



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

Monday, August 23, 2021 | 3:30 PM

City Council Chambers

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**COUNCILOR VALERIE 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 Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Minutes Approved.
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**
Items #6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,16,17,18,19
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 4) Via has been operating the Birmingham On-Demand microtransit program in the city for the past year. We would like to put in place a contract extension for the service that will enable the city to not have a break in service for the coming months.
Utilize \$500,000.00 to fund 8,400 vehicle hours at a rate of \$59.61/hour.
Consultant shall provide transportation services from **August 27th until February 1, 2022**, subject to earlier termination in accordance with this Contract, for as long as funding lasts.
Submitted by: Christina Argo
Department: BDOT
Funding Source: 001_400_96300_96313.550-004
Amount: \$500,000.00
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Item Recommended to the City Council 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 \$1,000,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools:

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The Board will provide assistance to create a Birmingham City School System School-Based Mental Health Services Program that will provide mental health support on every Birmingham City School System campus selected by the Birmingham Board of Education. This allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds shall be paid from Account Number 001_400_96200_96214.550-003

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: The Office of the Mayor

Recommended Funding Source: 001_400_96200_96214.550-003

Amount: no to exceed \$1,000,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Recommend Item to the Education Committee.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the Education Committee.

- 6) A Resolution authorizing an appropriation, pursuant to §11-47-19, Code of Alabama 1975 authorizing the Mayor to expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$450.00 for the purchase of 6 cartons of Dog Waste Bags to replenish the existing Dog Waste Station along the Clairmont Walking Trail. Said funds to come from the Crestwood South Neighborhood Association Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: Mayor's Office (Crestwood South NA)

Recommended Funding Source: Crestwood South Neighborhood Association Funds

Amount: not to exceed \$450.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 7) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. (Tyler) under Resolution No. 270-20, in which Tyler shall perform Enterprise Server Migration and Virtual Message Switch of existing software from the legacy server it currently resides on to new infrastructure and active Red Hat Standard Subscription support, for a period of up to three (3) years. The cost, of the migration services and subscription, is \$27,730.00.

Department: Annette Harris IMS

Recommended

Funding Source: 001_037_01920_01922.527-050

Amount: \$27,730.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 8) A Resolution approving, and authorizing the Mayor to execute, an Agreement with the State of Alabama acting through the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT), under which Federal Section 130 funds shall be used to improve public safety with the installation of QwickKurb (guard rails) on each side of railroad crossings at three locations; (DOT crossing # 728033C on 17th Street SW, DOT crossing # 728003K on Brussels Avenue, and DOT crossing # 728030G on 15th Place SW). The total improvement/installation cost is \$39,645.00, with ALDOT funding \$35,680.50 and the City's match of \$3,964.50, and the City shall maintain the improvements as specified in the Agreement.

Department: Terrie Lee-Burrell Finance/Grants

James Fowler, Birmingham Department of Transportation (x2622)

Recommended Funding Source: GL Account #DOT103CP 003048

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Amount: \$3,964.50

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 9) An Ordinance approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Bush Hills Connections under which the City will lease real property located 801, 805, and 833 – 8th Avenue West, Birmingham, Alabama. Bush Hills Connections will construct and operate a Farmer’s Market providing fresh vegetables, fruits, other food items and outdoor pet amenities to the citizens in the community, for a term of 3 years at a rental of \$1.00 per year.

Submitted by: Janice James Douthard

Department: Innovation and Economic Opportunity

Funding Source:

Amount: \$1.00 per year

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 10) A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents required for the City to complete a grant application with the Federal Communications Commission Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) Grant, a program that helps schools and libraries provide tools and services for remote learning during the COVID-19 emergency period. The Birmingham Public Library will use the grant funds to purchase 40 iPads for internet connectivity and device access outreach; concentrating on school-age children and the elderly. The total funding award is \$18,134.00, no matching funds are due from the City, and authorized 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 in accordance with the program terms.

Submitted by: Terrie Burrell

Department: Finance – Grants Division

Extension: 205-297-8266

Recommended Funding Source:

Amount: \$0.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent 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 the Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority (BJCTA), under which the BJCTA shall provide transit services throughout the City by operating such fixed routes and/or paratransit services and schedules, as set forth in the Agreement, for a term commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021 during the City’s 2022 fiscal year, and the City, shall pay BJCTA a total sum of \$5,000,000.00.

