

## JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Monday, May 11, 2020

3:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

### MINUTES

Council President Abbott, Committee Chair  
Councilor Alexander & Councilor Smitherman, Committee Members

Councilor(s) Present: Abbott, Alexander, Parker, Smitherman  
Mayor Woodfin

- 1) **Call to Order**  
Councilor Abbott called the meeting to order.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes**  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Alexander: Move to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**  
Items # 4,5,6,7,14,17,18,21  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 4) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, by appropriating \$400,000.00 to Municipal Court, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHSA), Adult Court Expansion Project, Year 2 of 4 per award received.  
**REQUESTED BY: Judge Andra Sparks**  
**Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer**  
**Department: Finance**  
**Extension: 2206**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 035**  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 5) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §16-11-9.1 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with The Birmingham Board of Education in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools: The Board shall provide assistance to Wilkerson Middle School in their efforts to purchase a new school marquee. The allocation is exclusively for purposes stated. Said funds will come from the East Thomas Neighborhood Association funds.  
**Submitted by: Mayor's Office**  
**Department: Mayor's Office**  
**Extension: 2277**

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**Recommended Funding Source: East Thomas Neighborhood Association**  
**Amount: \$5,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 6) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §16-11-9.1 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with The Birmingham Board of Education in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools: The Board shall provide assistance with football uniforms and equipment for the 2020-2021 school year at A. H. Parker High School. The allocation is exclusively for purposes stated. Said funds will come from the Smithfield Neighborhood Association funds.

**Submitted by: Mayor's Office**

**Department: Mayor's Office**

**Extension: 2277**

**Recommended Funding Source: Smithfield Neighborhood Association**

**Amount: \$2,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 7) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: The Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham shall provide community based assistance to families (i.e. children with incarcerated parents, children of military families, single parents, etc.) by coordinating adult volunteers to provide a broad range opportunities thru mentoring, and raising awareness with parenting, workforce development, and basic quality of life that leads to productive citizenship. Said funds to come from District 2 Discretionary Funds.

**Submitted by: Mayor's Office**

**Department: Mayor's Office**

**Extension: 2277**

**Recommended Funding Source: District 2 Discretionary Funds**

**Amount: \$1,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 8) An agreement between the City of Birmingham Department of Human Resources and **Discovery Benefits** for the administration of the City's Flexible Spending Account (FSA) program which includes a health flexible spending arrangement (Health FSA) and a dependent care flexible spending arrangement (Dependent Care FSA), effective July 1, 2020, for a term of one (1) year with the option to extend the term of the agreement for two (2) additional one (1) year periods.

Discovery Benefits was the lowest responsible bidder.

**NOTE: This item is scheduled to appear on the May 12, 2020 Council Agenda**

**Submitted by: Jill M. Madajczyk, Chief HR Officer**

**Department: Human Resources**

**Extension: 2306**

**Recommended Funding Source: G/L Account: 001\_042\_02300.527-046**

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**Amount: \$ Funding provided by employee payroll contributions**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 9) **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Birmingham, Alabama that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute an Agreement with Rashada Leroy d/b/a LRY Media Group (LRY), for event management, promotion, and sponsorship services relative to the "Morehouse-Tuskegee Football Classic" football games held at the historic Legion Field Stadium, for a term of 2 years, and the City shall pay to LRY a sum not to exceed \$50,000 each year in which LRY performs the services.

**Submitted by: Faye Oates, Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment**

**Department: General Fund**

**Extension: 8954**

**Funding Source: 001\_400\_96100\_96117.550-002**

**Amount: \$100,000 (FY-2021 Budget)**

**Action Taken:**

**Item Withdrawn**

- 10) Birmingham that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute, for and as the act of said City, an Agreement with Morehouse College and Tuskegee University, under which the City will host the Morehouse-Tuskegee Football Classic at the Legion Field Stadium for a term of two years commencing October, 2020, and the City will provide pursuant to Amendment No. 772 incentives and in-kind services relative to hosting the Morehouse-Tuskegee Classic in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 each year, which will generate revenue from out-of-town visitors and tourists and will provide positive publicity for the City.

