



During the Birmingham City Council Meeting on November 27th 2018, the City Council voted on the following items:

1. *An Ordinance "TO FURTHER AMEND THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, by appropriating \$247,500.00 to Non Departmental, Board of Education, \$100,000.00 to Non Departmental, Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement, \$100,000.00 to Boutwell Auditorium, R&M Buildings & Facilities, \$100,000.00 to the Office of the City Attorney, Professional Fees Other, \$100,000.00 to Finance Department, Professional Fees Other, \$125,000.00 to Information Management Services, Technology Maintenance Desktop Maintenance; and "TO FURTHER AMEND THE CAPITAL BUDGET" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, by appropriating \$100,000.00 to Equipment Management, Vehicles (for the purchase of 3 Pickup Trucks and 1 Van). Funding Source is additional Bank Excise Tax.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean?

The funding for these appropriations (listed in full below) comes from Bank Excise Tax. This is a tax at the State level on profits from banks that are located in Birmingham.

<u>Title of Appropriation</u>		<u>Amount</u> <u>Increase/Decrease</u>
Fund 001 General Fund		
Revenue		\$ 772,500.00
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<u>Appropriation</u>		
<u>Non Departmental</u>		
96214.550-003	Birmingham Board of Education	\$ 247,500.00
000.800-102	Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement	100,000.00
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<u>Boutwell Auditorium (001 001 01520)</u>		
01521.511-022	R&M Buildings and Facilities	100,000.00
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<u>Office of the City Attorney (001 028)</u>		
01600.527-050	Professional Services Other	100,000.00
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<u>Finance (001 019)</u>		
0001.527-050	Professional Services Other	100,000.00
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<u>Information Management Services (001 037 01910)</u>		
01913.526-004	Technology Maintenance Desktop Maintenance	125,000.00
		<u>\$ 772,500.00</u>
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Fund 102 Capital Improvement		
Revenue		
490-001	Transfer From Fund 001 General Fund	\$ 100,000.00
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<u>Appropriation</u>		
EM102CP 003913_003	Vehicles, Transportation Department	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>
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Next Steps: For more information, please contact the Office of the City Council at 205.254.2294.

Refer to council agenda Item 3

2. *A Resolution authorizing an expenditure, pursuant to §11-96A-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, in the sum of \$1,000,000.00 over the course of five (5) years, in the amount of \$200,000.00 per year, to Cooperative Downtown Ministries, Inc., a public charitable and educational nonprofit organization which carries on and promotes providing shelter, food, care and encouragement to homeless and other needy persons; raising the urban community's consciousness about the homeless and needy persons; and, providing homeless and needy persons with opportunities to expand their vision of their life beyond homelessness; to provide services to the City homeless in a centralized \$5.6 Million facility offering services to an expanded community of homeless in a facility that will replace/revitalize an existing dilapidated facility, the Firehouse Shelter.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean? A month after last month's contentious debate and unsuccessful vote to provide funding to assist in the construction of a new facility for the Firehouse Ministries, which houses and feeds homeless men in Birmingham, the Birmingham City Council voted to approve the funding on Tuesday. The vote passed 6 to 1, with one abstention from Councilor Wardine Alexander. The Firehouse has raised \$4.5 million in a capital campaign towards the building of a new, larger facility, and was seeking support from the City of Birmingham to reach their goal. The organization had a goal of \$6 million for the new facility. The City will be contributing \$1 million through annual installments of \$200,000 to help Firehouse build their new state-of-the-art facility, which will be located at 626 2nd Ave. North, about seven blocks from the current facility downtown. It's the only facility in the city center that serves homeless men, according to Anne Rygiel, executive director of the Firehouse Shelter.

For more information on this item, please read:

https://medium.com/@bhamcitycouncil/council-approves-1-million-for-new-firehouse-ministries-facility-7ed3e4441184?fbclid=IwAR3PWng_Hx4qbA21ambYt2RYiVDr36_S_kpUkZALotYqMPOEQ4Q7tCdsdNU

Refer to council agenda Item 26

3. *A Resolution accepting the lump sum bid of Bulls Construction Group, LLC, Birmingham, in the amount of \$524,060.90 for the Lakeshore Cinema Parkway Improvements, this being the lowest and best bid submitted, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Bulls Construction Group, LLC, in substantially the form contained within the bid documents and in accordance with said bid, providing that the total compensation payable under the contract not exceed the appropriation.*

Was this item approved? Yes

What does this mean? This contract will allow construction to begin on the road leading to the new Premiere Lux Cinema location off Lakeshore Parkway in

District 7. On April 17th, the City Council passed this Item: *An Ordinance "TO FURTHER AMEND THE CAPITAL FUND BUDGET" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, by transferring \$257,332.10 from Oxmoor Land Purchase & Access Improvements, \$142,667.90 from Funds Available and appropriating \$400,000.00 to Street Access from Lakeshore Drive for Premier Cinema.* Texas-based Premiere Cinemas is preparing to build the movie theatre at 500 Commons Drive off Lakeshore Parkway, most recently a location of Point of Grace Ministries (and Carmike Cinemas before that). The company expects to generate \$2.5 million in taxes to the City of Birmingham over 10 years and hire up to 60 workers over the next five years. The theater would feature: An arcade, a Pizza Pub, an upscale cafe featuring Starbucks and a full bar with auditorium service. At least one screen will be large-format similar to IMAX.

Refer to council agenda Item 53

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Announcements and Reminders

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

3:30 p.m. – Committee of the Whole Meeting – Conference Rooms “D & E”

Thursday, November 29, 2018

2:30 p.m. – Agenda Meeting – Conference Room “A”

Monday, December 3, 2018

12:30 p.m. – Joint Parks and Recreation Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

4:00 p.m. – Joint Transportation Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

9:00 a.m. – Pre-Council Meeting – City Council Chambers; 9:30 a.m. – Council Meeting – City Council Chambers

2:00 p.m. – Joint Special Called Utilities Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – Conference Room “D”

3:30 p.m. – Joint Public Safety Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – City Council Chambers

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

9:00 a.m. – Park Board Meeting – Maxine Herring Parker Board Room, Legion Field, 400 Graymont Avenue West

Thursday, December 6, 2018

2:30 p.m. – Agenda Meeting – Conference Room “A

3:00 p.m. – Joint Planning and Zoning Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – 5th Floor Conference Room-City Hall

Friday, December 7, 2018

3:00 p.m. – Joint Governmental Affairs and Public Information Committee and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting – Conference Rooms “D & E”

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