

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RECESS MEETING**

June 16, 2021

10:00 AM



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



MINUTES

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Scheduled date for ratification: July 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts

10:00 a.m.

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

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)

PRESENT

Liz Hausmann, Commissioner (District 1)

PRESENT

Bob Ellis, Commissioner (District 2)

PRESENT

Lee Morris, Commissioner (District 3)

PRESENT

Natalie Hall, Vice Chair (District 4)

PRESENT

Marvin Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5)

PRESENT

Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner (District 6)

PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Clifton Dawkins, Jr., County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

CONSENT AGENDA**21-0423 Board of Commissioners**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended by removing item #21-0431 for separate consideration as requested by Vice Chair Hall. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Morris

21-0424 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "Willie Watkins Appreciation Day." **(Hall)**
May 27, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Black Wall Street Appreciation Day." **(Hall)**
May 30, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Emily Inez Howard Brooks Appreciation Day."
(Arrington)
June 5, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Avis R. Lofton Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**
June 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Favor House and Team Favor Track Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman)
June 14, 2021

Proclamation recognizing "Nancy Mae Green Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
June 23, 2021

21-0425 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution concerning the issuance by The Industrial Development Authority of the County of La Paz, Arizona of one or more series of its Charter School Lease Revenue Bonds Series 2021, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code in order to finance costs for a Project within Fulton County, Georgia, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$17,000,000.00. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Commissioners' District Board Appointments

- 21-0426** **Board of Commissioners**
FULTON COUNTY VETERANS EMPOWERMENT COMMISSION, INC.
(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Term = 3 Years

Commissioner Ellis nominated Shawn Hanley for a District appointment to a term ending December 31, 2024.

**Development Authority of Fulton County TEFRA
(Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act)**

- 21-0427** **Board of Commissioners**
Execution by Chairman Robert L. Pitts of a TEFRA (Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) for documentation pertaining to the proposed issuance of its Development Authority of Fulton County Revenue Bonds (Reserve at Hollywood Project) Series 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$32,000,000.00 (the "Bonds").
(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

- 21-0428** **Board of Commissioners**
Execution by Chairman Robert L. Pitts of a TEFRA (Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) for documentation pertaining to the proposed issuance of its Development Authority of Fulton County Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Phoenix Ridge South Project) Series 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$37,500,000.00 (the "Bonds"). **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

- 21-0429** **Board of Commissioners**
Execution by Chairman Robert L. Pitts of a TEFRA (Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) for documentation pertaining to the proposed issuance of its Development Authority of Fulton County Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Phoenix Ridge North Project) Series 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$39,000,000.00 (the "Bonds"). **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Open & Responsible Government

- 21-0430** **Finance**
Ratification of May 2021 Grants Activity Report **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

- 21-0431** **Finance**
No action is requested. This reporting is being provided to meet the quarterly reporting requirement for monetary transfers among budget funds per Board Resolution #09-1262. **(ACKNOWLEDGED)**

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY VICE CHAIR HALL

21-0432 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution approving an Underground Easement Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia and Georgia Power Company for the purpose of installing electrical utility service equipment at 1838 Donald Lee Hollowell Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia, formally known as the Dogwood Branch Library; to authorize the Chairman to execute an Underground Easement Agreement and related documents; to authorize the County Attorney to approve as to form and make modifications as necessary prior to execution; and for other purposes.

(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

21-0433 Human Resources Management

Request approval of a contract to spread on the minutes the Fiscal Year 2021 contracts for employees hired contractually by Fulton County - specifically the Grievance Review Board Attorney and to authorize the County Attorney to approve the contract as to form and substance and make any modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman. The cost of the contract shall not exceed \$35,098.00. Effective January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021 with Two (2) one-year renewal options. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Arts and Libraries**21-0434 Library**

Request approval to amend a MOU with UGA Cooperative Extension to continue to provide research-based education in the areas of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H and Youth Development to Fulton County citizens. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0435 Library

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Bid #21ITBC0407B-EC, Auburn Avenue Research Library in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 with Yankee Book Peddler dba GOBI Library Solutions from (EBSCO) (Contoocook, New Hampshire) to provide books for the Auburn Avenue Research Library. Effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2021, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0436 Library

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Fulton County Library Systems, 21ITBC129236B-YJ Library Non-book Materials (CD's, DVD's and Spoken Words Audio Materials) in the amount of \$88,000.00 with Baker and Taylor LLC (Charlotte, NC) to provide Non-book Materials. Effective, upon BOC approval, through December 31, 2021, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services**21-0437 Senior Services**

Request approval to increase spending authority - Department of Senior Services, RFP# 18RFP11228A-FB, Aging Services in the total amount of \$236,409.84 with (A) Senior Services North Fulton (Alpharetta, GA) in the amount of \$72,000.00, (B) South Fulton Senior Services (College Park, GA) in the amount of \$52,152.48, and (C) Visiting Nurses Health Systems (Atlanta, GA) in the amount of \$97,203.00, to provide Aging Services for Fulton County residents aged 60 and above. Effective Date January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0438 Department for HIV Elimination

Request Approval of Contract - The Department for HIV Elimination requests approval of "*Ending the HIV Epidemic*" grant funding to THRIVESS, Inc. for services to be provided in Fiscal Year 2021 through FY2024 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 per year. There is no required County match. Request authorization for the Chairman to execute contract with selected subrecipient. To protect the interest of the County, the County Attorney is authorized to approve the contracts as to form and substance and make any necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chair. Effective 7/1/2021. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0439 Select Fulton**

Request approval to amend an existing contract - Select Fulton, 17RFP072417A-CJC, One-Stop Operator Services with In The Door, LLC to include Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) assurance required in order to satisfy federal requirements for contracts over \$100,000.00. Effective upon BOC approval. 100% Grant funded. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Justice and Safety**21-0440 Sheriff**

Request approval of an exception to the Transfer of Leave Policy 337-16-16 to allow the incumbent (only) in position #0000027999 in the Sheriff's Office to receive additional donated hours of leave time from employees due to an extended illness. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

21-0441 Board of Commissioners

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

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Commissioner Morris, to adopt the Recess Meeting Agenda as amended by removing duplicate item #21-0456; moving up items #21-0378 as requested by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, #21-0418, #21-0473 as requested by Commissioner Ellis; revising items #21-0443, #21-0452, #21-0457, #21-0459 as requested by the County Manager; adding items #21-0475 as requested by the County Manager, #21-0476 as requested by Commissioner Hausmann, and #21-0477 as requested by Chairman Pitt. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

RECESS MEETING AGENDA**21-0442 Clerk to the Commission**

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

Recess Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2021

Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, June 2, 2021

Special Called Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, June 4, 2021

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

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

Did Not Vote: Arrington

21-0443 Board of Commissioners

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

Proclamation recognizing "A.D. "Pete" Correll Remembrance Day." **(Pitts)**

Proclamation recognizing "Fulton County Board of Health Appreciation Day." **(Hall/BOC)**

Proclamation recognizing "Pride Month." **(Hall/BOC)**

Proclamation recognizing "Bruce Gunning Appreciation Day." **(Ellis)**

Proclamation recognizing "Chase Matthews Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**

*Proclamation recognizing "Mercedes-Benz Stadium Appreciation Day." **(BOC)**

**added during the meeting*

PUBLIC HEARINGS**21-0444 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. At the Regular Meeting, speakers will be heard prior to the zoning portion of the agenda; at the Recess Meeting, prior to the County Manager's Unfinished Business. Before speaking, each participant must fill out a speaker card, located at the entry way, the podium, and the media and court reporter tables. Speaker cards must be submitted to the Clerk's staff, who will accept them on a first-come, first-served basis. Once Public Comment begins, speaker cards will no longer be accepted. **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. **(CONDCUTED/READ INTO THE RECORD)**

92 Speakers: Dr. Arthur E. Ferdinand (Item# 21-0378); Bridgette Thorne (Item# 21-0328); Jim Martin (Development Authority of Fulton County); Willie Clark (Item# 21-0378); Douglas C. Dean (Item# 21-0378); Dr. L. Martin Rogers (Item# 21-0378); Stephanie Owens (Arts Programs); Carlyn Mahone (Fulton County Board of Health/Item# 21-0378); John Nance (Item# 21-0328); Janice Welch (Affordable Housing Grants); Joanna Potts (Item# 21-0378); Ben Howard (Senior Services); Maggie Goldman (Fulton County Elections/Item# 21-0378); Michael Cray (Fulton County Elections/Item# 21-0378); Susan Way (Item# 21-0328); Julie Allen (Item# 21-0328); Kitt Cohoe (Item# 21-0328); Erin Schott (Item# 21-0328); Christine Johnson (Item# 21-0328); Lauren Blausen (Item# 21-0328); Blanca Rohr (Item# 21-0328); James Nelson (Item# 21-0328); Ali Hunt (Item# 21-0328); Isabel Elsesser (Item# 21-0328); Laurette Vinson (Item# 21-0328); Marc Wright (Item# 21-0328); Shelby Bose (Item# 21-0328); Lucy Murcia (Item# 21-0328); Denise DeVigne (Item# 21-0328); Rebecca Nealy (Item# 21-0328); Mary Clauson (Item# 21-0328); Lillie Romas Pozatek (Item# 21-0328); Paul Jagrowski (Item# 21-0328); Albert Haworth (Item# 21-0328); Bob Emerrill (Item# 21-0328); Thomas Bose (Item# 21-0328); Maura Jabaley (Item# 21-0328); Robin Dye (Item# 21-0328); Jeff Lampel (Item# 21-0328); Kathy Smith (Item# 21-0328); Lauren Blausen (Item# 21-0328); Russell Carlisle (Item# 21-0328); Jill Wright (Item# 21-0328); Lori Carbone (Item# 21-0328); Mary Krieger (Item# 21-0328); Beverly Pendergast (Item# 21-0328); Stephanie Doyle (Item# 21-0328); Cynthia Mitts (Item# 21-0328); Christie McCranie (Item# 21-0328); Michael Sarkisian (Item# 21-0328); Lisa Muzi (Item# 21-0328); Cindy Morrow (Item# 21-0328); Joan Housley (Item# 21-0328); Lucas Mancus (Item# 21-0328); Heather Klatt (Item# 21-0328); Karen Raber (Item# 21-0328); Mike Mastowski (Item# 21-0328); Melissa Brown (Item# 21-0328); Elizabeth Foltz (Item# 21-0328); K. Wilson (Item# 21-0328); Melissa Talman (Item# 21-0328); Erin Kontur (Item# 21-0328); Lori Gero (Item# 21-0328); Pamela Reel (Item#

21-0328); Zach Hines (Item# 21-0328); Nia Corsten (Item# 21-0328); Kevin Crow (Item# 21-0328); Candy Muldowney (Item# 21-0328); Robert Christanell (Fulton County Elections); Hannah Sheikh (Item# 21-0328); Barbara Geiseking (Item# 21-0328); Aimee Uphues (Item# 21-0328); Kathy Drown (Item# 21-0328); Jeff Mullavey (Item# 21-0328); Judy Aube (Item# 21-0328); Brian and Lisa Marks (Item# 21-0328); Rob Cunningham (Item# 21-0328); Leah Clements (Item# 21-0378); Sheila Hamilton (Item# 21-0378); Helen Vance (Item# 21-0378); Micheal Baron (Item# 21-0378); Angeline Payne (Item# 21-0378); Avis Dionne (Item# 21-0378); Charles Robinson (Item# 21-0378); Alyce Goldberg (Supporting Public Comment); Melody Kelley (Supporting Public Comment); Lynne Mehalick (Supporting Public Comment); Ethan Menaker (Supporting Public Comment); Janet Cunningham (Supporting Public Comment); Melissa Mulvaney (Supporting Public Comment); Sara M. LeClerc (Supporting Public Comment); Marcie King (Supporting Public Comment); Davida Denton (SB202); Karen Christanel (SB202); Marcie King (SB202/Item# 21-0328); Donna Lawson (Library Services); Ashley Dixon (Fulton County Jail/Item# 21-0378); Cindy Adair-Reese (Fulton County Board of Health/COVID-19); Mildred T. Stargell (Fulton County Board of Health/COVID-19); and Katie Wolter (CRT)

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

21-0445

County Manager

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

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve the COVID Performance Payment recommendations of the County Manager. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve the Plus Up scenario from the COVID Performance Payment recommendations. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Hall, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Pitts, Hausmann, Ellis, and Morris

21-0446 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

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

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

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

Nay: Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

21-0447 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

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

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

21-0448 Purchasing and Contract Compliance

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance, Bid #21ITB000001A-CJC, Countywide Armored Car Services, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 with Brinks, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) to provide countywide armored car services as needed throughout Fulton County. Effective upon execution of contract through December 31, 2021 with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0328 Registration & Elections

Request approval of a statewide contract - Registration and Elections, SWC99999-001-SPD0000136-0003, Temporary Staffing - Clerical & Light Industrial in an amount not to exceed \$7,744,880.00 with Happy Faces Personnel Group, Inc. (Tucker, GA) to provide temporary staffing services for the Department of Registration and Elections 2021 Elections. Effective upon BOC approval through December 31, 2021.

(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED ON 5/19/21 AND 6/2/21) (REMOVED)

ITEM MOVED TO THE JULY 14TH REGULAR MEETING

21-0449 **Registration & Elections**

Request approval to award a contract without competition - Registration and Elections in the amount of \$398,258.75 with KNOWiNK, LLC (St Louis, MO) to provide additional Poll Pads and accessories for the increase in poll locations on Election Day. Effective upon BOC approval. **(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)**

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

Yea: Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Ellis

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Pitts, and Hausmann

21-0450 **Registration & Elections**

Request approval to award a contract without competition - Registration and Elections, in the amount of \$105,543.01 with DMT Solutions Global Corporation d/b/a BlueCrest (Danbury, CT) to upgrade software system of the Relia-Vote Mail Processing equipment. Effective upon BOC approval. **(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, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0451 **Registration & Elections**

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Registration and Elections, NASPO ADSP016-0006328, Mailroom Equipment, and Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$146,940.00 with OPEX Corporation (Moorestown, NJ) for the purchase of extraction scanners that provide a single-step, out-of-the-envelope document processing platform. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Nay: Ellis

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0452 Registration & Elections

Request approval of a statewide contract - Registration and Elections, 47800-SOS0000037, Master Solution Purchase and Services Agreement for Statewide Voting System with Dominion Voting System (Denver, CO) in an amount not to exceed ~~\$532,462.00~~ **\$98,662.00** to purchase additional voting equipment for training purposes. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve as amended. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Ellis

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0453 Finance

Presentation, review and approval of the June 16, 2021 Budget Soundings. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0454 Information Technology

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Information Technology, 20RFP0618B-EC, Social Services Application in an amount not to exceed \$61,600.00 with 14 Oranges Software, Inc. (Richmond, BC, Canada) to provide mobile application services for Android and iOS users to inform citizens of the Health and Human Services offered by Fulton County Government. Effective upon execution of contract through December 31, 2021 with four renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0455 Human Resources Management

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Department of Human Resources Management, #21RFP0301B-EC, Fulton County Government Compensation Survey, in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 with The Segal Company (Eastern States) Inc., d/b/a Segal (Washington, DC), to conduct a market compensation survey. Effective upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed, Phase I is due 45 days from NTP and Phase II is due 120 days from NTP. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0456 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution and the Restatement and Second Amendment of the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia, and the Fulton County Board of Health for the purpose of authorizing the County Attorney to approve and the Chairman (or County Manager, where appropriate) to execute the following: 1) the Second Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement; 2) a Master Lease Agreement providing quarters to the Fulton County Board of Health owned or leased by Fulton County; 3) a Vehicle Use Agreement that allows the Fulton County Board of Health to use two of the County's vehicles purchased with C.A.R.Es Act Funds; and 4) the County's Information Technology Department Scope of Work and Transition Plan for the Fulton County Board of Health. **(REMOVED)**

DUPLICATE ITEM REMOVED

21-0457 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a Resolution and the Restatement and Second Amendment of the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fulton County, Georgia, and the Fulton County Board of Health for the purpose of authorizing the Chairman to execute and the County Attorney to approve all documents as to form and make any necessary modifications prior to execution. The Second Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement contains the following: Exhibit A: Master Lease Agreement providing quarters to the Fulton County Board of Health; Exhibit B: Vehicle Use Agreement that allows the Fulton County Board of Health to use two mobile units purchased with C.A.R.Es Act Funds; and Exhibit C: the Fulton County Information Technology Department Scope of Work and Transition Plan for the Fulton County Board of Health. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

Arts and Libraries**21-0458** **Library**

Request approval of a recommended proposal - Library, RFP #21RFP0210B-EC, Shelf-Ready Books for Adults, Teens and Children and Lease Books for Adults for Fulton County Library System in the amount not exceed \$800,000.00 with Baker and Taylor, LLC, (Charlotte, NC) to provide adult, young adult, and children's books, and adult best-selling lease books. Effective July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 with four renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0459 **Library**

Request approval to extend an existing contract - Fulton County Library System, 18RFP212018BJD, E-Rate Internet Access and Wan Connectivity in an amount not to exceed \$212,173.80 with AT&T Corporation (Atlanta, GA) to provide internet access and connectivity for all library locations. This action will bring the E-Rate and AT&T contract onto the same fiscal cycle making the contracts coterminous effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. **(REMOVED)**

21-0460 **Arts and Culture**

Request approval of four (4) contracts: a contract with Hammonds House Museum (HHM) not to exceed \$70,000.00, a contract with the Chattahoochee Nature Center (CNC) not to exceed \$200,000.00, a contract with Johns Creek Community Arts Center, Inc. (JCCAC) in an amount not to exceed \$185,000.00, and a contract with National Black Arts Festival (NBAF) not to exceed \$50,000.00 to provide expanded operational resources, educational and arts-related services to the citizens of Fulton County. **(APPROVED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve with a friendly amendment from Vice Chair Hall to remove Hammonds House Museum and the National Blacks Arts Festival contracts. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

Abstain: Abdur-Rahman

Health and Human Services**21-0461 Senior Services**

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Department of Senior Service, #21ITB000011A-CJC, Pool Maintenance Services, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00 with United Pool Maintenance, LLC (Roswell, GA) to provide pool maintenance services, repair and preventive maintenance for four Senior Multipurpose Facilities as needed. Effective upon execution of the contract through December 31, 2021, with two renewal options. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0462 Public Works

Request approval to renew existing contracts - Department of Public Works, 181TB112052K-DB, 2018 Standby Miscellaneous Construction - Wastewater System Services in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 with Wade Coots Company, Inc. (Austell, GA) to provide standby miscellaneous construction - wastewater system Services. This action exercises the second of two renewal options. No renewal options remain. Effective dates: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0463 Community Development

Request approval of the Pilot Fulton County Youth Leadership Program contract with 21st Century Leaders, Inc. in the amount of \$82,950.00, to provide a software platform for leadership development of high school aged students to learn about their role as a leader and discover and demonstrate their leadership abilities and career interests. Effective from execution through December 31, 2021 and shall automatically renew on January 1, 2022 through May 31, 2022. Total contract award is \$82,950.00 for the initial term and the renewal. The County Attorney is authorized to approve the contract as to form and to make necessary modifications thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Infrastructure and Economic Development**21-0464 Public Works**

Request Board of Commissioners' approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") for the use and distribution of proceeds generated by the 2021 Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Referendum; Authorize the Chairman to execute the IGA and attachments; authorize the County Attorney to approve the IGA as to form and to make modifications thereto prior to execution. **(APPROVED)**

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

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

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS**21-0378 Board of Commissioners**

Request approval of a Resolution by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County to enact the "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Fulton County Rescue Implementation Plan (RIP);" and for other purposes. **(Abdur-Rahman)**
(HELD ON 5/19/21) (MOTION TO APPROVE AS AMENDED FAILED ON 6/2/21)
(MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)

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

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

21-0413 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) (REMOVED)**

ITEM MOVED TO THE JULY 14TH REGULAR MEETING

21-0465 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution supplementing the Board of Commissioners' December 17th 2008 Resolution consenting to the inclusion of certain Fulton County Taxes in the computation of the tax allocation increment for the City of Atlanta Allocation District number One Westside so as to consent to and ratify the use of a portion of the County Tax increment for two projects with in the Westside Tax Allocation District; and for other purposes. **(Morris) (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, Hausmann, Ellis, Morris, Hall, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

21-0466 Board of Commissioners

Request approval to amend the Board of Commissioners Procedural Rules for meetings, specifically, Rule Six: Agenda, Preparation of and Public Comment. **(Abdur-Rahman) (HELD)**

21-0467 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners amending and clarifying the per diem allotment available for the Board of Directors of the Development Authority of Fulton County; and for other purposes. **(Morris) (HELD)**

Commissioners' Full Board Appointments**21-0468 Board of Commissioners**

FULTON-ATLANTA LAND BANK AUTHORITY **(APPROVED)**

Term = 4 years

Term below expires: 8/7/2023

Vacant **(BOC)**

Vice Chair Hall nominated Kyle Lamont for a Full Board appointment to a term ending August 7, 2023.

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0469**Board of Commissioners****DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF FULTON COUNTY (APPROVED)**

Development Authority of Fulton County, amended (**#21-0337**) by revising subsection 118-50, entitled "Board of Directors, Membership and Qualifications," to provide as follows: (a) The Board of Directors shall consist of a board of not less than seven and not more than nine directors to be appointed by resolution of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Each commissioner shall have one appointment which shall be submitted to the full Board of Commissioners for approval. Two additional members shall be "at-large" members, with one member selected and nominated by the Fulton County Board of Education for final approval by the full Board of Commissioners, and the other representing member selected and nominated by the Atlanta Board of Education for final approval by the full Board of Commissioners; (b) The members of the Board of Directors shall be taxpayers residing in Fulton County; (c) The members of the Board of Directors shall not be officers or employees of Fulton County.

Term = 4 Years

Fulton County Board of Education appointed Dr. Mike Looney for a Full Board appointment to a term ending May 31, 2025.

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

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0470 Board of Commissioners
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF FULTON COUNTY (APPROVED)

Development Authority of Fulton County, amended (**#21-0337**) by revising subsection 118-50, entitled "Board of Directors, Membership and Qualifications," to provide as follows: (a) The Board of Directors shall consist of a board of not less than seven and not more than nine directors to be appointed by resolution of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Each commissioner shall have one appointment which shall be submitted to the full Board of Commissioners for approval. Two additional members shall be "at-large" members, with one member selected and nominated by the Fulton County Board of Education for final approval by the full Board of Commissioners, and the other representing member selected and nominated by the Atlanta Board of Education for final approval by the full Board of Commissioners; (b) The members of the Board of Directors shall be taxpayers residing in Fulton County; (c) The members of the Board of Directors shall not be officers or employees of Fulton County.

Term = 4 Years

Atlanta Board of Education appointed Erica M. Long, Esq. for a Full Board appointment to a term ending May 31, 2025.

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

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

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Ellis

COMMISSIONERS' PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

21-0417 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Jail Population Review Teams (**Arrington**) (**HELD ON 6/2/21**) (**HELD**)

21-0418 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Public Comment Rules (**Pitts**) (**HELD ON 6/2/21**) (**DISCUSSED**)

21-0471 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. June 9, 2021 CEO Report (**Morris**) (**DISCUSSED**)

21-0472 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Invest Atlanta Board of Directors May 20, 2021 Meeting Summary (**Morris**) (**DISCUSSED**)

21-0473 Board of Commissioners
Discussion: Appointment and Termination of certain Fulton County positions; continued discussion (**Ellis**) (**HELD**)

EXECUTIVE SESSION**21-0474 Board of Commissioners**

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

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

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

Absent: Arrington

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

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

Absent: Arrington

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to approve the settlement recommendation in item #2 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

ITEMS ADDED TO THE MEETING:**21-0475 Registration & Elections**

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEM - Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Registration and Elections, Broward County Supervisor of Elections Office, Elections Inventory tracking Software as a Service in an amount not to exceed \$413,510.76 with Wireless Data Systems, Inc. (Boca Raton, FL) for the purchase of inventory tracking software for Registrations and Elections. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve adding item #21-0475 to the Recess Meeting Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Ellis

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve item #21-0475. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Nay: Ellis

Absent: Arrington

Did Not Vote: Hausmann

21-0476 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS (APPROVED)

Term = 4 Years

Term below expires: 6/30/2021

Michael Fitzgerald (**Post 1**) (**BOC-North Fulton/Hausmann**)

Commissioner Hausmann nominated Michael Fitzgerald (Post 1) for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending June 30, 2025.

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Commissioner Hausmann, to approve adding item #21-0476 to the Recess Meeting Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Hausmann and seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve item #21-0476. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

21-0477 Board of Commissioners
COMMISSIONERS' ITEM - Revision to the Resolution encouraging the deposit of a portion of funds allocated to Fulton County through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and other funds with minority-owned financial institutions that meet the County's investment policy guidelines (items #21-0382). (**APPROVED**)

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Vice Chair Hall, to approve adding item #21-0477 to the Recess Meeting Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

b. A motion was made by Vice Chair Hall and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to approve item #21-0477 to the Recess Meeting Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: Arrington

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S
RECESS MEETING
JUNE 16, 2021
10:00 A.M.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Good morning, I'd like to call the meeting to order. This is the Recess Meeting of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Today is June 16th, 2021, and it is approximately 10:05 a.m. Madam Clerk, please call the roll."

CLERK GRIER: "Chairman Robb Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Liz Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Bob Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Lee Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Vice Chair Natalie Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Khadija Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Present."

