



VIRTUAL JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE & SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Monday, May 10, 2021 | 3:30 PM

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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**  
# 4,5,6,7, 8,13, 4,19,20,21  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 4) **A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars no/cents) from the District 7 account #001\_000\_04270.542-001 to the Neighborhood Revitalization Fund (#103) for additional weed abatement within District 7.**  
Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels  
Department: City Council (10)  
Extension: 2035  
Funding Source: District 7 Discretionary/001\_000\_04270.542-001  
Amount: \$20,000.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 5) **A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to affect the acceptance of a cash settlement offer in the amount of Twenty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00) in lieu of accepting the donation of real property devised to the City from the Estate of David Richard Gossett.**  
Submitted by: Lester D. Smith  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 8060  
Funding Source: N/A

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Amount: \$20,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 6) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to increase funding for an existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Agreement between the City of Birmingham and MB3 Inc. dba Civix, (formally known and operated as GCR, Inc.) whereby an amount of Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred-Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$12,850.00) from CDBG Funds will be added to the existing amount of One Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Eighty and 00/100 Dollars (\$196,080.00) bringing the total amount of funding available to an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty and 00/100 Dollars (\$208,930.00).

Submitted by: Christopher Hatcher

Department: Community Development

Extension: 2723

Funding Source: CDBG

Amount: \$12,850.00 (increase), \$208,930.00.00 (total)

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 7) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq., §11-47-16 and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Redemptive Cycles, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 to provide the following goods or services to the City: The Provider will provide 8 – 10 bike maintenance stands for the City of Birmingham and the general public within the City. Said funds to come from Councilor Darrell O'Quinn Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: Mayor

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2277

Funding Source: District 5 Discretionary Funds

Amount: \$15,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 8) 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 \$3,000.00 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. Said funds to come from District 7 Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: Mayor

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2277

Funding Source: District 7 Discretionary Funds

Amount: \$3,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

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- 9) A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete a grant with Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) and the Alabama Gulf Coast High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area in the amount of Sixty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Dollars (\$65,940.00), for the purpose of increased surveillance and detection in the Alabama Gulf Coast High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. Said Funds shall be appropriated to the Birmingham Police Department (BPD) and no matching funds are due from the City, and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such documents as are appropriate and necessary to accept and expend the grant funds on behalf of the City for use by the Birmingham Police Department in accordance with the grant documents.

Submitted by: Terrie Lee Burrell

Department: Mayor's Department – Finance/Grants Division

Extension: 8266

Funding Source: No matching funds

Amount: \$0.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 10) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company (APC) whereby APC shall perform upgrades to City property known as George Ward Park Lighting Upgrade, replacing existing lighting with LED fixtures to include: (204) sports light fixtures, (48) tennis court fixtures with LED equivalent on a one for one replacement, providing (31) 70' class 3 wood poles, and removing and disposing of (48) wood poles, and such other services as the Agreement provides at a cost of \$22,740.46 monthly to be paid over a term of 60 months.

Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell and Shonae Eddins Bennett

Department: Mayor's Office and Birmingham Park and Recreation

Extension: Mr. Mitchell x8266 Ms. Bennett x2394

Funding Source: 001\_083\_70025\_70026\_70029.528-001

Amount: \$1,364,427.60

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 11) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company (APC) whereby APC shall perform upgrades to City property known as Memorial Park to upgrade and replace existing lighting with LED fixtures, to include replacing (33) sports light fixtures, 18 tennis court fixtures with LED equivalent, 8 - 60' class 3 wood poles, removal and disposal of 8 wood poles, and such other services as the Agreement provides at a cost of \$6,150.91 monthly to be paid over a term of 60 months.

Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell and Shonae Eddins Bennett

Department: Mayor's Office and Birmingham Park and Recreation

Extension: Mr. Mitchell x8266 Ms. Bennett x2394

Funding Source: 001\_083\_70025\_70026\_70029.528-001

Amount: \$369,054.60

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 12) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company (APC) whereby APC shall perform upgrades to City property known as Legion Field Stadium Memorial located at 400 Graymont Avenue Birmingham, to provide lighting design, materials, and labor for LED lighting replacement of existing arc light lighting system, replace existing arc light fixtures with LED lighting with mesh wireless control system; replacement and upgrade of Legion Field East Lighting Tower, and

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refurbish Legion Field West Lighting Tower and such other services as the Agreement provides at a cost of \$73,429.66 monthly to be paid over a term of 60 months.

Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell and Shonae Eddins Bennett

Department: Mayor's Office and Birmingham Park and Recreation

Extension: Mr. Mitchell x8266 Ms. Bennett x2394

Funding Source: 001\_083\_70025\_70026\_70029.528-001

Amount: \$4,405,779.60

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 13) A Resolution pursuant to §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to expend funds in an amount up to \$15,000.00 to place a speed hump/bump in the Huffman Neighborhood. The installation of the speed hump/bump will be performed by the City of Birmingham Transportation Department. Said funds to come from the Huffman Neighborhood Association Funds and transferred to the City of Birmingham Department of Transportation funds allocated for such projects.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: Community Development (Mayor's Office)

Extension: 2989

Funding Source: Huffman Neighborhood Association Funds (031\_200\_12100\_12101\_15198.540-001)

Amount: \$15,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 14) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §11-47-16 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Birmingham Botanical Society, INC. in an amount of \$10,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of the City of Birmingham: Provide community-based educational workshops, exhibits, and presentations to families (i.e. children, parents, etc.) in order to provide a broad range of opportunities to raise awareness for science, parenting, distance learning, and basic quality of life for the City of Birmingham Citizens. Said funds will come from the District 3 Discretionary funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: City Council (Abbott)

Extension: 2369

Funding Source: District 3 Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04230.542-001)

Amount: \$10,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 15) A Project Agreement with Stivers Ford of Birmingham, Inc., under which Stivers Ford will acquire a portion of "The Palisades" shopping center site and will construct facilities to house up to four automotive dealerships, including a parts and repair center, and the City will provide financial assistance in support of the project in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000, payable over a period of up to ten years from sales tax revenue generated to the City from Stivers Ford's sale of automotive parts and accessories at the site. The annual amount of the incentive will be the lesser of 50% of such sales tax revenue for the prior year or \$210,000.00.

Submitted by: Irenio Johnson

Department: IEO

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Extension: 2799  
Funding Source: Future Sales Tax Revenue  
Amount: Not to exceed \$2,100,000  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 16) A Project Agreement with Palisades Redevelopment Partners, LLC, under which Palisades Redevelopment Partners will undertake the redevelopment of part of the existing shopping center known as "The Palisades" for continued use as a shopping center, and the City will provide financial assistance in support of the project in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000, payable over a period of up to ten years from sales tax revenue generated to the City from the retail operations at the shopping center. The annual amount of the incentive will be the lesser of 50% of such sales tax revenue for the prior year or \$210,000.00.

Submitted by: Irenio Johnson  
Department: IEO  
Extension: 2799  
Funding Source: Future Sales Tax Revenue  
Amount: Not to exceed \$2,100,000  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 17) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by transferring \$30,000.00 from Bessie Estelle Park Inclusive Playground and appropriating \$30,000.00 to Ensley/Village Creek Tuxedo Park Development per grantor's request (i.e. State Senator Linda Coleman-Madison).

REQUESTED BY: Shonae Eddins-Bennett, Park and Recreation  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 035  
Amount: \$30,000.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 18) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$5,500,888.00 to Community Development for Community Development Grant (CDBG), Housing Opportunity for Persons With Aids (HOPWA), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) per CARES Act Award received.

REQUESTED BY: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 035  
Amount: \$5,500,888.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
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- 19) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Lindsey M. Harris to provide OVID 19 advice, presentations, and support for the District 4 office and assist Councilor William Parker, District 4, with interacting with constituents. The fee for these services is not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00), inclusive of any reimbursable expenses. These services will begin in May 2021 and conclude no later than June 30, 2021. Said funds will come from District 4 Discretionary Funds-001\_010\_04240\_04241.527-014.  
Submitted by: Mayor  
Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2277  
Funding Source: District 4 Discretionary Funds-001\_010\_04240\_04241.527-014  
Amount: \$10,000.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 20) An Ordinance to amend the Capital Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$397,700.00 to Banks High School Demolition.  
REQUESTED BY: Aaron Saxon, Finance Department  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 037  
Amount: \$397,700.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 21) A Resolution accepting the lump sum proposal of Johnson Controls Security Solutions LLC, Irondale, Alabama, in the amount of \$11,977.00 and authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for the installation and programming of cameras and recorders at the Real Time Crime Center, in accordance with Code of Alabama 1975 Section 41-16-51(a)(15).  
Submitted by: Mayor  
Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2277  
Funding Source: Account # POL153CP 004033 Real Time Crime Center and POL102CP 004033\_001 Real Time Crime Center Project (Additional Funds)  
Amount: \$11,977.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 21) Adjournment  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Adjourn.  
Councilor Abbott: Seconded.  
Meeting Adjourned.