design for crisis services in Fulton County."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "And the last thing, I guess, I would note on this is that this is one use case that we did identify that could have potential reoccurring costs in the future based on the ultimate model that's decided and the expansion."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Question? Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, thank you Mr. Chairman. I'm really glad to this. We've identified this as a big gap in our services for years. Whether we know exactly what it's going to end up looking like. I think we all recognize that there's going to be a lot of folks on behavior health issues that emanate not only from the pandemic, as we emerge from it, but it's a big problem. And so, I'm really, really glad that we're able to at least explore this, and potentially firmly have some source of support crisis center and or offerings because it's sorely needed. So I'm really pleased to see this."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Further questions? All right. Continue, Ms. Whitmore."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just have a question about the fact that this particular site references law enforcement involvement. And does anyone know exactly what that involvement would look?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "So we have talked about -- Vice Chair Hall, thank you for that question. We talked a lot about making sure that when we design mental health services for those crisis services that we do it in a way that supports other County services. And so, all of the work around pre-arrest diversion, post arrest diversion, or pretrial diversion as well as reentry services; those other things that we're talking about when we reference law-enforcement involvement in our design for crisis services. In particular we want in the construction of a crisis center or crisis ability to have police officers have the ability to have a place to bring someone who is in crisis -- if they encounter them in crisis -- to be able to bring that person to a place to receive treatment as an alternative to arrest. So that's what the reference to law enforcement involvement is."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's definitely my concern is that we don't want to continue the trend that we've seen most often where the mentally ill have been arrested and thrown in jail, where they really need services and programs to stabilize them, and medicate them, and get them, you know, where they can sustain their own lives. But when you mentioned -- you mentioned the Police Department: And are we expecting that the majority of the law enforcement involved would be countywide? Or are there any particular areas of the County where we see there might be more law-enforcement involvement necessary to address this area of concern?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, again, for that question, Vice Chair Hall. As you know, the majority of our arrest, as well as the majority of inmates that we have in the jail emanate from arrest within the city of Atlanta. So we do expect that our engagement with Atlanta for that reason, of course, will probably be more involved then with the rest of the county. To answer your question; we suspect that if we develop a mental health crisis center, or expanded capacity that our engagement will be with all law-enforcement divisions across the County to include our city Police Departments as well."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. But you do expect that the majority of them will be city of Atlanta. And with that being said, I also just want to make sure that we're remembering to engage our Sheriff because I know our Sheriff has created a very positive relationship with Atlanta Police Department to ensure that we have the best law-enforcement coverage across the County."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Sorry about that. Must be a fire somewhere. And so, did you hear what I said before the fire engine went pass?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I did, Vice Chair Hall. It was encouraging the continued engagement with our Sheriff's department because they do have a law enforcement arm within their division, and absolutely we do plan to do that."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. Thank you, so much."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes. This sounds like a great opportunity to work with the city of Atlanta, and perhaps to help our Mayor achieve her goal, and perhaps achieve our goal at the same time. It's certainly -- they're talking about re-purposing the Atlanta Jail for such -- for facilities similar to what I hear being proposed here. And they know that we have \$20 million to help with such a facility, or to provide such a facility that may help us a long way in trying to get access to that jail."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner Arrington, what I would say in response to that is that nothing is off the table. But again, I would encourage the Board to allow us to be informed by some sort of assessment of the best way to deliver crisis services across the County. But you're correct, Commissioner Arrington; it would not hurt us. Again, for the reasons the Vice Chair stated because many of our cases come from Atlanta. We would be well served with having them at the table on the front end of the conversation, so I completely agree with you there."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yeah, I think we got to let them know that we got \$20 million available for the type of facility that the mayor wants. And you know we're looking for some consideration with that city jail, in exchange for because if they're -- I mean here's the other thing we have to think about: They're talking about re-purposing that center. And so, if they re-purpose that they might be able to address 50 percent of the people that we're trying to target by building a \$20 million center. We may only need 10 million because they may take care of the other 10 million through their budget, and through their facility, in re-purposing the jail cell. So we definitely need to try to coordinate our efforts in that regard."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I certainly agree, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I'm good. I'm just -- I'm fully in support of this initiative."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anything else? Any other questions or comments on behavioral health, colleagues? All right. Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Next slide, please. Our next use case is communication plan. And this is a area being led by Jessica Corbitt, our Director of External Affairs, in order to reach our 80 percent vaccination rate within the community. She's developed a communication plan that will cross all different communication channels, and methods specifically being developed in order to address vaccine hesitancy to support our health equity, and mitigate any concerns that we may have around health disparities affecting our communities of color. Again, its \$2 million, most of which will be expanded between now, and the end of the year in an effort to really reach everyone in the county, so that we can get that 80 percent vaccination rate."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Questions? No questions?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes. Chair, I have a question concerning communications."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, you have the floor, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you. My question is: Do we have a plan in our community -- a communication plan laid out as to how we are going to deal with it on the south side? We do have a communications gap on the south side as for as supporting the health equity, and getting the information out, and using those vendors that are in the South side; and using the tools in the South side to help -- to reach the 80 percent vaccination rate? I have major concerns -- like I said earlier, I commended the department on doing their part in getting the vaccinations without an appointment, at such a late hour; however, I think -- and it went very well, but the point I'm trying to make to the Board today is: Had we had certain partners in South Fulton, I think it would have been even better. And so, have we addressed that there is somewhat of a gap on that Southside? And do we have any remedies for that? Because we do sometimes fall into a communications gap when it comes over to my District. Thank you."

JESSICA CORBITT, DIRECTOR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "Good afternoon, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. Good afternoon to the Board. This is Jessica Corbitt, Director of External Affairs. Commissioners, I'd like to answer that in two parts. The first: I agree with you that I would've loved to have had more lead time on the information about our no appointment kind of blitz. We received approval from our partners that FEMA that afternoon about an hour before we distributed that information. So it was a very -- it was something that we had discussed, but we weren't -- we needed to make sure all the partners were on board to make that happen. And once we received that approval, we worked to get that out as quickly as we could. So I apologize that there wasn't more notice. And I agree with you that that can be more powerful going forward with a greater lead time. That's what we are working toward for the future. So that's one part of the answer. Secondly, a couple of things: One is with Mercedes-Benz Stadium. We have specifically started with that site. Working with FEMA, we have looked at a group of targeted zip codes. We have also used something

called the CDC social vulnerability index, which looks at a number of factors. And what we found is that most of the census tracts that meet those -- that are most vulnerable as defined by CDC, or most at risk, or missing out on vaccinations, or affected by health equity issues. Or, as you just pointed out, either in portions of Atlanta, South Fulton. And our few census tracts in Sandy Springs, and Roswell. But primarily in the Southern half of Atlanta and South Fulton. And so that has really been the target of our outreach strategy. And this plan is really multifaceted. It is advertising, so it's things like radio -- we do have a 15 second radio spots right now on V103. We will have additional radio spots, and online with several different stations coming up soon and I'll make sure to share those. Those are kind of coming on board. We are working on -- we have a lot of digital advertising. And the good thing about digital is what we can -- we are able to highlight ZIP Codes in census tracts, where we -- if we are looking at the uptick in vaccination, and we see that one ZIP Code has a lower uptick, or we have a greater gap in one area than another, we're able to tailor that. We're also bringing on board out of home advertising billboards, and bus shelters primarily. And then a second part of that on part of the health equity group, and one of the things that we are working with Dr. Roshell, and a number of departments is outreach teams. So you will see more and more of this especially now that we're in spring of people in the community signing people up. So a portion of this funding is used to pay for the people who are literally in community signing people up for appointments. And I think that shot, kind of multi layered approach is one of the things that -- as a part of the strategy to cover the gaps that you just mentioned. We are using all of the channels that we have, and we certainly would ask all of you -- I heard you loud and clear, Commissioner this morning talking about using your voice to add to this. And we absolutely want and need your help. We're also working -- we've talked previously about the mobile units outreach to faith-based communities. We've sent kids literature to many faith-based organizations, and we're open to any and all ideas. This is something that we've done lots of lots of outreach before, but this is different because this is a very personal choice that people are making about their health. And every day -- every day news cycles has an impact for how people feel about vaccinations. And so, those are some things that we've tried to be as creative as we can, be on the ground, and also on the airwaves, and reach people to the best of our ability. So I would love to talk to you further if you have any other suggestions."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Ms. Corbitt, first of all, no need to apologize. You do an absolutely great job of getting the information to me. And I appreciate that. So, no need to apologize. I guess my question/concern is: You actually address it. But I think I can address it a little bit better. What I mean is we have certain media outlets, we have certain social media outlets, we have certain mobile billboards that target South Fulton, Southwest Atlanta; they know the demographics. For instance: There's a particular social media outlet, and also a radio station that I know that if we were to advertise on it we would get a bigger peak of the audience that we're trying to reach versus even V103. Because these individuals don't listen to V103. But they do listen to this particular -- these individuals in that particular area. So, I guess my concern, which you really dealt with, but I just wanted to make sure on record that the listening audience -- and my colleagues know; when you're talking about going into my area, or

the areas that are not getting the message, or have other things going on. You have to sometimes change the message, or you have to sometimes change the messenger. And so, it may require a little bit more targeted; and that's why I said, I'm willing to do everything, and share any of my expertise, and meet with you, and let you know one-on-one what I'm talking about because sometimes when we're trying to get a particular audience that we know, it may take someone knocking on their door. It may take the camera to stand. But we also have other tools in our community that I know that they listen to. And when they listen to it, they're not only going to respond to it because they hear it, they're going to respond to it because of where it's coming from. And so -- that's something you, and I can meet on later, but, yeah, I appreciate it. You all are doing a great job of giving the information out, it's just at this point and time we got to get a tad bit more creative to get to those pockets that we're not servicing, and we're not servicing them necessarily because we don't want too; we want to service them. We just got to get creative, and bring them into the fold. So, thank you. I appreciate that."

JESSICA CORBITT, DIRECTOR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "Thank you, Commissioner. I appreciate you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions or comments? All right continue, Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Next slide, please. Commissioners, this brings us now to the operational stability propose use cases. And we have five of those today. The court backlog project, the pandemic proofing of the government center, remote workforce, access to broadband from IT, the premium pay plan, and the emergency response reserve. Next slide. So the first item that we'll talk about is the court backlog project. And Alton is going to come on in just a minute, and share with you more of the details. But just the high-level summary: Again, this is a \$60 million request not to exceed \$60 million. It will run from October 2021 to October 2024. I actually think we will -- you'll see on the timeline, we'll be starting things in advance of October, but the actual program itself would start in October of this year. Essentially, this is an effort to ensure that any of the cases that were backlogged due to COVID-19 are eliminated over the next 24 to 36 month timeframe. And that will be accomplished through a number of different means that Alton will share with you now. I think some of the key issues around this is that this program in particular because it involves so many different partners within the justice system, it will be managed as a program aligned out of the Strategy office. So with that, I'll let Alton come on and share his slides if we can go on to the next slide, please."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: **Great.** Thank you, Sharon. And to your point about the start date, while we do have projected start date of October 21st 2021, that's the date that we would actually stand up the court's that I'm going to talk about in a minute. But to your point, we've already begun the process. We have a project management team who started in the number of different areas including HR, finance, and looking for sites and so on. So we have started, but the date for -- "D" date is October 1st, 2021. In terms of the slide, first slide is designed to give you a sense of the magnitude of the backlog. And specifically when we look at superior court, state