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

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

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 2, Consent Agenda, **21-0423**, Adoption of the Consent Agenda. All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Recess Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, Vice Chair Hall has requested to remove, on page 3, 21-0431, at the bottom of page 3, no action is requested. This reporting is being provided to meet the quarterly reporting requirement for the monetary transfers among budget funds per Board Resolution 09-1262. This item was removed for separate consideration".

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's it? Any other additions or corrections to the Consent Agenda? Hearing none, cast your votes, please to approve as amended. Is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Properly moved and seconded. Let's vote."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "The system's not working."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, system's not working, those in favor, say aye. Oppose --"

CLERK GRIER: "It's working. The vote is open."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Let's go. Let's go. All right. Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have three items requested to be added to today's Recess Meeting Agenda. The first item on page 3 of the add-on memo, 21-0475, Registration and Elections. Request approval to utilize corporate purchasing for the purchase of inventory tracking software."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What was that?"

CLERK GRIER: "Registration and Elections, 21-0475."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What is it?"

CLERK GRIER: "It's approval to utilize corporative purchasing for the purchase of inventory tracking software."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- and the request is to add this to today's agenda."

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is that time sensitive?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes Sir, Mr. Chairman, that's the item that we did not complete a legal review, but it is grant related, and the grant expires on 06/30. So, it is important to have the Board act on this matter."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right, is there a motion?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Mr. Chairman, I'll move that we add it to the agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a second?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Is there discussion? Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chairman, I'm asking for -- also the motion to move item 21-0378, RIP to under County Manager's item, 21-0445 on page 6."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- where are you; what?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Oh. We need to vote on them separately? That's what I was being told."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Slow down. Slow down everyone. Go ahead now, you have the floor."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. I was asking for the item, 21-0378 which is on page -- page 10. And I was asking, Chairman, that it be moved up to under the County Manager's item, 21-0445."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Let's deal with the add-on's first, and then we can come back and-
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COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other add-ons?"

CLERK GRIER: "Yes, we have two more after this one."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So the first one was --"

CLERK GRIER: "Registration and Elections."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. And we voted on that one? All right. That was a motion to approve -- motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Let's vote."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right next, is there another?"

CLERK GRIER: "21-0476, Fulton County Board of Tax Assessor's. Commissioner Hausmann has nominated Michael Fitzgerald for a Full Board reappointment to a term ending June 30, 2025."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What's that?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, thank you for that. I'll second it Commissioner Hall. But basically, his term expires at the end of the month. We do not meet again until the middle of July, and the law changed in 2016 to not allow any of the Board of Assessors' members to serve an unexpired term. So, there would be a gap; and as you know assessment notices are on the way out the door to our homeowners, and property owners, so it's just bad timing to not have a Full Board. So, I ask your consideration to have this approved to go on the agenda."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This will be a reappointment to a new term, correct?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Reappointment to a new term and he has been elected by the Body as Chair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. And that will be another four-year?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Correct."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Okay. The motion is to approve -- strike that. To add to the agenda --"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "We can go ahead and approve it. That's, okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- no, no to add to the agenda. All right. Let's vote, please."

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

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0477, Revision of -- to the Resolution encouraging the deposit of a portion of funds allocated to the Fulton County through American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and other funds with minority owned financial institutions that meet the County's investment policy guidelines sponsored by Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah. This is a minor amendment to the Resolution that was approved unanimously at the last meeting. We've made considerable progress, and in fact, I guess, the first funds are going to be placed with the identified institutions today or tomorrow. But this is one amendment that needs to be made. The original amendment -- strike that. The original language speaks to businesses, minority owned businesses domiciled or headquartered in Fulton County. It should have read domiciled, but headquartered in Fulton County or with branches in Fulton County, so, that's the difference."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "And it's time sensitive because the money needs to be placed shortly."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's correct."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Well, I'll move that we add it to the agenda."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Mr. Chair, is this only for -- I guess, we can deal with it when we get to it -- we're just adding to the agenda now?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR.: "Okay, that's fine."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's vote, please."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any others?"

CLERK GRIER: "No other items to add."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No other items to be added. Now, any other issues with respect to the Regular agenda? Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I am asking for the motion to move item 21-0378 the RIP to under the County Manager's item 21-0445 on page 6."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Page 6, item number?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "21-0378 is on page 10."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Page 10 -- what? What? Okay. But on this one, your motion is to move that one up; any objections? If not, we'll move that one up as requested."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair. What's the -- I do have a question on this. As a general practice, we don't move Commissioners' items up unless there's a real specific reason to do so. So, what is the specific rationale for moving this up into our Regular business items?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "The rationale is that the County Manager's presentation has very pertinent information in relationship to the 21-0378 that's why it needs to be moved up."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. That doesn't seem like that's a justified rationale to me, personally."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Well, I wasn't going back and forth. I was saying in relation to what the County Manager will be presenting based on what he sent to me."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other comments at this time? All right. The motion is to move that item up. Any other objections to it?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So, just so I'm clear. We would do 445, 446, and then 378?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes Ma'am."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right, then we will make that adjustment as recommended by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. And Commissioner Ellis’ concerned objection is noted for the record.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “And Mr. Chair, I also have two -- I have a request for a couple of modifications. Just for those two right now. I’d like to have -- two discussion items under Commissioner items which are related to action items -- item 0473.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “What page?”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “On 12 of 13, 0473 is appointment and termination of certain Fulton County positions continued discussion, you know, it does relate to item 21-0413. I’d like to have that discussion of 0473 before hearing 0413.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. Any objections?”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “0413 is on 10 of 13, and 0473 is on page 12, and it will be to have 0473 -- that discussion before the action item 0413.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. No objections? So moved, so ordered.”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “And then one more, Mr. Chair, you have a discussion item on 0418 related to public comment rules. I think that discussion should take place before item 0466 which is an action item related to public comment.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. What page is that one?”

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Same page 12 of 13 is where 0418 is located, and then page 10 of 13 is where 0466 is located.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “-- 0466. All right. No objections? Madam Clerk, you with us? Okay, anything else? I’ll entertain a motion to approve --”

CLERK GRIER: “I have more, yes. Recess Meeting agenda, bottom of page 5, 21-0441. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board, we have an item to be removed. It’s a duplicate item on page 8, 21-0456. Request approval of a Resolution and restatement and second amendment of an IGA between Fulton County, and the County Board of Health. That’s a duplicate item and needs to be removed.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay.”

CLERK GRIER: “Items to be revised on page 5, we’re adding a proclamation. Proclamation recognizing Mercedes-Benz Stadium appreciation day. On page 7, 21-0452, Registration and Elections. Request approval of a statewide contract to purchase

additional voting equipment for training. The amount to exceed -- they are amending the not to exceed amount to \$98,662. And on page 8, 21-0457, it's a County Manager's item. Request approval of a Resolution and restatement and second amendment of the IGA between Fulton County and the Board of Health. That item was revised to reorder the supporting documents. And on page 9, 21-0459, Library. Request approval to extend an existing contract to provide Internet access and connectivity for all library locations. This item is revised to amend extension No. 1. And those are all I have."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other items with respect to the agenda? All right. I'll entertain a motion to approve as amended."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I'll second it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Cast your votes, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And the motion to adopt today's Recess Meeting Agenda as amended passes; six yeas, zero nays."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 5, **21-0442**, Ratification of Minutes. Recess Meeting Minutes, May 19th. Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, June 2nd Special Called Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, June 4, 2021."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any additions or corrections? Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to approve."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Approved by Vice Chair Hall; is there a second? Seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Let's vote, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam Clerk."

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

CLERK GRIER: “On page 6, **21-0443**, Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. First proclamation is recognizing A.D. Pete Correll Remembrance Day.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: Mic was muted -- “Okay, I started to lift it up and it was about to come off the -- okay, test -- is that good?”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “There’s one correction; Commissioner Hausmann wants to be listed as a --“

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Well, I would too. Full Board. So, this is a letter that I understand Pete wrote in his last weeks and was read at his church. And I’d like to read it. It’s very touching. It says thank you for coming. Since Tony is reading this note, I must be dead. But there are a few things I want to say to you. Please don’t be sad. I have led a rich full life, driven by three things. First, I am a predestined Presbyterian. All my life I have known that God put me on this earth to do something. I just never really knew what that was. Clearly, Grady was it. How else can you explain a poor southern boy, raised by a single-parent in Brunswick, Georgia, never having been to Atlanta, Georgia, being the catalyst to drive Grady. God must have been preparing me for this my whole life. Think about it. This poor boy led a group of Atlantans to save Grady hospital. How unthinkable is that? Especially, without a plan. When people say to me, God does not have a plan for everyone’s life, I want to laugh in their face. When God led me all over the USA, he was preparing me for one task, saving Grady. That was 70 years after I was born. That, ladies and gentlemen is the definition of long-term planning and what God has in store for you in your life if you chose to follow his direction. The second thing in my life was a strong mother. My father died when I was 12 years old. He was a nice man, but he was an abusive alcoholic. We were bankrupt and were too dumb to know it. So, mother and I set about paying all of our bills and running a Men’s store in Brunswick, Georgia. That experience taught me well the value of cash which business students never understand. They can read a balance sheet and income statement, but can’t read a cash flow statement. There is nothing more sobering than looking in the cash drawer at the end of the day and seeing if there was more or less money in it than when the day began. That premise taught at Correll’s Men’s Shop drove my whole business career. Nothing matters, but cash. The third driving force in my life, another strong woman Ada Lee. A sweet young girl from Swainsboro, Georgia who believed that everything would always be all right in life, a true Pollyanna. I moved her all over the country from Georgia to Virginia to Maine to North Carolina to Arkansas to Seattle to Dayton, Ohio and finally back to Atlanta. All the time she kept saying this is what God had planned for you, say yes. It got so I would come home from work and say honey we are moving; not even asking where,

she would start packing. The Correll's, two small children, and a dog, would take off. When you asked Alston and Elizabeth where they are from, they are stomped. They've been exposed to so many places and situations. My home has become where the four are, not a given place with a given name. Tony will be at the back door accepting memberships in the Presbyterian Church, we won't be doing that here -- May God be with you all and may you always know I led the perfect life and it is time for me to leave the field of play. God bless you all. That was from Pete. So, the proclamation that we all want to sponsor -- I'll read that. Whereas, A.D. "Pete" Correll was born and raised in Brunswick, Georgia, where he learned his business savvy while assisting his mother in the operation of the men's store once managed by his father until his passing when Pete was 12 years old. And whereas, Pete earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia, and earned two masters' degrees on scholarship from the University of Maine, and whereas, Pete joined Georgia-Pacific in 1988, became chairman and CEO in 1993, and negotiated a \$21 billion sale of the company to Coke Industries in 2006. And whereas, Pete was instrumental in the resuscitation of Grady hospital when it was mired in debt and mismanagement and after new management was in place, the hospital brought in \$100 million in revenue, and the saving Grady task force helped to raise \$325 million that has since been invested in new facilities and services including the Correll Cardiac Center named in honor of Pete's contribution to the transformation of Grady Hospital. And whereas, Pete co-chaired a commission in 2003 that renamed Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport to honor Mayor Maynard H. Jackson. He served on the Georgia Aquarium Board, and contributed money to numerous causes in his hometown of Brunswick, Georgia. And whereas, Pete was married for 58 years to his wife, Ada Lee with whom he shared two children Elizabeth Correll Richardson, Alston Correll and was the grandfather of five. Now, therefore be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends Pete Correll for a life of integrity and exemplary service to Atlanta and Fulton County, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday June 16th, 2021 as A.D. Pete Correll Remembrance Day in Fulton County Georgia. Let's give Pete a round of applause."

Elizabeth Correll Richardson: I just want to thank you all. Grady was truly my dad's baby. I think he thought it was his for awhile. He loved that institution and everybody in the walls. So, I thank you all for acknowledging him. It was truly an act of love. A love for this city, and a love for this state. This was his home and he would do anything for anyone within those boundaries. So, I thank you for acknowledging him. He would be thrilled. And thank you from my family."

JOHN HAUPERT, COO, GRADY HEALTH SYSTEM: "Pete Correll is responsible for me coming to Atlanta to serve as the President and COO of Grady Health System. That was ten years ago, hard to believe. Pete quickly became a mentor to me more so than

any mentor I've ever had in my life. And so, his passing has definitely left a big old hole in the middle of my heart. His impact to this community, at large, and his impact in his determination to save Grady Hospital which had it not been saved many people would not have access to quality healthcare in Fulton and DeKalb County. So, thank you all for recognizing him in this way. Commissioners, Chairman the entire Grady family appreciate what you've done."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing Fulton County Board of Health Appreciation Day sponsored by Vice Chair Hall with full Board support."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Come on down. All right. We got everybody. You looking for someone else? Okay. All right. Well, the proclamation reads: Whereas, for many years the Fulton County Board of Health has kept the communities safe from health threats promoting better health and helping Fulton County residents' access the health services and information for healthy living. And whereas, the largest health district in Georgia, Fulton County Board of Health serves more than 1 million Fulton County residents through its community-based programming, and state-of-the-art health Centers and operates eight County funded health centers from North to South Fulton centrally located within proximity to other human services agencies. And whereas, Fulton County Board of Health works with community stakeholders around shared issues of concern and operates 26 public health programs that supported 84,761 unduplicated client visits for 81,784 unduplicated clients between July 1st, 2018, and June 30th, 2019. And employees' personnel who provides direct healthcare services, health promotion, disease surveillance, population-based screening, referrals, and linkages to health and other services. And environmental health services. They are also responsible for planning, preparing, and responding to public health emergencies. And whereas, Fulton County Board of Health manages state and federally funded awards for programs including adolescent health and youth development, children's medical services, immunization and screenings, chronic disease prevention, family-planning, public health emergency preparedness, tuberculosis control, comprehensive HIV prevention programs, WIC and Ryan White part A. Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners thanks the Fulton County Board of Health for the dedication of its 293 employees who have a combined 10,813 years of service and express our sincere appreciation for their outstanding service to the citizens of Fulton County, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, June 16th, 2021, as Fulton County Board of Health Appreciation Day in Fulton County, Georgia. Congratulations."

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Thank you very much. On behalf of the entire Board of Health for this honor and we're very happy to accept it. It's been a tough year for all of us with COVID. And I think that actually the Board of Health has really

risen to the occasion in concert with all of our many partners, the Board of Commissioners, all of the health systems –it's been really great. And so, I just want to remind everyone, you know, we're here for the constituents and we have a lot of services that are available. And we are going to be help – we hope that people will be taking advantage of this. So, thank you very much. Thank you. Does anyone have anything they want to say? Thank you."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing PRIDE month sponsored by Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Welcome. All right. Whereas, on June 28th, 1969, patrons and supporters of the Stonewall Inn in New York City staged an uprising to resist police harassment and persecute that marked the beginning of a movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices against LGBTQIA+Americans. Whereas, PRIDE month's annual celebration that promotes unity, PRIDE, self-empowerment and positive visibility within the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning intersex and asexual community. And whereas, PRIDE celebrations in Fulton County can be traced back to 50 years ago in 1971 when the Georgia Gay liberation front organized a march from Peachtree Street to Piedmont Park commemorating the first PRIDE march in Georgia. And whereas, the struggle for equality and same-sex rights has led to US Supreme Court ruling on June 26, 2015, making same-sex marriages legal in all 50 US states. June's celebration also includes commemorations and memorials for members of the LGBTQIA+community who lost their lives to hate crimes and HIV-AIDS. And whereas, on June 19th, 2019, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Resolution item 19-0512, sponsored by Commissioner Natalie Hall to recognize the month of June as PRIDE month in Fulton County. And whereas, Fulton County recognizes that discrimination and exclusion continues to exist in the daily lives of LGBTQIA+individuals and families. And supports the LGBTQIA+community by recognizing June as PRIDE month. Now, therefore be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners memorializes the historic accomplishments of the LGBTQIA+community, commends their tremendous contributions to the local community and beyond and recognizes their continued struggles and does hereby proclaim the month of June as PRIDE month in Fulton County, Georgia. Congratulations."

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: "Thank you Commissioner Hall, Commissioners', Chairman. Also, in support was Anita Harris, Jessica Corbitt, and Douglas Bell. With me today I also have my coworkers Lakeisha Menefield with the Tax Assessor's office, Dr. David Holland with the Board of Health, and one of our old Fulton County employees Mr. Chuck Hess who left about 16 years ago. He was the solicitor and he is now a state attorney so he's a great person to know. I'm humbled today. I was part of the original

face which was the Fulton -- Fulton Alliance of County Employees for Equality back in 2003, and we had passed domestic partnership and benefits for the employees. Mr. Hess was a part of that, and Dr. David Holland was very influential in getting things accomplished here for our employees also. But this celebrating PRIDE Month is for the entire community, and it's amazing that now the community and all the LGBTQ kids can come into this building and know that they are safe and recognized. Thank you so much."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing Bruce Gunning Appreciation Day sponsored by Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Come on down Bruce. I think we've got members of our Continuum of Care Board that are going to join him. All right. I'm going to share this proclamation about my friend Bruce Gunning, who is my appointee, and has been chair of our Continuum of Care and he's up here with some of his fellow Board members who have dedicated themselves to service in this very important complex arena of dealing with homelessness. Whereas, Bruce Gunning served as the Chair of the Georgia 502 Fulton Continuum of Care for three years and has served as a member of the Board for six years. And whereas, Bruce has been a mainstay on the Continuum of Care Board and coupled with his can-do attitude led to effective working relationships with homeless and homeless prevention service providers throughout the County and whereas during the COVID-19 pandemic, Bruce spearheaded the Fulton County Continuum of Care's work to provide and deliver food to homeless, Fulton County school students in the distribution of personal protective equipment to homeless service providers. And whereas under his leadership the Continuum of Care revamped its homeless management information system and created a coordinated entry process with the establishment of the homeless assessment centers that are located in North and South Fulton County that provide the County with centralized locations for homeless and prevention services. Now therefore, be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the dedication exhibited by Bruce Gunning during his tenure with Georgia 502 Fulton County Continuum of Care Board, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday June 16, 2021, as Bruce Gunning Day, Appreciation Day in Fulton County, Georgia. Let's give him a hand."

BRUCE GUNNING: Well, first of all, thank you. I'm humbled. To Commissioners, I thank you for the opportunity to serve our County's homelessness. Also, I want to thank the Board -- you guys have done an outstanding job in leadership within the membership of the COC. And finally, I would like to thank your city Manager and your staff for all of the support that you give to the COC in its efforts. There's still a lot of

work to be done as you guys know, but I do appreciate everything. Thank you, very much."

CLERK GRIER: "The next proclamation is recognizing Chase Matthews Appreciation Day sponsored by Commissioner Arrington."

COMMISSIONER ARRINGTON, JR. "Whereas, 13-year-old Chase Matthews is the eldest daughter of Johnny and Deidre Matthews, and big sister to Mr. Cannon Matthews. All residents of the city of South Fulton. And whereas, Chase earned the title of valedictorian of her graduating eighth grade class at the Rise School, completing the school year with a 96 percent grade point average and numerous accolades including her participation in the tag talented and gifted Georgia education program since the first grade. Her recognition and awarding of the principal's award of excellence, A-Honor roll, Honor Society, certificate of service and leadership, certificates of achievement in science and language arts, and language arts highest average, music, graphic arts, TOP scholar in health, and debate team. And whereas Chase has demonstrated her multifaceted skills and creativity as an award-winning writer and right to rise, a creative writing program dedicated to nurturing aspiring young writers. And as the youngest participant in the program, at just nine years old, Chase won a right to rise scholarship which recognizes talented young writers and their vibrant voices. And whereas, Chase will begin her high school career at Westlake high school in the fall where she will continue playing her flute for the highly ranked Westlake High School Marching Band. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the academic achievements of Chase Matthews and does hereby proclaim today, Wednesday June 16, 2021, as Chase Matthews Appreciation Day in Fulton County Georgia. Congratulations."

CHASE MATTHEWS: "Hi. I just want to thank the Board of Commissioners and my school -- the Rise School for everything and helping me get to this point. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER MARVIN ARRINGTON, JR.: "Continue to keep up the good work. We expect to hear more great things from you."

CLERK GRIER: "The last proclamation is recognizing Mercedes-Benz Stadium Appreciation Day sponsored by the full Board of Commissioners."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Who's going to come up and receive this? All right. All right. Good deal. Steve Cannon coming down here to join us. Did y'all know we were doing vaccinations at Mercedes-Benz Stadium? Did anybody hear about that? Anybody out there get their shots at Mercedes-Benz in the audience right? How about that. Whereas the Mercedes-Benz Stadium, home of the Atlanta Falcons NFL team and the

Atlanta United major league soccer team opened in August 2017, and served as the largest mass vaccination site for the COVID-19 vaccine in the southeastern United States and whereas in December 2020 Mercedes-Benz Stadium partnered with Fulton County and State Farm Arena to be a host site for early voting during the Georgia Senate runoff election and the partnership was so successful that Mercedes-Benz Stadium officials offered the Stadium facility to be a large vaccination distribution site to service the county. Whereas, since it's conversion into a vaccination site on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, Mercedes-Benz Stadium site has administered more than 300,000 vaccines to citizens in Georgia making it one of the most successful -- making it the most successful mass vaccination sites in the country. And whereas the vaccination distribution ended on Monday June 7, 2021, and on that last day the 300,000 vaccines shot was administered to a 15-year-old Fulton County resident and the goal was exceeded by 5:00 p.m. when the doors closed. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes the Mercedes-Benz Stadium and its leadership for their support of Fulton County residents in the fight to save lives, and protect our citizens against COVID-19, and does hereby proclaim, Wednesday June 16, 2021, as Mercedes-Benz Stadium Appreciation Day in Fulton County, Georgia. So, let's give everybody that was involved with this a big hand. I don't know if our Chairman or County Manager wants to make a few remarks about kind of this great partnership or not before we hand it over to Steve."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "We I will just briefly, Steve, thank you for everything that you did. Because not only was it the Stadium, but it was your personal involvement, attention to detail and your entire staff. So, without that involvement and again attention to detail, then ultimately the folks that we're directly helping us we could not have done this. And it was the most successful and in fact I think as we've shared when the Governor visited, FEMA came in and not only did not try to take over, they made it the model for every other community vaccination center in the United States so I think it's a real testament to everything that was done there. And again, the spirit of community support, teamwork both from Arthur Blank to you and to your entire team was just spectacular. So again, thank you very much. Mr. Chairman, you want to say something."

STEVE CANNON: "Thank you, Dick. Thank you, Commissioner, Chairman and Commissioners. So, on behalf of Arthur Blank and the entire team at Mercedes-Benz Stadium, so proud to have been able to partner with the county, the state, and the alphabet of other agencies that were involved. It was a heavy lift. It was very complicated, but it was so, so, so rewarding. I've told my team that we've done a lot of really important events from college football championships to Super Bowls. But what we've just completed, was the most important event that we've ever done at Mercedes-

Benz Stadium. 155 days long, so, it was the hardest the longest the most complicated, but by far the most rewarding event that we've ever done. So, we're humbled and proud to be a part of this community, and that was our opportunity to serve, and we took care of that moment together. So, thank you very much."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 6, Public Hearings, **21-0444**, Public Comment. Citizens wishing to participate in public comment will be allowed to appear in person or may choose to participate virtually via zoom videoconferencing or by submitting their comments in writing online by registering on the County website www.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. Mr. Chairman and members of the Board, we will start with speakers here in assembly Hall. I have received 11 speaker cards. Will the first five speakers, please come down. Dr. Arthur E. Ferdinand, Bridget Thorne, Jim Martin, Willie Clark, and Douglas C. Dean."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Speakers, when you have 15 seconds left, I will say 15 minutes and that will be the signal to conclude your remarks. The exception to that are current or former elected officials."

DR. ARTHUR FERDINAND, FC TAX COMMISSIONER: "Mr. Chairman, members of the Board. Good morning. I want to first praise the Board, the County Manager and his dream team for leading us through a very perilous time in our county's history. But neither you nor I could have achieved the success without the help of our employees, the Fulton County employees. Many of them faced risk to themselves and their families in order to provide services to others. The employees volunteered their assistance generously to ensure the success of our elections, and the COVID-19 programs the County had. Today I speak in support of rewarding all Fulton County employees for outstanding performances during this challenging year. I'm not going to make no distinctions between essential employees and other staff. Such distinctions would most certainly undervalue some exceptionally important contributions. I strongly endorse the employees being rewarded for performance during this period with a minimum base-line bonus or payment of \$3000. Be mindful that many of our employees work more than one jobs to make ends meet. Let me share my own departments experience during this period of time. We never shut down. Even when the city of Atlanta and the County was closed to the public, we remained open. My employees were in their offices processing payments so the cities -- the two school Boards and the County could continue to meet

their fiscal responsibilities. We had to stay open to Fulton County's more than 1 million vehicles. We have some million-dollar vehicles too. But we had to stay open so that Fulton County million vehicles could continue to operate legally on our highways. We worked shifts to account for social distancing. Still, many of our employees came down with COVID-19. It was a constant juggling act to keep operating effectively; but our employees understood the gravity of the situations and they endured. For many weeks, we spent -- for many weeks we were open to the wee hours of the morning -- two o'clock. Most nights, we are up there until 10:00, until our last customer was served. We had no choice. We have already met our 99 percent goal collection for the year. It was also the best performance of my organization in terms of property collection since I've been in office that has been 24 years. Seems like an infinity to me, however, we did perform so that the school Boards were able to give bonuses and increases to all their employees. There are other stories of superior performances like ours waiting to be told throughout Fulton County. Be generous to the employees. They were there when you needed them as the County faced challenges for both man and nature. Be generous. Thank you. Go Hawks."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is the clock working? Where's the clock? What? I don't see it. Okay. We also still need a clock in the back up here, Mr. Manager. What? Should be, will be. Continue Ma'am. Thank you."