Department: Chaz Mitchell Mayor’s Office

Extension: X2320

Recommended

Funding Source: 001_400_96300_96301.550-004

Amount: \$5,000,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

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- 12) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$3,750.00 from Mayor's Office, Grant Match and appropriating \$3,750.00 to Non-Departmental, Transfer to Fund 036 Grant Match; amend the Grants Match Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$3,750.00 to Library, LSAT Grant Match.
REQUESTED BY: Chaz Mitchell, Mayor's Office (Janine Langston, Library)
Submitted by: Aaron L. Saxton, Interim Director of Finance
Department: Finance
Extension: 2206
Recommended Funding Source: Fund 001 and 036
Amount: \$3,750.00
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 13) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$15,000.00 to Library, Library Services Technology Act (LSAT) Grant per grant award received.
REQUESTED BY: Janine Langston, Library
Submitted by: Aaron L. Saxton, Interim Director of Finance
Department: Finance
Extension: 2206
Recommended Funding Source: Fund 35
Amount: \$15,000.00
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 14) An Ordinance to amend the Donation Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$20,000.00 to Lewis Park Improvements and \$7,500.00 to Clairmont Park Improvements per donation received from Representative Neil Rafferty.
REQUESTED BY: Shonae Eddins-Bennett, Parks and Recreation
Submitted by: Aaron L. Saxton, Interim Director of Finance
Department: Finance
Extension: 2206
Recommended Funding Source: Fund 32
Amount: \$27,500.00
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 15) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$4,962,813.30 to Community Development, Emergency Rental Assistance-2 (ERA2) per grant award received.
REQUESTED BY: Christopher Hatcher, Director
Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance
Department: Finance
Extension: 2206
Recommended Funding Source: Fund 035

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Amount: \$4,962,813.30

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 16) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$400,000.00 from Planning, Engineering & Permits, Consulting Fees and appropriating \$400,000.00 to Non-Departmental, Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement; and amend the Capital Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$400,000.00 to DCP, Consulting for Capital Projects.

REQUESTED BY: Edwin Revell/PEP and Denise Bell, Capital Projects

Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance

Department: Finance

Extension: 2206

Recommended Funding Source: Fund 001 and 102

Amount: \$400,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 17) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement for goods and services between the City of Birmingham, Alabama, a municipal corporation (CITY), and ADS Security (ADS), to provide installation and/or electronic Monitoring for City of Birmingham facilities as listed in Exhibit "A" of the Master Agreement, and as may be amended to add or subtract locations as shall be determined by the parties, for Three Hundred Ninety Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four and 72/100 Dollars (\$398,294.72) equipment and installation charge, and Five Thousand Seven Hundred eighty-Nine and 15/100 (\$5,789.15) for monthly service charges for a total of Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Nine and 44/100 (\$69,469.44) per year for a period not to exceed Three Years. This Contract revises and replaces the previous Master Agreement entered pursuant to RESOLUTION NO, 1537-20 of the Council of the City of Birmingham which was adopted by the Council on July 28, 2020, and Approved by the Mayor on August 5, 2020.

Submitted by: Mayor

Department: Mayor's Office

Recommended Funding Source: Requesting Departments will pay from their Departmental Budget.

Amount: \$398,294.72 equipment and installation charge and \$5,789.15 for monthly service charges for a total of \$69,469.44 per year for a period not to exceed Three Years

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 18) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$5,500.00 (five thousand five hundred dollars no/cents) from the following District # 1 G/L account: account # 001_010_04210_04211.534-075 (G & A Travel Expenses) to account # 001_083_71000_71500_71501.452-004 for Parks & Recreation expenses.

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Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels

Department: City Council (10)

Recommended Funding Source: 001_010_04210_04211.534-075

Amount: \$5,500.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 19) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$5,000.00 (five thousand dollars no/cents) from the following District # 9 G/L account: account # 001_000_04290.542-001 (Council Discretionary) to account # 031_205_04400 for *ice machine replacement at Wylam Park.*

Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels

Department: City Council (10)

Recommended Funding Source: 001_000_04290.542-001

Amount: \$5,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 20) **Adjournment**

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Adjourn.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Meeting Adjourned.