court, magistrate court what we have pulled together is the magnitude of the court cases associated with the backlog, when we basically closed down the courts a year ago. Now, we did continue -- we still continue to have first appearances, we continue to have some limited bench trials, we have not had any jury trials. And so, what we have accumulated is the largest single set of backlogs across all the courts that I believe Fulton County has ever seen. And we believe that starting October 1st, and increasing the capacity of the courts, and doing some other things, it will take us approximately 27 months for superior court, 24 for state court, and 24 for magistrate court. Next slide. The way we plan on addressing that case accumulation is twofold. One is increasing the capacity of superior, state, and magistrate court. We're going to do that by standing up 24, what we call courtrooms. Not courtrooms in a traditional sense in that they will not have jury capability, but we plan on standing up 20 satellite courtrooms consisting of additional courtrooms of South Annex, the North Annex, and then some satellite courtrooms centrally located. That's going to require us to also hire more than 240 individuals between now and September 1st. So on October the 1st, we're able to actually have every one of those courtrooms up and running. Now, to the CFOs point, we have already started looking at some of the courtrooms that are available that are not being used to see if we can utilize them sooner rather than later; however, our goal is to have all 24 of these additional satellite courtrooms up and functioning, and fully staffed by October 1st of 2021. In addition to capacity increases, we are going to be taking a number of steps to increase the productivity of the court trooper. Those will include utilization of case management, utilizing case triage, so we get after some of the cases that allow us to move faster and more efficiently. Obviously, with a big focus on the cases for individuals who are in the Fulton County Jail. And then we're looking at a number of other things including flexible court hours. So, we would have something called evening court, where we would allow individuals who have DUI cases, and other cases to actually come in, and be part of an evening court session through the week with state court. And so the combination of those two -- combination of capacity increases, and productivity, and improvements are going to allow us to in fact increase and improve court and get ideally to the target that we laid out. Next slide, please. At a very high level, the funding for this effort is a combination of technology, people, logistics, and what I call program management, project management, resource that we're going to utilize to help manage this project. The largest single category is people, and that includes judges that we're -- retired judges that are going to be a part of state court and superior court. We're going to hire litigation managers. We're going to make additions to the DA staff; we're going to make additions to the solicitor general staff; we're going to make additions to the public defender staff; we're going to make additions to the clerk staff. And so, those are account for the large percentage of the funding associated with standing up the courts, and actually running them over the three-year period. We're also going to have to outfit one of these courtrooms hence the technology. Can you guys hear me?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes, we can hear you very clearly."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Okay. Great. And then from a logistic standpoint, this is a combination of standing up the -- standing up the courtrooms, moving things to where they need to be; some furniture, even though a lot of things have been accounted for. But some limited logistics in terms of standing up the rooms. And then, like I said, project/program management associated with getting this stood up, and running it given the magnitude, and the scale of the project. And that gets us to the \$60 million in funding that we're requesting. Next slide, please. In terms of implementation schedule at a very, very high level, we have this in more detail. But at a very high level, we've already started looking at the business processes that we can change to help us with our productivity. We stood up a project management office, and has representatives from the Strategy and Performance Management Group -- our Strategy and Planning group. It has representatives from Finance; it has representatives from HR; has representatives from DREAM; has representatives from a couple of folks in the court. We started putting together an overall plan to get after all the things that need to happen between now and October 1st. And so for example: We started to look at job description and salaries for the individuals that we have to bring in. These individuals are going to be brought in for three years -- not Fulton employees, but will be employees that is eligible for benefits because of the length of time in the category. So we've already started that process. We're going to have to start looking for spaces. And here, again, I mentioned the South Annex, I mentioned North Annex. I think we have some central locations that we're looking at. We've already started that process, and we're getting assistance from a couple of people in DREAM, who has been assigned to this project. We've already looked at what the technology would look like for these courtrooms. They're going to look more like a large conference room, than a traditional courtroom; but to -- so they'll give us some flexibility with the technology, but we've already started looking at options and started to price that out. And so, what I will leave you with here, I think, the big takeaways from this particular chart is there's a lot to be done between now and October 1st. October 1st feels like it's a long way away, but there are a lot of things that has to happen between now, if we're able to kind of hang the flag, and say we're open in these 24 courtrooms on October 1st of 2021. So finally, in terms of critical success factors. Next slide, please. Our program management office, our team really established a number of priorities. But I think the three that I would want to point out is one, from a human resources standpoint the on-boarding of 240 people across very different agencies is probably unique to us, given the pace that we're going to need to move, so we're looking at -- HR is looking at options including utilizing outside resources to help make that happen at this speed and scale that we need. To give you an example, one the first areas we're going to focus on is hiring investigators for the DAs office because the DA has to charge these cases before they can get the court. As as we sit here today, the DA has 7,000 unindicted cases. And so, we got to find a way to get her the investigators she needs as quickly as possible, so she can get those cases indicted. So that we can be ready when we start to accelerate the volume through the courts as we plan on having these additional courtrooms that we plan on having set up. Logistics, I talked about that; but locating the sites, doing the layouts, ordering the furniture, getting the technology; we've already started looking at the options, but soon as we identify those options, we got to get them into procurement process, so that we can make sure that they are ordered and ready to

go. We had some challenges last year because a number of the things we ordered came from China, and so there was a lag time; and we expect we may still experience some of that. So that's a big priority for us at this point. And then finally, working closely with Sharon, and her team, both in finance, and the planning side identifying the way we're going to report and track the key performance indicators. Finalizing the expenses on a fiscal year basis, and on a department by department organization by organization basis. And then our procurement approach: Some of the services that we need to have on board in the early stages, so that we can make sure we're able to move at speed scale after we get after this challenge. Let me stop there. I'm happy to answer any question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris followed by Vice Chair Hall."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, Alton, thank you for all of this. It's a heck of a backlog, and a very important thing to clear up. You mentioned 7,000 unindicted cases. Is that number in addition to the 206,000 backlog cases?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "No. Those would be included in -- good question. Those would be -- those will be in addition, too. That's correct. I believe these cases come out of Odyssey and they represent the backlog by case. But let me find out for sure, Commissioner, and figure out whether the unindicted cases are included, and those that are not."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Great. Thank you. My real point of raising my hand was the \$59,700,000 number really -- it appears to not include any outfitting other than technology. Any outfitting of the temporary or additional courtrooms, nor any rent. You mentioned the -- you mentioned the South Annex, and North Annex. Are you thinking that some of these additional courtrooms will be rented spaces?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Our hope, Commissioner Morris, is to use County property/locations. We have a few in mind. We're really doing the initial review of those now, but at this point in time, we haven't included any rent because we do believe that they're a few places within the County that we could potentially set these up; particularly since they're not, like I say, traditional courtrooms; they're more like large conference rooms. We think we can have some options there."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "That's good. That's good. Okay. Thank you for that."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "And on your question regarding furniture. The reason that we haven't included that is because we're still gathering requirements specifically from State Court and Superior Court in terms of what they actually need. So for example: There may be a few of these where it's literally a conference room that only need to have eight people around it, and we can use our technology in the middle. There may be other cases where it has to be a bigger room because there may be some criminal proceedings even though there won't be a jury. So some of that's still being pulled together, but you're absolutely right; that number is not included in that 59 million."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Thanks."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Lee, I want to make sure we got the numbers right. I thought I saw like 34,000 and 37,000 for Superior Court and State Court."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I thought I was next?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'm sorry."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hold on. Hold on everybody. Vice Chair Hall followed by Commissioner Arrington."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Thank you. I just want to make note that we have a message in the char from Chief Judge Cassandra Kirk, which says, please note that Magistrate Court is requesting an earlier drawdown date than October 2021 to accommodate our court needs. And it says this was communicated to Alton and his team. So, Alton, have you made separate accommodations for addressing their needs?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Well, I think I indicated, as the CFO indicated, the expenditures per the timeline are going to start immediately. And so, 2021 is when we hope to have -- the thing about that is when all of these will be stood up, but actual expenditures, whether it be on-boarding, or whether it's going to start as early as May."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Great. Great. And then my question is, you know, over the years even before being elected, just having been Chief of Staff to the late Commissioner Garner, I've heard so many people say from judges to sheriffs to district attorney's that the court backlog involves the Sheriff office, and the DAs office as well. But in the presentation there's no mention of them. Are they being included in this court backlog project?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Certainly. In fact, the DA sent me some information this morning. So that's one of the reasons why I indicated that the investigators are probably the first group we have to get because those are her folks that actually need to charge a number of these unindicted cases. So, yeah. Her team is in there, and they actual funding -- so for example, Vice Chair Hall, for each courtroom that we're putting together it's going to have two sheriffs -- in the case of Superior Court -- it'll have two sheriffs; it'll have a DA; it'll have a public defender; it'll have a clerk. It'll have obviously a judge, and so each one of those take in to account the funding requirements, and the staffing requirements of each single one of those agencies."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And you know Superior Court generally brings in retired judges from out of the county. What is the allocation of courtrooms per the listed courts because the current Superior Court judges would not be handling those cases? There's senior judges from elsewhere that actually come in."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Yeah, our current estimate is 12 additional courtrooms four for superior, eight for state, and four for magistrate. And to your point, those will be staffed by retired judges for the most part."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm sorry."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "And the plan is for those to be staffed primarily by the retired judges that you mentioned, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Great. Thank you, so much."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. I want to -- can we go back to the slides of the total number of cases because I thought I heard Commissioner Morris, say something about 200,000 cases. And for whatever reason, I thought the number was lower than that. Seen like I saw 37 and 34 in superior and state. I don't remember what the number was in magistrate."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So he is correct. It is 200,000 in magistrate. Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone else?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "And then my last question, Alton. We talked the other day about your working group, and about including practitioners and networking group because if we've only got the court talking, and you don't have any private practitioners, who actually help to practice the law, and represent the people at the table, then we're missing a big important ingredient."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Commissioner, I keep getting feedback. Commissioner we will be adding private practitioners to the -- I guess, what we call a steering committee, which includes all of the judges and some of their team. So, I absolutely agree with you. And it's a great add, and we're going to make sure we add folks onto that team."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone else. All right. Continue, please."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Okay, thank you. If we can go to slide 46, thank you. Commissioner's, the next use case that we have for you is pandemic proofing of County facilities. This is a project that will initiate this month, and carry on through the end of December of 2024. It's a total of \$35 million. It's intended

to allow us to improve our workspace for employees, and the government center, and make some improvements and other locations as well. Ultimately, we would be looking at as a result of this limiting our space utilization within the government center, so we would only be returning 50 percent of the pre-pandemic workforce into the facility at any one point and time. The government center cost component is about 25 million; other county facilities, 10 million. And we -- I believe that we have Mr. Kirby available to take us through the next couple of slides to kind of explain this in a little more detail. Ellis are you on?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Yes, can you hear me? I'm sorry. Can everybody hear? Thank you. I'm sorry about that. Ellis Kirby, Deputy COO. My slide is going to be a little bit more brief than Alton because this is really the restacking plan and the master-planned that we presented in previous years. This will -- for the government center specifically, this will be a major modification and redo the pandemic proof the government center post COVID, really from cradle-to-grave. As you saw on the previous page, our goal is to do a 50 percent reduction space, you know, with location changes; and also space modification to make the government center pandemic proof. You know why start with the government center? Well, we have the greatest opportunity to reduce space in our operations because a lot of our operations can be and have been working remotely during COVID. So, I'm not going to go through the details here or the entire scope; you can see it other than once we go through -- next week we will have an increase with Sizemore to do a redo of the plan from a pandemic perspective, a post-COVID perspective. From that four or five month process, we'll get to the Fall, and then dive into architectural drawings phasing in the work, and then moving relocation with the ultimate goal definitely by the year, if not before, is to have that plan designed and bid-ready to go on the street so that we can -- leads to the pandemic proofing part of this entire plan. As you can, see for example: Disassemble and remove old furniture construction, and installation of new walls and system, which is new furniture; new cubicles, and then, you know, construction installation of new mechanical electrical, IT infrastructure. Again, all those -- last three bullet points tie to pandemic proofing the government center. Next slide. Now that was written -- this is just a visual -- this is a high-level visual, and each floor will be different, but this is just kind of a vision of how the cubicle arrangements would be, in a post-COVID world. And how we will look to design the floors just to kind of give your perspective of what will be to come from a design finish look in the government center. So, I'm going to stop there. That was very brief, and hopefully I'll open it up to questions."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Are there questions?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chair, I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Vice Chair Hall followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My question is: Do we have the list of all of the county facilities that we would address with this project?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "This particular project is just for the government center, and it's the 25 million. We have 10 million available as mentioned on the first line for you know HVAC, shields, et cetera from the rest of the facility or facilities, which are already in place specifically for libraries for example in getting them ready to reopen. So that the rest of the 10 million applies to the rest of the county facilities."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Thank you, for that. And this is a great presentation. I'm glad to see us moving forward with the government center. Does this all also -- -- you said this is from a previous presentation? Does that include the tenth floor as well?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "That is correct."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Oh. Absolutely, great. Okay. And I recently toured the Sheriff's office, and the jail; do we have any pandemic proofing that we're going to do at the jail?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Well, from a pandemic perspective, we did use COVID money to put in UV for the entire jail, which was the recommendation by [Inaudible.] and the CDC. It's a non-controlling environment. So at both jail facilities, we've put in UV, and the Sheriff's operations also took additional measures in the operation that we can provide in detail from pandemic proofing of the jail."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Good because everything was so old, and just look so dirty, and it just didn't look like it was conducive for trying to COVID proof anything. So, I would love to hear that. Thank you."

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Yes, ma'am, thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes. I've got a concern. I have a concern. I see somewhat of the contradiction. And what I mean by that: We're putting quite a bit of money towards pandemic proofing, while simultaneously pushing for 80 percent vaccination rate. I don't know -- I, having got this 10 hours ago, however many hours ago, and I know, we're in the beginning stages, but I'm a little of them alone it clearly on such a large amount on pandemic proofing when we are not -- unless I'm incorrect -- are we at the height of the pandemic? Or do we expect the numbers to go much, much higher? This just seems to be quite a bit of an amount to pandemic proof -- to be put towards that. So, if I could just get some clarification on how we got to this number, and if we are not at the height of the pandemic, and we have gotten this -- thus far, why are we putting so much money toward this?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, I could -- first of all that's an excellent question, and I'd like to first take a stab of it, and be supported by Ellis, if he has an additional comments. But I thought process in recommending this investment was more focused on pandemic proofing in the sense not necessarily to address this pandemic, but to make our offices more resilient with respect to any future pandemics, which include, you know, severe versions of the flu as an example, which have come up year after year in which people die from. We thought that it was a good investment to ensure not just that we protect our workforce that's coming back to the office, from the threat of infection around this pandemic, but to also ensure that our facilities are resilient for any future pandemic. I say that is the first point. The second point is: As Dr. Paxton mentioned in her remarks, we're getting to approximately 95 percent efficacy with respect to some of the better vaccines; not a hundred percent. And then the other issue is that we're probably never going to get to a hundred percent of our population that voluntarily takes the vaccination. So you're absolutely right, it will be getting to a level of herd immunity that will make the spread of the pandemic much more difficult, but certainly we won't be at a hundred percent. And we do believe an investment to protect our employees in their work environment is a worthy investment. So those were just the two points I'd like to share. I think it's a very valid question. But our investment recommendation is more around resiliency toward future pandemics, and also taken a precaution around those who choose not to get the vaccine as well as those where the efficacy is above or they fall in to that small 5 percent of efficacy with respect to the vaccination. Ellis, did you want to add anything to that, or the County Manager?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "The only thing I would add to it is: It's also looking at all the literature that's out there relative to any employer of size is considering reducing [Inaudible] They may not be moving out of there buildings is the general notion now, but they are substantially thinking about reconfiguration and reducing footprint. Part of it is relative to this pandemic or any future [Inaudible.]. But it's also a realization that the workforce has changed in terms of its perception of the desire to be in downtown buildings, commuting every day to get there. So this is designed to enable being able to attract, retain, and give our workforce an ability to work at home, and work in the office, but the office space being significantly reduced. A side benefit of this will be that we will also exit the building that's at 137 Peachtree, so assuming we get some price for that that's commiserate with its value. In addition, what we will be doing is bringing the tax assessor, and his operation back to 141 because I'm not sure how well that was thought out when he was moved to Peachtree Center, but based on customer experience that has been reflected in some of our surveys, and just general common sense having him down the street is not made a lot of sense. So this will have, I think, a huge number of benefits that will again achieve a goal that the Board challenged us to try to get too a year or so ago, which is the 50 percent reduction for all reasons that we just stated."