BRIDGETTE THORNE, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Hello. So good to see you in person. I'm Bridget Thorne. I'm a former nine-year precinct manager. I've an undergrad and master's degrees from Georgia Tech. I'm a software designer. I have repeatedly tried to work early voting but Happy Faces just doesn't seem to respond. It's puzzling. When poll techs were hired, I reached out to do Dwight Bower and Sharon Whitmore to see how I could get hired. Dwight said he couldn't help me. He had no control. He could only give me the number for Happy Faces. They didn't respond. So, I had to go to the subcontractor directly to get hired. Puzzling. Last fall, SOS was threatening Fulton elections with huge fines if they had another disastrous election. According to the Carter Jones report, election warehouse staff had to be quarantined. The SOS offered to send trained qualified staff and Fulton elections declined their offer and brought in unqualified, untrained, 100 percent minority Happy Face employees. Puzzling. I found this March 2018 AJC article on Stacey Abrams and a company she cofounded called Now Account. Now account secures companies debts who have government contracts. Abrams owns 16 percent. Now isn't it interesting that Now Account is registered as the only secured party provider for Happy Faces. Now account provides the line of credit. You can see the connection is listed here from a simple UCC search. Interesting. In the last meeting, Barron said, I don't know how they recruit, we aren't in charge of the recruitment process. He also said if you have names, we can get those names to

Happy Faces and we can recommend them. With the purse string connection to Stacey Abrams, to Happy Faces --.

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Fifteen seconds."

BRIDGETTE THORNE, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "--you must ask, does she have influence on who gets hired to work our elections. Can she or her activist group also recommend employees. With Happy Faces working 100 percent of early voting, ballot adjudication, absentee ballot processing, warehousing, drop box, signature verification, they're basically running our elections. Shouldn't we know who they are recruiting? Shouldn't we know who they are? Could an activist group have a special connection and ability to work our elections while veteran poll folks like me are shut out."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you, ma'am."

BRIDGETTE THORNE, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Thank you."

JIM MARTIN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning. I'm Jim Martin. I'm a resident of northwest Atlanta, Chairman of neighborhood planning unit D. I've come here this morning to speak to you about the Development Authority of Fulton County, which I understand there was quite a bit of discussion of last month as well. They've been in the news recently because of some rather questionable self-enrichment due to per diem payments. This is clearly indicative of some bad policies and procedures, but I'm concerned that it may be detracting attention from the fact that they have made some disastrously bad decisions with regard to incentive tax abatements by lease purchase bond deals. And that since the authority of this Commission over that Board ends with the appointment of Board members, that this Commission take into account particularly when making reappointments of existing Board members, the voting history of these Board members on these deals. I know that there have been recent public statements with regards to a commitment to reform for this Board; however, bad decision-making has been going on up until their most recent meetings. And therefore, I question whether this commitment to policy reform is really a commitment to policy reform or merely a commitment to public relations. I think most recently the decision to grant a tax abatement for the Fairfield Piedmont project is a great example of this. This was a \$4 million deal, costs the taxpayer \$4 million, and Ansley-Morning Side, the property was purchased by the developer for \$11 million. The assertion that this deal could not be done without public commitment of dollars is insane because in fact if the property was purchased for \$7 million, the deal would have gone through without any public money whatsoever and that was in fact the fair deal of the project."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Fifteen-seconds."

JIM MARTIN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “One of the rationales cited for this deal was the need to demolish an existing building which again is crazy if one views it in the terms of the other deal the DAFC has done, generally they grant abatements for empty lots holding forth their undeveloped state as evidence of their need for public subsidy. Thank you.”

WILLIE CLARK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning. My name is Willie Clark and I am an employee of the Fulton County Tax Commissioner's office. I'm addressing this Board this morning to express my disappointment in the vote which took place on Wednesday, June 2, 2021, in reference to Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's plan for the funds for the American Rescue Act. First, I would like to thank Commissioners Abdur-Rahman and Hall for being advocates for the employees and the citizens of Fulton County. You're right. We are watching. Commissioner Arrington we would also like to thank you for your vote in support of the citizens of Fulton County as well as we the employees. Commissioner Ellis, and Hausmann, we don't feel as though you support the employees and we challenge both of you to reconsider. Commissioner Morris, you decided not to vote at all so we are disappointed and don't know where you stand. And Chairman Pitts, we're most disappointed in you for your stand on the issue. We challenge each of you to revisit and approve this plan. It appears that the greatest opposition to this plan is the bonus part for the employees. Remember my coworkers and myself worked throughout COVID to ensure revenue was available for each and every department to meet their budgets. And we deserve compensation for our efforts. The Governor of the state has recognized that the employees of the state of Georgia deserved a bonus, as well as the Mayor and city Council of Atlanta not to mention APS ensured that their employees had a bonus as well. Now we're ending the first half of 2021, and you the Commissioners still want to play politics with the citizens of Fulton County that are facing evictions and are about to lose their homes to foreclosure. Not to mention, we the employees that could use some American Rescue Act compensation as well.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Fifteen seconds.”

WILLIE CLARK, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Approve this plan and stand on the right side of history because during the next election we will remember who supports us. Thank you.”

DOUGLAS C. DEAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning. I'm Douglas Dean, former state legislature, Georgia general assembly for 20 years. First, I want to commend the Chairman for the effort that you're putting forth in getting some of the County money into African-American banks. Long overdue. We did an article, The AJC did an article too on the color of money and realized ten, twelve, fifteen years ago that we were not

treating African-American banks like we should. Now I want to go to the Rescue Plan. I've read it, and every single issue in the Rescue Plan is needed in this County and in all over the County of Fulton County. So, I come to urge you all to pass this plan today. I want to remind you that this plan and this money -- is our money. It's federal dollars that we send to Washington, and now we got an opportunity to get some of this money back to save. I was in a meeting yesterday and an employee that made \$130,000 a year lost his job in City Hall because of the pandemic. He almost lost his house. So, in the plan which gives/makes money available for mortgages and utilities and a lot of things that these employees are not just employees, but citizens of Fulton County need. I urge you to look at it. I urge you to pass it because it's needed. We should never put ourselves in a predicament of sending money back to Washington. It's too hard to get it from Washington. And not to use it and send it back to Washington, so you know I just think that this is an opportunity to help the citizens of Fulton County. And I urge all of you all to look at it. The other thing and I'm going to be through Mr. Chairman -- this is the first time that we have had a program that touches every District in Fulton County. So, every District is going to benefit at least their citizens in those Districts is going to benefit from it. So, this is an opportunity for you to shine. And I urge you after you do this to help implement the plan that the Chairman is talking about. And that is to help these minority banks. Eighteen, only 18 minority banks in this country and this County got an opportunity to take the lead and begin to use some of our tax dollars and other dollars and put it into minority banks. That is not asking too much of this government. Thank you so much."

CLERK GRIER: "Last six speakers, please come down Dr. L. Martin Rogers, Stephanie Owens, Carlyn Mahone, John Nance, Janice Welch, and Joanna Potts."

DR. MARTIN ROGERS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning. I'm Dr. Martin Rogers, and I'm a taxpaying resident of Fulton County, Georgia. I'm here today to encourage each of you to vote, yes, to the Rescue Implementation Plan. As a public-school educator, I've witnessed the firsthand impact of COVID-19 on many of my students and their families. Like many educators, we were gainfully employed during this pandemic without little disruption to our financial obligations. However, the families of many of my students did not have this luxury. By voting yes to the Rescue Implementation Plan, we'll be able to target \$206 million in grants to homeowners, grants to small businesses, grants to nonprofit groups, and additional funding which provides job training and premium payments for workers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This Commission has always been on the side of people in need. I'm asking you to vote, yes, and assist those residents in getting out of the pandemic so that they can rebuild and thrive. Thank you so much for your time and consideration."

STEPHANIE OWENS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning Mr. Chairman and Board of Commissioners. My name is Stephanie Owens, and I serve as the Executive Director for MBAF. Many of you know us, the oldest multi-disciplinary arts organization focused exclusively on the art and artists of African descent, and we were founded in 1987 by the Fulton County arts Council under the guidance of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. So, we’re very proud to be a legacy organization with over 34 years of service to Fulton County residents. And I’m here today on behalf of MBAF’s Board of Directors, staff and community to extend a sincere thank you to Fulton County and you esteemed Commissioners for your support over the past three decades; but particularly last year which was particularly challenging for us all. However in spite of the challenges, we were able to still offer over a hundred services to Fulton County residents through our youth arts education programs, move, dance and next-gen artists which served over 600 middle and high school students in Atlanta public schools, as well as through our dancing with senior’s programs, a health and wellness program that served 200 seniors last year through Zumba with seniors as we adapted and \$41,000 through your support of funding that we were able to give to black artists and their businesses as they needed to pivot during COVID. So, we're just really grateful to you all for your commitment to the arts and particularly to MBAF, and I work to elevate the voices of black artists and in our efforts to shape a more equitable and sustainable arts community and where the impact of black art and the beauty of black art is valued and presented. So, thank you very much.”

CARLIN MAHONE, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning Commissioners. My name is Carlyn Mahone and I’m a Fulton County Board of Health employee. And I’m speaking on behalf of myself, and my fellow hard-working dedicated Board of Health coworkers. When many of the Fulton County facilities were closed last March 2020, the Board of Health remained open to serve Fulton County as well as neighboring counties. As essential front-line employees, we have continued to work tirelessly throughout this pandemic. Many of us have worked COVID testing sites, we have worked COVID vaccine sites as well as giving flu vaccines. The Board of Health has continued working focusing on attempting control -- to control the pandemic and serve the Fulton County community as well as neighboring counties. Making sure that we vaccinate as many persons as possible at COVID vaccine sites. Being at these different vaccine sites have placed us and our families at great risk for contracting this COVID virus. We are asking you, Fulton County Commissioners, to please vote, yes, for the Rescue Plan to show the Fulton County Board of Health that we are indeed valued and appreciated. Thank you.”

JOHN NANCE, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Good morning Mr. Chairman and Board of Commissioners. My name is John Nance, and I'm here today to talk as a concerned

citizen in support of Ms. Thorne's previous statement regarding the Happy Faces personnel group. And given the multiple issues surrounding the election process here in Fulton County, over the past election process, I respectfully request that Fulton County terminate its relationship with Happy Faces personnel group for election purposes. The reason for this is some of the information that we have received regarding this group is that they do not really provide the proper vetting for their temporary employees especially regarding conflicts of interest and other issues. That they have a lack of proper training in the election process itself so that their training is below the levels that we would find acceptable. And also, the qualifications for the temporary employees that they hire is not transparent and really unknown as discussed by Ms. Thorne. So, I respectfully request that we do terminate that relationship and in addition I would also recommend your support that you support the Board of Registration and Elections termination of Richard Barron for his lack of trust in his ability to secure our elections process. Thank you very much."

JANICE WELCH, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning. Chairman Pitts, Commissioners, thank you for your invitation. Ms. Rahman, Commissioner thank you. My name is Janice Welch, and I'm a citizen here in Atlanta for 26 years. I give to underprivileged children and mothers for over 25 years. I'm asking the Board here -- I want to know how do I apply for a grant to help because I want to build affordable housing here in Fulton County and I need assistance with that. So, can someone please help me in that regard? I am a graduate of Charles Drew University. I specialize in five areas of radiology including surgery and trauma. I've worked at five hospitals here and also I am just very dear -- I work very closely with Congressman John Lewis. I'm the lady that is responsible for your information technologists at the polls this year; your information technician at the polls 2020, and also your monitors. I have brought over 12,000 voters to the poll in 2020 in support of our election and for our Georgia turning blue. So respectfully, I thank you for listening to me. Thank you."

JOANNA POTTS, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Good morning Chairman Pitts, Commissioner Hausmann, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Hall, Commissioner Ellis, and Commissioner Arrington. I am here -- my name is Joanna Potts. I am a fourth generation native citizen of Fulton County. I am a constituent of the Mighty Six, and I am here hoping that today is third time a charm on the Resolution on the table from Khadijah Abdur-Rahman with regards to where you are going to appropriate the funds from the rescue package. I have many of my friends and family are long-term employees of Fulton County and some retirees, and the community is just really ready for these funds to get to those employees who've really been helping. I'm not super appraised on all of the totals of facts and figures, but I do know that what it sounds like is the employee allocation is less than 10 percent of the entire amount that

the federal government has sent. I just hope that today is the day that you guys vote to send some relief to these employees. I thank you for all of your consideration. The community is watching and we certainly hope that today is the day. Thank you very much.”

CLERK GRIER: “Mr. Chairman and members of the Board, the next speakers will be virtual zoom speakers.”

DARREN SMITH, IT: “Good morning Commissioners. We first have Ben Howard.”

BEN HOWARD, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Thank you. Greetings Commissioners and staff, and special greetings to you citizens and voters of Fulton County who are watching and/or listening to your county government in action. Ben Howard, Senior Advocate, Public Policy Analyst. The Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections is scheduled to meet tomorrow, Thursday June 17th at 10:00 a.m. For details, one may call (404) 612-7020. That's (404) 612-7020. In regards Commissioners to Elder Affairs, there are some who apparently have assumed that if they circumvent due process for some reason, I would not scream ouch. But ouch. I asked at the Fulton County ethics officer and the Fulton County attorney acting jointly or severally document the nongovernment openings that have occurred on the Board of Directors of the commission on Elder Affairs during the last two Office of Aging Administrations and be prepared to show why Ben Howard has been deemed unqualified to fill any of those Board openings that have occurred despite resumes, inquiries, and despite the involvement of County staff, and the staff of the nonprofit organization serving the southern portion of our County. I may be contacted via my BellSouth e-mail address. In three weeks when the Commission meets again on Wednesday, July 7th, we will know whether this matter can be resolved and how this needs to be further escalated. May our day continue to be blessed.”

DARREN SMITH, IT: “All right, our next speaker is Maggie Goldman.”

MAGGIE GOLDMAN, PUBLIC SPEAKER: “Hi my name is Maggie Goldman. I'm a resident of Johns Creek in District 1. Today is a perfect example of the time when zoom comments are extremely valuable to me as my one-year-old is too sick to go to daycare. I am home with him. The takeaway zoom comments, I would not be able to participate today. I'm willing to support the Resolution revising the public comment rules on the agenda today with one note. It may have been implied that repeat comments will be read one time however, a strict reading of the Resolution it does not say that -- simply says that repeat comments will be noted with the agenda topic and for or against the issue. All we're asking for is that you read the comment in full once, then read the names of each District associated if provided. I'm confident that once you implement

this new rule, public comment we'll go smoothly. It would not take nearly as long it has. My hope is that in the future, you will keep all forms of comment as you see over time, the effectiveness of your [Inaudible.]. The American Rescue Plan funds are intended for one-time expenditures. Bonuses to staff in honor of their sacrifice and work in the pandemic are exactly the type of one-time expenditures the law intended. We've heard from staff in the Tax Commissioners office. I hear they had the greatest outbreak of COVID. IT staff had to report and make sure that every single person in the County could perform their job or receive County services. Public works staff had to report and keep water flowing to our homes and offices. Election staff had to work many, many elections. Did you read the routers report of the threat specifically targeted to Ralph Jones? I'm going to spare you the exact racist language used. Please don't tell me that these staff don't deserve a bonus. Are janitors and food service employees critical to schools? Every single Fulton County employee deserves everything for their work during this pandemic for this bonus. Thank you."

DARREN SMITH, IT: "And that concludes our virtual public comments."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Anything else?"

DARREN SMITH, IT: "Pardon me -- excuse me one other person who wishes to speak, Michael Craig."

MICHAEL CRAIG, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "Hi good morning. Can you hear me, okay?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

MICHAEL CRAIG, PUBLIC SPEAKER: "My name is Michael Craig, and I'm the founder and Chairman of Wee Drop Sick Kids Foundation. Before I proceed first, I'd like to thank Commissioner Hall and her team for making the [Inaudible.]. I'd like to deduce Wee Drop Sick Kids Foundation, a state of Georgia nonprofit organization that was founded August 8 of 2017. I specifically would like to share how our organization provides funds for [Inaudible.] when insurance and other financial resources have been exhausted or not available for clinical necessity such as surgeries therapies medication medical equipment and traveling here across the state of Georgia or outside of the state of Georgia. We are available to work with all families and everyone listening to me this morning. I encourage everyone to contact our organization – reach out to us our website at We Drop Sick Kids Foundation.org. I'm also available to have a discussion how I can work with each of the Commissioners in their respective District to help communities and families across the state of Georgia. Thank you very much."

DARREN SMITH, IT: "This concludes our public comments virtual."

CLERK GRIER: “The next speakers will be the e-mail comments.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. How many?”

DARRYL CARVER: “Mr., Chairman, we have 78 e-mailed comments. In the interest to providing the full scope of public comment and expediency, we’ll read aloud one of the submissions reflecting a specific viewpoint and list others that submitted similar comments. The comments in full will then be submitted to the County Clerk and will become part of the public record for the Board. The first of these comments is from Susan Way. Dear Fulton County Commissioners, I request that the contract with Happy Faces not be renewed for its personnel services to Fulton County. Happy Faces employees are not vetted for political conflicts, and I don’t believe their people were properly trained to support the election process. In addition, I recommend you support the Board of Registration and Elections termination of Richard Barron. I don’t trust that he securely ran the 2020 election, and have no confidence that the next election want be run any better if he maintains his position. Similar comments were also submitted along those same lines opposing the Happy Faces contract by Julie Allen, Kitt Cohoe, Erin Schott, Christine Johnson, Lauren Blauser, Blanca Rohr, James Nelson, Ali Hunt, Isabel Elsesser, Laurette Vinson, Marc Wright, Shelby Bose, Lucy Murcia, Denise DeVigne, Rebecca Nealy, Mary ClausOn, Lillie Romas-Pozatek, Paul Jagrowski, Albert Haworth, Bob Emerrill, Thomas Bose, Maura Jabaley, Robin Dye, Jeff Lampel, Kathy Smith, Russell Carlisle, Jill Wright, Lori Carbone, Mary Krieger, Beverly Penderast, Stephanie Doyle, Cynthia Mitts, Christie McCranie, Michael Sarkisian, Lisa Muzi, Cindy Morrow, Dr. Joan Housley, Lucas Mancus, Heather Klatt, Karen Raber, Mike Mastowski, Melissa Brown, Elizabeth Foltz, K.Wilson, Melissa Talman, Erin Kontur, Lori Gero, Pamela Reel, Zach Hines, Nia Corsten, Kevin Crow, Candy Muldowney, Robert Christanell, Hannah Sheikh, Barbara Geiseking, Aimee Uphues, Kathy Drown, Jeff Mullavey, Judy Aube, Brian and Lisa Marks, and Rob Cummingham.”

REGINA WALLER: “The next comments support the American Rescue Plan. The comment by Leah Clements. Please use the funds for the American Rescue Plan to foster collaboration with the City of Atlanta to reduce the jail population through investment and crisis services, behavioral health services, and other community needs. You can and should pay for these critical community building services through funds from the American Rescue Plan. Others were also in support of this plan and similar comments: Sheila Hamilton, Helen Vance, Michael Baroen, Angeline Payne, Avis Dionne, Charles Robinson.”

DARRYL CARVER: “The next comment is in support of the Board public comment policy. Alyce Goldberg says COVID or not, this is a really important avenue due to the fact that most constituents work during the day or have childcare needs that prevent

them from attending meetings. We would strongly request that this remain an option. Also submitting similar comments on the same issue are: Melody Kelley, Susan Lynne Mehalick, Ethan Menaker, Janet Cunningham, Melissa Mulvaney, Sara M. Leclerc.”

REGINA WALLER: “The next set of comments regard fighting voter fraud. The comment by Devida Denton. In April, the Commission passed a Resolution against SB202 and there was a report from the County Attorney due back in 30 days detailing any legal action the Commission can take against SB202 and protect Fulton voters. Please make that report available to the public. I am greatly disappointed that there are continued efforts to feed the narrative of election fraud with the recent decision of a Henry County judge to allow a recount of about 147,000 absentee ballots from Fulton County. I urge the County to do everything possible to fight this fraud narrative, and I am glad to see that Fulton has filed a motion to dismiss the case which delays the potential recount until June 21st. We have a two full hand and electronic recounts, and I've heard one hand recount statewide and there is no fraud to be found. Directly from the independent election monitors report by a Stephen Hill Strategist at no time did I ever observe any conduct by Fulton County elected officials that involved dishonesty, fraud, or intentional malice. During my weeks of monitoring, I witnessed neither ballot stuffing, nor double counting, nor any other fraudulent conduct that could undermine the validity, fairness, and accuracy of the results published and certified by Fulton County. While the plaintiffs of this case are to pay for the cost of Fulton employees to prepare and scan all 147,000 ballots into PDFs, so the actual ballots stay in the custody of Fulton County. Our tax dollars are still being used for extra security at these facilities due to potential risk and threats. We need these employees preparing for our upcoming elections, not servicing unfounded election fraud narratives. Please keep fighting election fraud narratives in Fulton County, and I urge any Commissioner that is giving a voice to election fraud narratives whether directly or indirectly to please stop immediately. Additionally, others who support this and similar comments: Karen Christianel, Marcie King.”

DARRYL CARVER: “The next public comment is on Fulton County library services it's from Donna Lawson. Peace and God morning elected, selected, and rejected Fulton County leadership and engaged community. Recently Commissioner Marvin Arrington's Library Board representative published that patrons suspended or expelled from library services do not have to be given a public notice. How does this statement and action support a safe environment for patrons and confidently secure staff? Furthermore, what law and/or policy is this guideline based on and from what constituents -- from what constituents can review. Your legal department's having trouble answering this question and directives that provide readable referencing tools. Depriving one from public access to information is a serious charge and/or consideration. I imagine

lawsuits and a tied-up court system with this damaging mindset. County Manager, Dick Anderson should and could be a great resource for aiding and answering these types of inquiries. What can library patrons expect from those staff members who decide to use some agreed-upon form of reasoning to deny an individual library services or let disruptive behavior continue because of confusion and expectations of accurate decision-making choices. Forest Evans, our referenced Librarian, has written to Victor Simmons, our Library Manager asking a question which in summation requests permission to not have to serve a particular patron. What kind of employee can defame a patron in this manner without justifiable reasons? How should Victor Simmons reply? There appears to be a phantom yet enforceable agenda at work in the library system. Another example to consider is the lack of an open record or paperwork that lists or lists suspended or expelled library patrons. My thought is that the Executive Director Gayle Hunter Holloman would have access to these records or her administrative support staff inclusive of Zenobia Claxton. It appears that the records are missing, furthermore, all of the library Board of Trustee members should be well informed of their duties and priorities. They seem disengaged on important factors like safety of patrons, security of staff, and vital relationships with employees at a minimum."

REGINA WALLER: "The next comment deals with jail conditions. The commentor, Ashley Dixon. My name is Ashley Dixon. I am a former correctional Officer. I have been watching your meetings closely about the overcrowding at Fulton County jail. I have seen firsthand that jails and prisons make people worse and not better as a result. This includes not just prisoners, but everyone who comes into contact with the system of locking human beings in cages. This system does not rehabilitate people and jails do not keep people safe. What our community needs is more investment in crisis services, behavioral health services, and other community needs. Locking people in cages is not a solution. You can pay through these services through the American Rescue Plan including the 20 million under consideration for proposed behavior health crisis center. Please do the right thing and utilize this money to invest in our community. I understand that the Fulton County jail is overcrowded and you can reduce this overcrowding by releasing the prisoners instead of putting more people in the city jail. Thank you."

DARRYL CARVER: "The next comment is regarding the Fulton County Board of Health and is from Cindy Adair Reese. I'm an employee that was looking forward to my retirement next year as a full-time employee with 14 years as a part-time employee that has worked since 1996. And now I'm going to be left with no service years. I am and others are not happy that you have pushed us as BOH employees into something that we did not ever want to do. We served Fulton County faithfully with hard work, the stress of COVID, risking our lives every day. It's like you pushed us out the door. Whomever snuck the amendment to take us over needs to show their face to us and

explain. This does not benefit us and certainly won't benefit the County. Also with a similar comment is Mildred T. Stargell."

REGINA WALLER: "And the final comment deals with CRT. Public comment by Katie Walter. No to any form of CRT. We must bring our people together not further rip them apart. That concludes all of the comments from the e-mails."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other. Comments?"

