



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

Monday, July 26, 2021 | 3:30 PM

City Council Chambers

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**MINUTES**

**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 #4,5, 6, 7, 8, 10,11,12,13,14,17,18,20,21,22,23,24  
**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 funds totaling \$10,000.00 (ten thousand dollars 00/100 cents) from Councilor Smitherman's account # 001\_000\_04260.542-001 to the Mason City Neighborhood Association, capital account #031\_200\_12180\_12182\_15198.540-001, for Mason City Neighborhood Association beautification project(s).  
**Submitted by:** Jeffery McDaniels  
**Department:** City Council (10)  
**Extension:** 2035  
**Recommended Funding Source:** Smitherman G/L Account # 001\_000\_04260.542-001  
**Amount:** \$ 10,000.00  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
5. A Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Birmingham and Ebert Construction, LLC, under which Ebert Construction will (i) purchase approximately 2.8 acres of City-owned property known as the former "Clyde S. Kirby Middle School" located at 1328 28th Street, North, and a former National Guard Armory building situated on adjoining lots located at 2700 14th Avenue, North, for \$500,000, and will undertake a mixed-use project to redevelop the property for residential and commercial retail uses to include 70 apartment units with 120 parking spaces and rooftop community space, 32 townhouses, each with a one-car garage, a leasing office, laundry facilities and business center to serve the residential units and approximately 7,000 square feet of commercial retail space with 55 parking spaces; and (ii) will grant to the City an easement on the property for access and parking.

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**Requested By: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development**

**Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance**

**Department: Finance**

**Extension: 2206**

**Recommended Funding Source: Fund 001 and 031**

**Amount: \$500.000**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

6. An Ordinance to amend the Neighborhood Allocations Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$5,000.00 from Forest Park-South Avondale NA, Capital Projects to Transfer to Fund 001 General Fund; and amending the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$5,000.00 to Park and Recreation, Horticulture (i.e. soft landing materials for Triangle Park)

**Requested By: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development**

**Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance**

**Department: Finance**

**Extension: 2206**

**Recommended Funding Source: Fund 001 and 031**

**Amount: \$5,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

7. An Ordinance to amend the Donation Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$5,000.00 to Bush Hills NA per donation received from Jefferson County Community Service Fund (from Rep.J. Givan).

**Requested By: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development**

**Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance**

**Department: Finance**

**Extension: 2206**

**Recommended Funding Source: Fund 032**

**Amount: \$5,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

8. An Ordinance to amend the Neighborhood Allocations Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$200.00 from Highland Park NA and appropriating \$200.00 to Transfer to Fund 001 General Fund; and amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$200.00 to Public Works, Horticulture Supplies (i.e. for plants and shrubs for the planter and green space at Highland Drive and Highland Avenue).

**REQUESTED BY: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development Submitted by: Aaron Saxton,  
Interim Director of Finance Department: Finance**

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**Recommended Funding Source: Funds 001 and 031 Amount: \$200.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

9. An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$1,504,398.00 to PEP, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT): TIGER CMAQ Grant per award received; amend the Capital Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$376,100.00 from TIGER CMAQ Grant Match and appropriate \$376,100.00 to Transfer to Fund 036 Grant Match; and amend the Grants Match Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$376,100.00 to Bus Rapid Transit (BRT): TIGER CMAQ Grant Match.

**REQUESTED BY: Denise Bell/Charlotte Shaw, Mayor's Office**

**Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance**

**Department: Finance**

**Recommended Funding Source: Funds 035, 036 and 151**

**Amount: \$1,880,498.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

10. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a five (5) year Cable Franchise Agreement between Spectrum Southeast, LLC (Spectrum) and the City of Birmingham (City) for the provision of cable television services (Cable Service) to the citizens of the City of Birmingham utilizing its Cable System and the City's right-of-ways pursuant the Alternative Renewal Process contained in Section 12-3.9-35 of the General Code of the City of Birmingham and Section 626(h) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, as amended for the renewal of a cable franchise for an existing franchisee.