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "And in closing, Commissioner, Dick, really hit the point. I mean, the trends are lowering; there are [Inaudible.] on site; increasing connectivity on your sites; deciding what could be done at

remote, hoteling, or in the office which reduces your footprint, and improving air quality are really the basic trends that are included in this. So, that's where we are headed -- where the market is heading, and that's what Dick and Anna were covering. And that was a great question, Commissioner. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. Thank you. I'm just going to -- because I really want to try to support this. I'm not comfortable at this point, and I think I would be remiss if I didn't tell you. Maybe you all just need to educate me a little bit more because at \$35 million tag on something that's supposed to be considered riskier, I just want to make sure that we are actually rescuing. And I know the protection -- I'm not going to get in to the point because County Manager, you have a job to do; yours is implementation. But I would be remiss, and maybe this needs to have further discussion. Maybe we need to meet, so I can get a clear understanding. I know I put in for quite a few -- I've asked about four different times, and haven't gotten a response. So I think, for my level of comfort to be where I need to be to actually support this, I think we probably need to meet on it, and let the communication get better because clearly, I want what's best for Fulton County. And I believe the County Manager and the rest of my colleagues due too. But I also want to understand that this is a rescue plan, and I want to make sure that we are across the board of being stewards of those dollars, and being fair with those dollars. So I just want to -- I would be remiss if I didn't tell you I didn't have a concern because I do. Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am. We will definitely setup a full briefing on this for you and your staff."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Morris followed by Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "If we can go back a few slides."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I thought I was in the line? I thought I was in the line? Go ahead. I'll wait."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Sorry, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Go back to the slide that talks about the 50 percent reduction. We just talked about it, but that was going to be my question. Go the 50percent reduction in space. Obviously, we aren't in long, long square-footages in the building. So we're really talking about a reduction in the use of the current use of the space, so that it can free up us bringing in other functions, and getting rid of some of the rentals which we talked about before is one of my goals."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "That's exactly right Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "That's really what we're talking about here is a reduction in space."

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

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Reduction in current use space will make it available from other functions."

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "And also provide for growth for the departments themselves. When we achieve a 50 percent goal, and that's our goal it's going to set up Fulton County to draw efficiency long-term, and that's kind of where you headed?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Right. When I was at the city Council we talked about the fact that the old City Hall provided for all of the space when we were 700,000 people in the city. And then we added new City Hall and then City Hall leased the old Sears building, and then we still rented space and private owned office buildings, and it sort of mad this guy, as Dr. Paxton said, made my head literally explode. But anyway, thanks for that clarification. I'm all for this. This is great. Thanks."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. So, Commissioner Hausmann, Commissioner Arrington, and back to Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Chair, I just need -- I'm having technical difficulties. That's the only reason why I put my hand up because I'm going to have to log off, and log back on. So, I just wanted to let you know that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Can y'all help make sure she's -- okay. All right. Commissioner Hausmann followed by Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "No, question on this item."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What did she say?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "No question on this item. I understand I'm muffled. I apologize."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Arrington. Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay, yes, thank you. I saw the design and they talked about, and heard discussion about accommodating the workforce, and the reduction in the accommodating the employees. What changes will be made to the public interfacing the areas?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Well, that's a good question. And my perspective, we've done a lot to that already. We modified the tax

offices, and specifically here in the government center with shields to get them fully functional. We would definitely make sure there's proper seating and spacing as always with our public spacing functions in the government center, and in the sites themselves. And luckily we have redone the entry plaza to have more -- a lot of the entities are creating more outdoor space for employees and for visitors; and luck of the draw that we started it before COVID. We have done a soft opening. You need to come see the new entry plaza to where we have outside spaces beyond the spaces that we have for our employees, and others can collaborate and go outside. And lastly, we took out the water feature in the atrium to open it up again for better spacing and more, you know, collaboration. So that's kind of an executive overview that we feel like we've been in play. Now, we do have some work to do with the probate office, and the annexes, and the others to really look at long-term how, you know, to create better spacing, better operations there as well. Does that help, Commissioner Arrington?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "And, Ellis, I would -- the other thing I would add to that Commissioner Arrington because it's an excellent question is that we have been moving, and we'll continue to move toward a greater number of online transactions for the constituent of Fulton County, and those who patronize our facilities and services. So you'll see a little bit more of that. And the final point I'd like to make on that is that right now we have public facing services particularly at 141 on many different of the higher floors. Part of the plan in this proposal would be to move, or consolidate the public facing portion of the services to the Peachtree level. So those are the two things I'd add to Ellis' comments."

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Thank you."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. Thank you. Two things: I guess, one, I wonder if we put any thought, and maybe this will be better for Alton, and the justice team. How do you pandemic proof the courthouse steps on the first Tuesday of each month?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Well, I will mention that as a subset on one of the sentences, we are going to be proposing to initiate the space planning process for the courts during next week at the Board meeting. That will be the beginning of creating something similar to what we're proposing here down the road. For the building, I will lean to Alton or anybody else about the courts -- the steps of it because I've seen it from my office as well. So it's a great question. How we're going to automate that. I don't know how to answer that."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yeah, I think my state statue says at the courthouse steps. So we should probably include that in our planning, either from, you know, the courthouse side, or the facilities side. And then we may want to make this COVID-19 proofing, instead of pandemic. There may be other pandemics that come about; you now, have to be dealt with in different ways. So, it's probably more accurate if we say COVID-19 proofing."

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Let's see. Commissioner Ellis. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, my question: To what extent have we factored in additional cost that would be needed to increase the level of ability to deliver services virtually?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "That item is coming up next to a certain degree."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Somewhat built into this next one?"

ELLIS KIRBY, DEPUTY, COO, INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: "Yes."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "It is built into the IT use case, Commissioners."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. I'll hold on to that. Sorry."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "It's a great question Commissioner Ellis because that's probably where we need to be going more than spending 35 million on a building. Or on buildings."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Next slide, please. The next slide is the use cases remote workforce access to broadband. This is a information technology project slated to begin in the third quarter of 2021, and run through the fourth quarter of 2024. It's a total allocation not to exceed \$10 million. The intent of this program is to ensure that our system -- system availability for remote workforce enhanced capabilities, including expansions of access to broadband infrastructure that we have a greater than 90 percent system availability in that category. I'll allow Glen Melendez to share with you some of the details behind this."

GLEN MELENDEZ, CIO: Good morning. Glen Melendez, CIO for the County. This program really looks at two driving areas. One is broadband access, and the second area is our remote -- and continuing to promote a remote workforce. A couple of programs in this area. For broadband access were looking at -- there are still some senior centers that are not upgraded with the latest technology. We need to enable broadband access for our senior community. We are looking to outfit those senior centers with up graded broadband access for our senior community. Also in terms of collaboration -- and digital collaboration, a digital workspace. Document management is important for all areas of the county. We're looking to start up a document management program that looks started with the courts as a pilot for proof of concept, in terms of

collaborating on documents in the legal area, and there more importantly sharing those documents. Today there was a lot of exchange of thumb drives with outside entities around our legal partners; the DAs office, the solicitor general, as well as the public defender. And then so I'm looking to bring up document management, scale that up, as well as the collaboration aspect of document management. Ultimately, we would be looking to scale that program across the county for all business units to become more paperless as an organization. The other areas are to continue to promote a more workforce by creating digital collaboration spaces for key systems. Our PRP system is old, and needs to be upgraded. And it will also allow for us to have, as I mentioned, greater resiliency, so we can access those systems anytime, anywhere to the Cloud. So it includes that as well; as well as a digital collaboration space internally for employees to have a single space that they can access all of their applications internally collaborate digitally, and internally as well. So those are the key areas of the program. There is one other area around telecom that we're still exploring some of the details around it. But the telecom area has three areas that we need to look at. And one is around infrastructure itself. Modernizing that infrastructure. The second area is around the manager of the Cisco call manager equipment that we have in the [Inaudible] And the final and third area is our end point to our phones. Again, we're doing more conference calling. We're conducting more business virtually. And our phone systems are aging. About 70 percent of our phone systems are over ten years or over at this point. So we're looking at putting a down payment on our telecom infrastructure as well. So that really kind of summarizes this area. It's really around broadband access for our seniors, and promoting a remote workforce, whether that be applications, to be able to access them anywhere creating more resiliency as well as a digital collaboration space for our internal site that is also aging as well. Questions?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Sir, I got a question, Mr. Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes. I guess in evaluating this it's really been more about having the workforce being able to work remotely as opposed to -- I guess we haven't identified any particular service areas that we're looking to provide virtually that we're not today. You follow me on that?"

GLEN MELENDEZ, CIO: "I mean, we can look further into it, but I will say that just how we run the courts, and the whole judicial part of the organization, which is a fairly large part of our organization being able to collaborate digitally with the exchange of evidence, and documentation across our courts is big."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So the court piece, continuance on the things that we've been doing, and, you know, throughout the pandemic, but obviously turbocharging it, I guess, as we move through the case backlog. But outside the court environment, are there any other service areas whether it's tags, or other areas where folks have said,

'look, you know, we're doing XYZ all in person right now' we could fashion some sort of virtual offering that's difference."

GLEN MELENDEZ, CIO: "Yeah. Sir, if I may. I think we are doing a lot of that. For example: Probate, we're working with Judge Johnson extensively to get up an appointment system online with her. Virtual Libraries are getting appointment systems as well. So I think the answer -- we can certainly look farther into it, but we are in fact working a lot of the areas as well to bring a lot of the services virtually as well to the public."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. All right."

GLEN MELENDEZ, CIO: "And we can look further into [Inaudible]."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I just want to echo Commissioner Ellis' point that we look at consumer based options, you know, taxes, the tags office. I mean, you ought to be able to upload that stuff to them, and get your tags sent in the mail. You shouldn't -- there's no reason you should actually go to the office. You can go to a kiosk at Kroger and get it, but can't upload it from my house and get it. So, you know, let's please look not only at, you know, the employee side, or the back house side, but the consumer based side as well. And as far as reducing the burden on consumers to even have to travel to these locations."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "And again, just to reemphasize: I think we've done a huge amount this year -- this past year to go digital to keep the government functioning, whether it's the courts, the tax offices, senior centers, arts, library. All of those have enhanced digital offerings that we do not have previously. So the question is how to make that more perhaps the primary offering, rather than one that's secondary, but I think its great input."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: Yes, thank you. Along these same lines, I know that there categories for the use of the money with broadband access. And the state developed heat-map, if you will, of where we didn't have broadband services. And surprisingly, there are pockets of Fulton County that are not covered by broadband services. Specifically, in South Fulton, some on South Fulton Industrial, but it's really all over. And so, I just didn't know if we were pursuing some of those funding opportunities in this process, in order to (Audio interruption.) largest county in the state should be fully served with broadband services. Maybe that's to you Mr. Manager."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "So I -- very good question. And, you know, it was a week or so ago. I think what we need to do to pursue that effectively is work with the state on the map that they will ultimately develop that's going to be overall approach, and the funding that will come along with that . Because I think that what should be done have to be done in some level of scale. And will require, I think, some cooperation partnering with existing carriers. So we're not planning to, nor do I think it's wise, to try to take any of this money and do that because fundamentally it wouldn't be sufficient at any level for that kind of investment. But I think we should pursue with the state, Fulton County's interest as you pointed out."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Correct. I'm not suggesting we come out of this pot of money. But I do think it's a priority area as people do work more remotely, and all the things we've been though, and educational purposes; we just need to make sure our community has the resources from an infrastructure perspective there's opportunity to get support to make sure that they have that."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, ma'am. And I have talked to Jeanine Miller who did work on this when she was in DC. And I think it's at least doing some work on this for the governor to try to get an understanding of their overall approach, and then get in alignment with their plan."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Very good. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone else? Thank you. Ms. Whitfield -- what is it?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Whitemore."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Next slide, please. This next slide is the recommendation for premium pay for county employees for a not to exceed amount of 15 million in funding. Essentially, as we look at this, we felt like the county employees performance throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency, and in carrying out, and supporting both vaccination and testing, and registration and elections sites was strong enough for us to recommend that we consider a pay-for-performance type model for premium pay plan for 2021. And that we are recommending a 3.75 percent pay-for-performance pandemic response recognition payment to all county employees. And that we would look to make that happen sometime in May or June; trying to work that around regularly scheduled payrolls, and around the actual receipt of the fiscal recovery funds from the American Rescue Plan. So, Mr. Hermon is here if you have any questions on this. And that \$15 million amount also includes a small set aside for continuing our childcare program as well as a small amount to be able to cover any incremental healthcare costs that we may experience for our own employees, who have unfortunately tested positive, and had to seek medical care for the virus."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "One comment before Ken gives some detail on this. We really did try to look at a number of different options. So we went back to what the Board authorized last year in terms of pandemic pay for a set of employees that were more specified by the federal government. You know, the weakness in just doing that -- a reprise of that was we have many employees that went above and beyond, and served citizens that did not receive premium pay a year ago, due to that kind of more narrow definition by the federal government. So we decided not to go down that path. Meaning, just paying those set of employees. Secondly, we also looked at just individual bonus amounts. So I think everyone's aware that the state recently awarded their employees a thousand dollars per employee. We thought about that. We thought about varying numbers of a thousand, 1500, 2000. By the way; about 2000 per employee would get in this range of 15 million, which does include benefits loadings by the way. But the reason we came back to utilizing the pay-for-performance model is one that I think as served us well. Every employee understands fundamentally the percent of salary that we've been paying on, and the basis that we've been paying on it. So it's fundamentally finding a mechanism that everyone is familiar with. Everyone, I think, sees this as equitable. And the basis for this payment is not the individual KPIs, nor the overall customer satisfaction number that we have used for the last several years, but rather it's the extraordinary performance of Fulton County in total. In response to COVID-19 event, which we won't try to recount, but what I will say is that every employee, whether they are front-line workers in one of the vaccinations centers, or at the jail, or they've been reassigned from the library, senior centers, and the like to support those efforts for elections; I think every employee has done a tremendous job, and truly done it on behalf of citizens during this last year. So on that basis, we felt like this is something justified that we want to bring forward as well as the mechanism again that has served us well, in terms of perception internally. But I would also -- final thing I would say, I think it has served us well externally. Unlike others, have gotten no negative press about any payments been made along these performance based lines here to form. So, Ken I don't know if you want to add anything or stand for questions."