CLERK GRIER: "Not further speakers."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 6, County Manager items under Open and Responsible Government, **21-0445**. Presentation of COVID-19 operational response update."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Mr. Manager, you ready. Let me ask you this, Mr. Manager. The first part of your report – not your report, but when we get to the actual numbers, we can cut back on that, but I think though given some of the issues that we're facing I think we're going to go a little bit more into detail regarding rental assistance number one, the court backlog, and the financial implications of all of this. So, let's take a little more time in those areas versus the front end with Mr. Kallmyer and the other gentleman."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, sir. So, we will -- as we've done provide some summary comments up front. I think that will cover the upfront piece. We'll spend a little bit more time in that section that you just mentioned that has emergency rental assistance and then we have a pandemic pay proposal and financial analysis which we can get at the issue that you raised in terms of court back log. Dr. Paxton and our emergency management team will be here to answer questions and we'll stop at those -- at those breakpoints. The COVID trends continue to be very positive as you can see in the material that has been provided. New cases at 20 per day on a seven-day average 1.3 percent positivity rates; 83 hospitalizations and then death rates below two per day are the lowest since we have been tracking these COVID numbers. We've now exceeded the milestone of 500,000 vaccinations being administered through our sites of course Mercedes-Benz which you recognized this morning, was one that did 300,000 of the 500,000 so that is very significant. We want to thank again Arthur Blank and Steve Cannon for their tremendous sense of community spirit and teamwork. Truly a phenomenal accomplishment. But that also

leaves us as you'll see having vaccinated at least with a first dose 450,000 or so people in Fulton County, about 43 percent of the population with a target at least probably still to be refined somewhat of 750,000 meaning that we still have plenty of work to do in front of us. Mobile is becoming more the focus with 11 units operating at 40 locations 40 distinct locations on a weekly basis. We've now delivered 32,000 vaccines through those mobile units, but they have the capacity to deliver almost 2000 per day. So, we want to really tie-together better the mobile program; and you should expect us to do so with both enhanced communications, selections of sites, making the sites themselves look and feel the same, canvassing the neighborhoods prior to our mobile site being set up. So, all of those things or being pulled together in an overall program to be administered under the joint command between Board of Health and Emergency Management. We've launched messaging efforts with the assistance of Black Cross and FISCO push our educational information as well as plan for incentives. We've had good working meetings with them recently even involving some of you as Commissioners. We appreciate all the ideas that have come forward because especially in communities of color is still where we have the gap, and I know that that is one of your fundamental concerns and so our focus is very much is very much on those census tracts that are underrepresented in terms of vaccination efforts and again those are more often than not in communities of color. Our reopening efforts continue and I'm proud to report today that we have no positive cases since the last report. Another good indication of where we are. So, we remain very positive in our outlook. Anna Roach can speak to more fully where we are with both libraries and senior centers. Where libraries are now fully open with 95 percent of the employees on site, and senior centers are the next point of focus. We also continue to emphasize to our employees the necessity and the benefits of being vaccinated. We're closing in on fifty percent now of our employees having submitted an application for reimbursement for the \$150 incentive that we provided through June 30th. We're looking at other enhancements to that program because again we think this is very vital to our employees. On emergency rental assistance again, we'll discuss the performance improvement plan. We are onboarding seven additional -- 70 additional resources today to speed the adjudication process. We do see complications all across the spectrum; the state, Dekalb -- you've seen I think in the press most recently, but our focus is on our own responsibilities in getting this money to our citizens as quickly as possible. We do want to spend some time today on pandemic pay. I think it's been carefully considered in past meetings, but as noted by some of the comments without a Resolution, we will bring forward today a recommendation modeled after our pay-for-performance plan. We think that's a solid platform that is well understood 3.75 percent would be the multiplier against base pay for an award. We did put an alternative which I would call a plus-up enhancement for any employees that were below \$3000 you can plus-up to that as a minimum floor and

then still use the performance -- pay-for-performance plan as the mechanism. I do want to say as strongly as I can that I feel very much in favor of this. I hope it is approved by you. I think as management our focus is on a financial reward for extraordinary performance. That has worked very well for us in the last two years. But there will never be a year more extraordinary than 2020. And I think whether it's frontline healthcare workers, the Tax Commissioner Office that was represented by Dr. Ferdinand, a court clerk personnel that stayed here the entire time, librarians who developed new service models like curbside service, senior center staff that became part of the elections effort, and again I just cannot say enough about how employees rose to the occasion across-the-Board. Also, the senior management team who was here virtually every day attempting to chart a course where there was no playbook. None of us knew where this was going to play out in March, April, May, June of last year. But I think everyone can see and hopefully citizens can see is this recommendation is made that in each Board meeting we had incredible insight into the trends. Better I believe than in any other government entity. We were able to act and adjust quickly given that insight. We found new partners like EMSI, CORE, MBS or 3M in the case of personal protective equipment. We were able to scale up testing to a level that no other County reached. In fact, we did more testing as you all know than all the other Metro counties combined. In a similar way, as we just recognized with the Mercedes-Benz Stadium, we scaled an alternative there unmatched by any in the state and quite frankly as you heard unmatched by any in the nation. So, for all of those reasons, I think that this is a recommendation in terms of a financial reward that is deserved not just to be considered, but has been well earned and is deserved. One of the reasons I think that you should feel good about approving this is not only because of all the hard work, but it's the benefit to citizens. As you recall, we started out with almost 20 percent of the total cases in Georgia in Fulton County. We are now at the tail end of this ending with less than 10 percent, so if for no other reason you have cut the by your actions about all of the employee efforts, cut the incident of the virus in half from what it would have been and that results in better health and certainly and most importantly less deaths attributed to this virus. I think what you'll also see is we discussed the details of this is that after a lot of careful review of the American Rescue Act, we've determined that to rely on that is the funding mechanism for the employee performance payment provides ample compliance risks. It's a lot more complicated even than last year. As we looked at it, we do not feel like it's prudent to rely on that solely and it would result as Dr. Ferdinand just mentioned in employees being in two counts of eligible and noneligible. That's the term remark this year. So, we have reallocated funding from the funds that were provided at the front part of the year that you graciously provided to in order to keep vaccine efforts, testing efforts going before we received federal funding, we've reallocated dollars from those amounts in order to

fund this excuse me this employee performance pay out. And I think that's the right thing to do. It eliminates the compliance risks. It still allows us to be a prudent financially in terms of how the overall program is managed but does not represent a lot of the complications that otherwise we would see. Ken Hermon, when we get to that point, will provide you with a two-page summary of what we're recommending, and Sharon Whitmore the CFO will provide how this all fits together financially. So, Mr. Chairman, I think unless there are questions or if there are any questions about vaccination efforts, again Matt Kallmyer's here, Dr. Paxton is also here we can answer those now then we would move to Anna Roach to provide again these updates on ERP as well as any reopening questions and then we would get to the performance pay recommendations and financials."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. So, then at this time any questions regarding the vaccination efforts, and/or testing at this point, is that what you're suggesting? Mr. Kallmyer any opening brief comments as to where we are --quick summary."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "I believe we had a significant summary, but there is one update that we would like to show the Board if you don't mind, Sir, something press releases yesterday by the Department of Public Health. It significantly changed the amount of individuals in Fulton County that have been vaccinated. I would like to take the opportunity to go ahead and brief the Board since our slides did not reflect that press release came out yesterday afternoon. Would you mind, Sir? It would be slide eight, we just want to get a couple of statistics on slide eight. So, if the moderator could take us to slide eight."

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: "So, this is the state dashboard that is accessible anytime. We've suspected for some time, if you look at the top two bullets, that the totals from Georgia, we get them from GRITS but they're still trying to verify ZIP codes. As of yesterday, there was a massive dump. We had a rise of 113,177 vaccines, so our new total is 41,342 administered; and they're about two thirds away from using the Department of Motor Vehicles to match names with the Counties in which they live, and so they've cleared about two thirds of that list. So, we can expect more to come in the coming weeks. And just want to point out that its numbers' probably even greater than that because there's about 200,000 in the ether waiting to be transferred from the VRAS system for one reason, area code or another or so. The state is working diligently on that trying to fix the problem, but our new percents that you would see here is 49 percent with one dose, 42 percent fully vaccinated, and if you take it even further to over 18 years old, we're at 63 percent with one dose, and 57 percent fully vaccinated. So, we're not quite to the numbers that we want to get at. We still have some work to do but

it's a much better story than what's presented – has been presented on the state's dashboard."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "So, it'll be bullet point three, that's the point that we're referencing. go ahead Mr. Schuster."

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: "So, if you are over 18 years old, we're at 63 percent, and 57 percent fully vaccinated at this point. 63 percent with one dose."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "So, for quite some time, we have been looking at this and we felt like there was a discrepancy and we're working with our Board of Health partners and the state Department of Public Health has been working diligently to try to look for how to rectify that. Yesterday like Doug said, a significant change in that was actually uploaded to their dashboard. A press release was put out and I think it's something that we could all be proud of is that we knew in our heart of hearts, that we had more individuals in our jurisdiction that we've vaccinated. It just goes ahead and showcases that we have, well we think we should be and of course as they continue to go ahead and look at the rest of the data sets, those numbers will most likely come up a little bit more as well."

DOUG SCHUSTER, EMSI: "We've yet, since it came out yesterday afternoon, we've yet to do a demographic look to see if it changes the demographics. When we do, we'll share it with the Board."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "Thank you Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any questions, comments? Any questions? All right. Thank you."

MATTHEW KALLMYER, DIRECTOR, AFCEMA/ANIMAL CTRL: "Thank you Sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam COO. You're up."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And if you all could go to slide 14. Thank you. Next slide. And next slide. The County Manager mentioned this in his remarks, but I do believe it bears repeating. Ever since Commissioner Hall challenged us to start including this information in our public reporting, in our COVID report, for the first time we can say that we have had no COVID positive employees reported in our system since the last Board of Commissioners meeting. And this becomes especially important as we begin to take steps -- and have taken steps towards reopening our government. So, thank you again Commissioner Hall for having us report this, and again I'm just pleased to share with the Board that we

have no new employee positives. Next slide. Next slide. This slide as we've included in our updates reflects employee participation in our vaccination incentive program. It is showing at this point that we have approximately 2,291 applications submitted for participation in the wellness incentive program. As of the last meeting that number was 2,056. Kenneth Hermon and his staff are working through those applications and have approved the vast majority of them showing 2,102 approved. And again, at our previous meeting, that number was 1,894. And that reflects Commissioners, a vaccination rate among our employee population of 47 percent and at the last meeting it was 42; so, we are seeing progress. It does appear to be slowing as we process the applications for those who were previously vaccinated, but we are making progress in this regard. Next slide. Next slide, please. I have four slides here that just give a quick snapshot of the reopening status in the four Health and Human Services Department that we're focused on. As you recall, most all of the departments within the infrastructure as well as Public Safety sectors remained open throughout the pandemic and so we're really not focused on or talking about those departments. We're talking about our departments that had constituent contact in the Health and Human Services arena. So, I'll start with senior services: Ladisa has been working diligently to ramp up services in our senior services department. What has been going on so far is bringing employees back into the facilities and engaging with the Department of Real Estate and Asset Management to both clean and prepare the facilities as well as check critical equipment within the facilities for operability and that effort is coming along very nicely. In the last two weeks, she's completed building assessments with the assistance of Joe Davis and in the next coming weeks, you will see staff engaging with our constituents preparing for what we have estimated to be a July 12th target for resuming services specifically carry out lunches as well as access to our gymnasiums. One of the things that I wanted to highlight for you is what protocols we would keep in place for this sensitive population. Although we know that much of our senior population has been vaccinated, we are concerned about those constituents within our adult day program. And so, masks will be continued to be required in that program, and will be optional in our multipurpose and neighborhood senior centers. So, just wanted to make the Board aware of that which is consistent by the way with the mask resolution or motion that was made at the last meeting. Next slide. Behavioral health: Is also progressing. We have resumed in-person services, and child and adolescent behavioral health services. And as of the last two weeks we increased those in-person services from – where we started two days a week to now providing at Oak Hill and Adamsville adolescent and child services in person three days a week. So, we're seeing progress there. Our biggest lift in the next couple of weeks is transitioning to in-person service for our IDD population. And so, facilities are being assessed for that and Latrina is making preparations to bring our IDD training centers back on line. The one thing I'd like to highlight here is the last

bullet under milestones. We have transitioned the South service center participation or the South self-service center training participants to central. And the reason we had to do that is because we are having significant facility and security issues at the South training center. And so, we have escalated conversations to identify a new location for the South training center for the safety of our staff as well as our patrons there. We do need to find a new location to provide training services for our South participants. It's not too much of a burden to transport those participants or patrons to Central because we are providing the transportation. We do pick them up and drop them off and we take them there, but we do believe that our South constituents deserve to have their training center a place where they feel safe going to and so, we're working on identifying a new location for the South training center. Next slide, please. In terms of arts and culture, we have and are continuing to provide a robust online services for our constituents. I do want to announce as you all have heard; we have hired a new director. I think he joined us here, Mr. David Manwell. I'm sure he will introduce himself to you all at some point, and we're going to be working with him over the next several days to get his input in the reopening of our three art centers: Abernathy, West End, Aviation but for now, we're going to be continuing our online services as well as working again with David to open the centers and put in place in person classes. Next slide. And the last service I'd like to highlight is library services, and we're pleased to announce that as of today, all 33 library locations are open. And they are open basically for full browsing by library patrons. The one protocol that we still have not lifted at this point is reservation of the conference rooms. We do still believe that for social distancing purposes, we'd like to try to keep those closed, and then we will work with Gayle to figure out when an appropriate time is to open access to those centers. One thing -- I'm sorry -- to those conference room. One thing that's not on this slide that I do want to highlight is that in the next two weeks of activities we do as it states here, want to maintain current service levels, but we are ramping up our planning for ribbon cuttings of the ten renovated libraries. So, you will be receiving invitations to library renovation ribbon cuttings that are within your Districts, so please look forward to those. And of course, we are continuing to prepare for the reopening of the Central library which we hope to celebrate sometime this fall. Next slide. I just have two slides to update the Board on. Our progress on our rental assistance adjudication improvement plan. We have completed the steps that we provided to you at the last Board meeting that we're around revising the case review team structure that's been completed as well as improvements put in place around our analytics. Next slide. But with the Board is probably most interested in is the effort that we informed you that we would undertake which was increasing the number of case adjudicators by 70, and those have/has been completed -- well it started but hasn't been completed yet. We'd started on-boarding those resources on this past Monday morning the 14th, and hope for all of that to be complete by the 21st.

So, again we do expect that you will be seeing an increase in the number of cases adjudicated on a weekly basis as a result of these increased resources. Just as a quick snapshot before I stop for questions, and again, as a reminder we do report our progress on emergency rental assistance on the County's transparency page. So, if you would like to know by Districts, by city, by anything where we are in terms of our adjudication, please feel free to visit that page. But it is showing that we have to date expended approximately \$2.5 million in rental assistance and \$141,000 in utility assistance. Next slide. With that, Mr. Chairman, I'll take any questions on reopening or emergency rental assistance."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, this is one of the areas where I think we need to go in some more detail in specifics. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I agree. Thank you for informing us about that you added additional resources effective June 14th to be completed by June 21st, and these amounts are good \$2 million dollars for rental assistance and what was it? \$141,000 for utilities? I just want to say that so that our listening and watching audience knows that we're not just sitting here not approving ARPA funds. They're already in use and they're in use to help the community with rental and utility assistance as well as -- there's no one on this Board of Commissioners who is not trying to help the public, so, let's be clear about that. So, I want to go back to the part about the employee numbers of COVID cases. And there's just something that kind of stood out to me, you know, we're not doing the testing as we did originally. So, I think, that may play a part in to us really knowing who has tested positive for COVID and who hasn't. And the only thing that I could find in the presentation that even referenced testing was page 15 that says the testing in the middle of that page it says ability to test 100 percent of County employees returning to work and execute the BOH testing plan, but you know this report used to have testing numbers in there. I think that in lieu of the fact that people are getting vaccinated and can be asymptomatic and still carry COVID-19 around, people who are unvaccinated need to be addressed and testing is part of what would help with that and actually exposing some real numbers. And that is it. Yes, and thank you so much for this information. It's outstanding."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Chairman. And thank you Anna for that update on the rental assistance and the opening plan. I have questions for each. So, you said we've now allocated two and a half million, correct?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Yes, ma'am, \$2.54 million."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “What's the total that we have available at this point?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “So, we received an award of \$18 million. We will be using the ten percent administrative portion of it, but the original award amount for emergency rental assistance was \$18 million. We have since received additional funding for a high need category for emergency rental assistance. But the criteria for eligibility is pretty much unchanged for that amount. The basic difference is that we can pay tenants directly on that second tranche of funding.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Which was how much?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: It's a total of \$25 million; \$14 million in the ERAP-2; \$14 million is considered regular and \$10 million of that is considered the high need allocation.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, I guess my memory of that --.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “- it's really a total for both ERAP 1 and ERAP 2. We have received an allocation of \$42 million.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, that's what I thought it was around 40. So, of the 42 million, and some of that can be used for mortgage assistance, or no?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “No, this is emergency assistance.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “This all for rental. So, of the 42 million, then we're still you know relatively low on what we've given out at 2.5.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “So, we have not begun implementation of the second tranche of funds and I have concerns about implementing it in the same process that we're using for the first tranche of funds. So, we haven't even started the second tranche which is what makes it so important that were putting this improvement plan in place to fully expend the first tranche of funds.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So you're concerned about using the same plan? Do we have the flexibility to allow us to change our process?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: We do. I would say we have the flexibility to change the process, but -- my concern is our compliance with the new terms for the new funds. And setting them up as a different application process and adjudication process will help us not co-mingle those. So, in reporting to Treasury, we can report to Treasury that the guidelines for the second set of funds were followed because we followed this separate process, if that makes sense.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Honestly, none of this really makes sense. The fact that we have all of this money we have people with needs and we can’t help them; it’s just very frustrating and I know you know how frustrating that is. So, someone is behind six months or whatever they should get approved but we’re struggling to get them approved because of the requirements. They get a job, but there’s no way for them to get out from underneath six or eight months back log on their rent. Do they still qualify? Does their job preclude them from receiving these funds? How does that play into this?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “Actually, that’s a good question. Dr. Roshell, do you know? I mean I would suspect that the requirements are as of the time of the application.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I certainly hope so.”

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: “Yes so. Dr. Pamela Roshell, Deputy Chief Operating Officer. We look at the application period and what the income was for the application period. So, if they have applied for the last three months of 2020, we look at their income for that. If they are applying for the first three months of 2021, that is the application or the income we consider.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay. I know we’ve talked about this a lot and you know -- I know you were planning to share with our federal partners the difficulties we’re having. Have we done that?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “We have engaged McGuireWoods to do that. I don’t know if they have sent that yet. I would ask for the County Attorney to help me answer that question. I do know that they have prioritized requesting clearance for our backlog project; but the language has been provided.”

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: “Yes, we don’t have that response yet.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Have we gotten anything on the backlog project?”

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: “No, that’s in the works as well.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Okay, so their sense of emergency is not the same as ours it appears. Well, again, this is a lot of money and we’re trying to get it out. We’re not waiting for anything other than making sure we comply with the process. I think that’s the message to the community. We’re trying as hard we can.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “And I think with the additional resources, I really do expect that you will see a difference in the adjudication rate as we report out the next couple of meetings.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “You were 2 million weeks ago; so you’re 500,000 more so that's progress. All right. Well, anyway you know you know the drill we’ve got to get that money to the intended purpose. All right. To the libraries: great news on everything open. I’m getting a lot of good feedback from folks that are very happy to be able to go use the libraries. My question is are we limiting the number of people that can be in the buildings at one time.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “No, I think we started out that way, but as the Board passed its policy with respect to masks, we started easing away from those more restrictive participation rules, I guess you could call them; so, we’re slowly easing off of all that.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “We’re following the guidelines as they currently exist, is that what I'm hearing you say.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “Yes.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So, is that not also would apply then to the conference space?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “We're working on it, Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I just think you’re going to have a lot of people -- study groups because these kids are really trying to catch up as you know. So, I think that that's something that we need to focus on as a priority to figure out how to completely utilize the libraries this summer.”

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

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right, thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Abdur-Rahman.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Thank you, Chairman. A couple of things I want to address. I don't believe that we have began generally using the ARP funds yet. The only funds that I think we’ve used have been the CARES money?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “We are moving forward with the CSP—”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes, the CSP, the \$8 million?”

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “But, generalities the money the money that has come in from the ARP, we have not used that except for the CSP?”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “I’m going to ask the CFO to respond.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Because for our viewing audience, we should make the distinction if it's CARES or if it's the ARP money; so, I just wanted to make sure that we were on record what we were actually using because that statement was made.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Commissioner, I would cover this in my comments, but to answer your question, we have with the changes that we've made in our plan that will be presented shortly, you'll see that we have actually utilized about \$2 million of what we've received in the local fiscal recovery funds from the American Rescue Act. The \$3.2 million for ERAP expenses are all part of what was provided under the consolidated appropriations act at the end of 2020.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Thank you for clarifying that. I also wanted to say that we are -- we have been designated high need. And so, I don't know if anybody wants to speak to that, but I think it's important that we let our viewing audience know that in addressing this, you're going to have to have the staff, you're going to have to have the funding, you're going to have to have what you need to address it. And I know with my office working very closely with you all you all do not want to repeat the mistakes, you don't want to repeat the things that kind of held up stuff. And so, I want to openly commend you all for streamlining the process, but also trying to make the process of little better because as we know this is a pandemic. It's fluid. It will change. I hope that the flexibility and the opportunity to change with it as it presents itself, but I just want our audience to know that in bringing on additional staff, streamlining the process, in the long run, will allow you to be able to not only help additional citizens, but also collaborate. So, I just wanted to make sure that I made that statement. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Excuse me. I'm not as optimistic Madam COO, Madam CFO, Mr. Manager as my colleagues appear to be about the progress that we're making on this program. My -- I think Commissioner Hausmann is headed where I'm headed here. Forty-two million going back three months or so when we first got that first \$18, am I right about three months ago, and to have only allocated 2.5, that's just not acceptable.

And I recognize that there's some issues with paperwork if you will, but I find it hard to believe that some bureaucrat in Washington is going to take the time to come to Fulton County Georgia all of 3000 plus counties and look at the paperwork of Ms. Jones who failed to dot an I and cross the T. I'd like to take that chance because if you were three months behind in your rent when you applied; now you're six months behind and the max that they can get is up to three months, right? It doesn't make any sense to me. So, no disrespect for anyone, but we have to do better. This is just not acceptable."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "First of all we agree. Secondly, I think --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "...I need for us to do more than just agree. How are we going to get up to --"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Can I finish my statement?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes Sir."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "So, we agree. Secondly, everyone who's dealing with this is dealing with the exact same problems and not as successfully. So, if we distributed ten percent plus of the first, many have distributed 1 percent. Third, is just to remind you which I think this is important for the public to know on this administrative side --the going in direction from the Act was to use no more than 10 percent of these funds for administration. We're doubling that with this additional resources. So, we found that the process even when streamlined cannot be done in an expeditious manner without doubling the amount of expense to administer it, but we're going to take those funds out of the American Rescue Act to do so because we think that's the highest and best use of that. That all said, I think we've all got to explore every option because I agree with you it may not be -- this may not although the projections from the people that are working with us is that the doubling of administration will get the 18 million done in eight weeks as opposed to what would have been one year. Now, is that good enough? It's still not really satisfactory, but that's the best plan that we have right now. If there are other alternatives, outsourcing this in its entirety, finding another way of doing this -- that's why we want to explore that for the second two tranches, because I do agree with you that this has been a mighty struggle. Now, the last thing though I would say is when we get into the mode of saying that a bureaucrat's not going to come here and not going to look at that, then I want to wash my hands of the whole thing. In other words, I'm not going to have an IG sit down with me and say, hey, I took a risk, you took a risk on this knowing what all these compliance expectations are. So, we can't -- I don't think do that even though I philosophically I agree with you I can't technically agree to something of that nature. So, we got to find a way that is both compliant and expedient. And again, everybody is

struggling with it. We're doing better than most. We're throwing everything at it that we can think to throw at it, and we're not going to stop until we successfully execute this. But it is a challenge."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, thank you, Mr. Manager. Commissioner Ellis followed by Vice Chair Hall and back to Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah. I was going to make the comment that the Manager made about there has been a lot of commentary in the press about jurisdictions across the United States who are struggling with this and, you know, our results are little bit better, but obviously, you know, not something that we should be jumping up and down about nor is anybody. So, you know, I do think that this is odd that we sort of collectively can't sort of, you know, use the bullhorn as you say if you will to kind of highlight the issue of just the massive challenges of bureaucracy that this is sort of you know this is administered through HUD, right? Is HUD administering this, or no? Treasury's administering it? Well, anyway. Whatever we can do to kind of collectively join with others to, you know, kind of vocalize this issue and the challenges associated with it, we have to do it. I want to shift gears just a little bit. I think you already went through this, but obviously great news that we didn't have any, you know, positive tests amongst our employees since our last meeting. I've also noted that our percentage at least of what we've tracked of employees who have been vaccinated is gone up since the last meeting from 41 percent to 47 percent. I hope we are continuing to engage in efforts to get those numbers even higher, right? And I don't know if there's any color you want to add to that. We kind of want to move those numbers ahead. And I appreciate whoever got it, you know, we'd asked for some information from Grady and APS and Fulton County schools about their percentages. Grady supplied us with the number 56 percent of their workforce, APS 68 percent in Fulton County schools 70 percent obviously we're trailing that goes with our numbers hopefully it's a matter of underreporting and not having received the vaccine. So, I wanted to highlight those I think it needs to continue to be a heavy area of emphasis for us in terms of getting our employee base there because I think again like I commented at the last meeting what I think we learned from that we can't get our own employee base up and, you know, we're definitely going to struggle with our efforts to get, you know, further vaccines sort of countywide. So, if you can comment on kind of what our efforts on employee base are to get that number even higher, I would appreciate it."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "So we did discuss in our wellness committee meeting this week additional incentives potential change in the end date but right now we have an incentive program it ends on June 30th, and I think we ought to stay with that until such time that that date comes and goes, but we are looking for

either both event driven meaning we do something at 141 or other major locations with a mobile vaccination site and incentives that would be available as well as any and all other tools. I think the thing that we have not done of course is tread into any area that creates a mandate either for new employees or for existing because of legal concerns. But we have not given up the thought of enhanced incentives and that would be the next step, both for people who are yet to take the vaccine and of course ones that who have already stepped up and taken it.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Thank you, Commissioner Ellis. Vice Chair Hall followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “First I want to say, please follow the law. You've mentioned numerous times that the money terms have changed, and I want to recommend that you follow the law no matter how much all of us would like for you to use more of the funding, move faster, get the money to the people we all want that; but you can be audited we all know you can be audited this is federal funding and Fulton County has been audited in the past and had some negative audits. We don't want that again. So, follow the law. And if the bureaucracy can be addressed through HUD or the Treasury Department, push for that. I was glad to see that you've engaged our County Attorney in these matters because we need to get through the bureaucracy most of all. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Abdur-Rahman.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN:” Thank you, Chairman. I think it's a little disingenuous to have this body as a whole at the beginning say follow the law, follow the law, follow the law, follow the law and oh by the way follow the law and then when you follow the law you're taking too long. So, I think from my perspective, I would say that I have trust in the County Manager and the staff that you will follow the law, but I also know that the processes not only take time, but the things that you're trying to implement in order for it to go smoother, and for us not to have an audit are in place. When you are coming in, like my office, and getting the calls that I'm getting, and interacting between you all, and Dr. Roshell, I can speak from a point of, okay, this person has this issue, this person has this; what are we doing with this? What are we doing with that? And so, I guess, for me, if we are going to truly be effective and support the community, we must understand that the regulations are in place for a reason. And we should follow the law, but also allow the County manager and those individuals to do what they need to do to safeguard because I understand earlier someone made the comment, we don't want Fulton County to be sued. We don't want a black eye behind this. And so, I guess, I would just, you know, reiterate that a lot of this is dealt with in the RIP plan, but that which isn't, we need to understand that we are

in a pandemic. You cannot take your set of ideas those old set of ideas of trying to move something expeditiously and say oh we need to do it because this is the first time we are in a pandemic. And I think sometimes as a body, we lose that. We lose the fact that we're in a pandemic. And so, we're doing something for the very first time that we have not done before, and that is to be fluid to change if we need, to increase and streamline; but we are in a pandemic. And so, I don't want us to give the viewing public the impression that we're lagging, or we're taking our good old time because we're not, but we are trying to make sure that Fulton County, here again, I'm bias of Fulton County, we're number 1. People look at us and try to replicate what we're doing. And so, I think, it is very important that we stick to what we said at the beginning to make sure that we're not litigated against; to make sure that we're not sending any money back, and make sure that were protecting all of the stakeholders."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm glad you agree that we need to follow the law. So, can someone please provide the definition of a pandemic? Do we have someone from the Board of Health or County Attorney can you provide the definition of a pandemic? And then once you do that, can you let us know are we still experiencing a pandemic with the numbers that have come back so low as far as cases and deaths. Come down, please."