**Submitted by: Faye Oates, Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment**

**Department: Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment**

**Extension: 8954**

**Funding Source: 001\_400\_96100\_96117.550-002**

**Amount: \$500,000 (FY-2021 Budget)**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 11) **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Birmingham, Alabama that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute an Agreement with Morehouse College (Morehouse), Tuskegee University (Tuskegee), and the Birmingham Park and Recreation Board, to provide that the "Morehouse-Tuskegee Football Classic" football games shall be held at the historic Legion Field Stadium, for a term of 2 years commencing 2020 season and 2021 season, and the Agreement may be renewed for three additional one year terms subject to an appropriation by the City in each years' corresponding fiscal year budget, and the City shall pay to Morehouse and Tuskegee a combined sum not to exceed \$100,000 each year the Morehouse-Tuskegee Classic is played at Legion Field Stadium.

**Submitted by: Faye Oates, Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment**

**Department: Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment**

**Extension: 8954**

**Funding Source: 001\_400\_96100\_96117.550-002**

**Amount: \$100,000 (FY-2021 Budget)**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

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- 12) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$34,127 (thirty four thousand one hundred twenty seven dollars no/cents) from the following G/L accounts: account # 001\_000\_04290.542-001 (Council Discretionary Projects), **(\$25,846.00)**; 001\_010\_04290\_04291.534-030 (G & A Instruction & Training), **(\$1,430.00)**; 001\_010\_04290\_04291.527-048 (Professional Fees Printing & Publishing), **(\$490.00)**; 001\_010\_04290\_04291.534-075 (G & A Travel Expenses), **(\$4,827.00)**, and 001\_010\_04290\_04292.527-014 (Professional Fees/Consulting Fees) **(\$1,534.00)** to Councilor Hilliard's District # 9 PIC account # 031\_205\_04290.542-001 .  
**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council (10)**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Recommended Funding Source: Councilor Hilliard's G/L Account # 031\_205\_04290.542-001**  
**Amount: \$34,127.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Item Withdrawn**
- 13) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an application and execute all documents necessary to accept and expend funds from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, for the grant entitled GLOBAL IDEAS FOR U.S. SOLUTIONS; Cities Taking Action to Address Health, Equity, and Climate Change (the "Grant"), in the amount of up to \$600,000 over a thirty (30) month period to address, in partnership with the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Nature Conservancy and the City of Padua, Italy, the intertwined issues of health, equity, and climate change adaptation, sequestration, or mitigation based on successful approaches from cities outside the United States that can be adapted or adopted and implemented in the United States.  
**Submitted by: Lester Smith**  
**Department: Finance**  
**Extension: 8060**  
**Amount: \$600,000.00 (Application Request)**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Item Withdrawn**
- 14) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$80,266.87 (eighty thousand two hundred sixty six dollars 87/100) from the following G/L accounts: account # 001\_000\_04220.542-001 (Council Discretionary Projects), **(\$47,250.00)**; 001\_010\_04220\_04221.534-030 (G & A Instruction & Training), **(\$6,000.00)**; 001\_010\_04220\_04221.527-048 (Professional Fees Printing & Publishing), **(\$3552.00)**; 001\_010\_04220\_04221.534-075 (G & A Travel Expenses), **(\$10,231.87)**, and 001\_010\_04220\_04222.527-014 (Professional Fees/Consulting Fees) **(\$13,233.00)** to Councilor Williams' District # 2 PIC account # 031\_205\_04220.542-001 .  
**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council (10)**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Recommended Funding Source: Councilor Williams G/L Account # 031\_205\_04220.542-001**  
**Amount: \$80,266 .00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 15) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an application and execute all documents necessary to accept and expend funds from the United States Department of Justice FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Program (the "Grant"), in the amount of up to \$789,110 over a two (2) year period, with an option to request a one-time extension for up to twelve (12) months if a request is received at least thirty (30) days before the expiration of the two (2) year period, for the purpose of supplementing overtime pay, hazard pay, fuel expenses and PPE for City of Birmingham Departments and Divisions involved in public safety; including but not limited to the Birmingham Police Department. No matching funds are due from the City.

