



# COMMITTEE REPORT



VIRTUAL JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE & SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Monday, February 8, 2021 | 3:30 PM

## MINUTES

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**COUNCILOR VALERIE A. ABBOTT, COMMITTEE CHAIR**  
Councilor Alexander & Councilor Smitherman, Committee Members

**Councilor(s) Present:** Abbott, Alexander, Smitherman

- 1) **Call to Order**  
Councilor Abbott called the meeting to order.
  
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes**  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Minutes Approved.
  
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**  
Items #4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
  
- 4) A resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Birmingham, to execute all documents to complete a grant with the United States Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$495,536.00 for the purchase of 320 sets of turnout gear for the Birmingham Fire and Rescue Service and the City shall provide \$49,536.00 in matching funds, and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary to make an application, accept, and expend the grant funds on behalf of the City in accordance with the terms of the grant.  
**Submitted By: Terrie Lee-Burrell and Chief Cory Moon**  
**Department: Grants Division Finance**  
**Extension: x-8266 Terrie Burrell Chief Cory Moon x-2510**  
**Recommended Funding Source: GL 001\_022\_17000\_17401.522-004**  
**Amount: \$49,536.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
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- 5) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, §11-47-130, et seq., §22-3-11 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Brenda's Brown Bosom Buddies, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$500.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: Provider will provide breast cancer awareness and education programs for the City of Birmingham and the residents within the City at no cost to the resident. Said funds to come from the following: (\$500.00) District 6 Discretionary Funds.  
**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Funding Source: District # 6 Discretionary Fund/ 001\_000\_04260.542-001**  
**Amount: \$500**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 6) An Agreement for Professional Services with the Center for Law Enforcement Technology, Training & Research, Inc. ("LETTR"), under which LETTR will facilitate the sharing of law enforcement data through the Federated Integrated Network for Data Exchange and Retrieval program ("FINDER"), which is an information-sharing system with the purpose of eliminating exorbitant pricing for technology that facilitates the apprehension of criminals. LETTR will complete the performance of the services by September 30, 2022, for an amount not to exceed \$14,500.  
**Submitted by: Sergeant Otis T. Luke**  
**Department: Birmingham Police Department**  
**Extension: 1763**  
**Funding Source: 031\_202\_39001.534-075 (069/00169) or other account designated by the budget office**  
**Amount: \$14,500**  
**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 et. seq., §11-47-1 and §11-47-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Birmingham Time Media Group, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00 to provide the following goods or services to the City: Birmingham Time Media Group, LLC will provide weekly print and online advertisements to inform and educate the citizens of the City of Birmingham about City codes, ordinances, programs and services to positively support the citizens of Birmingham. Also, the provider will deliver and distribute weekly copies of the Birmingham Times Newspaper. The total amount will be disbursed in **two equal installments** of Thirty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No/Cents (32,500.00), beginning January 21, 2021, to June 30, 2021. Said funds to come from 001\_010\_04200.527-014.  
**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Funding Source: 001\_010\_04200.527-014**  
**Amount: \$65,000**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman: \_\_\_\_\_ Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 8) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating **\$6,272,092.60 to Community Development, Emergency Rental Assistance**

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*Program per grant received. (Resolution Number 30-21)*

**REQUESTED BY:** Christopher Hatcher, Community Development

**Submitted by:** Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer

**Department:** Finance

**Extension:** 2206

**Recommended Funding Source:** Fund 035

**Amount:** \$6,272,092.60

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman:** Moved to Approve.

**Councilor Alexander:** Seconded.

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

- 9) 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 \$3,000 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools:  
1) The Board shall coordinate with Glen Iris Elementary School (\$2,000), Avondale Elementary School (\$2,000), Ramsay High School (\$2,000) and EPIC Elementary School (\$1,700), to assist with expenses associated with "Student and Teacher Supplies." The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds will come from District #3 Discretionary Funds.  
2) The Board shall coordinate with EPIC Elementary School (\$300) to assist with expenses associated with the music/band program. The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds will come from District #3 Discretionary Funds.  
**Submitted by:** Mayor's Office  
**Department:** Mayor's Office  
**Extension:** 2277  
**Funding Source:** District #3 Discretionary Funds  
**Amount:** \$8,000  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Alexander:** Seconded.  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 10) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute Lease Purchase Schedule No. 2 with **Connection Financial Services** that is subject to and incorporates the terms and conditions of the Master Lease Agreement No. 100-5729969-001 dated on or about April 17, 2020, under which the City of Birmingham will lease purchase Cisco computer equipment from an active Alabama statewide contract with PC Connections, Inc. to move the City's internet circuit and public-facing application servers in the amount not to exceed Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$13,800.00) for a period not to exceed sixty-one (61) months in accordance with the Code of Alabama 1975 Section 41-16-57(f).  
**Submitted by:** Patrick McClendon  
**Department:** IMS  
**Extension:** x2812  
**Recommended Funding Source:** 001\_037\_01910\_01912\_526-003  
**Amount:** \$ 13,800  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Alexander:** Seconded.  
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- 11) A Resolution authorizing the City's Authorized Official to submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a substantial amendment for **Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Funds** and further authorizing the City's Authorized Official to enter into necessary agreements under the CARES Act for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG-CV), to acquire services as authorized herein, sign grant agreements and other documents as may be required, and to carry out other essential functions relating thereto.

**Submitted by: Chris Hatcher**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2723**

**Recommended Funding Source: Federal Funds/HUD**

**Amount: \$892,093.34**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**

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

- 12) **Adjournment**

**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Adjourn.**

**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**

**Meeting Adjourned.**