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "Hi. In brief, pandemic with references to regions. This is a pandemic because it's affecting multiple regions across the world and so what we do even if we had zero cases in Fulton this month, we're still in a pandemic."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you. And I have an e-mail from a constituent who said that -- unfortunately, there has been a denial for relief of one of her residents, and they had been in the process with the caseworker since March with no forewarning of the denial. They were denied. All information had been submitted as requested and funds had been approved. When the application was submitted for review it says they were dismissed because they missed a deadline. And the deadline was never communicated. So, can we make sure that we're communicating all the deadlines. I did hear different County Executives refer to the fact that because we have different pots of money with different terms that, you know, you're separating it in doing the program based on the various terms. I see your mic is hot."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Yes Ma'am Commissioner. Yes, I did just review that e-mail from Anita Harris. I will definitely look into that case and give you some feedback."

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you. Because I don't want people saying that we have deadlines and we're not communicating. I'm sure there is an explanation and I look forward to it. Thank you.”

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: “Yes Ma'am.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Further comments or questions on this section? If not Madam COO.”

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: “I think the next section is Mr. Hermon's.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Next slide, please. Good morning, Commissioners, and good morning listening audience. Ken Hermon, Chief HR Officer. What I want to spend some time with you today on briefly is our recommendation and our approach for COVID performance payment. As echoed in many of the conversations that we had during public comment and from the County Manager and even some of the Board members it's no doubt that 2020 is an unsurpassed year for employee performance within the County. From how we responded to the testing and vaccination response what we did successfully with elections, and how we all shifted our service model to meet and adjust to the needs of our citizens during a pandemic. What we also have identified through the readings of the federal ARP guidelines are they are extremely complicated and exclusionary. You know it's difficult to accurately identify team members as to who would qualify for ARP funding based on what was defined, and that definition is essential work involving regular in-person interactions, or regularly handling items handled by others. You know the question comes up as to who would meet that question, and how many touches meets handling items that will qualify and meet the scrutiny of an auditor if and so we're audited. The guidelines from the ARP funds also excludes our teleworkers. Well in my opinion, our teleworkers also stepped up during the COVID-19 event to make sure that we all got paid. Purchasing did a yeomans' job purchasing all the PPE's that we needed to not only provide for our staff but for the citizens; so, we didn't want to exclude them as well. But if we follow the strict guidelines of the federal ARP guides, we would have to exclude them from consideration underneath ARP funding. It also includes some eligibility requirements for employees earning more than 150 percent of the average salary within the County. Based on our math, that's roughly about \$85,000 which now we would have to justify to the federal entity as to why we would include individuals making more than \$85,000 in ARP funding for performance payments. And secondly, I got clarification from Legal a few days ago that would also include overtime; so now, we have to go back and look at our Sheriff deputies who may have earned more than that \$85,000 target when you include not only their base pay but their overtime pay in that analysis to now have to

justification in fact, we're going to follow the strict guidelines of the ARP funding. So, I think what we've recommended and what Ms. Whitmore and her team in finance would finally go through at the end of this presentation is that we're recommending that all the payments for the performance payment will be made from emergency reserve funds and other sources. And we're also recommending that the County pay-for-performance model is the best means for rewarding our employee's performance. It keeps the expectation constant which impacts trust and as you are well aware Commissioners, because we have been working on our trust coefficient for many years as we've been doing surveys of the workforce and we don't want to do anything to break that trust. It's easily understood most of the employees understand the premise of a percentage increase similar to what they would have in a COLA as well as they fully understand what we've done for the last two years with performance payment when they've earned a percentage, a bonus based on the percentage of their salary. And I'd also like to stress that you know our performance-pay model was not something that was developed in isolation. It was developed in working with the leadership team, the employee associations and elected officials to make sure that everyone fully understood and had buy-in to how the model would work. And it has also been successfully implemented without any significant challenge to our methodology or process. Next slide. So, what I wanted to spend a few minutes today just to speak to how the model would look. The three scenarios that we've looked at and have talked about at one or two other Board meetings. So first to clarify underneath this new approach by utilizing emergency reserve funding and other sources, all employees will be eligible. All employees within the Fulton County network, except constitutional officers and elected officials will be excluded that follows our normal premise for pay-for-performance. Full-time, part-time, temporary, free, grant, and supplemental employees again will be eligible. The Board of Health staff will be included either in a direct payment depending on when the Board takes action or via grant the law allows us to provide to the Board of Health. Personal staff of elected officials will be permitted to participate in the performance payment if the elected official so approves their participation. We've said that to be eligible, the employees must have been hired by March 11, 2021, which is the date that the Act was passed and adopted and signed by the President, and that payments for the Act, the 3.75 percent will be based and calculated on the employee's salary on that same date. So, whatever that base salary was on that same date would be the amount of their, be 3.75 percent of that amount. In summary, you see the pay-for-performance at 3.75 across the Board to include salary and fringe has a cost of roughly \$1.2 million. What we're calling the plus up I think the County Manager explained it is setting a floor of 3,000 or 3.75 percent that has an all-in cost of \$18.3 million and then this is a cost that was discussed was part of Commissioners Rahman's proposal of a flat \$3,000 across the Board has a cost of \$17.7 million. I also wanted to

say Commissioners that while the ARP designation of who would be eligible is extremely difficult for us to tie down, there are some employees that we feel a hundred percent confident would meet those criteria off the board because of what they did. We're talking about our detention officers, our police officers, and what I've done is we've gone through that exercise and identified who those individuals are and how much we estimated we could be charged back to the ARP depending on which plan is adopted. If you adopt the pay-for-performance model of 3.75, that's roughly \$2.9 million that we can charge back to the ARP funding. If we go with the plus-up approach, that's \$4.9 million, if we follow the \$3,000 flat across-the-board that's \$4.9 million respectively. So that's where again Commissioners we are recommending our tried-and-true process of pay-for-performance 3.75 again just to recap it's something that the employees are familiar with it has not being challenged it does not impact any future expectations that our workforce may get a change in methodology midstream, and by utilizing emergency reserve funding and other sources, it allows us to be all-inclusive versus exclusionary. Thank you, Commissioners."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Questions for Mr. Hermon. Commissioner Ellis followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Thank you, Kenneth and -- Mr. Hermon, and Mr. Anderson for the remarks on the performance payment. So just for the record and the recommendation from the management team is that you're asking for the Board to support the pay for performance option noted up above of 3.75 percent, correct."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "That's correct."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So, this is, you know, I think you stated this, just to restate it again, this approach is an approach that we've had in place was adopted by the Board of Commissioners and it's part of our salary plan and approach; so, I think it has been sound. I think we've done it for a number of years now and while I think anytime you're trying to come up with a bonus program, you're always going to have places where someone feels like it should be this or that. It's hard to come up with an exact perfect scenario, but as you stated Mr. Hermon, you know, this we have tried this, you know, it's worked, it's been effective, it survived challenge, and I think it is the most sound approach, you know, for us to use, and continue to use. And with that, I'm going to move for acceptance of the Managers recommendation for this pay-for-performance of 3.75 percent."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You making a motion?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes, sir."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. You've heard the Ellis motion. Is there a second? And I'll second if for discussion. Okay. I'll second it for discussion. Commissioner -- Vice Chair Hall has a question on the Ellis—"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I just have a question about how many employees would receive lower than \$3,000 under the pay-for-performance at 3.75 percent."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "You said lower than the \$3,000 Commissioner."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And how many employees would receive lower than \$3000 under the 3.75 percent?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Approximately, 3700."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "3700 employees would receive lower than \$3,000?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "That's correct Commissioner."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "And how many total employees do we have?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "4400."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "3700 employees out of 4400 employees would receive lower than \$3000, okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion on the floor is to accept the -- may I finish? I'm restating the motion that's on the floor, which is to accept the motion by Commissioner Ellis, which is to accept the Manager's recommendation of a 3.75 percent, which I seconded it. Now that queue is as follows: Commissioner Hall has spoken. Commissioner Abdur-Rahman then Commissioner Hausmann; is that right? Hausmann then Abdur-Rahman. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Thank you. Okay, just have a couple of questions. The ICS we approved last year, when is that set to be paid? July first?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "No Commissioner. Eligible employees for ICS will see a change in their paycheck July 30th."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "July 30?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Yes Ma'am."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "—and how many of our employees are eligible for that?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “That number now has been reduced to roughly about 1200 plus employees.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I thought that was for everybody?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “No, it’s not. If I may, remember that ICS was adopted to address a long-term situation within the County where we had long tenured employees’ all being paid closed to the entry-level salaries so it’s intended to move long-term employees closer to the end of the range versus being in the middle, so it doesn’t impact the entire workforce.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Is there any incremental increase for all employees that’s scheduled in July, or is this it?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “No, there are no across-the-board increases scheduled; it’s just the ICS.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right. So, when you said that the additional – that some of the money would come from the relief funds -- from the federal government, but the rest of it would come from emergency reserve funds and other sources in essence that’s the general fund, correct? Similar to how we have funded the other pay-for-performance bonuses that we’ve given employees historically, correct.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Ms. Whitmore?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Yes, Commissioner Hausmann. It would be from the general fund and all other operating funds as well.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right. So, this would be consistent then with what we’ve historically done--”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Yes Ma’am.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “—within the area of bonuses for our employees?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Yes, Ma’am.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right. I am curious about some of these exclusions and I understand that it’s difficult to determine which employees could qualify under the federal money. And it excludes all teleworkers; it doesn’t matter who they are?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Correct Commissioner, and then there’s some questions about we had situations where individuals were working on-site as well as teleworking. So, are they also excluded? So, it does exclude all teleworkers.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So, if you're a teleworker and your office was closed, but you were out in the field your excluded."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "If you're a teleworker?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I mean, if you had some duties where you had to leave and perform your duties, but technically your office was closed so you were home based, are you excluded?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "That's correct, yes."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, that's another problem that should be communicated to the federal government. I mean, some of these things do not make common sense. So, I hope we are actively -- if we approve this, which you now while I'm very proud that we did not lay anybody off, and I hope everyone that's employed with Fulton County recognizes the lengths we went to make sure that everyone continued to be employed, you know, I am not opposed to a bonus, a performance bonus because we have approved that in the past, but I don't know that I necessarily think we should be satisfied that some of these categories don't -- would not qualify if they were explained properly. So, I know we're making a lot of our issues known to the Feds. I think this is one of them. That to me makes absolutely no sense. If you are out in the field, your office has been closed, so you've been working technically from home, it doesn't mean that you did not do work and weren't interacting with people that would qualify if our offices had been open. So, I just think that makes no sense. If we approve this today, when would it be disbursed."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Well, we have to -- good question. When would it be disbursed? Do we have a date? I don't think that we selected a date, Sharon."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "We haven't Commissioner Hausmann. We would do everything that we could to get it disbursed as soon as possible, but we're also trying to work it in -- will have to work it in around regular payrolls as well as ensure that the HR staff has the time that they need to make the changes in the HR system for the ICS implementation. So, it could potentially happen before the end of June if not, then I would see it as perhaps no earlier than mid-July. But I think we'll have to go back and look at what we already have in the works as far as adjustments and changes to the HR system to give you a specific date, because typically we work these in between regular payrolls -- regular payroll cycles in July is a three-payroll cycle so we already have a payment scheduled for the first of the month, the middle of the month, and the end of the month as regular payrolls."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right, and then just for everyone’s knowledge, my quick math on my phone calculator, so take that into consideration, should we approve what’s on the table before us with the pay-for-performance of 3.75 percent looks like 8.2 million dollars would come out of our general fund reserve money.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman followed by Vice Chair Hall.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Thank you, Chairman. County Manager, could you, please restate your recommendation. I just want to be clear.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “So, our recommendation is to use the pay-for-performance model to reward our employees. We, in addition to that, showed an alternative which is a plus-up trying to see the will of this group, and the plus-up model establishes a \$3,000 floor in addition to and/or I guess I should say the 3.75 percent.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay. I want to make -- since we do have Board of Health employees that are going over and they will not be part of the ICS, I think it would be a good idea if this body would do the plus-up would you do recommend you don't have a problem with plus-up. I will make a substitute motion that we do the plus-up out of fairness.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I second that.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Motion to - substitute motion rather for the 3.75 offered by Commissioner Ellis – to the plus-up which was one of your recommendations, Mr. Manager or is it the recommendation, which is it?”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Well, it was an alternative to our recommendation 3.75 is our recommendation or a plus-up if the Board wanted to set a floor of \$3,000.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, so the Manager’s recommendation is 3.75 but you provided an option to plus-up which is a floor of \$3,000 or the 3.75. That motion is made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Vice Chair Hall. All right. Any discussion or comment on the substitute motion?”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Yes, I just wanna say--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Hold on a minute; Commissioner Hall, Vice Chair Hall, Commissioner Hausmann, and Ellis.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Commissioner, were you finished? Okay. I just wanted to say that we need to have a floor. I'm looking at all these other counties that have a floor of

2000, 3000, and our employees deserve that. When our Chief Human Resource Officer said that 3700 of our 4400 employees would get less than \$3,000 if we went with the pay-for-performance, I just think that that's a travesty. They deserve more. And that would leave only 700 employees that will receive over 3000 with the top-of-the-line -- the top of the salary employees getting up to \$11,000 in a one-time bonus check. So, I think that we need to start with a floor of \$3,000 for employees; they deserve it. If you look at the chart that was in the COVID-19 presentation on the number of employees who caught COVID, you see the front-line employees. I went through and circled it because I was like you can tell who was here and from the stories that I heard during the COVID-19 pandemic in Atlanta when our numbers were high, the Clerk to Superior Court had 47, emergency services 36, Tax Commissioner 34. You know that those are actually the front-line employees who NEVER stopped working. They didn't close Superior Court, they didn't close the Tax Commissioner's office, they didn't stop emergency services. So, give the employees what they deserve and the floor should be \$3,000."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So, did we calculate a floor of \$3,000 based on the employees that would qualify for the designated as essential or emergency-type work by the Feds? Are we calculating this for ALL the employees?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Sorry, Commissioners you're talking about the plus-up option?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I'm talking about the plus-up option -- did you break it out by you know public safety or health workers?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Well, the ones that we're confident would meet the ARP definition that's \$4.9 million that we'll be able to charge back from the ARP because it does include the public safety workers, our water and sewer individuals as well."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So, that was calculated in here. All right again in my rough math, if we chose this option that would be 13.3 million from the general fund that we would be going towards this item. Do we have that sufficient cash flow?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner Hausmann, you'll see in the financial presentation that with the adjustments that we've made moving some things from the EERF down into the local fiscal recovery funds, we've made adjustments for that; so, we would be able to cover it."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So in the \$3,000 minimum approach is \$18.2 million that factors in all of our employees, correct."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Yes, Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. And in the notation above, we note that of the eligible employee base includes full-time, part-time, temp, fee, grant and supplement employees, correct."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Correct."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So, if this approach were adopted, we could be giving a \$3,000 bonus to a part-time employee?"

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "That's correct."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. So, that's where I think you get into situations where arguably it doesn't make any sense at all. Yeah, I think the different jurisdictions certainly have done different things. I think the state of Georgia was like a thousand dollars for every employee making under 80,000, correct."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "I'm not familiar with that last portion, but I'm familiar with the \$1000 across the Board payment, yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "And then, are we familiar with what the two school jurisdictions did? I want to say it was something similar."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "I know that DeKalb was exploring 25 -- \$3,000-dollar payment for the public safety and then a \$2,000 or \$2,500 payment for everyone else."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yes, so I guess, you know, I mean, I think the difficult piece certainly has been, you know, there are probably some employee groups who might deserve a little bit higher but we did give some hazard pay within, you know, this period to some of those affected workers, you know, I struggle with I think the plus-up across-the-Board doesn't necessarily make a lot of sense. I'd rather see us to adopt the pay-for-performance now, get some level of support into all of our employees, and then for the group that would be deemed essential or whatever it is under this ARP piece, we can come back and consider some funds on top of that. But I think, you know, for the entirety of our employee base that the recommendation of the Manager, the pay-for-

performance at 3.75 percent is the most sound and equitable approach for us to adopt, you know at this stage.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Morris.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Yes. First of all, I guess I was a little surprised. I didn't see this action item on our Agenda. I guess we're going to deal with it. Secondly, I agree with Commissioner Ellis' point about it just doesn't make any sense for part-time employee to get the same kind of – same kind of level, and presumably the part-time folks would all be under the threshold of they'll get the minimum \$3000 that doesn't make much sense to me. Doesn't make much sense to me for somebody hired on March 10th or 11th to get this kind of level either. It's just -- I think it's a complication, and to get this floor in that just presents some unfairness. But aside from that and I guess I've been a broken record on this having been a CFO of a relatively small business for 32 years, and going through tough times where the private sector employees sometimes had to take pay cuts, sometimes have to lose jobs to keep paying taxes so that the public sector employees can keep their jobs and get bonuses and get raises. It's just, you know, it's sort of backwards to me that the private sector works for government not the other way around sometimes. And I know so many folks and have dealt with so many folks who have lost their jobs, who had to take pay cuts, who weren't getting paid at all -- certainly weren't getting bonuses, but continue to have to pay their taxes so that the public sector can keep their jobs and get bonuses, and increases in pay. It's just a problem for me so I'm not going to be supporting this plus-up. I'd be delighted to support the pay-for-performance threshold, but the extra \$7 million or net however many million dollars net of ARP funds is just unnecessary spending to me.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Abdur-Rahman excuse me.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Here again, I keep hearing performance pay, performance pay. Rescue -- R-E-S-C-U-E. What you're basically is telling our part-time employees they're not important. There were part-time employees that were very essential that worked 40 hours. So, basically, what we're doing is we're actually -- we're actually saying to our part-time employees that you're not important. I still want to drive home because I think what gets lost in the soft so to speak is RESCUE. We're doing this as though it's not a pandemic. We're doing this as though our employees were not affected by job loss in the household, that they were not affected by trauma with watching people of color being killed daily, and they still had to come to work. They still had to come to work and maintain our high rating. And then what are we doing -- and what position are we putting our leadership in? Now it becomes a morale issue. Are we putting our leadership in the position that they're going to have morale issues

because we feel like part-time employees by virtue of the fact that they're part-time that they're not worthy? I think if we look at it once again it's a pandemic. We're putting old ideas to a new problem that we've never experienced before, and the moral dilemma that I want my colleagues to know is \$3000 may seem a lot to you, but \$3000 to an employee may be the difference between them keeping their home; may be the difference between them keeping that child in school, that person going away to college. And so, I would humbly ask that you remove the old thinking of this is performance pay. The old thinking of well, I would have an issue with someone being part-time. I tell you it's a lot of part-time employees that step to the plate. And in my recollection and conversations with the County Manager, he agreed. Thus, the plus-up because if a person actual 3.75 didn't land them at \$3,000, it would bring them up and there is no difference. There is no difference. And so, I would humbly ask my colleagues to come out of your own privilege, to come out of your own household, come out of your old way of thinking and understand that Fulton County employees rose to the occasion. For once, let's do the right thing. Let's not give management the issue of having to manage low morale because we didn't think that the part-time employees were worthy. Please do the right thing. We're talking about people's lives. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Excuse me. Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you Mr. Chair. I agree wholeheartedly Commissioner Abdur-Rahman. We do have to look at the fact that, number 1, this says COVID performance payment. What we passed before was a pay-for-performance and we didn't have COVID at that time. This is different. This is COVID pay-for-performance. All we've talked about is essential employees. When we originally passed a pay-for-performance, we weren't talking about COVID, or pandemic, or essential employees. That's what makes this different. And, yes, part-time temp employees are just important as the other employees. They still had to face family members passing away, being sick, hospitalized, their own sicknesses, coming to work still trying to serve the public -- it didn't matter that they had less hours. What mattered was that they were determined and dedicated to the County and serving the residents period, point blank. Now, I don't understand all this other talk about what other counties did and didn't do that oh, it shouldn't be related to us; it does relate to us because we are the largest and richest County in the state of Georgia. We have \$45.7 million in emergency reserves. Let me repeat that. \$45.7 million in emergency reserves. You will see it on today's agenda we're going to use some of that money. So, it's not that we don't have the money. So, I don't see what the problem is. We need to show our employees that we care about them. It's called COVID performance payment, and they should get this COVID performance payment with a floor of \$3,000 nothing less. And how about -- how about telling me how much would the lowest paid employee receive in a bonus check under

3.75 percent? What would their check look like? If Madam COO can do it faster whoever can do it the fastest and provide that answer.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Commissioner, our lowest paid employee of full-time employees make \$27,000 across-the-Board.

VICE CHAIR HALL: \$27,000 that’s not even a living wage.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Well, living wage is a part of ICS all of those –”.

VICE CHAIR HALL: “\$27,000?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “—will move to \$32,000 in July 30th, that’s the ICS solution. So, at \$27,000 annually you have at 3.75 percent, that a thousand dollars, \$1,012.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “And how many of the lowest paid employees do we have out of our 4400 total employees.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “You’re talking at \$27,000 and below, my report says roughly around 200 would fall within that category.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “And so, there are 200 employees that would receive a thousand dollars. There’s no reason why we can’t make a \$3000 floor for these people. None whatsoever. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Hausmann followed by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman again. Commissioner Hausmann.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Yes, thank you, just one real quick question. As property tax assessment notices are about to go out and we’re going to start talking about how we’re going to set our millage rate. I believe we set that in August, is that correct? What sort of impact will this decision that we’re making right now have on our millage rate setting? Have we looked at that all?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: We haven’t received the digest estimates as of yet Commissioner Hausmann, but I don’t anticipate that it would have an impact on the millage rate because we’re still funding it from within the existing budget that was approved by the Board which was based on zero growth in the digests this year. So, I don’t foresee their being any, I guess I’ll say it this way, any negative impact on the millage rate.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “So, in general in your analysis if you’ve had time to do that, do you anticipate proposing any sort of increase in our millage rate.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Again, we haven't actually received the digest to know whether or not we have any level of growth in the digest this year, and how much of that would be part of any sort of revenue neutral millage rate rollback. At this point, we aren’t anticipating you know proposing a millage rate increase again because we adopted the budget based on no anticipated growth in the digest this year.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “All right. Thank you. I mean, I stated previously, I can support the performance payment. I think that it is reasonable and I think it shows goodwill that we do appreciate the things that our employees did this last year. At the same time, they did keep their jobs and a lot of people that have to pay these bills did not. Commissioner Morris stated it very eloquently that while we obviously are concerned about our employees’ we also must be concerned about the members of the community that have to pay these bills. And you know I think we can come to a reasonable compromise here, but I think that to go any higher than the pay-for-performance is not being responsible with the other people's money that we're entrusted with allocating for their benefit.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner Abdur-Rahman followed by Vice Chair Hall.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Thank you, Chairman. Mr. Hermon, under the 3.75 the bonus under that for our County Manager or someone in that 300 range; what would their payout be for the pay-for-performance at the 3.75, roughly speaking?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “The gross payment at 3.75, utilize the County Manager is a roughly \$11,000.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay. And under the plus-up program, what would the County Manager have as their payout?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “The same number \$11,000.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay, under the pay-for-performance someone making \$50,000 under the 3.75, what would their payout be?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “\$1,875.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “And if they made \$27,000 at 3.75, what would their payout be?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Roughly a thousand.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay, take those two scenarios please Sir, and put the plus-up, and tell me what the difference would be for that individual making \$27,000 and the individual making \$50,000.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “You said \$50,000 Commissioner?”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “For the individual at \$27,000 following the plus-up, they would get an additional \$1900 in the bonus payment. At the \$50,000 level, they would get an additional \$1,100 to get them to the \$3,000.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay, so just for transparency: Someone under the – what’s considered the rescue plan under pay-for-performance and plus-up will get an \$11,000 bonus for the COVID, and under the pay-for-performance and plus-up for our employees making \$27,000 would have \$1,875 and \$1,100; so, you're talking about a pay-up difference of maybe \$1,800 or \$1,000 difference –”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “-- in addition --.