**Submitted by: The City Attorney**

**Department: Office of the City Attorney Extension: 2619**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: N/A**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

11. A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-22 and §11-43-55 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, to approve and authorize the Mayor to cause awards to be presented to individual members of the Birmingham Police Department in recognition of exemplary performance, as recommended by the Chief of Police. The presentation of awards at the Heroism and Valor Ceremony will include a reception and ceremony on August 12, 2021, at the Birmingham Museum of Art, and the total cost of the awards, reception and ceremony will not exceed a total value of \$1,000.00 for each employee receiving an award. The Mayor is authorized to execute such contracts as may be necessary for the purchase of awards, use of facilities, and catering of the event, in accordance with Birmingham General City Code §3-1-7. The total amount to be expended for the event shall not equal or exceed a total of **Fifteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$15,000.00)**. Said funds to come from G/L 031\_202\_39000\_39004.527-050(Event Center & Catering) and G/L 031\_202\_39000\_39001.523-006 (Food / Catering only).

**Submitted by: Mayor Department: Mayor's Office Extension: 2277**

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**Recommended Funding Source:** G/L 031\_202\_39000\_39004.527-050(Event Center & Catering) and G/L 031\_202\_39000\_39001.523-006 (Food / Catering only).

**Amount:** \$15,000.00

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.

**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.

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

12. A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §11-43-55 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver a purchase agreement, for not more than 1 year and ending June 30, 2022, with **Business Systems & Consultants, Inc. ("BSC")** for Police Department software license and maintenance for BSC's Application Xtender software, used by the Police Department's Forensics Division, with the City paying an amount not to exceed **Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$14,990.00)**. Said funds to come G/L 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001.

**Submitted by:** Mayor

**Department:** Mayor's Office

**Recommended Funding Source:** G/L Account 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001

**Amount:** \$14,990.00

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.

**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.

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

13. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to amend and restate a three (3) year Agreement between the Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority (BJCTA) and the City of Birmingham for the purchase and installation of Ticket Vending Machines and infrastructure to support the addition of the Birmingham Xpress BRT system through the delivery of managed ticket vending services, installation, and consulting services for up to thirty-two (32) stations equipped with TVMs and eleven (11) buses equipped with ticket validators for the BRT Project. The BJCTA will purchase and contract the installation of Ticket Vending Machines for the BRT Project. The City of Birmingham will provide funding to BJCTA for the total costs of the purchase and installation of Ticket Vending Machines for the BRT Project Using Tiger Grant Funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00.

**Submitted by:** The City Attorney

**Department:** Office of the City Attorney **Extension:** 2619

**Recommended Funding Source:** PEP035GR 003771 (012 - ITS & Signal Systems Installation)  
PEP151CP 03771A (012 - ITS & Signal Systems Installation)

**Amount:** \$500,000.00

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.

**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.

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

14. A resolution declaring Tuskegee Morehouse Football Classic a public purpose.

**Requested by:** Faye Oates, Commissioner of Sports & Entertainment

**Submitted by:** Chaz C. Mitchell, Deputy Chief of Operations

**Department:** IEO

**Extension:** 2771

**Recommended Funding Source:** Sports and Event Recruitment (Fund 057) & Other

**Amount:** \$not to exceed \$300,000.00

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.

**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.

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

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15. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to enter into a Standard Project Resolution and Plans with the State of Alabama; acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation for Project Number: CMAQ-3716() (CPMS Ref#100065798) Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program in the City of Birmingham to perform assessments relating to the Advanced Traffic Management System receiving \$336,323.22 in Federal CMAQ Funds, \$42,040.40 in State of Alabama Public Road and Bridge Funds and requiring \$42,040.40 in City funds towards the overall project total cost of \$42,404.02.  
**Submitted by: Lester Smith, Terrie Burrell**  
**Department: Finance, Grants Division**  
**Funding Source: COB.052-527-050 Professional Fees Other Professional Services**  
**Amount: \$ 42,040.40**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
16. An Ordinance to amend the Capital Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$110,000.00 to Capital Outlay - Automotive, \$120,000.00 to Capital Outlay - Other Equipment, \$25,000.00 to Non-Capital Equipment, and \$245,000.00 to Personnel Services to address critical Storm Water staffing and support needs.  
**Requested By: Edwin Revell, Director, Planning, Engineering & Permits**  
**Submitted by: Aaron Saxton, Interim Director of Finance**  
**Department: Finance Extension: 2206**  
**Recommended Funding Source: Fund 048**  
**Amount: \$500,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
17. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Birmingham, Alabama that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute, for and as the act of said City, an Agreement with JCCEO, under which JCCEO shall provide professional services assisting the City with organizing, management and supervising the summer jobs and employment program for Birmingham youths ages 14 through 21, for a term of three years and each year **the City will pay JCCEO an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Ten Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$210,000.00)** subject to an annual appropriation in the City's corresponding fiscal year budget.  
**Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell**  
**Department: Mayor's Office Extension: x2136**  
**Funding Source: 001\_400\_96400\_96405.550-005**  
**Amount: \$210,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
18. A Resolution pursuant to §11-47-19, §11-40-1, and §11-47-16 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with **Birmingham Children's Theater** to in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: to engage children in live and virtual theater productions throughout the City of Birmingham. Said funds to come District 2 Discretionary Funds.  
**Submitted by: Mayor's Office**  
**Department: Mayor's Office Extension: 2277**