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "No, Mr. Manager, you did a great job. I'm here to answer any specific questions the Commissioners may have."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you Mr. Hermon. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman followed by Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chair. First off, thank you, Mr. Herman for getting back to me in such a timely manner. I appreciate it, and I do have your information that you sent back to me. Does this plan cover just full-time employees?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "No, Commissioner. Our plan would include all employees full-time, part-time employees."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "This plan, I -- here again, when I go back and I think about the Resolution 221, and I think about the exceptional job that our employees

did, our employees are the heartbeat. They are the ones that enable us to do what we need to do. And so many of them stepped up to the plate including all the people at are in that room. So I don't want anyone to mistaken what I am getting ready to say. I think because the fact that they work so hard, they work through a lot of challenges and they make Fulton County customer service number one. Do we have some challenges in some areas; of course. But for the most part, our employees step to the plate. When I look at the amount, like for instance, someone between 25-30 thousand salary at a 3.75% bonus, they would between \$937 and \$1,125, versus somebody that's within that 150 to \$300 thousand range; their bonus would run from \$5,625 to up to \$11,000 bonus. And so when we're talking about looking at the bonus, I would humbly ask that this number can at least be put up to 5% because I think our employees deserve it. They worked very hard through challenges, came to work, had to educate children, had to really, really step to the plate. And so, if we are going to try to be fair, considering this is what I consider the rescue, coming out of the Rescue Plan. Is it a possibility for us to go up to the 5%?"

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm sorry. Did you hear what I said, Mr. Hermon? Did you hear?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am, the County Manager responded. Yes, it is a possibilities."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. All right. I just want to make sure. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I just want to be clear that this premium pay is in addition to the implementation of ICS."

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Yes, Commissioner. It would be in addition to ICS."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So employees would get additional pay under the ICS program. This will not replace, or supplement ICS?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "It will not replace or supplement ICS, correct."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall followed by Commissioner Hausmann."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. And thank you, Commissioner Arrington that was my question as well about ICS. But to take it a little bit further, I'd like to know how much do we project that we're going to spend on ICS?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Commissioners, ICS on annual basis for each implementation window -- and you remember we do two bites at the apple. It's roughly about \$8 to \$9 million for each implementation of ICS. So I know the implementation that we are planning in July of this year has a 2021 cost and Sharon, correct me if I'm wrong, about \$4.5 to \$5 million this year which has an annual cost of \$9 to \$10 million in subsequent years."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's great. And how many employees does that cover?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "The ICS will impact roughly about 2,200 employees. And again, at 2,200 employees are those employees who have long tenure employees with the county, and we are attempting to acknowledge that tenure with the county by moving them through the salary step?

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Because they reached the top of their step or the pay grade right?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "No, it's the opposite. It's because they are at the beginning of the range for the entry level position, sorry, they are the beginning, at the entry level salary for that range, and we're trying to move them closer to the mid-point or beyond, based on their tenure."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So did we take care of those employees who've reached the top of their pay range? Did we take care of them already? The ones that have been stuck in the same pay range for years because they're at the top level, and they haven't been able to move?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Commissioner, we have very few employees that are in that situation. I know the last time that we did a COLA, we did recommend to the Board that you allow those employees who are at the top of the range to receive the COLA as a base pay adjustment, and that is now a practice moving forward whenever we are granting COLAs. But I am not aware of any significant number of employees that are at the top of their range, and have no ability to move forward, but I can get that information back to you."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Ok, that's it. Let me know exactly how many, because you keep saying you don't know of, but there may be, so let's make sure. And since we were talking about the \$35 million for the, what was it, the pandemic proofing of the buildings; and some of my colleagues questioned that amount and that use. If it is possible and necessary, could we take funding from that to ensure that we can cover what's necessary on the premium pay, the increase of the premium pay that Commissioner Abdur-Rahman asked about?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "My suggestion, Vice Chair Hall would be that we reduce the contingency that we have that is close to 70 million for that. I'm not sure what that number would be, but it's probably in the, at best, \$5 million range, so it's not substantial call against that contingency."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Right, thank you so much Mr. County Manager."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, thank you Mr. Chairman. This potential payment would be in the form of a bonus, a separate -- it wouldn't be part of the salary, right?"

KEN HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Yes, Commissioner. It will be in the form of a bonus, and issued on an off pay cycle so that the employee could see it distinguished from their regular compensation."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. I certainly want to acknowledge the hard work that all of our employees have done over the last year. Especially, those on the front lines, and I know a lot of people have done things this year that they necessarily don't normally do, and we all know that it took a big effort to keep us going. But I just want to remind us of all the people out there that lost their jobs, that are struggling right now, that still have property taxes to pay. That ultimately we have to answer too. And so, I just want us to be really cognizant of that as we determine what level of potential bonus we are considering here. And perhaps it needs to be something that's tiered based on salary levels rather than a blanket across the board percentage. But I just think we just have to be sensitive to the folks out there that are ultimately still have to pay for all of our operations that are struggling. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Good point. Good point. Anyone else? All right. Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you Mr. Chairman, the next use case is simply a slide to cover the contingency amount, the 68.3 million, which I've previously explained to the Board, is designed to ensure that we have resources in place to cover anything that we spend, with the expectation of being reimbursed by FEMA, and the contingency is simply there in the event that those reimbursements don't materialize. As well as I stated previously, a small amount of contingency above the FEMA amount to address any unforeseen, or unknown needs from where we are today. So that is the information for this 68.3 million. Are there any questions about the contingency? Then I'll move on to the next slide. We've now moved in to our discussion around community needs and proposed uses. And we have five of those Community Service Program Funding, Small Business/Creative Industry Loan Program, Job Training, and then updates on Emergency Rental Assistance, and a Mortgage Assistance update as well. Next slide please. On the Community Services Program,

previously, at the last board meeting, the Board did take action to go ahead and allocate \$8 million out of the local assistance fund. Funds that will be coming through the American Rescue Plan Act, and that \$8 million is intended to cover the gap between what our nonprofit partners requested during that application process, and what the funds that we have typically awarded for community service programs would cover. So that was an additional \$8 million. Next slide, please. This is the slide that shows what was recommended at the last Board meeting, the total 5.3 million for these 146 providers. Next slide, please. This slide will show, you know, what the full funding level would be, and show us moving from the 146 up to a total of 164. We did want to highlight that in this category we have a total of -- in the first line -- we have a total of 71 providers, who will be providing services in the children and youth arena. We wanted to make sure that we highlighted that, pursuant to the Boards Resolution around the use of these funds. We wanted to make sure that we highlighted how these funds were benefiting our children and youth services program. Dr. Roshell, is here with us, if anyone has any questions on this item."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions? Commissioner Hall"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thanks, Mr. Chair. I don't have a question; I just have a request. I'd like to know what children and youth services we have because I haven't heard of any other than the Youth Commission. So if I could get that information, and just, you know, provide information on all five of these categories on what programs and services we have that we are doing right now with the community."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I had a question on this. I know we had [Inaudible.] prior meeting; how have we communicated to the folks that received awards relative to sort of the first launch, and our intentions for additional funding?"

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "Good afternoon Commissioners, Pamela Roshell, Deputy Chief Operating Officer. In the award letter that went to the CSP partners that you previously approved, we indicated in that letter that there is additional funding contingent on our receipt of additional dollars from the American Rescue Plan. And so partners are aware that the Board has approved an option for us to provide additional funding, and that as soon as we have those dollars in hand that we will continue to work with them to build out a scope of work."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. Did we let them know, kind of the up to maximum amount, or was it sort of left open ended?"

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "No, sir. We did not make any definitive communication regarding the exact amount of the dollars."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "Because we wanted to make sure that the additional dollars would fit into the guidance of activities that are allowable under American Rescue Plan use."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. And so when do we -- when do we anticipate we'll be able to communicate to them more definitively on sort of this additional tranches, if you will?"

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "I will just take guidance from our CFO as to when we're able to move down the path of contracting for the additional dollars, and I'll just turn it to her to answer what that timeline might look like."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Dr. Roshell. Commissioners, as of today, we have not yet received any communication regarding the local fiscal recovery funds, and by that I mean what we would need to submit to Treasury in order to receive the payment. There hasn't been any subsequent guidance released yet. The last information that I saw was that they expected the information to be forth coming later this month because the payments would need to be made by I believe it was May the 10th from Treasury in order to be in compliance with the statute."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions or comments?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, I thought that, I could be wrong, I thought that we agreed to fully fund all of the requests. I did not know that we were using Rescue funds for that. I just thought that because we knew we had Rescue funds coming, that we were allocating additional funds from the general budget for this because if we use COVID or Rescue funds for this, and I assume that it needs to relate back to COVID and Rescue use. And so I thought, I'll have to look back here, I think it was a verbal motion made by Commissioner Ellis. But I didn't know that we -- that we designated Rescue funds to fully fund these requests. I just thought we voted to fully fund these requests."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I believe we did designate it, in terms of the way that it was worded for the additional aid or whatever it was amount."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yeah, you did."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "And made it contingent upon their receipt."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "On receipt, yes."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "And we do think of all funds as general safety net services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, again. Not again, I'm sorry. Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chair. So Sharon, based on -- based on this upon approval, we're looking at the first Board of Commissioners meeting in May, depending on if the -- when the funds come in for implementation of this?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner, our plan is to -- because the Board has already taken an action with regard to this \$8 million, our plan would be to go ahead and release those funds as soon as we receive our funds from the Treasury, so if they take until the 10th, then it may be after the first Board meeting in May because I believe our first Board meeting is the 3rd. But our intent would be the release the funds as soon as we receive funding ourselves from Treasury."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm sorry, Sharon, I think you may have misunderstood. You're talking about the \$8 million; I'm talking about the entire package."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Oh!"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "The first meeting in May approve."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "To approve the entire package."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Is that enough time; the first meeting in May?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, I think our intent was based on your -- the guidance that we receive today. We would begin to bring back, you know, the full plans for each of these items for the Board to then take action on as necessary moving forward. But if the Board's preference is to approve this as a package, then we can certainly bring that forward in May at the first meeting for your full approval."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. I understand that Sharon. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions? Ms. Whitmore, continue please."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Okay. Thank you. Next slide, please. So moving on briefly, we also recommended a small business revolving loan fund. We allocated -- made a recommendation of a \$5 million allocation over the life of the availability of the funds. Our plan would be to use these funds at the spend rate of about \$1.2 million per year, building up to that total of \$5 million. And also we would look to leverage our relationship with ACE as we did during the year, last year where they were able to take the resources that we put in the plan, and provide for some matching dollars so that ultimately we were able to put more -- have more of a broader impact with the funds that we were putting into the plan. So again, this would be a total of \$5 million spread at the rate of 1.25 per year. And last year we did put in 1.5 million. So that is the use case for the small business revolving loan fund. Any questions on this item?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "[Inaudible.]"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Does it include what?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Mr. Arrington, I didn't catch that, does it include what?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Earlier, when this was listed, it said small business/creative fund --"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "-- creative industry. Yes sir, our intent was for this to be able to cover small businesses and our artist community as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner -- Vice Chair Hall."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'm sorry. I wasn't finished. I don't think that's going to be enough Sharon. 1.25 million a year to cover small business and the creative industry. We're going to have to double that at least. I mean, you're talking about small businesses all throughout Fulton County, in addition to the creative industry. I need at least 10 million. I'm sorry. Commissioner Hall, go right ahead."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's okay. Because you just covered part of what I was going to say. Because if we look back at when we had Cares Act funding, and we distributed Cares Act funding to small businesses, if I remember correctly, didn't that money, it dissipated really fast, it was gone within a matter of a week; wasn't it?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner Hall, I don't remember exactly the time period, but there was a very strong response to the offer, and, yes, I believe that we were oversubscribed fairly quickly against those resources. And we put our resources in ACE was able to expand those resources. And then also the Fulton County Development Authority also put in the same amount of resources, and I do believe that it was subscribed fairly quickly."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So do we know how much money we would've needed if we could actually meet the demand at that time?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I don't have that information, Commissioner Hall. You know, one thing to keep in mind is that the Rescue Plan Act itself did provide for a substantial amount of resources to go into other programs to support small businesses. So this would be, you know, sort of in addition to that as well as in addition to resources that our municipal partners may choose to put into programs benefiting, you know, business within their jurisdictions as well. So we try to be cognizant of all of that when we recommended a dollar amount for this program, recognizing that there are other sources of funds coming into the county as a whole to be able to support small businesses across the county, so we wanted to do something. We felt like making a recommendation, and leveraging our relationship with ACE would be a great way to inject some resources into the economy to support, you know, businesses and artists. But also recognizing that we are not the only funding source that may be available for this."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Well, I think it would be helpful for me, if you could provide a list of all of those resources that small business have that are coming from the county because then that would give me a better idea of what it is because I don't know what that is."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And because we are also talking about this including arts and culture, the arts and culture community, it does probably need some more money because that is not enough to cover small businesses and arts and culture. I wouldn't necessarily put them in the same category either."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Okay."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's it. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I think they need to be separated."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay --"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- hey, Commissioner -- what did you say, Commissioner Arrington?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I said I agree. They need to be separated."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chair. Thank you. Here again, I would be remiss if I didn't say I was not comfortable. Now, if you tell me that the reason that you made it a loan is to leverage the ACE for matching dollars, then I'm going to need more information. Because here again, we're talking about a Rescue plan, okay. American Rescue Plan. And I've been out here working among a lot of constituents, not just mine; and the COVID hit the small business owners, very, very hard; especially, those that had 30 or less employees. And so on the surface, to me it looks like we are adding an additional hoop or bureaucracy for the meat and potatoes of our constituents. We know that the small business owner is the life blood of our community, and they are suffering. And they do not need extra hoops to have to through in order to get this money, then why it's a loan as opposed to a grant, if someone, please explain that to me. And also, please explain to me as to if it's going to be removed, if the arts and small business loans are going to be detached. They should not be together under any circumstances. And so, here again, I want us to be expeditious in this, and I'm not trying to be adversarial, but when you are watching small businesses have to close their doors, and they've been open for years; and they're closing their doors because they have no choice; and it's as a result of the pandemic, something that they didn't ask for. Then I think we need to make it as stress free and as easy as possible. I understand keeping a business open, you want to make sure they're going to be able to keep the business open; you want to make sure that they've got the correct model, and everything and they are long term sustainable. But, you know, requiring them to graduate an education series, you know, I'm not quite understanding that. And I'm trying to kind of speed up the process with my questions, so, Sharon, please forgive me if I go to the Summer Jobs Youth, I don't see anything in the package in front of me. So if someone could explain that to me, I would appreciate it. Thank you."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Commissioner for your comments. I guess the short answer on the loan versus the grant is yes, by making it a loan, we are able to leverage from various resources, and actually have a -- as I stated previously, a broader impact with the funding that we are able to place into play. We did present this as a multi-year plan, so that would have some resources available to place into the bucket each year over the full four years. We could restructure it, and do it in just two, you know, two payments, one this year and one next year as we receive the resources ourselves, so that's part of why you don't see one large interjection of funds at one time. And then with regard to the Summer youth Program: We were, I guess our thought process around this was that through the funding being provided to the CSP partners, who have a variety of different youth programs, we would be touching our youth in that regard, as well as the ongoing youth program that the workforce group already has in play now, and will have in play over the course of the summer. So that's how we were looking to be able to address the youth programming."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. Thank you, Sharon. I requested that information, and it never made it to me, unfortunately. However, I would suggest -- I would put forth to you all that maybe a small business grant in addition to a small business loan. I just, I just, you know when you see so many people that are hurting,