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “-in addition to what we would give them anyway.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Yes.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Let me make sure I understand \$11,000 -- \$11,000 rescue -- RESCUE plan -- \$11,000 payout, but an employee making \$27,000 would get a little over a thousand and an employee making \$50,000 would get \$1,875 under that plan.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “—underneath the 3.75, correct.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “But if we were to go with the plus-up, which we have said we have the funding for, we would add only an additional thousand dollars -- a little over a thousand dollars to that \$50,000, and 18 to that \$27,000. I want to make sure --”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “—that’s correction Commissioner.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Okay, thank you Sir.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Hermon, can you tell me what the total number of part-time employees and temp employees is, approximate.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “Okay. Give me one minute. Our temp workforce totals 218 employees as of the last pay cycle.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay, so, 218 part-time and temp employees out of 4400. And what is the percentage of taxes that are taken out of these pay-for-performance checks? It’s about 50 percent or close to it.”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “No it’s not 50 percent. The IRS sees this as a supplemental payment, and I think for this tax year, and Hakeem could correct me if I’m wrong, I think it’s a flat 25 percent across-the-Board if I’m, correct?”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “So, 25 percent of the bonus -- the performance payment would go to taxes, total?”

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: “I believe that’s it, yes, Commissioner.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay. And it was mentioned earlier something about being concerned about tax payers’ dollars in the community and how we’re spending the community’s money. Well, many of our employees are taxpayers. They are residents of Fulton County and if they’re not their family members are residents of Fulton County. And in both cases, the tax payers would want their bonus -- their performance payment to be given to the employees. These are the employees that serve Fulton County residents and are not only residents, but are family members of residents.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Any other comments? Any other questions? All right, the substitute motion – the substitute motion on the floor is to approve the plus-up alternative offered by the Manager. Cast your votes, please.”

CLERK GRIER: “The vote is open. And the motion fails; three yeas, four nays.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right, now back to the main motion on the floor which was to approve the 3.75. Let’s vote, please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the motion passes; five yeas, two nays.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. Madam CFO, are you up now or continue?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Yes, Mr. Chairman, thank you. If we could go back to the slide deck, please and move onto the next slide. Commissioners, we have provided an update on our what we were termed the consolidated COVID response plan. This is a view put together all of the sources --

potential sources of funds. At the top we have the general fund emergency expense reserve fund and we start with the information as presented on June the 2nd. We're sharing with you in the column labeled plan changes those adjustments that we made in order to accommodate a pay-for-performance plan for employees. We moved a number of expenses out of that bucket down into the American Rescue Act. Those are expenses that we believe will qualify for use from the American Rescue Act and allowed us to take what we had originally set aside out of the Rescue Act for premium pay and moved it up into that general fund bucket. So, those are the reason for most of the changes that you see presented in that plan changes column. Down at the bottom of the plan changes column inside the green box, the American Rescue Act, you will see ERAP-1 and 2 additional operational costs. We are recommending an allocation out of our American Rescue Act funds of \$5 million to be able to continue to fund the administrative costs associated with completing those programs. The other piece of information that we wanted to share with this schedule is to show you what the impact of the Resolution that's been presented by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman would be on the operational plan, and so you'll see that the total amount of what has been recommended in that Resolution was 44.8 million, and we've added that to the June 16th operational plan column to show you how things might look if the Board chooses to enact that Resolution today. And then lastly, on the far right-hand side of the column, we wanted to also show you the year-to-date expenses. Commissioner Rahman had made an inquiry about this during the ERAP discussion. So, you'll see that with the realignment we've also moved some of the actual expenses that we've already incurred out of our EERF down to the American Rescue Act. So, we are currently reporting \$1.6 million in actual expenses out of our EERF. \$2 million in actual expenses out of the American Rescue Act fund, \$3.2 million in actual expenses out of our ERAP-1 which is funded through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, and then \$8.3 million in funds that we've identified as being reimbursable from FEMA. And down at the very bottom of the slide, you can see what the reserve is in our resources that we have, which would be 60.5 million based on the operational plan and 100 percent FEMA reimbursement as of June 16th and with the addition of the items included in Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's Resolution, it would bring the reserve down to 15.7 million. Next slide. This next slide shows you a multiyear view of the potential estimated actual cash inflows and outflows. All of the resources that are available and you'll see that down at the bottom of the screen, we have a cash balance end-of-year at 100 percent FEMA reimbursement. That assumes that those costs that we've identified that are related to our current vaccination program as being FEMA reimbursable would-be 100 percent reimbursed; yet you'll see that we do in that regard we are able to retain a contingency of available cash through the end of 2024. In reality, these numbers will likely change as actual expenditures will probably deviate some over the course of time, but at a point in time

once we know where we stand with our FEMA reimbursements, we would come back to the Board of Commissioners with recommendations to begin to spend down those funds that are held in reserve. Next slide, please. This slide simply shows you the changes to the emergency expense reserve fund in some larger details, so you can see all of the changes that have been made between May and June. Of note on this particular slide is that we also are showing you the \$6.8 million that we are proposing to utilize in order to fund the anticipated election costs for this year which brings our emergency expense reserve fund balance down to 38.9 million. And below that are just some summarizations of how the funds -- how the fund has been impacted. So, we have 19.4 million that's reserved for potentially for FEMA non-reimbursement. 17.6 million has been transferred from EERF to FEMA awaiting reimbursement, and we also transferred 2.2 million dollars that were related to the obligations we carried over from last year that were qualifying expenses. And then lastly, we moved 17.3 million out of the operational stability category down to ARP. Next slide, please. We've already talked sort of in-depth on the emergency rental assistance program. This simply shows you the current allocations, what's been received year-to-date, and then our year-to-date expenses. So, the ERAP-1 allocation of 18 million we've received the full 18 million, and we spent 3.2 million total for assistance payments plus administrative costs, year-to-date. In ERAP-2, we have a \$24 million allocation of which we've received about 11 -- almost \$12 million -- \$11 million well actually \$10 million and we've not yet incurred any expense in that category. And then next slide. This last slide is continuation of our next steps that we've presented to the Board each time that the major change on this slide from previous slides is that we are now awaiting a response from Treasury on the court backlog plan having engaged McGuire Woods -- McGuire Woods consulting on to seek that out for us. Next slide. The next slide actually -- I'm going to let Hakeem share with you an update on Mr. Chairman if you will an update on the minority financial institutions Resolution implementation of that. And then we can take any questions on the financials."

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR: "Good afternoon Commissioners. Thank you, Sharon. Before I start -- before I say anything on this, I just want to thank the Chairman for getting us in contact with representatives of two of the banks. We were able to meet with them, I believe it I'm not mistaken, I think it was Monday that we met and I think the meeting was productive and we should be able to establish some level of a banking relationship with those banks very shortly. So, next slide, please. So, we have identified two of the minority owned banks that we will establish relationships with. One is Black American Bank, and they are a black owned bank; and the other one is an Asian owned bank. We're waiting for additional information from one of them specifically the one that is Asian owned. We want them to provide us a level of collateral before we operate any money in the bank. So, they're working on that. And

also, with the Resolution that the Chairman was able to get added into the agenda today, that will also allow us to waive the issue of the years of operation the number of years that they've been in operations. Then, the next item is one of the banks, one that is black-owned, we're requesting for them to provide us their capitalization information which we did receive late yesterday. And we've requested for them to send us the necessary paperwork for us to open an account with them. And then lastly, we will be reviewing our cash flow to determine the possible amount that we could invest with these banks. That is where we are. We've looked -- there's a state law that doesn't allow us to bank with any institution without having some level of collateral, so that is something that is very, very important to us. We need to make sure you know that we have that assurance from them in the event that, you know, there's a default which we do not expect; but, at that the same time we need to make sure that we safeguard and protect the tax payer's dollars. So, that is where we are on that. Any questions?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any questions at this point regarding our efforts with respect to minority and female owned financial institutions in the County? I'll just say quickly that we should really all be proud of this effort and that it's really setting an example for the rest of the nation. I've gotten calls already if they can figure out how we're doing this, and others going to follow suit in particular, the other five counties in the metropolitan area. And we will be talking to the state of Georgia, about having the state of Georgia, do likewise. So, thank you all for your support on this. Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Thanks Mr. Chair. No questions on the banking piece, but I do just have a quick question on the court backlog plan. Once we get the guidance on that, is there something that we prepared to start acting on it? We don't need to wait for some sort of formal action from us as a body I guess that's what I'm curious about."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "--, if you could, Alton, if you could answer that."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES: "Commissioners and Chairman Pitts, --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Hold on one second, not Commissioner, Alton--"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair had asked me the question, just to restate my question, and that was basically, once we get guidance from the Treasury, on the court back log plan, something that we're prepared to start moving on; we're not waiting for any sort of action back from this Board. So, in other words, if we get guidance next

week, we don't meet until July, you've got the abilities to start rolling with it. That's my question."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Yes, good for the Board to know what all is going in the preparation of launching this."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So I think, could you go into a little, not a lot of detail, but some details in explanation on this. Because I think really believe that this is the heart of what we're doing for this ARP money; I mean a lot of stuff, all of this criminal justice, all of the back-and-forth about the jail, no jail, new jail, lease/rent, all of that is tied into this reducing this backlog over the next two or three years. And that, from my perspective is going to be \$63 million that's well, well, well, spent. I can also add that the other four of the big five counties are also probably going to follow our lead on this as well because we're all faced with the same situation."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES: "So to your question Commissioner Ellis, we do have a detailed plan for the rollout. We've identified the biggest part of this is going to be hires of individuals to increase the capacity of the court. We have the hires by month by agency identified. We have identified some initial -- additional locations; five in the courthouse that we're going to spend up sort to speak. We have two courthouses that the state has allowed us to use about a block and a-half away. We're going to use those for state court. We've started triaging how we're going to get after these cases. We have weekly meetings with an operating team that's represented by every single one of the agencies, and so, we are ready to go. And I will say that when we put together our initial timeline which defined kind of a ramp-up and we're going to do some things like night court and evening court. As we get to our kind of full speed ahead, that target was October 1st, and we assumed the ability to start hiring people on May 1st. So, we already behind, but we've done a lot of homework. We think we can accelerate that. And so, what I think you will hear if you talk to Judge Brasher to Judge Kirk to the solicitor, is that we're ready to go, and we are particularly concerned because we expect that there will in fact be a change to the restriction on the speedy trial guidance that we've gotten from the state, there will be a lifting of the moratorium on tenant -- on the tenant issue, and so then we have the spike that you typically have during the summer in terms of crime. And so, we're concerned that not only do we have the backlog that we need to get after, but it's going to be exacerbated over the next few months. So, long answer to your question, if we got the money on Monday, we'd be ready to start hiring people, and we'd be ready to start refurbishing some of these court rooms, and we'd be ready to start getting going in terms of starting to prioritize which cases we want to get after."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. Go ahead Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Great question Commissioner Ellis. And I guess my follow-up is if we don't get approved to do this backlog with these funds, it seems to me we still have to do the backlog project. And so, are we really waiting until the bureaucracy tells us it's okay, or are we going to go ahead and do it somehow with Plan B and if so, what is Plan B with respect to funding.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Plan B would be the source out of the 45.7 million; some getting started money. At some point since it's sixty-something million if it were a firm NO, then I think, we'll have to put that across multiple years in a general fund budget request. And I am -- I think the Chairman asked me this morning this question kind of a poignant way, and it was a very good perspective and it's what you just made should we just simply move forward now I think we've been on the precipice of always having the answer in other words we're anticipating a positive answer, but I do think give us this week to fundamentally look at should we just move forward and if so, how within the funds that we currently have in the plan.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “Well great. Well, I thought that we had set aside some of that reserve funding for this purpose and so the question was why aren't we moving ahead, but I understand, yeah, I'm okay with a week.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “You asked us for one more week?”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “...well I don't want to say that.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “I don't want to break the law now – I don't want to get beat up for breaking the law—”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “I think we've gotten your direction. We will get started one way or the other.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “If I may, Commissioner Morris, the comment that you just made about you thought we had put some funds away, the budget did include a little over \$4 million for a reopening plan for the court. So, those resources are placed directly into each of the court agencies budget and they have begun using those funds for purposes related just to reopening in general. So, we did have a specific allocation in the budget for that.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right Vice Chair Hall.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Thank you Mr. Chairman. Okay, so I keep hearing court backlog and I heard only once that this would help with the jail overcrowding. So can you give a little more detail into how this will help because I do understand that the court backlog is

contributing to the length of time that people are staying in jail because they're waiting for their court date, okay, you're shaking your hand. Turn your mic on."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, PUBLIC SAFETY

SERVICES: "Vice Chair Hall, it's a great question, and I think that when you think about the court backlog it affects not only the individuals who are in the jail, but individuals who have been arrested, have bonded or bailed out, and they are waiting to get on with their lives right? So, they are individuals who are outside the jail who may not be able to get a new job, who may not be able to get a job at all because they have this pending litigation. And think about it, at the rate that we're going, it could be three years before these individuals even have their day in court. So that affects lives in individuals outside of the jail. To your point about the jail itself: The best way we can improve the count at the jail is reduced is to get the court system going. So, for example: we have more than a thousand people in the jail who are unindicted right? So, the first thing we're going to do with these funds from a DA perspective is she's going to hire investigators so, that she can get these individuals indicted so that they can be ready for trial. Once we get these additional courtrooms up and going. And so, while it won't solve the entire problem, it will in fact allow us to start getting having individuals having their day in court, and that allows us to in fact get them to start to work on the jail population."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes. And yes, for years I've heard that -- the staffing shortage with the District Attorney's Office, but also the Sheriff's office has contributed to the court backlog so where does the Sheriff's office fit into this."

ALTON ADAMS, DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, PUBLIC SAFETY

SERVICES: "We have -- I don't have the numbers in front of me, but we have I think I'm going to guess somewhere around 35 to 40 people specifically in the Sheriff's office that are going to be hired as part of this; so, every agency is going to get additional resources. We're going to hire public defenders; we're going to hire individuals for the clerk's office; we're going to hire temporary judges for state court and for Superior Court, and for magistrate court and juvenile court; a litigation manager so the entire system is going to get an injection of resources that's going to allow us to increase the capacity overall, and the through-put."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Outstanding. I just want to point out that Congress passed the American Rescue Plan which provides the 1.9 trillion for COVID-19 and economic relief. The COVID-19 has fueled a dramatic rise in gun violence an ongoing public health crisis that continues to devastate communities of color. We need to also try to fund peace and fund violence prevention and the American Rescue Plan was created for that. So, when I looked at the Justice Center's webpage to try to see what areas of opportunities we could explore for funding these are what came up: Keep people in correctional facility

safe and healthy, increase access to education for people in the juvenile and criminal justice systems, improve public safety and outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system, support people who've experienced or at risk of domestic violence and sexual assault, expand access to safe and stable housing and supports, support economic stability and mobility for people with criminal records, help communities build comprehensive healthcare systems for people in the justice system, and reduce criminal justice involvement for people with behavioral health needs. And when I read these funding opportunities through ARPA, I was concerned because the only thing that it appeared we are actually focusing on was behavior health needs. And I think in lieu of the fact that if you just look at this past weekend alone, the number of gun violence situations and cases is just astronomical and especially with 13- and 15-year-olds carrying guns and shooting each other as well as just innocent bystanders who were getting shot, and we can see this in the news with what Buckhead is trying to do with becoming its own city that violence and gun violence to just be clear is on the rise. And it's something that we need to address and I think Fulton County can help in that area and it is very clear that we can help by the use of our ARPA funds. So, I would like for us to look at that and speak with our Sheriff and our Police Department on how we can fund some violence prevention and fund peace in Fulton County. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, I just want to reiterate the go-ahead and get started on the backlog sentiment. I think you've got support from the Board to do that. So, we hope we get a good outcome, but obviously it's something we have to deal with regardless. When we met two weeks ago, we talked about, you know, trying to get an arrangement with Atlanta on ACDC; authorize this Sheriff to move forward. We had a deadline that we talked about of yesterday; do we have any updates?"

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: I think we've all received a copy of the letter -- hopefully the Board has that the Sheriff sent to the city of Atlanta. I have not heard any report from him on a response."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "That letter as of yesterday."

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

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "All right, so as of this point, we still have no knowledge if they're willing to help us with the 500 beds."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "No, ma'am."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right. No further speakers on this issue, but let me restate this as well. If we do not have a response which I’m again, I don’t want to be accused of breaking the law, but we do not have a response by our next meeting which will be the first meeting in July, is that correct? One meeting in July that I think the sentiment is, we need to get going either even if it means general fund dollars or whatever, because we can't wait. We'll probably have, well not probably, if we need legislation at that time, we can have the legislation to authorize you to move forward, because we can't wait any longer.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “That would be waiting another month though, before he can even get started--”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Well we don’t have to wait as far as I ‘m concerned —”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “I don’t think we can wait that long. We can’t wait that long.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “—we’ve got some more lawbreakers up here—”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “With all due respect, Chairman, we can't wait. We've been waiting, we’ve been waiting.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “If we using our own money there's no lawbreaking.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Then we set the mold here again people look at Fulton County and follow Fulton County's lead. And so, respectfully, Chairman, I hear what you're saying, but I really do think we need to move forward.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Move forward? Absolutely.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “I’m confused. Move forward where, and to what end? Are you saying you’re talking about ACDC?”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “No, we’re talking about the backlog.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Okay, well consider that done. I thought your concern was still that we haven't heard back from the Atlanta.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “You have a consensus to move forward.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Gotcha, thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Any objections, if none, forever hold your peace. Thank you. Is that it, Mr. Manager.”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “Yes, Sir.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay now, there was a -- Commissioner Abdur-Rahman you wanted your item moved up at this point before we break for recess.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes, please.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, Madam Clerk.”

CLERK GRIER: On page 10, **21-0378**, Request approval of a Resolution by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County to enact the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Fulton County Rescue Implementation Plan, and for other purposes sponsored by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Commissioner.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes, Chairman. I want to say here that, you know, the way we move forward is to -- is to approve policy. We are policymakers. Our job is to make policy to give guidance to the County manager to implement as we've all heard today there have been very little ARP funds because management is waiting you know for our direction. The only ARP money that has been used is what we previously approved. If we don't approve this today then we're forcing the public to wait another month to receive anything. And I want to take this time to say I am open to consider any friendly amendment that will help us to get this resolution passed and get this money out and get the County Manager and his staff working as quick as possible. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Is there a motion? You have a question Vice Chair; then we'll entertain a motion.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “I have a question because we just heard in the presentation -- okay, what page was that? About the additional items from Commissioner Abdur-Rahman's funds Resolution being added to your presentation; was that correct Madam Chief Operating Officer, or CFO?”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “We shared them with the Board so, you would see the effect of the resolution on the funding structure.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Okay. Can you just point me to that page quickly because I couldn't actually see the page on the presentation, and I couldn't really see ---”

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: “I think we need to bring it up electronically. It’s page 31.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “... the printedr copy is very distorted. It's page 31.”

VICE CHAIR HALL: “Page 31. Can we switch out the screen for that particular page? And if you could, just go back over the presentation and give us some clarity on what you added to your current plan from Commissioner Abdur-Rahman’s resolution.”

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: “Okay, yes. Thank you, Vice Chair Hall. The presentation if you will look, the center column that says 616-2021 that is the current operational plan with the changes that we made in order to realign funds from the general fund emergency expense reserve fund to the American Rescue Act to sort of swap out costs so that we could fund the pay-for-performance plan out of the ERRF. The next column over impact of resolution are the additional amounts of funding that the resolution calls for as presented. So, the first item, the \$6.5 million that would have been the additional costs for the \$3,000 payment for all employees. The next item down, the 22 million, that is for the incremental request to bring the allocation for mortgage assistance up to 32 million which is what the resolution calls for. The next item is 5.5 million, an additional 5.5 million for the small business program. The next item is an additional 2.8 million for a summer/youth -- I don't think that's correct. I think that's supposed to be combined with -- I don't think that's correct Commissioner. I need to verify that one and the artists item as well. I'm sorry. What? She had a nonprofit, I don't recall a specific in the revised version of a Resolution summer youth and artists, so I need to double check that. The nonprofit rescue assistance fund was requested at 5 million and so, that is an add-in item as well. I think what’s missing is the jobs training – 2.7 million, yeah, I'm not sure. My apologies. I'm not sure what the two-point eight and the 3 million for summer youth and artists because those were items that we had originally recommended as a change, but then we had to amend that because the first feedback that we received from McGuire Woods was that we could not -- we could not act on those programs as proposed because you couldn't pay wages to individuals in the recommendation on the artists program is that they should be combined with either the small business or any sort of award to nonprofits. So, I think that the two-point eight and 3 million -- I don't believe those were part of the Commissioners resolution, and we would need to make an adjustment for that. At any rate, so reading through -- reading through the Resolution the requirements, there was a home mortgage assistance program of 32 million; we had proposed ten, so we had to increase it around 22. There was a job training rescue program proposed at 1.3 million across the footprint of each of the two years 2021 and 2022 so that's a total of 2.7 million. And we already had 2.8

million in the budget for job training, so we did make an adjustment for that. The small business grants -- assistance program requested a total of \$10 million. We had 4.5 so we had to add 5.5 to bring the total up to 10 million. And then there was the employee pandemic relief program which was \$3 million per employee -- I mean \$3000 for employee which required an adjustment. And there was a nonprofit -- a nonprofit rescue assistance program which is 2.5 million in each of 2021 and 2022, which was for a total of 5 million. And then there was a second amount of 5 million -- a total of \$5 million for a loan program for nonprofits. So, the nonprofit line really should be 10 million instead of the 5 million that's listed on this schedule. And the rest of the Resolution was to implement our item; so, I think that the summer youths and the artists numbers really should be on the nonprofit rescue line to bring that up to a total of 10 million. 5 million for the grant portion and 5 million for the loan portion that was contemplated in the Commissioner's resolution. I think we just have it mislabeled on the presentation."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So that, does that change the bottom line."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "No, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "You just changing the funding along the itemized lines--"

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "—it equals the same —"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "--the summer youths and the artists really needs to be moved down to the nonprofit line."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Good."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "I'm sorry about that."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, because we have addressed the pay performance you said that was the 6.5—"

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's the 6.5, so that needs to come out right."

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay, so I would suggest a friendly amendment to your resolution to remove that portion because we've already voted on that. The \$3000 was removed already, okay, Commissioner Morris just said it is a resolution."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm sorry."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, who is right?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Is it in there, Chairman, because I don't think it's in there -- the amount?"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "The version that I printed off of the agenda yesterday for premium pay for employees still has a \$3,000 payment for eligible employees. There was no total amount it just says—".

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, there's no total amount."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "—it said \$3,000 for employees, so, we had to do a calculation to calculate what the amount would be."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay, so my understanding is that amount is not in there; the amount for the six-point something that she stated is not in there, correct."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "But the pay performance is in the Resolution? There's just no amount, is that what it is? Because it is in the Resolution is it not? Or has it been removed?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Excuse me. May I make a suggestion Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, to give her while we're in executive session time to clean it up so we all have the same document before us if that's acceptable to you."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. Well, what are we cleaning up? That's what I'm just trying to figure that out."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "The resolution that was included in the agenda package, Roman numeral number 4 is identified as the employee pandemic relief program, and it says premium pay shall be granted eligible employees in an amount up to \$3,000 for work performed before May 12, 2021. So, on the schedule what you have in the impacts of the resolution column is the incremental funding that would have been required to meet that particular point of the resolution. So--"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, my point is, it is in the Resolution."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "But, you are saying to remove it and you need a second."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Because we've already voted on it."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'll second it; I'll second to remove it."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. All right."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, so there's no motion yet on the floor."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I made a friendly amendment for her to remove that because;"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "But there's no motion yet."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Oh, I'm sorry --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So you want to be heard; all right, let's go down the list here. Commissioners Morris, Hausmann, and Abdur-Rahman [Inaudible] motion."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "I got in the queue to make the point Roman numeral 4 on the attachment to the Resolution needs to be deleted because we dealt with that earlier."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Exactly."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes, so just for clarity, the third column 616-2021 that is the current allocation that's designated with the funds, regardless if the Resolution passes or not, that is the plan at this point."