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

**Amount: \$1,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

19. A Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Birmingham and the **Jones Group, LLC**, under which the Jones Group will undertake a project at the real property located at 1445 Hibernian Street, Birmingham, which is the site of the former Scott Elementary School, to remodel the property and surrounding grounds to use as its company headquarters, converting the property into a useful and attractive commercial office space. The City will transfer title to and make the property available for redevelopment at a use-value of \$30,000, in support of the project.

**Submitted by: Janice Douthard**

**Department: IEO**

**Extension: 2273 Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: \$30,000**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

20. A Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Birmingham and **First Light, Inc.**, under which First Light will undertake a project at the real property located at 2230 Fourth Avenue North, Birmingham, which is the site of the Granada Building, to renovate the Granada Building and to increase its square footage and programming to serve the increasing single homeless population. The City will transfer title to and make the property available for redevelopment at ***a use-value of \$1.00, in support of the project.***

**Submitted by: Kelvin Datcher**

**Department: Mayor's Office Extension: 8093**

**Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: \$1.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

21. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Birmingham that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute a Management Agreement with the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute ("BCRI"), in substantially the same form as on file in the Office of the City Clerk, under which BCRI will manage, operate, supervise and maintain all property comprising the Institute located at 520 Sixteenth Street North, Birmingham, for a term of three (3) years and each year the City will provide operational funding to BCRI in the sum of One Million and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) payable in four (4) equal installments.

**Submitted by: Denise E. Gilmore**

**Department: Mayor's Office of Social Justice**

**Extension: x2623**

**Funding Source: 001 400 96300 96301.550-004**

**Amount: \$1,000,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**

**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**

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

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22. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with CYCOM DATA SYSTEMS, INC., in an amount not to exceed \$7,976.00 to provide the following goods or services to the City: To provide the City with annual software maintenance and support services for the product. The fee for these services is not to exceed Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$7,976.00), inclusive of any reimbursable expenses. The Software Maintenance Support fee is paid annually at the beginning of the annual term. The annual term shall expire on June 30, 2022. Said funds will come from **001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001**.  
**Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney**  
**Department: IMS Extension: 2369**  
**Recommended Funding Source 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001**  
**Amount: \$7,976.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
23. 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 \$4,970.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools: The Board will assist the Carver High School Girls and Boys Basketball team and purchase a basketball shooting machine. This allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds shall be paid from District 9 Discretionary Funds.  
**Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney**  
**Department: District 9 (Councilor John Hilliard) Extension: 2369**  
**Recommended Funding Source: District 9 Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04290.542-001)**  
**Amount: no to exceed \$4,970.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
24. A Public Purpose Resolution pursuant to the Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver various agreements with various vendors for the education and training of the City Advisory Board members. These contracted services shall be in an aggregate total of \$5,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of Neighborhood Association Advisory Boards: The City will contract for service providers to assist with Neighborhood Association Advisory Board Training Events. This allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds shall be paid Professional Fees Election Expense Funds  
**Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney**  
**Department: Community Resource Division (Mayor's Office) Extension: 2369**  
**Recommended Funding Source: Professional Fees Election Expense (001\_013\_03780.527-025)**  
**Amount: not to exceed aggregate total of \$5,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
25. **Adjournment**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Adjourn.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Meeting Adjourned.**