and you see so many people that this COVID has really wreaked havoc on, and they've lost family members, they've lost -- they are about to lose their businesses. I know people now that are living in their business, they had choose either having somewhere to live, or having a business to run. And I know for some people that may not be a big deal, but for me, I've got to try to get my colleagues to understand that if we're trying to use this Rescue money that we need to try to give some type of grant, even if it's a smaller amount, even if it's for a smaller group, in addition to the loan. I understand what you all are doing with the loan, but I am asking that some of the information, you know that was in the actual Resolution, that we try to work together to get to that goal as close as possible. I would ask, humbly ask that. Secondly, the amounts, here again, I echo the sentiments of Vice Chair Natalie Hall as well as Commissioner Arrington, that's just not enough money. And so, if we could have an earnest attempt to try to help our small business owner. I understand the premise that you have from the summer youth program, but I do need more information on it to get a clear understanding of it. Okay, Sharon?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis followed by Commissioner Hall."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I think just a couple of things I was going to note. I do think it's important, you know, obviously this package it was passed, it was extremely hard, and has many elements to it with our portion just being one element to it. I believe there is roughly another 51 billion or so, outside of funds going to local governments that's geared explicitly towards small business. I think that's what you were trying to factor in, Sharon. I know there is a specific restaurant fund, I think there's about 28 to 29 billion in that, and those are more grant focused. I think there's -- the targeted EIDL payments for about 15 billion; and then another seven billion and change of official PPP money. So I think that's what you were trying to reflect within this. Correct Karen, I mean Sharon?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes, Commissioner Ellis. Those resources, in addition to the additional, I think it was over 330 million that will be coming to cities within Fulton County that can also be used for some of these very same type of programs. Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I think everybody's got a recognition of the importance of helping out the small business community in the end, you know. But there is a lot of structure to this Act that's sort of geared specifically at getting funds to them quickly. You know the question I had related to the funds coming into the municipalities, and that's not necessarily knowing what they are choosing to do with their funds or not. I guess, just in and of itself was to say for arguments sake that we did have a program like this. I do think that there's something to be said for the utility of having a ongoing program for benefit, after many of these other grants may have sort of

worked their way through. We've gotten that sort of emergency relief, and then you have a program like this you wish you could come back in on top of that and stretch out over a multi-year period of time. But if we had a municipality that wanted to participate with us on this program, and let's say, you know, you know, several municipalities want to participate on this and it grow to 20 million, 25 million whatever it is, would that be potentially something that we could jointly structure with them? Administer with them? Or do you think it would have to be administered separately?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I mean, I think we would be willing to jointly structure, and administer, you know, a multi-jurisdictional revolving loan program. I mean, I think that we would be open to doing that. The beauty of the revolving loan program is that you know, as you build up that balance, and as the loans are received and paid off, it's self-replenishing, so over a period of time, then there will be resources that are freed up, and then someone else will be able to come in and make application against these same dollars. But I certainly think we would be very willing to look at any sort of a multi-jurisdictional approach to this."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. Yeah, I think that's helpful, you know. And I think for all of us, we can get additional information on these other pieces that are out there to the Act. I even think there was a thing in like the artist community; there was a shutter venue operator's grant program that was part of this as well. So just as long as we have a full understanding of that, and can communicate to, you know, the entirety of the business community in ways to access that, I think that would be important as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Next I have Vice Chair Hall followed by Commissioner Arrington."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. Commissioner Ellis that is a really good idea, multi-jurisdictional revolving loan. Would the other jurisdictions use their own fund, Sharon; or because do we still have the restrictions that we had with Cares Act funding where those municipalities that received their own funding have to spend theirs, and we cannot spend ours in their jurisdictions?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Those same restrictions are really not in place because ultimately every jurisdiction would be receiving their own allocations. So my interpretation of what Commissioner Ellis, was suggesting is that yes, each jurisdiction would be providing funding into the pool of resources."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Right."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So that was my second question. Thank you. And so this would eliminate us providing funding more than one time to the same small business?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "If it came through and was administered through one provider like ACE, yes, I think that would be one way to make sure that we weren't duplicating our support, yes ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. And I want to go back to Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's comments about setting up a grant. Because I didn't hear anyone answer whether or not we could actually do that, so I want to pose that question to the County Attorney, and you, Sharon. Is it possible for us to set up a grant for the small businesses?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "To be honest with you, Vice Chair, I have not looked at the -- I've not looked at the language around the local fiscal recovery funds for that specific purpose. My instinct tells me that we probably could do that, but I haven't really looked at it."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Well, Madam County Attorney, will you address that, please from a legal stand point?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "There doesn't appear to be a limitation that would prohibit a grant as opposed to a loan because as long as the money is being used to respond to the economic impacts to small businesses that's all that is required."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Then that is wonderful because I think it is a great idea to have a grant for the small businesses. You know we used to have grants for any health non-profit organizations that did anything health field, but somehow we changed to our community service program grants that got dropped off, so any way that we can help our partners do more with us, and for our constituents, I'm for that. So thank you very much."

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

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I just want to confirm from the County Manager that the matching funds from ACE require a loan program versus a grant."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "[Inaudible.] that doesn't mean we have to do that as you recall."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'm sorry. You broke up, Mr. Manger. Could you repeat that please?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes sir, that's what's required to access ACE, and get their leverage fund, but what I was going to say, if you recall, you know, you were the one champion doing grants for the arts last year, so there's really nothing, I don't think that precludes us from making this a grant program versus a loan or having both."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yeah, I think maybe having both is appropriate. I think particularly for the arts community the grants are more relevant, but, you know,

I'm open to either, I mean. But basically what you're saying is for the small business fund, we're proposing five million, and that would through making it a loan, ACE can leverage that for additional five million, so it would be 10 million total?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes sir. That's correct. And I do think they did an extraordinarily good job. I think I sent the Board -- I know I sent the Board on the demographics, in terms of finding, you know, community, or businesses headed by minorities, and women to award those loans too."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "As long as we can separate out some money for arts separate from that, then, you know, I'll be fine with it. I do like the idea of grants, but I also like the idea of getting matching dollars. I think those matching dollars, you know, make it go even further. So, I mean, if we can do another five million for the arts, and leverage that through ACE to make 10 million available, you know that would make me very happy."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Hall, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, I'll just be brief. I don't have any problem with the grants where they're appropriate. The beauty of the loan fund to me is first of all, if a small business folds, I mean, I'm sure we won't try to get blood out of a turnip, so it becomes a grant in effect; but if they succeed, and survive, and pay the loan back, then we have that money to help someone else with. And that's the beauty of the revolving loan fund as opposed to the grant. So maybe a mixture is appropriate, but I do make that point. Thanks."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just want to remind everyone that we do have small businesses that don't have brick and mortar locations. There are free lancers, and there are older mom and pop small business owners that need help because they don't know how to apply online for these services; and I heard from a lot of those people in my District that they don't have access to apply for loans, and do these things on line because they were older people. So we need to remember that. And I would also caution us on what would the criteria be for the small businesses to receive these grants. Oh, and also, a lot of the arts and culture community don't have brick and mortar either, so. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Abdul-Rachman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chair. Not to belabor the point and I really think this is to the County Manager, but it's also to my colleagues as well. I understand the reasons for -- and to you as well, Sharon. I clearly understand the

reasons for the loan. Because it allows them to get to other resources, correct? However, if we can find a way to have the grants in there as well for small businesses, and the arts, as well as the loans, I think that would be a happy medium, considering, because sometimes I think we get in the mindset as Commissioners that this is a regular event; it is not. This is because of the pandemic, and so sometimes we have to think outside of our own personal biases, or our own personal doubts, or situations. This is a rescue because of the pandemic, so I think Fulton County would behoove us for our constituents if we have the loan that's in place, that's good because that allows them to get other resources. But if we also include the grant, I see nothing in the legislation whatsoever that keeps us from getting the grants, and also understand the grants need to go to small business as well as arts as opposed to [Inaudible]. I just want to make sure that I'm on record saying that we need both. I really do think this is the thing we can work out if we understand the reason one, this was put in place, and two, these are people who have suffered because of something that was outside of their control. The pandemic was outside of their control, so anything that we can do to help rescue and give them a helping hand, I think that it would behoove us to do. Thank you."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes ma'am. I understand. I think we can go back and refashion this proposal to include all of the above. So we'll go back and do that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Mr. Manager."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you. Thank you County Manager, I really do appreciate that."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Next slide, please. This next potential use -- proposed use is for a job training program for it to not exceed the amount of \$10 million. This would start in May as soon as we have the funds in hand. It's built off of the job training program that we initiated under the Cares Act funding with Goodwill, and our recommendation is to continue that program, and to fund it at a rate of 2.5 million each year over the next four years. So that is the summary for this particular proposed use."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm sorry. My hand must have still been raised from before."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. You had a question on the previous one?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I had a question that a constituent sent to me, but it was for something that we already covered. The pay for the employees. They asked if the health department employees were going to benefit from that pay."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner Hall, our plan again, was to make those payments in May or June of this year. So, yes ma'am. They would still be employees of the county, and would be eligible for those payments if we were able to get them done in May or June."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's awesome. And also with the ICS?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "The ICS implementation date is in July."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So they wouldn't get that?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "No ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Regarding job training, any questions or comments? Thank you. Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Next slide. Rental assistance. Commissioners, this is to present to you the additional \$14 million we expect to receive for a round two of emergency rental assistance. We would continue to implement the program as we are now. And essentially, the applications that we have already received, and are processing would be used to -- against this 14 million. We really already have enough applications in place to fully expend this 14 million as long as what's been applied for is actually eligible. And as we mentioned in the Mayors meeting a few weeks back, where we were able to display for the Mayors the specific requests by city, we would be positioned to allow those cities, should they chose to, to provide additional resources to support any requests that have been received that would could not meet out of the resources that are available through the emergency rental assistance programs. So if anybody has any questions on this potential, or this proposed use, I think Dr. Roshell is still here, and we can take those if you have them."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Are there questions?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Just briefly, it's kind of really back to the job training. I would love to see some additional money, or a tranche of money for the summer youth program as Commissioner Abdur-Rahman stated. So I'll just throw that out there for what it's worth. I would like to see that as an additional category as well as the arts."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Commissioner.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, anything [Inaudible.]. All right. Ms. Whitmore."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "This is our last proposed use case scenario. This is around mortgage assistance. We have identified \$10 million for mortgage assistance. There is a federal program that was funded out of the American Rescue Plan. We have not yet received the details of how that program will be implemented or administered. We wanted to set aside some funding for this purpose, so we aren't prepared today to tell you what the qualifying criteria would be because we don't want to be completely out of sync with what the federal program would require. So at this point, this is an earmark, and we are waiting to see what the federal program will be rolled out. So we can then bring you back the recommendations for how, and what the qualifying criteria would be for this particular bucket of resources. Our plan would be to implement it using the same infrastructure that we've built for the emergency rental assistance program, where applications would be submitted through the neighborly process, adjudicated by our adjudicators, and payment made by the finance department. And of course, we would provide reports on all of that activity through our open government platform. So that's our update that we have on mortgage assistance, and this one is really pending some additional information as the federal program itself is rolled out."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Questions?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'll just reiterate my comments from earlier you know. How do we arrive at this number? Do we how many, you know, renters versus owners and mortgage there are? If we got 32 in rental assistance, we might want to consider more for mortgage assistance."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Yes Commissioner. Dr. Roshell has some information to share with regard to renters versus home ownership."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "Commissioner Arrington, in Fulton County based on the 2015-2019 American Survey that's a part of the census, 40% of Fulton County residents are renters that's approximately 87,000 of the 219,000 occupied homes in Fulton County. The remaining 60% are owner homes, and that equates to approximately 131,000 owned homes in Fulton County."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "So to me that would indicate that we would need more than 32 million for rental or mortgage assistance. If -- if we're providing 32 million for rental assistance, and that's 40% of the population, in my mind, we would want not only to provide a comparable number, but to try to cover the 60%. It would seem that we would likely need to cover more than the 32 million that's being offered for rental assistance."