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

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "All right thank you."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "So, I make the motion to approve with the friendly amendment removing Roman numeral four, thank you Commissioner Morris."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "The motion has been made by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, seconded by Vice Chair Hall."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "This is on the actual motion to approve with removing -- with a friendly amendment, yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Let's vote, please."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll entertain a motion to recess for lunch: litigation, personnel, and real estate. Properly moved and seconded. Cast your votes, please."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "I need to, if you would please, a mover and a seconder. Okay. And the vote is open."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Without objection, we will resume the regular order of business. Madam Clerk, call the roll to make sure we have a quorum, present. Madam Clerk?"

CLERK GRIER: "Chairman Robb Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Liz Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Present."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Bob Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Commissioner Lee Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Present."

CLERK GRIER: "Vice Chair Natalie Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Present."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Present."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Thank you. For the public record, Commissioner Arrington is taking ill, so he said to state that for the record. He will not be returning."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "In the absence of Commissioner Arrington, I'd like to make a --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- I'm sorry?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "In the absence of Commissioner Arrington, there were a couple of items that he really wanted to be able to vote on. I'd like to make a motion to move to the next meeting 21-0328, Registration and Elections. He asked that that be moved to the next meeting, so he can have an opportunity to vote on it because it's a very important issue."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Page 7?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Page 7, item No. 21-0328. Commissioner Arrington requested that that be moved to the next meeting, so that he can also vote on it because it's a very important issue. And wait a minute. I think I'm missing one. Sorry about that. Oh, and all of his items, he'd like those to be held. Let me see, 21-0460. He asked if that could be held because he had some questions about the Hammond's House and National Black Arts Festival. And all of his items that actually have his name on them."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Without amending the agenda as we come to his items, we'll just, in his absence, yes."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Just hold them. Okay. All right."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Mr. Chair, one of his items is 0413; and I spoke with Commissioner Arrington, too. And the companion item 0473."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What page? Which page Commissioner?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "0473 it's on 12 of 13. It sort of relates to discussion on --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- 0473?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "0473, yeah, so we would strike that one as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. All right. Madam Clerk. And if we missed any, we'll take them up as we come to them."

CLERK GRIER: "Do we have any items from executive session?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Madam County Attorney."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Good afternoon. Is there a motion to approve the settlement recommendation in Item No. 1 in the Executive Session agenda?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So moved."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second. Let's vote, please. This is not reflective properly here. So, the motion was to approve first item from Executive Session. Motion was made by Commissioner Morris, I seconded. All in favor say, aye. All oppose, no. It's approved. What's the next one?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Is there a motion to approve the settlement recommendation set forth in Item No. 2?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second. Any questions or comments?"

COMMISSIONERS: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "If not, all in favor say, aye. Oppose? No, it's approved."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Aye."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next. That's it?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "That was it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No, other items from Executive Session. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Back on the bottom of page 6, **21-0446**, Purchasing and Contract Compliance. Request approval of a Resolution to extend the emergency purchasing authority of the Chairman and County Manager for COVID-19 related purchases."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Is there a motion? I'll second --"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Then Vice Chair Hall has a question."

VICE CHAIR HALL: [Inaudible.]

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "It's on page 6, No. 0446. Is that the one?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes, 446. All right. Hold on one second. Let me get to that page. Oh, no that's okay. I do see it. I was going to ask about the inclusion, but I see you did include all the different specific fundings. That's great. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. All right. Madam Clerk, motion is to approve."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes; five yeas."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0447. Request ratification of countywide emergency procurement."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there motion? All right. To approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So, my question is about the feedings because what I see on here is lunch, and that's the only thing that's on this emergency expenditure is lunch for COVID-19 response. And I'm trying to understand how that's an emergency because we've been actually feeding people this entire time under COVID-19. So shouldn't we already have something in place that we know we need to feed them, and we kind of know how much we need to spend based on the number of people?"

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: "Good afternoon, Commissioner. Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Purchasing. Initially, we did approve about six or seven vendors to provide lunches for the SPOCS, they had to bring in another provider to supplement some of the lunches on some days, so that's what this approval is for. It's basically almost over as of the end of this month."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Cast your votes, please. Motion is to approve."

CLERK GRIER: "The vote is open. And the motion passes; five yeas, one abstention."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 7, 21-0448, Purchasing and Contract Compliance. Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder to provide countywide armored car services as needed."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion is to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Hausmann. Let's vote, please. Yes, sir, Commissioner Morris has a question."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah. Ms. Felicia Strong- Whitaker. The material showed that the bid tabulation was attached to that, but I didn't see it. Were there other bidders, or no? It's not clear from the materials."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Speak into your mic."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Only one bidder."

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: "There was only one bidder and that was Mike's."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions? If not, cast your votes, please. The motion is to approve."

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

CLERK GRIER: "21-0449, Registration and Elections."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The 0328 was that -- was that one of the ones that Commissioner Arrington asked to be held. Any objections to holding that one? All right. Hearing none, we will continue."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0449, Registration and Elections. Request approval to award a contract without competition to provide additional poll pads and accessories."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: Good afternoon, Commissioners. Richard Barron, Director of Registration and Elections. 21-0449, we have -- we're going to be increasing the number of Election Day polling places this year from 255 to 271 locations. And we need to get more poll pads, as well as the accessories that go along with them, in order to process voters in those new precincts. And some of these will also be dedicated to our training inventory as well. And these are being paid for out of our grant funds."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "We have a motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, with a second by me. Any questions, colleagues? Hearing none, please open the vote."

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Next item, please."

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0450**, Registration and Elections. Request approval to award a contract without competition to upgrade software system vote mail processing equipment."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "In regards to --"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Motion to approve is by Commissioner Morris, seconded by me. Any questions, colleagues? Oh, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Can you explain the nature of this; and this is not something we didn't already have in the prior election cycle?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "This is a software upgrade that is needed for security purposes with -- in order -- when we receive absentee ballots back in, when they run through this system that we have -- the Reliable system. So, anything that we mail out and it comes back in, if we connect to the Internet that they need to do their software upgrade, I think the last time -- when was the last time they upgraded this? This is going to Windows 10, correct? So, this is to upgrade it to Windows 10 in order -- and it all has to do with cyber security."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. So, this is an upgrade?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "All right. I got it."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "You finished it? Okay. Move approval by Commissioner Morris, seconded by me. Any additional questions? Hearing none, please open the vote."

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

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0451**, Registration and Elections. Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing for the purchase of extraction scanners."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there motion to approve?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion to approve by Commissioner Hall, seconded by, I'll second it for the sake of conversation. Commissioner Morris followed by Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "This is also grant funded. Is this the Zuckerberg grant that's funding this one?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Which grant?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "The Zuckerberg."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "This is Center for Tech and Civic Life."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Is that his?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Well, I'm not -- they have received funding from many organizations. I don't know how much of it was from Zuckerberg."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "But he's funding this?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "I don't know -- I don't know what the source of it is."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other questions or comments? The motion is to approve. Let's vote, please. Cast your vote. Madam Clerk."

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

CLERK GRIER: "21-0452, Registration and Elections. Request approval of a statewide contract to purchase additional voting equipment for training purposes as amended."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a motion. All right. I'll take your question."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. This was decreased by a significant amount. It was originally for over half a million dollars, and now it's decreased to 98,662. Can you explain why?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "There's supply chain issues from the vendor. They are not able -- with the grant fund to get the delivery because of supply chain issues globally with all the parts to do this, they can't get this equipment to us by the time the grant expires."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So does that mean you're not going to receive all of the equipment that you actually need?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Correct. This -- well, what this will do is at least it will give us a training inventory, which is what we're trying to do is get it to the point where we have an inventory just for Election Day, and an inventory for training, and inventory for early voting, so that we don't have to intermingle them. And if we don't have to pull them out of training -- sometimes we have to pull all of our equipment out of training; piecemeal as election gets closer. So, this will help us avoid that in the future."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And since this is going to create a situation where you're not getting all of the equipment that you need, then are you going to need to come back for more equipment?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes. And that is mentioned in the budget soundings."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "The budget soundings."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes. And there will be -- we will come back at a future date with that. We're working with the vendor to see what type of delivery schedule they will have."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So, we should look at the budget sounding Resolution that's coming up just to check on that? Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. What's your pleasure? Is there a motion to approve? Is there a motion to approve? All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall. Is there a second? Is there a second? All right. I'll second for discussion. Let's vote, please. Yes, I'm sorry, Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I just -- this is just a little more of a procedural thing. There's several of these items are purchasing items, but in the paperwork, or the Board stuff, originally it was just like a -- be like a one-page, like invoice or something. And then some of these things too, where as a normal purchasing item, there's a notation of what the source of funding is, or whatever that sort of stuff. And several of these is not necessarily noted. So, I don't know."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Ms. Strong-Whitaker."

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: "Commissioner, it should include all of the attachments that we attached via Legistar. The one that you're specifically looking at for the equipment."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "It's 0452. There's not a mention of what the funding line is and the sources and all that, but at least I don't see it."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "Commissioner Ellis, on page."

FELICIA STRONG-WHITAKER, DIRECTOR, PCC: "-- it's listed on page --"

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "-- page 256 of the packet funding -- on the funding line it's identified. It is the grants funding line. It was originally identified the \$532,000."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. On this paperwork I got here -- is this memo, I guess it doesn't have it on here. So, may be that was just -- may be that was an error. Maybe I just don't have it here. So, thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Other questions or comments? If not, cast your votes. Motion is to approve."

CLERK GRIER: And the motion passes; four yeas, one nay."

CLERK GRIER: "21-0453, Finance. Presentation review and approval of the June 16th, 2021 budget soundings."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a motion?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second? All right. I'll second. Any questions or comments?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Cause this is the soundings that Mr. Barron referred to; is that correct?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes. Well, what it mentions down towards the bottom is at this time, future equipment needs as a result Senate Bill 202, County will increase the number of polling locations from 255 to 271 in preparation for the upcoming election cycle will be required to procure additional equipment to furnish locations, and that will be very important next year with the Primaries and the General. And so, at some point between carriers, election equipment, privacy screens, we'll come back with a request for approximately three and a half million. But because of the supply chain issues globally, we need to get a schedule of the vendors working on a schedule of delivery for those items. But we are not requesting that in this sounding. This was just a note for future equipment needs."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'm not sure I understood what you just said. So, this 6 million plus, what's that for?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "That's for the municipal election budget for November."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "And that's for this year?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "That's for this year. The Municipal, General, and Municipal Run-off Elections."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This year."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yeah, this year."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Everybody clear on that? Commissioner Hausmann."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Yes. You mentioned 202 and having to increase precincts because of the number of voters. Does that apply to the Municipal Elections, or is that for General Elections?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "We are going to take a proposal to the Board next month to increase from 255 to 271, yes."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "For Municipal or for General?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "For Municipal. The Municipal General and the Municipal Run-off."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Okay. And typically, the turnout is not nearly that high. And with three weeks of early voting, do we really think that it's necessary for the Municipal Elections?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Typically, early voting."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I mean, have you done some analysis on that?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "We usually have lower early voting turnout during Municipal Elections than we do during other elections."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Correct."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "People tend to vote on Election Day more in those elections. And what we trying to do is make sure that we don't have any precincts right now over 5,000 voters. And so, what this will do -- we have a number of time limits now because of Senate Bill 202 on Election Night that we have to adhere to. And especially with the City of Atlanta being involved; and their polling places don't close until 8. We have to make sure that we have as many polling places to make the paperwork and the closeout as easy as possible for the poll workers. So that's why we're trying to increase it now."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I think it would be a good chance to analyze that for the future because typically, you know, there's not the big turnout that we've had."

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "And you're right. It's just that as a percent of the voters who vote in the Municipal Election Day is usually a much bigger chunk than in other elections where we might have 60 percent vote early; for these we might only have 30 percent voter --"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "—this one is going to be unique, too because we've got some countywide questions on there, but typically. All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So, what's here, this represents all you would need for the Municipal Elections, or --"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "-- yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "-- or you're going to make some recommendations to your Board about more locations? That's going to take more equipment?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Or you're going to go back, and ask for another sounding?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "This includes those increases in polling locations. It includes --yeah, we budgeted with anticipation of increasing to 271 locations."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Mr. Barron, I've got a question to ask you. And I want you to take your time in answering it. Is this increase as a result of SB 202?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Part of it is because we -- there are certain requirements in there. Especially, as we look to the future of line lengths, and if the lines get to be a certain length, you can risk the state forcing you to expand your polling locations. But they force you to go under 2,000 voters at a precinct. Right now, we have 16 precincts that are above 5,000 registered voters. So, we're trying to bring every precinct below 5,000 right now and in anticipation of Senate Bill -- the implications of Senate Bill 202. If we have any line lengths over an hour anywhere, then we will have to break those precincts down to 2,000, and that will -- that could increase the number of polling places we have by tens, twenties --"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Exactly. So, I guess, a better question would be: As a result of your implementation plan of trying to anticipate and comply with SB 202, this is a part of that plan?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay, sir. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Other questions or comments? If not, the motion before us is -- I'm sorry. Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes, I do because we're talking about an increase in polling locations, but we just had an item, 449 fail; and so, what impact would this have on you doing what you need to do to be successful with this increase in polling locations?"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "Well that item was is a grant funded item, and that would have allowed the grant fund to pay for those poll pads, were now, we will probably have to bring that before the Board of Commissioners, and ask that it be paid for out of the general fund."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Instead of the grant --"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "-- the grant expires at the end of the month."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "So, we just had an item fail where we could use grant funding to do something, and now we would have to use our general fund money to do it? That's what --"

RICHARD BARRON, DIRECTOR, FC BRE: "-- yeah, we would have to bring -- we'll have to come back."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Well that was really crazy -- okay. Thank you"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion is to approve. Let's vote, please."

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

CLERK GRIER: "On page 8, **21-0454**, Information Technology. Request approval of a recommended proposal to provide --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. It's a motion to approve. Is there a second?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "And Mr. Chairman, if I may. This item is for our brand-new Health and Human Services app. And with your indulgence, I'd like to ask the CIO, along with Dr. Roshell to spend, maybe three minutes previewing it for the Board. I think it's significant stuff in consolidating access to our HHS services. So, if the Board doesn't mind, I'd like to take just three minutes to do that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. You're on the clock. Approved by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Ellis. Where is she?"

GLENN MELENDEZ, CIO: "Thank you, Commissioners. Glen Melendez, CIO, for the County. This item is a collaborative effort between Dr. Roshell and Ms. Corbitt in External Affairs. It does advance our citizen engagement strategies by consolidating all services offered under HHS into a single mobile platform for our citizens. We've done a lot of these kind of things with the County in recent times. In doing citizen engagement and initiatives, including some of the technologies that we use today to engage citizens more readily in operations of the County. This particular item, from a strategic perspective, does centralize things under a single platform -- mobile platform, so it allows us to scale for other service offerings down the road to have them on a single service platform. With that said, there are just a couple of things that I just want to highlight on here in terms of features. You can keep skip a couple of slides Darren, if

you can skip the next two slides. You can skip the next couple of slides. Keep going. Next. All right. So, one of the features that I think is really a great feature is, it does allow embedded videos. So, if there are videos that we want to serve up to the community that is available on the app as well. Next. Service locations: So, location offerings that may be near you allows the citizens to see what service offerings are available near them. Next slide. Geo-fencing: Again, this allows you to see what service offerings are within your vicinity. Next slide. Some repetition there. We can push notifications to our citizens, which is really great. So, if there's a new service offering being offered by the County, we can push that notification to our citizens, so they know what is available to them. Next slide. There is also a contact form. That's one of the key features, which allow citizens to engage directly via phone, or via a form in the app itself that allows you to engage with a representative of the County on that particular feature, or service that you're looking to get information on. So, you can engage directly from the mobile app itself. Next slide. That's it. Thank you."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

GLENN MELENDEZ, CIO: "How did I do Chairman?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion is to approve."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I just want to say that I'm so happy to see this because Jessica knows that for some years, I've been pushing for us to have a guide, a service guide. And we started talking about doing that on the website, and to actually have an app is outstanding. So good work and congratulations on it."

GLENN MELENDEZ, CIO: "Congratulations to Jessica Corbitt and her team, who have been tremendous in this work."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Absolutely."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "It looks pretty fabulous. When will it go live?"

GLENN MELENDEZ, CIO: "We'll probably have the -- [Inaudible.] before we were pretty quick with Fulton Votes. That was about two months. I expect this might take about four to get done."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Four months?"

GLENN MELENDEZ, CIO: "Roughly."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "All right. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any other questions? None. The motion is to approve. Let's vote, please."

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

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0455**, Human Resource Management. Request approval of a recommended proposal to conduct a market compensation survey."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Move approval, but I have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. I'll second; your question, Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. I read through this thing over and over, and I could not find anything that -- thank you, Chad. I couldn't find anything that describes details about the deliverables that are expected at the end of each phase."

STACEY JONES, DEPUTY CHIEF, HR OFFICER: "Good afternoon Commissioners, Stacey Jones, Deputy Human Resource Officer. So, as you have read, this survey and analysis will be presented to you in two phases. Phase one deliverable is for the recommended vendor to provide analysis and recommendation, as it relates to elected official, salaries, and salary structure, as well as salary and salary structures for other key classifications, within the County. Phase two deliverable would be for the consultants to then provide the same analysis – conduct the same analysis, and provide recommendation as it relates to all other positions within the County."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you."

STACEY JONES, DEPUTY CHIEF, HR OFFICER: "You Welcome."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Let's vote, please. The motion is to approve."

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

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0457**, County Manager. Request approval of a Resolution and the Restatement and Second Amendment of an IGA between Fulton County and the Fulton County Board of Health."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a motion? All right. The motion to approve by Commissioner Ellis, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Vice Chair Hall has a question."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. So, let me see. We made changes -- the only change that was made was to change it from Real Estate and Asset Management to the County Manager's office?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Good afternoon, Commissioners. Yes, that was the primary change; was to change it to the County Manager's office because it encompasses agreements from several different departments. The other change that we made was that we recognized after the agenda was published that the attachment did not come in the order of what we were requesting approval for. So, I reordered it in a memo to the Board. And so, the proper order, as well as the change in the department."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. We didn't have much time to really read this because it wasn't e-mailed until yesterday, and then when it was sent, initially, it didn't have all of the documents. So, it was resent around 2 o'clock, and it's a hundred and 89 pages long. So, out of what I could get in, with the help of Anita, my Director of Legislative and Community Affairs here goes: It mentioned something about employees who decided not to transition, so I wanted to know how many employees decided not to transition to the State? And what percentage of the total employee base of BOH does that encompass?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "So I'm not aware of any employees that did not decide to transfer, but before we get into questions, Vice Chair, with your permission, I just want to make one brief opening remark, and then I'll allow Dr. Paxton to do the same if that's, okay, with the Board. I mean, I think we had -- we also anticipated the directive in January to proceed with the transitioning of the Board of Health. And it has taken meetings multiple times a week, and the executive teams from both organizations working hand-in-hand since that time, to get us to the point where we have these four agreements that will allow us to continue this services without any interruption to constituents of Fulton County. So, I for one, I'm very proud of the work that we did. I think the agreements are reflective of the work that was done to ensure a smooth transition. And I'd like to thank Dr. Paxton and her team, for participating in that exercise as well. I'm also going to ask Kenneth Hermon to assist with the employee question that you had Vice Chair."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you."

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "I was just going to say quickly that 100 plus number pages represent a great deal of electoral tears and sweat."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I'm sure."

DR. LYNN PAXTON, DIRECTOR, FC BOH: "I just want to thank the Board of Commissioners for having voted to -- on the previous Resolution that allows us to do this with a minimum amount of disruption to our services, and to our employees. So, I just wanted to specifically say, thank you for this."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right and Kenneth."

KENNETH HERMON, CHIEF HR OFFICER: "Good morning, Commissioners. I should say, good afternoon. Commissioner Hall, we don't have an actual count of how many employees have not made a decision to transition. And just for clarification: If they're making that decision not to transition that means one of two things; they've decided to seek employment somewhere else, or to retire from the County, and not go work with the Board of Health because as the Resolution that you have, when the Board of Commissioners developed and approved, requires them to transition with the Board of Health. And we are not going through the normal RIF placement process. So, we don't have a count right now, but we will get that to you, based on my communication with the Finance Director is to have employees have decided to retire."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you for that extra explanation that would be needed. And it states that the Board of Health needs to utilize the two mobile units that were purchased using CARES Act funding by the County. How long do you foresee that the Board of Health will need to use those two mobile units?"

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "The agreement provides for a lease at a dollar for one year, Commissioner. Of course, if the Board of Health feels like they need that for additional time, we'll be able to work with them. But the agreement expires one year after the transition, so that'll be July 2022."

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

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion is to approve. Any other questions or comments? All right. Cast your votes, please."

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

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

CLERK GRIER: "On page 9, under Arts and Library, **21-0458**. Request approval of a recommended proposal to provide adult, young adult, and children's books, and adult best-selling lease books."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Vice Chair Hall. Any questions or comments? If not, let's vote, please."

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Mr. Manager, before we leave the library situation, Mr. Manager the -- those plaques in those renovated libraries and so forth and the photos, has come up again, so we need to."

DICK ANDERSON, COUNTY MANAGER: "Could I have a moment on those. I do think -- I've asked Al to prepare a memo for the Board for you to make a make a decision -- if decision is the right word. But I want you to be aware: The plaques as they would be constructed or when the libraries were all commissioned. It's almost a completely different set of people. Alternatively, you could do plaques for when they are opened. So, if you're open to looking at that, I'm going to bring that forward. Al's preparing a memo to do that that would then allow you to determine which names you want listed on these plaques for the libraries. Hopefully, that makes sense."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. We'll take a look at that. Thank you. Madam Clerk."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We did voted. There was a motion. All right we'll make it. Let's do it again. The motion was made and seconded; and we voted on it, and it was approved."

CLERK GRIER: "Okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Correct. Next item 0459."

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0459**, Library. Request approval to extend an existing contract to provide Internet access and connectivity for all library locations."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "Mr. Chairman, the Purchasing Director, and I had an opportunity to have extensive discussion about this item over the break, and we'd like to jointly request the Board remove this item from the agenda. And we will bring it back in its correct form in the July meeting."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. So, without objection, 0459 will be removed. Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: Under Health and Human Services, **21-046** --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "-- now, the previous one, 0460; that was one that Commissioner Arrington wanted held. If there's no objections to holding it, correct. All right. Continue. 0460, Arts and Culture."

ANNA ROACH, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER: "The four contracts, or."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "He had questions about Hammonds House and the National Black Arts Festival that he needed to ask."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, some of these -- I mean, there were approved in January. Some of these are contracts. A lot of them are dependent upon this money. I get it, but, I mean, you know, to delay it another month, when it should've already happened three months ago, four months ago is a hardship on these organizations for their operations. So, I'd I like to go ahead and go forward with it. I move approval on the item."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Do I hear a second?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Any discussions."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I do."

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "All right. Well, can we pull out the two that Commissioner Arrington had a question about Hammonds House and National Black Arts Festival, and separate them?"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Is that a friendly amendment?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That is a friendly amendment."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "I'll accept your friendly amendment."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "This will be a division of this item. Which two are we going to take up?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "The other two. What is it; Johns Creek and --"

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "-- no. It wasn't Johns Creek."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "No."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Hammond's House and Black Arts Festival."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "No. He said, which one are we going to take up."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Oh. That we're going to take up?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yeah."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "Well, if we're taking those two out, then the Chattahoochee Nature site and Johns Creek."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll entertain a motion on those two."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "So moved."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Is there a second?"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Properly moved and seconded. Vice Chair, you want to be heard, no. Commissioner Morris, you want to be heard?"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, just quickly. What's the source of funding on this? I know we dealt with these in the budget, but."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Commissioner Morris, these legacy partnerships are funded every year in the general fund budget."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "It's not part of the grants?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "No, sir."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Okay."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. Commissioner Arrington left because he was ill, and we, you know, we have a duty to our constituents to do the right thing. And this is my opinion, but I want to openly state it. You know, we have a sense of urgency with some things, and then we don't have a sense of urgency with others. And I think it's very important that if we truly are going to be fair across the board, we can't pick and choose what's important, and what's not important on our own

privilege, so to speak. And so, I would ask that we think about that. I know there's a motion forward, but Commissioner Arrington was ill. Commissioner Arrington did ask for these to be held because he had important information at least that's what was relayed to me. And so, I just think that we need to be fair across the board. If we're going to do it for one, do it for others. And, you know, if he says that he's ill, and he leaves; and he wants to vote on it, I just think that's a fair request. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Any other questions or comments? Motion before us is to approve. Cast your votes, please."

CLERK GRIER: "And the motion passes; five yeas, one abstention."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Continue, Madam Clerk."

CLERK GRIER: "Under Health and Human Services, **21-0461**, Senior Services. Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder to provide pool maintenance services for four senior multipurpose facilities as needed."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Is there a motion? To approve by Commissioner Hausmann, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. Any questions? Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I'm sorry, Chair that was left from earlier."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion is to approve."

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

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0462**, Public Works. Request approval to renew existing contracts to provide standby miscellaneous construction wastewater system services."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Hausmann. Any questions? Hearing none, let's vote, please."