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**Submitted by: TaShauna Goldsby**  
**Department: Finance**  
**Extension: 2482**  
**Amount: \$789,110.00**

- 16) First Amendment to Project Agreement with Shipt, Inc., under which the Project Agreement between the City and Shipt will be amended to provide for the deferral of the City's next incentive payment by one year and to make a corresponding addition of one year to the payment term of the Agreement (from a five-year payment term to a six-year payment term).

**Submitted by: Josh Carpenter**  
**Department: IEO**  
**Extension: 2799**  
**Amount: N/A**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 17) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$34,153 (thirty four thousand one hundred fifty three dollars no/cents) from the following G/L accounts: account # 001\_000\_04270.542-001 (Council Discretionary Projects), (**\$8,928.00**); 001\_010\_04270\_04271.534-030 (G & A Instruction & Training), (**\$3,136.00**); 001\_010\_04270\_04271.527-048 (Professional Fees Printing & Publishing), (**\$3,172.00**); 001\_010\_04270\_04271.534-075 (G & A Travel Expenses), (**\$13,000.00**), and 001\_010\_04270\_04272.527-014 (Professional Fees/Consulting Fees) (**\$5,917.00**) to Councilor Alexander's District # 7 PIC account # 031\_205\_04270.542-001 .

**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council (10)**

**Extension: 2035**

**Recommended Funding Source: Councilor Alexander's G/L Account # 031\_205\_04270.542-001**

**Amount: \$34,153.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 18) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$42,721 (forty two thousand seven hundred twenty one dollars no/cents) from the following G/L accounts: account # 001\_000\_04260.542-001 (Council Discretionary Projects), (**\$20,000.00**); 001\_010\_04260\_04261.527-048 (Professional Fees Printing & Publishing), (**\$2,888.00**); 001\_010\_04260\_04261.534-075 (G & A Travel Expenses), (**\$4,000.00**), and 001\_010\_04260\_04262.527-014 (Professional Fees/Consulting Fees) (**\$15,833.00**) to Councilor Smitherman's District # 6 PIC account # 031\_205\_04260.542-001 .

**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council (10)**

**Extension: 2035**

**Recommended Funding Source: Councilor Smitherman's G/L Account # 031\_205\_04260.542-001**

**Amount: \$42,721.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

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- 19) Catering Management and Food Services Agreement with 636 Catering and Events, LLC, under which the City will retain 636 Catering and Events, LLC, to provide catering and food and beverage services at Boutwell Auditorium for a term of one year, which may be extended for up to two additional terms of one year each. 636 Catering and Events, LLC, will pay the City commissions equal to 20% from food and beverage services sales, 12.5% from catering sales, and 20% from alcoholic beverage sales, and will provide an annual allowance of \$ 6,000 for City events at Boutwell.  
**Submitted by: Alicia Johnson-Williams**  
**Department: Boutwell Auditorium**  
**Extension: 2820**  
**Amount: See commissions above to be paid to City**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
- 20) **This item was referred back to Budget and Finance from The Birmingham City Council meeting on May 5, 2020.** An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, by appropriating \$348,062.92 to Non Departmental, Lodging Tax Expense. Funding Source is the Lodging Tax Revenue.  
**Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer**  
**Department: Finance**  
**Extension: 8060**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 001 General Fund**  
**Amount: \$348,062.92**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
- 21) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-19, Code of Alabama 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Ruffner Mountain Nature Coalition, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, for advertising and provide media releases of the City services provided in the natural preserve programs that are part of the region-wide ecosystem within the City of Birmingham. Said funds to be paid from Councilor Williams' Discretionary Fund.  
**Submitted by: Mayor's Office**  
**Department: Mayor's Office**  
**Extension: 2277**  
**Recommended Funding Source: Hunter Williams Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04210.542-001)**  
**Amount: \$5,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 22) **Adjournment**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Adjourn.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Meeting Adjourned.**