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "Thank you, for the feedback, Commissioner Arrington. We will certainly look at that 60% against the criteria that Treasury will provide to us to help us determine what percentage of the homeowners may be eligible based on the criteria that is provided. So, thank you, for that feedback."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I assume this is only for primary, you know, someone using primary mortgage. I mean, I don't know if this is covered for second and third mortgages, or if people have two or three homes. I'm assuming this covers your primary residence only."

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "Commissioner, previous programs have only included a primary home."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay."

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "So we suspect that will be the case here. But we will certainly share the criteria as soon as it becomes available."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you. No, that makes perfect sense. Thank you."

DR.PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, HHS: "You're welcome."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anything else? Continue, please."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We just wanted to sort of advise you, I guess is the best word I can come up with at the moment: The guiding principles that we have planned to operate under, in administering this \$340 million investment that we have available to us over the next four years. All federal funds will separately be accounted for in separate funds within the County's financial system, and we would only release the funds once we have received quotes, and costs from departments, and all of the required documentation that's necessary has been validated. With regard to the court backlog program, as we mentioned previously, this would be administered through a program management team out of a budget that is specifically aligned with the Office of Strategy and Performance Management. We would not intend to place these funds directly into the Justice Partners budgets, but rather manage it all from one pool, so we can be certain to be able to be as nimble as necessary with moving funds around to support the program overall. We also would recommend that we maintain our contingency, while await our FEMA reimbursements for those costs that we intend to seek FEMA reimbursements for. As well as we would recommend maintaining our emergency procurement protocols for all response related purchases. And then of course, we would continue our reporting to the Board of Commissioners through the platform we have been using, the COVID Response Report. And also build out on our Open Government Platform Reports to show you how these resources are being deployed and utilized. Those are sort of the underlying guiding principles that we had in mind, as we prepared to present

this to you. As for next steps, next slide please. We will, of course, continue the response effort that we have under way now with the resources available to us from our general fund reserve, as well as the Emergency Rental Assistance plan, as we await the receipt of the remainder of the federal funds. As I mentioned previously, we will be prepared to execute with our nonprofit and other partners, as soon as those funds are made available. So we would be prepared to execute agreements with our CSP partners as well as ACE and Goodwill for the revolving loan and the job training program. We'll continue to build out the operational plans for the major programs for the court backlog, and the pending approval of county facilities. Continue our work with AFCEMA and both FEMA/GEMA on the reimbursement application, and support process to seek out, and receive the reimbursements. Continue to provide these updates to you at each meeting. And then as we move forward now through the next several years, and we are working through each of these programs and, you know, all of the resources that we have available, we would bring back any reallocation, much like we did with the Cares program, we would bring back any reallocation of resources to you for your review during our Board meeting. As well as tracking our expenses and making sure that we stay on target to use the funds within the time frame that we've been provided to spend them. And with that Mr. Chairman, that concludes my portion of today's presentation. This might be a record."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Actually, that was a lot of work that went into this, and I would like to congratulate y'all on the work you put into this. Are there any lasting comments, rather closing comments on this report? We have a lot to take into consideration based on the feedback. Okay. Thank you. Madam Clerk."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 9, 21-0266, Finance. Presentation, review, and approval of the April 14, 2021 budget soundings?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any questions? Hearing none --"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Move approval, Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second. Let's vote please. Commissioner Hausmann. She notified me that she had to; Commissioner Hausmann is gone for the day. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Are we voting on the proposal that was just submitted by Finance?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "No. We're voting on item No. 266."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Item No. 266."

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Budget soundings."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Budget soundings."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

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

CLERK GRIER: "21-0267, Finance. Request approval of Resolution to authorize the administrative reprogramming of certain funds relating to the Fulton County general obligation library bonds. Series 2010."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Cast you votes. Commissioner Hausman, has left for the day."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair, I had a quick question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Can someone explain just quickly what this does?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Whitmore, quickly."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Mr. Chairman, Hakeem Oshikoya, the Finance Director is here. I think he wants to speak to the item."

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Yes Commissioner Ellis, and Members of the Board of Commissioners. Good afternoon. What we're doing with this Resolution is we're requesting to transfer the interest earned out of our 2010 geo library bond, and we want to transfer that amount along with some extra surplus funds, and use it for the construction project that we have going on at the central library."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. I got you. I just wanted to make sure I know which fund we were talking about."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion is to approve. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris. Hall"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes. But I would also like to know if there would be any additional funds left after this in that library bond fund that will be un-obligated?"

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "What's your question, Commissioner?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "When you taking this fund out of the library obligation funds right?"

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Commissioner, we have two bonds that we issued for the library projects. We have one from 2010, and the other from 2017. We are done with all the projects that were supposed to fund with the 2010 bond proceeds. We are done with it. So what we are doing now is we are requesting to transfer the surplus fund from that 2010 bond, and add it to the 2017, so we can continue the construction work that we're doing at the central library out of the 2017 bond proceeds."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay. I'm just wondering if there will be any surplus funds after this. I remember at one point we had surplus funds, and we agreed to do some additional renovations at the Roswell Library, and at that same time we also discussed doing some additional provisions at the East Point Library. So I'm just wondering will this be all of that funding that will be gone? And if so, will there be any other fund money left over, or do you anticipate any fund money left over after 2017 bonds?"

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "It is possible that some funds might be left after the 2017 projects are finished. It's quite possible that, you know, some funds might be left. But, you know, what this is going to allow us to do is to concentrate all the funds into one, and then we'll go from there and see what we end up with."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I forgot to state, to remind everyone that this particular Resolution requires -- state law rather, requires a two thirds vote of the Body, so I would appreciate your affirmative vote here. Commissioner Hausman has left, so Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I already voted yes on this, right? This is 267? Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Commissioners. Continue please."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0268, Human Resources Management. Request approval to make routine modification to the classification section of the classification and compensation plan within the Sheriff's Office."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What's your pleasure?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Second."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you. Thank you. I just notice that on this particular Resolution there are only a few positions on here. Does the Sheriff have more positions that will be coming through? Because I know from going to the jail, and touring, and talking about the needs of the Sheriff's office, there seems to be a need for a lot more positions. Is Mr. Herman there where he can maybe answer that for me?"

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY COO, PSS: "Commissioner, this is Alton. I don't know if the Sheriff is on or not. But this specific classifications are related to the Scorpion Team that he's creating. So what I think -- what you're referring to is he's going to be making some additional hires, but they are going to be in the standard classifications. These are created specifically for a specific department."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So, great. So he's doing these separately?"

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. Thank you, so much Alton."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a motion?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yeah."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Cast your votes, please. Commissioner Ellis. Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: [Inaudible. Hand gesture only.]

CLERK GRIER: "The motion passes; 4 yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 10, 21-0271, Real Estate and Asset Management. Request approval to utilize corporate purchasing contract for the purchase of specialized heavy equipment for the Public Works Department."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm sorry. Which number was that? It's a lot of background noise."

CLERK GRIER: "We're on the bottom of page 10, 21-0271."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I'll move approval, Mr. Chairman."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Approval. Oh. Well, second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's vote, please. I vote, yes on that. Madam County Attorney, didn't hear me on that last -- previous one."

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, sir. It's five."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This was properly moved and seconded. Any questions and comments? If not, let's -- cast your votes, please. Morris. No, Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

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

CLERK GRIER: "Page 11, 21-0272. Information Technology. Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder to provide county wide audio-visual systems, equipment, support and services."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I'll second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Let's vote. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I vote yes."

CLERK GRIER: "The motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0273, Information Technology. Request approval of recommended proposal to provide CCTV products, services, and installation."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Second."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Cast your votes, please. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "The motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Under Health and Human Services, 21-0274. Behavioral Health and Development Disabilities. Request approval of a memorandum of understanding with Grady Health System for the purpose of integrating strategies to provide medication assistance, outpatient treatment of substance abuse for Fulton County residents."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Properly moved and seconded. Cast your vote. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I vote yes."

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

CLERK GRIER: Under Infrastructure and Economic Development, 21-0275, Public Works. Requests approval of IGA with the City of Roswell for water main relocation associated with the road widening improvement state route 140, Holcomb Bridge Road and Warsaw Road."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Let's vote, please. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I vote yes."

CLERK GRIER: "The motion passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 12, bottom of page 12. I'm sorry. Top of page 12, Commissioners Action Items, 21-0219. Sponsored by Commissioner Ellis. Request approval of a Resolution expressing the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Fulton

County regarding the appointment, hiring, and termination powers of the Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections and for other purposes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioners, I have a comment here. We'd asked the County Attorney to look at 11 or 12 different boards, commissions, etc., where the language is not consistent, and I think we all agree that we need some consistency. And I think that the report that she is preparing, or has, she's nodding her head -- she's has prepared it already. We need to look at that, and go over it. So if there are no serious or strong objections, can we hold both of these until our next meeting? Have a chance to go over them in some detail. I'd ask you to do so before the next meeting."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second, to hold."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Without objection to hold. Thank you, Vice Chair. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. Next item is 21-0222. Sponsored by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman as revised. Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners in support of voter's right equal access to the ballot, and stopping voter suppression, and for other purposes."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Moved to approve."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Do we have the revision before us?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes. They were sent out."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Where is it? The revision?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "It removes the word 'Jim Crow' I believe, Mr. Chairman."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Does the revision also add the County Attorney to --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Did anybody hear my move to approve?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second. Second. Second."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I seconded it already. I seconded it already."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Just a minute."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: All the changes have been made, Chair. And, you know, I'm open if there's something. No problem."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "The only thing that I don't see there is the word doctor before Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s name."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. I will make sure that you gets in there, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, so the -- "