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

CLERK GRIER: "On page 10, **21-0463**, Community Development. Request approval of the pilot Fulton County Youth Leadership Program."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Motion is to approve by Commissioner Hall. Is there a second? I'll second. I have a question as well. Commissioner Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. 463 -- sorry. Hold on one second."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'm going to ask mine."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. Go ahead."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "What is a software -- is that a video that we're buying? What is this? It's software platform; what does that mean?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Chairman, this is a partnership with 21st Century Leaders, which is a youth development program. And this will be access to leadership development training, using a virtual platform software, videos, and things of that nature with students in Fulton County."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So, it is a video?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "I'm sorry."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "I didn't hear you, Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "It's a video that were buying."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "It's a platform of resources. Videos are a part of it; modules for education training."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'm just curious. I'm ignorant when it comes to this IT stuff. But what is a platform? What does that mean; I'm just curious."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "So when students go into this program, they will have access to a variety of resources. Some are videos, some are modules --"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- how will they access it?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "How will they access it? So, each student will be registered. They will sign-up for the program. They will have an orientation, and then they will get access to a variety of leadership resources."

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. I'm looking at the memo dated June the 11th from yourself to the Commissioners. Subject: Pilot Fulton County Youth Leadership Program. I noticed that it says this program started May 1st, and I haven't seen any media releases, or flyers or, communications, or social media about it. Can you please let us know, you know --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "-- yes, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "-- where is the social media? Where's the communications, the media release; do we have flyers that we could share? Can you send them to us PDF?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Yes, ma'am. Thank you for that question. I did send a correction to your Chiefs of Staff with the correct dates. The program has not launched because the Board did not approve this program. And so, there are currently in development, all of the flyers and information that you will receive if this item is approved by the Board."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So, what is the new date?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "The new date that the program will launch will be when the students return to school in August. So, we anticipate recruitment and marketing in August for ninth through twelfth graders. We are funded for 400 students, and we'll recruit through clubs, and other organizations at each school to participate in the program. Once a student is in the program, they can participate from ninth through twelfth grade."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. And it mentioned some initiatives, but the website is very vague on what the initiatives are. Can you kind of give us an overview of that?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Yes, ma'am. So, this platform is built on the different concepts of leadership, and creating good character, preparing students to just be overall good citizens, college prep modules, career modules, and leadership modules in general. As students' progress through the program, they can gain incentives and awards as they complete different levels of the program. Also built into the program are incentives like gift cards, and other awards and prizes to incentivize students to complete all of the modules related to certain subject areas."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "That's good. And so, when you say the new launch begins in August, does that mean that you will start recruiting now up until August? Or does that mean that the recruitments starts in August?"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "The recruitment starts in August, yes, ma'am."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay. So, we should see all of the communications in August once you start recruiting."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "We will make sure that the Board gets that information before the launch. That you are well aware before the opening day of the application and registration process. So, I will ensure that you have that information before the public."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I just want to go on record, Dr. Roshell that I've actually talked to Fulton County School Board Members. They're excited about this program. At the end of the day, we have to invest in our youth. At the end of the day, we have to meet our youth where they are. And a lot of our youth don't know how to have a conversation. They don't know how to speak to someone with direct contact. They don't know how to go to an interview. They don't know the very simplest of things. And I think -- I'm very excited that this program is open to the high schoolers. That it's interactive; that it's something that they can actually earn incentives through, and I'm very excited about it. Chairman, I know that you probably are technically challenge, but me having some education in my background, I can tell you things that we take for granted because we are the older generation; this generation just does not know how or what to do. And so, anything that we can do that will enhance one, there social skills; two, their ability to be good stewards, and good citizens; and also engage them where they are, which is interactive, and on the computer. I absolutely applaud you Dr. Roshell. So, I just wanted to go on record that this is well needed, and it is past due. And I look forward to it being passed a pilot program."

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Thank you, Commissioner."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Quick question: On the -- would something like this then qualify for reimbursement from the ARAP? "

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "I'll ask our CFO."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I mean, it just seems to fit --"

DR. PAMELA ROSHELL, DEPUTY COO, FC HHS: "Yes, sir."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "-- some of the categories and stuff that they cite."

SHARON WHITMORE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: "It probably would. I think we could take a closer look at it to see if there's something we can shift out of our general fund resources over to the fiscal local fiscal recovery funds."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. Thanks."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. The motion is to approve. Let's vote, please."

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

CLERK GRIER: "Under Infrastructure and Economic Development, **21-0464**, Public Works. Request Board of Commissioners approval of an intergovernmental agreement for the use and distribution of proceeds generated by the 2021 transportation special purpose local option sales tax referendum."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall, seconded by Commissioner Hausmann. Are there questions? Absence of questions, let's vote, please."

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

CLERK GRIER: "Under Commissioners' Actions Items, **21-0465**. Request approval of a Resolution supplementing the Board of Commissioners, December 17th, 2008 Resolution consenting to the inclusion of certain Fulton County Taxes, in the computation of tax allocation increment of the City of Atlanta allocation District No. 1, Westside."

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

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to note that this was approved by NPUL, and the English Avenue Community. So, I'm really glad to see this, its affordable housing."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Cast your vote."

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

CLERK GRIER: "Item moved up by Commissioner Ellis, on page 12, **21-0418**.

Discussion: Public comment rules sponsored by Chairman Pitts."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I mean, it was your discussion item, right? I just had it moved up because it was germane before the action items related to public comment. What's that? Not on the public comment. That's a different one; we removed that one. Yeah, this is a discussion related to public comment rules. I'll be glad to start talking on it, but I didn't know if you wanted to introduce it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Go ahead. I thought we talked about this at the last meeting, and everyone should have received a report from my office, regarding what was, yeah, it was dated June the 11th, and that was sent to each Commissioner."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Well, I have some comments on it."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. And these are just some thoughts that we looked at what surrounding counties are doing, and offered several options for us to consider."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "I'll just brief then in remarks on it. I mean, I think that we started accepting written comments; I don't think that's necessarily a bad thing. I think we should continue to do so. I think the bigger question is: How do we provide for a public comment, in an open and fair manner, while also ensuring that we have some sort of consistent start to our meeting times, right? This is sort of a -- need to figure out how to strike a healthy balance of that. I personally, you know, sort of liked the approach that Gwinnett County is used; and I think, some other folks -- I think some cities in Fulton County actually use it as well, where they take public comment at the end. One alternative to that of having a fixed amount of public comment time, at the beginning, and then any remarks that aren't heard within some sort of period of time, are heard at the end. And I also thought what we've had at the past two meetings of the grouping together of the written comments that are essentially identical, but the reading of the names of the ones that were identical, you know, was a good -- certainly a good approach as well. So, I think, to me, I mean those three elements: having a fixed amount of time starting at the beginning the meeting, you know; grouping together these written comments, and then, you know, an option for remarks at the end, if all of the remarks aren't cover, in whatever that set period of time is. Whether it's 20 minutes, whether it's 30 minutes, or whether it's 45 minutes, or an hour."

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

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chairman. It looks like all of Commissioner Ellis' comments are in my motion. I'm saying that maybe we can merge these the 21-0466 that I have actually on the agenda will cure all of this; and absolutely agree with everything Commissioner Ellis said."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Point of inquiry."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Commissioners' comments here. I guess, maybe I misread your Resolution. I guess, I sort of read some of that. You had styled, some of these is only changes that will be applicable in the context of a pandemic. Did I misread that?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, you misread it. What I was trying to do was to give the Board the authority because it is a pandemic, but at some point, the pandemic will be over. And so that will give us the authority to amend it to what we need to because I'm thinking, once the pandemic is over, we won't have a hundred and 70 e-mail comments or such. And so, part of mine was to allow us to do the -- how we have it now where we have one person -- it's announced as one persons, and then the person that's yay or nay, we were able to go through it this morning quickly. And then all those that were alike, were grouped. And so, after the pandemic, at which time we need to resolve that, we can come back and change that because I don't anticipate -- I mean, I'm open to any conversation, but I don't anticipate after the pandemic that we will have individuals that will need to, you know, send in almost 200 e-mail comments. And so, in order to actually accommodate it because of the pandemic, the way that we did it this morning, I thought, was a great way to do it. And then moving forward, if we need to change it, or streamline it more, we'll be able to come back and do it."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. I guess, in my comments, I guess what the e-mail commentary, I think, regardless of the pandemic, should be a permanent feature."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "You want the e-mail to be a permanent feature?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Yeah, yeah."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Okay. You know what; I'll make it easy for you. I agree."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "What about the, I mean, one thing that's not -- I didn't see in here that this spoke too is, I guess, it's a point of discussion for the Board. Do we ever want to, basically, cut off time at the front of a meeting, and just have a set end time? You know, we end it in 30 minutes, and if it's not heard, I think, a couple of folks have

this, right in their stuff. And if it's not heard within that window, whatever is, then there's an opportunity for those folks who still want to be heard, or if there's e-mail comments that weren't read during that, but they're read at the end."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "May I make a suggestion?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. Why don't the two of you get together and come up with something, and come back, so that we all can look at it and vote it up or down. Does that make sense?"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "That's fair."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "You want to add something; did you?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "That's fine. I'm open. I just want us to have some consistency soon as possible because --"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "-- I agree."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "We end up only meeting once next month, and we don't want to have the same situation. So that was my only concern is that you, Chairman, yourself, you been saying that we've been dealing with this for two months. And so, but I'm more than happy to entertain it, or a friendly amendment. It's just up to you all."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So let's do this; without any objection then, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, Commissioner Ellis get together, and come up with something -- and you want to be involved in it? All right --"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Or while we're here if other people have comments around that they want to throw in, speak up."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "With the three of y'all because today seemed to work better."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Exactly, and so, if we can use the model of today, I'm fine. Commissioner Ellis, was there something in particular, other than what I just acquiesce to? Because I don't have a problem with what you said."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "No. I think the structure we use today was fine, but let's say there had been 600 e-mail comments, or if there had been, you know, 45 public speakers; do we want to -- do we want to hear all of those, or did we want to, you know, put a finite time on something, right? Do we want to say: After an hour of public

comment max, you know, we'll plan it. And if there are other things that weren't read into the record, or speakers that weren't heard we, would hear it at the end of the meeting. That's really the bigger question is. I mean, we have stated rules, but we've never followed them about a time frame, right? And -- because we had this idea that we wanted to let people be heard, so, you know, kind of -- my thought is, allow people to be heard, but also allow us to fix point in time where, you know, we're going to start our meeting regardless, you know. So, we're going to start our meeting, you know, at 11:30, you know, or whatever regardless. And then if there were comments that weren't heard, we would hear -- we would -- we would bring those forth at the end of the meeting. So that's really the only sort of open question in my mind is, you know, kind of this time frame. The fashion in which we did the e-mail comments, and all that other stuff, I'm fine with that. I thought that's work well in the past two meetings."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Well, Commissioner Ellis, I'm willing to take that as an amendment. I don't have a problem with that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Any objection to writing it down, so that we'll have it in front of us?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "I don't have a problem with that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "So it's the three of you."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "We'll come back with something."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Are we not --"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "-- okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Right now, we got three people working on this. Prior to our next meeting in almost a month for y'all to get together, and we'll have something to vote up or vote down. It's not so complicated. Simple process."

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: "My only comment is: I thought today went very well. The staff had plenty of time to compile all of the e-mails into groups. So, my suggestion would be, to have some sort of published cut off time for e-mails to be received, so that we have time to sort them out, and make sure that everybody's name is mentioned."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "That's reasonable."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "So, Chairman, can I say -- and here again, I understand what you're trying to do, but I'm in agreement with everything that's being

said. So, can we just move it today, vote on it, and move? And that way, we'll have it in place for the next one."

(Someone is speaking in the background not on a mic.)

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yeah, that's my only concern."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "All right. If you want to kick the can down the road another month, it's all right with me. I'm just saying; we went well this morning, and here again, when we come back in July, we may have the same situation, so it's up to you all."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Let's move forward. I think we're all on the same page here now. All right. What's next?"

CLERK GRIER: "Bottom of page 10, **21-0467**. Request approval of a Resolution by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners amending and clarifying the per diem allotment available for the Board of Directors of the Development Authority of Fulton County, and for other purposes sponsored by Commissioner Morris."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Yes Sir, Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Yeah, as I've indicated to some of you, I'd like to hold this today, but have a little discussion about it. I've been hoping that we would find evidence in the minutes, something that this Board of Commissioners did in some point and time in history, to create a per diem for the Development Authority of Fulton County as required by state law. So far, unless something's happened in the last hour or two, we haven't found anything like that. Is that correct Ms. Burwell?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "That is correct."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "So, arguably – and I say, arguably because I think that there's just open questions that we need to resolve. Arguably, there is no per diem set for the Development Authority. And perhaps none should ever have been paid, so that raises any number of questions and open questions; and that's why I want to hold this thing for further study, to see what we ought to do. My preference, quite frankly, would be to set the Per diem at \$0. And I know state law does say, there shall be a per diem. Gwinnett and Cobb for the last 11 years, they've been under this state law have not adopted a per diem. Arguably, and arguably -- it's the lawyer in me; I guess says that inaction is action to set a per diem at zero. And I'm not sure why we can't do that. Invest Atlanta Board Development Authority, on which I sit, pays no per diem. Each

citizen does it as public service. The Cobb and Gwinnett Development Authority folks do it as public service. So, I'm hoping that we'll get some resolution about all that by our next meeting, and decide what we want to do with this per diem. I think the Development Authority is trying to take some actions, and I applaud them for that to sort of -- sort of create some transparency about all of this. The other thing I've asked the County Attorney for is some paper that allows us to require the Development Authority of Fulton County members to be required to file financial disclosure reports. All of us on this Board, in addition to the financial disclosure reports we have to file with the state; we have to file one with the County, and it seems to me that this entity, which in effect invests millions and millions of dollars of public money, ought to be filing some financial disclosure reports as well. And the one that's already existing -- the form that already exists for us to file, and perhaps others -- I'd be interested, Ms. Burwell, if there are other Boards and Commissions that we have that are required to file that -- but if we can in fact make that a requirement of serving on that Board as well for next time, I think that would be terrific. And with that Mr. Chairman, you know, some of us have talked individually about some of the open questions, and we'll continue to look at those over the next month. But I would like to hold this one until our next meeting."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right. As the author, you recommended that we hold. All right. Vice Chair seconds that. Vice Chair, wants to be heard, then Commissioner Abdur-Rahman wants to be heard."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I just wanted to address the fact that I asked the County Attorney some questions about the per diem and it was found that the vote for this current per diem at \$200 per meeting was actually done by the development authority of Fulton County board which goes against the law. They did not have the authority to set that per diem to begin with. So, I think that we do need to hold this so that we can really look deeper into this, and come back with all the facts. And I agree with Commissioner Morris".

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Abdur-Rahman."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Thank you, Chairman. I think we also should as a Board allow the Development Authority to give us any proof of anything that they have in the spirit of transparency because I would like to be fair. I have some questions myself, but I also know that they have been very successful in a lot of development. And so, I would not want us to make any decisions without allowing them to fully give full disclosure -- I have gotten quite a bit of information from my appointee, and I am awaiting on some information myself that I have asked for. And so, I would just politely suggest to my colleagues that they do the same because it has been in the news. I have gotten several calls one way or another. And I think this deems us making sure

that we have some serious conversations with them and give them an opportunity to put forth whatever documentation they have because I don't know about anybody else, but I'm real hesitant about Fulton County being embarrassed because we may not have caught something. And that's not to say that they have not done anything or everything above board, but I think we don't need to rush to judgment, but we do need to do what we have been elected to do which is to have conversations, make sure our appointees is giving us information. You know don't just appoint someone and then you don't have a conversation with them, but then you're totally shocked when you see something in the news report. And so, we have to look at how clean our hands are and what we have done to make sure that Fulton County 1. is not embarrassed, and 2. that we don't throw the baby out with the bath water. So, Commissioner Morris, I do agree. I've had a conversation, several conversations with you about this and I hope that we can get the information forthcoming that we need, and make the decisions accordingly."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Commissioner were you suggesting that we invite them to come before the board and explain or--"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "You know what Chairman; I think that would be best. I think that would be best because we've got to decide what's facts and what's conjecture. And so, I just think that that's what we need. That's what we need. So, I would put forth that we should ask for them to come forth, and whatever we ask for that we need to be able to make the decisions that we need to make that they either 1. supply the paperwork or supply the reason why they don't have the paperwork. And so yes, I would concur with that Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Any objections to us inviting the Board or representative of the Board to appear before us to discuss this matter? Okay. Commissioner -- Vice Chair Hall."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "I just wanted to let everyone know that I asked them if there was someone that could come forward from the Development Authority of Fulton County and speak to us today, and one of the responses that I received was that the crisis management expert advised against it. And so, I don't know what that means, but I do - I did ask for that and I wanted to add to that is necessary as well as a report on all other boards and their per diem's so that we can see across the board what this looks like. And a clear and concise written law because I got a lot of documents from our e-mails back and forth Madam County Attorney, but I want to make sure that my colleagues have those as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay. Two things number 1 there was a report done about – we must have some sixty-seventy-eighty boards, commissions, authorities, and et cetera

that was done. I thought we acted on them, but apparently, we have not. So, would you dust that off. It also includes compensation and each board receives I think you'll probably cutting out about 20 or 30 of them anyway to reduce the number because half of them don't even meet. There's no need for half of them anymore. You can bring that back to us way before our next meeting Mr. Manager. That will be appreciated. And number 2 with respect to the comments by Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, I would be, if there are no objections, I will write the letter on behalf of the Board asking them to appear to talk to us about the situation. Is that what I'm hearing?"

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "Yes, Chairman. I just wanted to make it known because I have had a conversation with Commissioner Lee Morris. I've gotten several calls from the Board wanting to meet with me. And so, I'm not sure why they told Commissioner Hall that -- Vice Chair Hall, but no, I'm not saying that it's not true, what I'm telling you is my experience has been different, and I went out of my way to tell them that I would not meet with them until I came to this body and had a conversation. And so, they have wanted to meet quite a few members of other commissioners up here. Their appointees have reached out to me personally wanting to meet with me and I have told them to wait. And so, I just want to clear that up that I have gotten response from them. They have wanted to meet with me and I have told them to wait because I wanted to see what was the action of the Board because here again, we still need four votes on anything that we do. And I don't want to go and meet with half of the Board, all of the Board only to come back and we don't have the full information. And so, I just wanted to make sure that I'm on the record letting the public know that I have received several requests from that Board and also appointees across the board that wanted to meet with me. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, in the absence of any objection, I will extend an invitation on behalf of the full Board for them to, someone, a representative to appear at our next meeting to discuss this matter. Any objections? Commissioner Ellis more questions."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Well, I have a question not necessarily an objection, per se. It's my understanding that you know the authority has developed their own revised set of policies and so forth of which I'd really like to have a copy of those before we have some sort of representative appear and just sort of talk generically to us. I'd like to see if they've adopted something perhaps that's generally in concert with what all of our you know views would be anyway. So, I'd like to get that before any meeting. So, if we could request that on behalf of the Board. Yes, I mean we could request that I'd rather have that request on behalf of the Board you know that we'd be provided with that you know earliest or soon as it's available."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, in addition to them appearing before us--"

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: “Well, I’d like to see that before we just had somebody generically appear before us.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Chairman I just would like for us to be specific in what we're asking for them to present to us because I do agree I have asked for items. I haven't received them yet because I wanted to wait until the Board -- I have asked for specific items, copies of bylaws and such, and so, and meetings, so at any rate, I would agree with Commissioner Ellis, we do need that information, but we also do need a letter sent from us requesting their presence. Thank you.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Well, I’ll craft something and try to capture the spirit of what I’m hearing today in terms of what they have already done, and also ask them to come before us and I was just informed that the President should have no objection of appearing before us. Okay. Next item.”

CLERK GRIER: “Page 11, Commissioner's Full Board Appointment, **21-0468**. Fulton Atlanta Land Bank authority. Vice Chair Hall has nominated Kyle Lamont for a full board appointment to a term ending August 7, 2023.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Second, questions or comments if not vote please.”

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

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0469**. Development Authority of Fulton County. Fulton County Board of Education has appointed Dr. Mike Looney for a full board appointment to a term ending May 31, 2025.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Now we are, what is the correct are we affirming their, what are we doing, what’s the correct term Madam County Attorney. Madam County Attorney, it’s not optional, so what are we doing?”

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: “Right, so you have -- they make the choice and the board then accepts their choice and approves it.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “So, we accept their choice.”

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: “Yes.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right.”

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

CLERK GRIER: “On page 12, **21-0470** Development Authority of Fulton County. Atlanta Board of Education has appointed Erica M. Long, Esquire for full board appointment to a term ending May 31, 2025.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “And again, we will be accepting their appointment. Okay. All right. Properly moved and seconded.”

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

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “Mr. Chairman point of order; could we go ahead and take the other board appointment at this time, move that up, take that now the board of assessors appointment that we added, would you be okay with that?”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Where is that.”

COMMISSIONER HAUSMANN: “It’s item 476.”

CLERK GRIER: “Add-on memo page 3.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, sound that.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21-0476**, Fulton County Board of Tax Assessors. Commissioner Hausmann has nominated Michael Fitzgerald for a full board reappointment to a term ending June 30, 2025.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Is there a motion to approve by Commissioner Hausmann seconded by Commissioner Morris. cast your votes, please.”

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “All right, continue.”

CLERK GRIER: “Back on page 12, under Commissioners Presentation and Discussion Items, **21-0471**. Discussion Atlanta Beltline June 9, 2021, CEO report sponsored by Commissioner Morris.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “That was one of the ones that we asked to be held.”

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: “No, no, not the Beltline. Beltline CEO report is just perfunctory. It’s not anything we take any action on.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Wait, which one are you – 0417 –"

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "0417."

CLERK GRIER: "We're talking about 0471, I'm sorry."

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: "She's sounded 471 Mr. Chairman."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "No, we're talking about 0417. Was it one of the ones that –"

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Yes, we did. We did hold his, but we're now --"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "We're holding 017. We'll take those up as we get to them...71, all right."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "This the Beltline CEO report issued to the executive committee of the Beltline, not the full Board there. Any questions about this report I'd be happy to get the information to you on that."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next."

CLERK GRIER: "**21-0472**, Discussion Invest Atlanta Board of Directors May 20, 2021, meeting summary sponsored by Commissioner Morris."

COMMISSIONER MORRIS: "Again, this is the routine set of summary minutes of the actions taken by the Invest Atlanta Development Authority, at its May 20th meeting. If anyone would like any information about any of those items, I'd be happy to get that for you as well."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Okay, next one."

CLERK GRIER: "Next, back to the Consent Agenda on page 3, item removed for separate consideration by Vice Chair Hall. **21-0431** Finance. No action is requested this reporting is being provided to meet the quarterly reporting requirement for the monetary transfers among budget funds for Board Resolution 09-01262."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Thank you move approval and my question; do I have a second?"

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "I'll second."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "My question was just about the fitness center. It mentioned the fitness center in this item and I wanted to know does this include the equipment

because I've had quite a few employees mention how the fitness center in their words is awful."

HAKEEM OSHIKOYA, DIRECTOR, FINANCE: "Madam Vice Chair, we're actually looking into replacing the equipment, so, this doesn't include the equipment. This is just information of reporting transactions to the account. We are looking into replacing the equipment."

VICE CHAIR HALL: "Okay, that's good thank you."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Next item."

CLERK GRIER: "And the vote is open. And for the add-on items also on the recess; added to the recess meeting agenda on page 3 of the add-on memo, **21-0475** Registration and Elections request approval to utilize corporative purchasing for the purchase of inventory tracking software."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "All right what's your pleasure? Commissioner Abdur-Rahman approval seconded by Commissioner Morris any questions? All right let's vote, please."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Have a question."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: "Commissioner Ellis."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So, this is I guess sort of a very procedural question. So, this is a grant funded item, is that correct?"

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

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Did SB202 not permit the use of grant funding for election purposes."

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "It will not be applicable to this because these grant funds were received last year."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "So, the Act doesn't speak to expenditures once the Act is passed?"

KAYE BURWELL, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: "It applies to grant funds going forward not grant funds received in the past."

COMMISSIONER ELLIS: "Okay. I know I don't necessarily fully interpret it that way, but, okay."

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay. Anyone else? The motion on the floor is to approve. Cast your votes, please.”

CLERK GRIER: “And the vote is open. And the motion passes; four yeas, one nay.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Next item.”

CLERK GRIER: “**21- 0477**, Revision of the Resolution encouraging the deposit of a portion of funds allocated to Fulton County through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2020, and other funds with minority owned financial institutions that meet the County’s investment policy guidelines sponsored by Chairman Pitts.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hall seconded by Commissioner Ellis. These the two amendments spoke about earlier. 1. expanded it to include clarify not only domicile but headquarters in Fulton County, but also a branch or office of Fulton County and having to be in business at least two years. Motion is to approve. Cast your votes please.”

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

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Other items to come before us today.”

CLERK GRIER: “No further items Mr. Chairman.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay now, back to the just before we adjourn, Commissioner Abdur-Rahman, may you and Commissioner Hall, and Commissioner Ellis, to clarify and come up with the document regarding public comment.”

COMMISSIONER ABDUR-RAHMAN: “Yes, Chairman.”

CHAIRMAN PITTS: “Okay, thank you. Any other matters to come before us today here and now we are adjourned.”

(CONCLUDED AT 4:52 PM)