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Call the question, please."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "We heard a call to question?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Go ahead, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Just sort of two comments. One --"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- I thought Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, called to question?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis had his hand up I'm noticing here. Go ahead."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Oh. Okay."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "My comments are brief. There's been a lot of commentary on this obviously. One comment about the Resolution itself in the body of it, on page 3. I don't think this has been resolved, or if changed, if it has. I don't understand why there in conclusion of the reference to the County Manager at the bottom of page 3 because I don't consider County Manager have any role in the conduct of Elections. So that should be the Elections Director. And if there is a legal ramification it should be the County Attorney's office in conjunction with the Department of Registration and Elections."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I thought that was corrected because I asked Commissioner Abdur-Rahman to add the County Attorney to all of those."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I just a minute."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Do have a different version of it? Maybe I have a different version."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's what I'm trying to --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "-- it was sent. Now, as far as the County Manager's role, it is consultation. I've been her too long you all. So I'm tongue-tied. Chair, it's in consultation. That is the rule of the County Manager; in consultation from the direct report."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Did you hear that Vice Chair?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Well, I'm just making a statement. I don't believe the County Manager has a role in the election process. Particularly, when you get into the delivery of the elections. I just don't think it's appropriate for him to have a role in it. It's out of scope of his roles. So I'm just making that comment. And I guess, I'll also clarify that was still -- that was the intent to -- it was the intent by the maker of the Resolution to continue to incorporate the County Attorney in this -- County Manager in this Resolution or was it to remove it?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "The intent of the maker is the County Manager in consultation, which if you look at through Dick Anderson, there will be a consultative role. He's not holding any elections, so he wouldn't have any role in this. What we're doing is putting in a Resolution, and his role will be consultative."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And can I just add something if you don't mind? Did we do see a presentation from the County Manager and County executive staff recently about --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- Vice Chair. Vice Chair. Commissioner Ellis --"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "The answer my question what the intent by the maker of the Resolution, so that was what my -- so my remarks stand. I don't feel like it's appropriate to have him here. So that was my comment regarding the scope of the Resolution. And then also, I think, we certainly heard a lot of public comment today, and certainly made a lot of conversation around this, so I'm not going to belabor the topic. And certainly no Bill's perfect. I think a lot of reasonable people can disagree about the balance between voter access, and election integrity. But claimed that this law amounts to voter suppression should be seen for what is. You know, I just think it's partisan rhetoric. And, you know, I think -- we've done more to foster voter suppression with the way that we manage election over time, creating long lines, or whatever in the scope -- within our own span of control that we've contributed too. And I think we'd be better serve the public, so those are my comments."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, so much. So we saw an entire presentation provided by the County Manager, and the County executive staff, and Rick Barron at one of our most recent meetings and it was related to Registration and Elections. So I don't see why it will be a problem to have him as part of this in consultation because he, and his team have done an outstanding job of addressing a lot of the Registration and Elections issues in consultation with Rick Barron. And and, so I think it is a good idea because they have that knowledge and experience from doing so before, and we can all pull the presentation from previous BOC meeting to see how well they did."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chair. As the maker of this Resolution, I did not take this foolish heartily, or anything. Commissioner Ellis, I respect the fact that you have your opinion through your lens. One only needs to look at the out pour on yesterday. I spoke with the Commissioners I could get in touch with. Those that I couldn't get in touch with, I left messages. And so, I think Fulton County, as a Body, we have a duty. Anytime we have a bull's-eye on our back, we have a duty to make sure that we serve the constituents. And I'm saddened that you see it as partisan. I don't see it as partisan. I see it as Fulton County being on the right side of history. And I see it as over 2,000 phone calls that I received. Were all those phone calls in support of it; no. But I will tell you at least 1,700 of them were. And so, I did not enter into this legislation, this Resolution lightly. I had conversations, I walked, I talk, and I had an outpouring of people all over Georgia, not just in Fulton County. I also had conversations with several mayors; I also had conversations with several City Councilman; several state reps. I did not go into this lightly. This was a conversation that was had from Buckhead to Bankhead. From Johns Creek to Chatt Hill. And so, I'm putting this in with the support of the other Commissioners that we will do what we need to do to make sure that we safeguard the vote. Just like you, quote unquote, want to safeguard the vote, we do too. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "I'll just say -- I'll try to be as brief as possible. I'm glad that we have the County Manager involved. The County Manager and his staff did a great job with this past election in consulting, and helping pull off the election in a grand fashion that we did. I also want to thank our Governor -- Governor Kemp, Secretary of State Raffensperger because they admitted, at the time of the election, that there was no fraud in the election. And this Senate Bill 202 is based on the fake news, and false premise that there was fraud in our election. And Governor Kemp and Secretary Raffensperger know that there wasn't, and that's why they admitted it openly and publicly. So again, I want to thank them. And, you know, this is not a partisan matter. This is open and full access to voting for all citizens. That should not be partisan. That should be accepted by everyone. And if someone is trying to make it partisan, then they need to look in the mirror because that is not partisan. The Bills that allow open access were done under Republican legislators. This is nothing but an attempt to perpetuate the lie by Trump and his followers that he lost the election

unfairly. It was so unfair that he had to call and try to find 17,000 votes of the state of Georgia. Hogwash. Absolute hogwash. The whole premise of the Bill is hogwash, and the Bill itself is hogwash."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "You calling me, Mr. Chair? Mr. Chair?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, you have the floor Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Thank you. This -- you know this is tough. It's a really tough issue. I -- you know, I'm old enough. I'm old enough to remember the days when I participated in marches, and protest about the unfairness in this country toward people of color. And I was glad to be involved in those efforts. I think we've seen an awful lot of progress. This law -- this law is not -- if I were voting, I probably wouldn't have included all of those issues. But in the Bill, but there are -- there are some things that I think are improvements in the way we vote. I worry really about the divisiveness on both sides. And I understand -- there's no way that a white man in America could understand the feelings that people of color are having about these really important issues. And I hear you. And I -- Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, I really appreciate your passion on this issue. I do. I do see it being partisan on both sides, and that's sad. I think -- I think we could do better as a country, and as a state. But I -- I look at it, and I have in front of me an article from April 6 in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. And it sizes up some of the provisions of the Senate Bill 202 with other states. And we've heard that Delaware for example, doesn't have early voting. New York, the home of major league baseball -- or headquarters; doesn't have any no excuse absentee ballots. An excuse is required in one third of the states. Georgia is not one of those. It was considered and debated, but it did not become part of the law. The -- I won't get into all of these details -- all these issues, but 24 states allow some weekend voting; 26 do not. Georgia does under the new Bill. So, you know, I think it's subject to debate back and forth. I wish -- I wish that we could find some common ground on some of these things. But I do understand, and appreciate, and I hear you. I think all of this will be resolved in the courts quite frankly. And then, you know, if the courts don't overturn Senate Bill 202, and I'm not sure that there's a great chance of them overturning the law, and may be the ballot box would do that someday. But I would love to see the day when we don't -- what we don't debate about voter suppression, and Jim Crow laws, and everything else. I'm hopeful that when my grandchildren grow up to be adults, that this will all be behind us. Anyway, that's all I really wanted to say."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Spoken. Let me just make a brief comment and try to summarize this as I see it. When I spoke with Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, I've spoken with her and I appreciate her calling me to get my opinions on it. So I took the time to analyze the legislation. The legislation does two things: No. 1, it will put Fulton County -- the Board of Commissioners on record in support of House Resolution No. 1, and House Resolution No. 4, one of which is debate as to one of them may or may not be constitutional. I'll leave that up to the men and women in Washington to decide that."

The second being what it does. It directs the County Attorney to review Fulton County's options, which is legitimate. And it goes on to ask that the County Manager review the options, who my experience has been, who will have to go to the County Attorney to review the option, him not being an attorney. It also ask someone else -- I forget it's. What is it?

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "DCRC."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "DCRC, that person to review the options, who will also have to go to the County Attorney. So I just felt that that was a little redundant because the County Attorney is going to be the one that will have to review what our options are. I think she is already in the process of doing that, and will come back to us with a report as to what our options are. My personal feeling is the role of Fulton County, in all of this is going to be somewhat limited. And I think you sort of touched on that earlier in our meeting, and I'm going to ask you to comment on that again. But in the final analysis, the SB 202 is the law of the land as we meet here today. And what we're asking -- I think what we're asking -- I mean, we got two or three options. One of them is for the HR 1 or HR 4, or both to be passed in Washington, which would make SB 202 null and void. Second thing that could happen would be for it to go to either the US Supreme Court and be struck down, or depending on which divisions -- or the Georgia Supreme Court and be struck down. And the third option is as I see it would be for the General Assembly -- the Georgia General Assembly to meet in special session to amended or repeal it. So those are the options as I see them. And I told Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, and I agreed with what she was attempting to do, and that I would support it today. And that is my position to support it today. But let's be real clear about what the options are, and how we proceed from here. So Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, you want to be heard again before we vote?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chair. I really, really, really do appreciate your comments. They are taken with grace because I do look to your leadership. And I'm glad that we were able to come together on this. I also appreciate the fact that Vice Chair Natalie Hall cosponsored it, as well as Commissioner Arrington cosponsored. I just want to say to my friend -- my dear friend from years ago, Commissioner Lee Morris, we've been knowing each other for years. Commissioner Lee Morris has supported my candidacy in the past. He's an old time friend of mine, and I respect his comments, and I agree with him on this. I hope one day, Commissioner Morris that we won't have to have these conversations. But unfortunately, today is not the day. But I appreciate you. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, Commissioner. Let's vote, please. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, and I too want to thank Commissioner Morris for his words."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "The motion passes; four yeas, two nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0277. Request approval of a Resolution creating and establishing the Fulton County reparation's task force to search the feasibility for a state of reparations for Blacks who live in Fulton County, and for other purposes. Sponsored by Commissioners Arrington, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hall."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes, I think Commissioner Hall also cosponsor. You know, this is just the right thing to do. There's a city in Illinois that actually went further and just awarded an amount of \$25,000 to every black person in the city. And I didn't think that that would be appropriate for us at this time to start talking about an amount. And so that's why I believe it would be prudent for us to establish a task force to tell us if there should be an amount at all. The task force may come back and tell us, 'hey we don't think there's anything to do'. And then I -- you know, and we have a right to either accept, or reject their recommendation at that time. So this is a task force. Every Commissioner will be allowed to make an appointment to the task force. We look for them to -- may come back and make a recommendation to us within some point in time, you know, so that we can act upon their recommendation. So, thank you, all your support."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just want to state some facts. This was passed by the Alderman in Evanston, Illinois. And I want to give a shout out to all

my ETHS alumni. I graduated from Evanston Township High School, and grew up in Evanston. In 2002, the city Council supported US House Resolution 40, its HR-40 calling for a federal commission to study slavery and its vestige, and to make recommendations for reparations with the adoption of Resolution 43-R-02 called Slave Reparations. That started with the U.S. House. And then in November 2019, the Evanston City Council adopted Resolution 126-R-19 called Establishing the City of Evanston Reparations Fund, and a Reparation Subcommittee. The Resolution committed the first \$10 million of the city's municipal cannabis retailer's occupation tax which is a 3 percent on gross sales of cannabis to fund local reparations for housing and economic development programs for black Evanston residence. And in passing Resolution 58-R-19, which was called Commitment to End Structural Racism and achieve racial equity in June 2019, the City of Evanston government recognizes that like most, if not all communities in the United States, the community and the government allow and perpetuated racial disparities through the use of many regulatory and policy oriented tools. And they literally looked through all of their legislation from the 1900s to the 1960s and present, and pulled all legislation that had been passed that -- it directly affected the African-American community in a negative way. And they took all of that complied together, and addressed that. And also looked at redlining, which we're all familiar with, and that's how they start addressing the reparations issue. They too created not a task force, but they created what was called a Reparations Subcommittee. And that Reparation Subcommittee helped assist in getting them to this point where they have actually passed a Resolution and they have that \$10 million. And it will account for about \$25,000 to every Evanston resident -- black residents that historically has lived in Evanston, Illinois through the se really bad, bad legislation that have been passed. So that's some of the history. I tried to do it as fast as I can. If you want more information you can go to CityofEvanston.org/government/citycouncil/reparations. And they have an entire website of information, FAQs, Resolutions you can get a copy of everything there. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other comments, Commissioners? All right. Let's vote."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Commissioner Hall, can you see me that link?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: That's definitely. I thought Anita sent it, but I'll double check with her to make sure it gets over to you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Move approval."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: 'Properly moved and seconded. Any further comment? All right. Cast your vote, please. Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "No."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And I vote, yes."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes; and the motion passes; four yeas, two nays."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0279. Request approval of a Resolution amending Resolution No. 18-0168 authorizing the creation of the Fulton County Superior Court clerk's technology fund and for other purposes sponsored by Commissioner Morris."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I'm going to let the good folks from the clerk's office address this if that's, okay, if they're on."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anyone from the clerk's office? You want to hold it."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, I think they need to be here to go through the -- --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We'll hold. Next item. Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 12 County Manager's presentation and discussion item, 21-0280 External Affairs update of the 2021 legislative agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Ms. Corbitt."

JESSICA CORBITT, DIRECTOR, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: "Good evening, Commissioners. I hope you're doing well. I'll talk to you then Commissioner Hausmann, wanted to -- going to try to go over this quickly. We will going to -- I'm always glad to give additional detail at a later time given the hour. Next slide, please. Just a recap: The legislative session has concluded and as a review these are the priorities adopted by the Board for the 2021 session. Now that the session is over, we will evaluate any items that did not have legislation and bring those forward to the Board for approval for the 2022 session. Next slide, please. Next. So in the area of COVID-19, I'm going to really highlight just the first one. There is a Georgia pandemic business safety act, and there is certain signage and things like that that are required. You may have seen the signage outside on the County facilities and it just essentially provides some protection for governments and businesses related to COVID-19 transmission. I won't go over the rest. Next slide please. And the Fulton County airport and the Fulton industrial District are one I really do want to highlight a bit. Two pieces of legislation related to the Fulton industrial district passed and one was introduced and did not pass. I'll start with House Bill 459 which applies to airports owned by County governments all over the state of Georgia. It prevents those such airports from being annexed into any city over with more than 85 square miles and that happens to apply to both the city of South Fulton and the city of Atlanta. So this would apply to the Fulton County airport and it means that regardless of what happens to the surrounding properties, the airport itself cannot be annexed. And that Bill passed and is awaiting the Governor's signature. House Bill 445 and House Bill 836 both address the remaining properties or parcels within the Fulton Industrial District that are currently unincorporated. House Bill 445 would amend the boundaries of the city of South Fulton to include all unincorporated areas south of I-20. And House Bill 836 would take any parcels that are unincorporated today north of I-20 outside of the airport itself, and amend the boundaries of the city of Atlanta to include those parcels. House Bill 445 passed and is also awaiting the Governors' signature. And House Bill 836 was introduced on the next-to-last day of the session. So it did not pass, but it has been introduced because we're in the first year of the biennial session can be automatically reintroduced for the 2022 session. So those are really all relevant to Fulton County operations. We have the County Manager has continued working through those of us who may some role in determining the next steps. And we will be prepared to report back to the Board in a future time. Next slide, please. House Resolution 117 was introduced and fortunately did not pass. This is an issue that Commissioner Arrington in particular has been interested in for several years regarding homeowners Associations. Next slide, please. Human trafficking is something the Board has taken a strong position on. We've gone over these before so I won't go into detail, but both of these Resolutions relate to human trafficking. Next slide, please. Senate Bill 202 is one that the Board has already discussed in great detail, but I do want to let you all know that we have worked very closely and are working closely with the Department of Registration and Elections, and our election working group as well as the County Attorney's office, for the public and for those who may not gone over the bill in great detail. We have identified the major impacts as the absentee ballot process which will have a major overhaul. The tagline in the process for applying for an absentee ballot are different. The drop boxes have been discussed in great detail. Currently Fulton County has 38

absentee ballot drop boxes that have been open essentially 24-hour access. Those boxes will be limited to eight in the future and the boxes must be placed inside in early voting location and therefore are accessible during those hours. So those are changes related to absentee ballots. Provisional ballots are a change. Currently, we have a few precincts that happen to be early voting locations and Election Day locations where we have a higher than average rate of provisional ballots. And a provisional ballot is a resource for voters who have not been able to vote during the traditional means for some any number of reasons and one of those reasons is they are not at the correct precinct on Election Day. As a reminder during early voting, you can go vote at any precinct. On Election Day, you have to vote at your assigned precinct. So provisional ballots, out of precinct ballots may not be used before 5:00 p.m. so that is a change that will require a lot of training for the poll workers to be able to execute that correctly. It also means that voter education impact for voters. The ballot processing itself after elections are over that means that one change in the law at times when we've had a very high number of absentee ballots for example: Midnight or some point in time they have allowed staff to go home and return. That is not permitted under SB202. The staff will work continuously unto those ballots are all processed. We are evaluating early voting. Fulton County has traditionally offered seven-day early voting's so that is something that is now available to all Georgia counties and is something that we believe that impact in early voting is one area that we're still reviewing. There are a number of requirements related to notification that are things that we're going to in great detail. Grants are not permitted by County governments of any funding from a source other than the government source is prohibited. And in 2020 Fulton County received a little over \$10 million in grants so that is one area of impact. And another one is the use of mobile units. Last year Fulton County was the first county to offer mobile units for voting. Those essentially worked as it took the place of a building during early voting. They would go to a published location that met the requirements of an early voting location and would be there for the day. But essentially mobile units are allowed only in the case of a governor declared emergency. They're not allowed for any other purposes. So that is another impact on the current resource. And then lastly and this is when more of a potential than an absolute impact, is on the leadership. Both of the election superintendent and the Board of Registration and Elections. And so there are number of scenarios in the law that would -- that could result in something called a performance review in which the state election Board would initiate a review and that could be called a number of different ways. Alternatively, they are -- some result of that can be that the state election Board can appoint someone to serve as the election superintendent. There are some financial impacts along with that. So, those are some of the again, going through the bill, there are many other areas that you see on the slide. Issues about or impacts regarding how ballots are created, how primaries are called, what kind of paper you use, so it's a 98 page piece of legislation, but I wanted to at least give you some of the highlights and the ways that it will impact Fulton County's elections operation. So again, we're working with the Department to really evaluate those. They will be getting guidance from the Secretary of State as well and that will give them further guidance on how they will operationalize each election. Next slide, please. Next slide, please. In the state budget, in the 2022 budget, there are two or three areas that we wanted to call out. Last year Fulton County received a half a million

dollars for behavioral health services, excuse me case management for behavior health. That funding was continued forward which was very positive. There's a \$6 million allocation for the MARTA Bankhead Station, so that is a major investment within Fulton County. There is some funding -- \$1.5 million statewide for ballot security protocols. We haven't looked into that into great detail. There is also funding in their bond funding for Atlanta Technical College is something that they've had some discussion about. So a few investments within Fulton County as well as a new young farmer position in the agricultural educational department. Next slide, please. Again, I won't go into all of these in detail, but there are a number of cases; fines for false alarms is one; there are public hearing requirements and things of that nature. So again given the hour, I won't go into these in great detail. Next slide, please. Again, cyber security a major area of concern during the session. Next slide. Several areas the citizens' arrest law repeal and replacement is one that was very likely publicized and so that is one that will of course in fact constituents in our law enforcement areas as well as house Bill 534 related to drag racing which has been an issue in a number of communities throughout South Fulton County. Next slide, please. And again additional areas related to the justice system operation and I won't go into these into great detail. Next please. Again, we have the school district. There is a property assessment -- a homestead exemption rather. I think Commissioner Arrington had a message on the screen. There's a homestead exemption for Atlanta public schools. It's one that we may need to look at and there is also the creation -- this is what I wanted to highlight really quickly, House Bill 762 related to the Fulton technology and energy enhancement which was created. And that is essentially related to economic development style initiative that will look at technology initiatives within certain communities in Fulton County. Next slide, please. Again, I'm not going to go into these in great detail, but I just wanted to have them on screen. Next please. There are -- I wanted to also very quickly mention -- next slide, please -- taxation. Senate Bill 201 is related to tax Commissioners. And we have been in discussion with our Tax Commissioner. This addresses contracts with cities who contract with the Tax Commissioner for their property tax collection. The Tax Commissioner has reviewed it, and it is his interpretation that this legislation does not apply to any existing contracts for property tax collection. So I just wanted to mention that, as that is one that maybe of interest. Next slide, please. This one is related to the police department funding and it just simply says that counties may not reduce those budgets in more than [Inaudible.] percentage less specific conditions. Next slide, please. Again, I won't go into these in detail, but I just want to just have them on the screen for the public. Next slide, please. And I won't go into the bills that did not pass, but please let us know if you have any questions or concerns and we will be glad to -- we will providing a more detailed update and will be circulating that to all of your offices. Thank you for your support during this session. And I'll be glad to take any questions."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Are there any questions of Ms. Corbitt? Any questions? Thank you. Ms. Corbitt. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 13, 21-0281, Discussion. Election costs update."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Barron."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Good evening Commissioners, Richard Barron, Director of Registration and Elections. I got a presentation that will follow up on the memo that I sent last Friday to the Commissioners to update you on all of the election costs from the 2020, 2021 election cycle. Next slide, please. We have many events that increased the election costs in 2020 and those included a new resource intensive voting system purchased by the state of Georgia and increase in absentee by mail voting of more than 500 percent over 2016 due to the COVID pandemic. We had two unbudgeted elections in September and December. And we also had a rare federal runoff election in January 2021. And that election -- the bulk of those costs fell into the 2020 election costs; an increase in early voting sites by more than 30 percent from August through January. We had a full hand on it of November's ballots and a machine recount of November's ballots; a 25 percent increase in election day polling locations over 2016; we have rental payments to Georgia World Congress Center that begin in October; and those were related to the item on the bottom of the page which is COVID outbreak of 26 staff members that happened right after early voting began for the November election. We also had security and technicians that we had to add for all polling locations for early voting and Election Day throughout that election cycle. Next slide, please. And I guess one thing that I want to add is that in the \$44.3 million that we spent for the 2020-2021 election cycle. Four million of that, we had requested in 2019 from the Board of Commissioners of which you approved for capital investment in a multiyear fund for equipment related to the new voting system. We completed those purchases for that multiyear fund in 2020 and the most significant expenditures in those were the three areas we spent \$18.7 million on supplemental staff, we spent \$8 million we invested \$8 million in additional equipment, we spent \$4.3 million on Election Day poll workers. And in addition are postage costs, rent for buildings, rent for equipment, and overtime for County staff that was reassigned to the elections department totaled another \$5.2 million. And the two recounts that we did totaled close to a million dollars. As you can see on this slide, you can see the total cost and how they went up over time. 2008, the election cycle was \$11.1 million. 2012, it dipped to \$6.1 million; in 2016, we had a \$9.9 million election cycle; in 2020, that went up to 30.3 million and with 2021 added in, that was another \$6.1 million. I confirmed with the number of counties including Forsyth, Gwinnett, Spalding, Athens, Clark, Rockdale, Clayton, and Muscogee -- they saw similar increases in their 2020 budgets versus previous years. Those were the similar increases that we saw here in Fulton. Next year, we are looking -- actually, with the 2020 municipal elections that's upcoming, the Board of Commissioners approved a Resolution in 2019 at \$2.96 cents per registered voter when we share election costs with the municipalities. The total election costs will be about \$7.2 million for the 2020 municipal election. The share for the municipalities is about one third of that cost. The County will bear the rest of it. And then for the runoff which the County will not be involved in it'll be \$2.46 cents per registered voter. Next year what we're looking at projected costs to be for the primary and the primary election runoff would be \$7.3 million for each of the elections; \$11.5 million of the general election, and the general election runoff somewhere in the neighborhood of \$10 million. The reasons for these election costs increase going forward -- next slide, please. Include an increase in early voting sites, and increase in the number of Election Day precincts, we will continue to see those increase. We'll

have additional staffing needs -- additional equipment needs for early voting sites and Election Day sites, and increased voter turnout. Unknown factors that could impact cost would be change in absentee voting habits. We still aren't sure because of the way voters voted in 2020 by absentee whether those habits will remain and Senate Bill 202 will have an effect on that, but it also could be that once the pandemic subsides somewhat, then we may see people change the way they are voting. Changes in absentee regulation can drive more citizens to early voting. Requests from elderly and disabled citizens that could be impacted and then we don't know exactly how voter turnout will be. The election expenses were paid from several different sources including the general fund, which contributed \$25.1 million over two fiscal years and the other funding sources included grants 8.9 million; CARES funding of \$5.8 million and capital investment \$4.5 million. And with that, I can take any questions that you have."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, I was just going to to say, I didn't know -- I had seen this presentation I didn't know there was anywhere out there in the public domain, but was it?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "No. No, it was not."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Well, given the topic I would hope that we would have an updated before the public to view, so hopefully that gets corrected going forward. And secondarily, it really don't have a lot of comments on this. Hopefully, we'll have another conversation on it, but hopefully we're also planning to have a clear process in place for counting and the post-Election Day activities. Hopefully, will get some sort of reporting back on that. What that's going to look like, and how that's going to be different in the next election cycle. And then also how you'd advance it intend to prepare for a run-off in a short run-off period of time. How you would manage early voting around that. I know I can print a commentary on that right now, but hopefully when you come back and present to us again you'll have some detail on it."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I also didn't received this, so I would like to ask if you could actually come back -- if you could send this to all of us, Commissioners; I don't know if anyone else doesn't have it as well, but I'd like to actually look at these presentations prior to the meeting, and formulate my questions, and have time to, you know, ask questions offline if need be. So, I would appreciate that. And if you could come back to the next meeting because we no longer have Commissioner Arrington with those either. That was the message that Jessica saw in the chat a little while ago that he had to leave. And he also asked for us to hold his discussion item because he had to leave. So it will be good to have this presentation later. But there was one thing that did catch

my eye as you went through this, and that is -- it was a question I had; and I thought I saw an answer on one of those slides. But since we are going to have 30 less drop boxes, and no mobile units, and a lot of other things taken away from us -- our voters will we be able to have more voting sites?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Yes, we planned to especially when it comes to the 20 -- we're going to increase the number of sites in the municipal full election coming up to have 24 early fully location sites. We plan for the general election in 2022 to have 42 early voting sites that would be up from the 34 that we used in 2021. And what that will do is offset -- because I think one of the impacts that we're going to have with the number of drop boxes going from 38 down to eight, and from the compressed timeline in which you can't mail ballots, and how they are returned we're going to see more people requesting absentee by mail ballots, and then having those canceled during early voting. And that is going to probably have an impact on the lines as more people go into the early voting sites, and will not have received their ballots by the time early voting begins. So we anticipate increasing the number of early voting sites going forward because of that."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And that's already in the cost that you just told us about?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Yes."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Great. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chair. Thank you. Mr. Barron, first of all, let me thank you. I know my request to get that mobile unit out was not an easy one. And I know -- I know that you know your schedule is just as busy as mine, so I just wanted -- because I have you here to thank you for being so accommodating. Do you have a general idea may be a total -- if you don't have it now may be at a later date -- that if we have to implement all this how much more in the budget we would have to have for you to be able to do this?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Well, what we formulated so far for the general election for 2022, we're looking at somewhere in the neighborhood of 11 and a half million dollars, which would exceed what we had -- what we spent for 2020s Presidential election which was about 10.1 million. So an increase in early voting sites and more Election Day sites will drive those cost up."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. So my last question to you, and I just want to make sure because I mentioned this yesterday at the press conference, and quite a few reporters told me they were not aware of this. This result of the SB202 gives you a directive, but does not give you any funding for that directive."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Correct. I know of no funding that's in SB 202."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "And SB 202 does not allow you to get any grants to try to get any funding to be able to supplement -- to offset the cost. You're not able to do that, correct?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Yes, ma'am. That's correct."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "And finally to you just as a -- as a recap those two mobile units -- the cost of them were approximately a little shy of \$800,000 together?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "Yeah, it's about probably 730,000."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "730,000. And do you have any idea of what we could possibly use it for because I know we cannot use it for mobile voting. What are the other things we could possibly use it for?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "We plan to make use of them for voter education going forward. We'll be able to have a much more robust early voting program -- voter education program implementing those as part of it."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. Okay. All right. Well, thank you. I appreciate you being so accommodating and we'll talk. Thank you."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS: "You're welcome."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Anyone else? Any one else? Thank you, Mr. Barron. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. The next item is Commissioner Hausmann's item 21-0283, Discussion, Election 2021 cycle."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: All right. The motion to hold. Any objection to the hold? If not, we'll hold it."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. The next item, back on Consent of page 4 bottom, on page 4; removed by Commissioner Ellis for separate consideration."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I'd like to move to hold that. And also be briefed by staff on the whole item."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. No objections to that one will be held also."

CLERK GRIER: "No further items."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No further items to come before us."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "[Inaudible.] Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Sir?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Please, excuse me for the abrupt interruption. The issue about the information requests originating from Commissioner's offices that should not be automatically forward to other offices without the Commissioner express consent or request. Are we going to deal that at the next meeting? Because you know."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: Yes, we'll be talking about in the meantime. That's correct. Yes ma'am."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. I just want to make sure. Because I know you tell me to remind you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, thank you very much, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other items to come before us today? If not, we are adjourned without objection. Thank you, very much."

(Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.)