



SPECIAL CALLED JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Monday, December 13, 2021 | 3:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

MINUTES

Council President Pro Tem Crystal N. Smitherman, Committee Chair,
Council President Wardine T. Alexander & Councilor Valerie A. Abbott, Committee Members

Councilor(s) Present: Smitherman Abbott, Alexander

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- 1) **Call to Order**
The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Council President Crystal N. Smitherman.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes – November 15, 2021**
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Minutes.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The November 15, 2021 Minutes were Approved as Recorded.
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**
Items # 4,5,6,7,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Items Placed on the Consent Agenda.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Items were Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 4) Johnson Controls, Inc. to provide burglar alarm equipment, installation, programming, and monthly maintenance services for the Birmingham Department of Transportation facility. Located at the 6th Avenue South complex. This contract is for one year beginning December 2021 until December 2022. The monthly maintenance service fee is \$1,080.00 and the equipment, installation and programming is \$20,743.29. The project total is \$21,823.29
Submitted by: Stephanie Amerson
Department: Capital Projects
Extension: (x) 2247
Recommended Funding Source: DOT102CP 004023
Amount: \$ 21,823.29
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 5) Johnson Controls, Inc. to provide burglar alarm equipment, installation, programming, and monthly maintenance services for the Birmingham Department of Transportation facility at the 6th Avenue South complex (sign and meter shop). This contract is for one year beginning December 2021 until December 2022. The monthly maintenance service fee is \$1,285.44 and the equipment, installation and programming is \$6,110.64. The project total is \$7,396.08.
Submitted by: Stephanie Amerson
Department: Capital Projects
Extension: (x) 2247

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Recommended Funding Source: DOT102CP 004023
Amount: \$ 7,396.08
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 6) Johnson Controls, Inc. to provide burglar alarm equipment, installation, programming, and monthly maintenance services for the Birmingham Department of Transportation facility at the 6th Avenue South complex (pound shop). This contract is for one year beginning December 2021 until December 2022. The monthly maintenance service fee is \$1,010.16 and the equipment, installation and programming is \$3,816.48. The project total is \$4,826.64

Submitted by: Stephanie Amerson
Department: Capital Projects
Extension: (x) 2247
Recommended Funding Source: DOT102CP 004023
Amount: \$ 4,826.64
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 7) Johnson Controls, Inc. to provide (2) card access controls, equipment, installation, programming, and monthly maintenance services for the Engineering Field Office. This contract is for one year beginning December 2021 until December 2022. The monthly maintenance service fee is \$594.00, and the equipment, installation and programming is \$9,311.31. The project total is \$9,905.31.

Submitted by: Stephanie Amerson
Department: Capital Projects
Extension: (x) 2247
Recommended Funding Source: DCP102CP 003999_034
Amount: \$ 9,905.31
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 8) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to submit an application and execute all documents necessary to apply for a technical assistance opportunity grant from the United States Department of Energy (DOE) Communities LEAP (Local Energy Action Program) Pilot to provide technical assistance to the City of Birmingham to initiate planning and grant-writing activities around energy efficient housing and transportation to be focused on the North Birmingham community. The opportunity does not include any funding, and zero dollars would be received; additionally, there are no financial match requirements. The City of Birmingham would be expected to contribute staff time while participating in the opportunity and to formally endorse the recommendations of the technical assistance, either through a stated goal, Council resolution, or other official statement.

Submitted by: Terrie Lee-Burrell
Department: Grants
Extension: x2482
Funding Source:
Amount: N/A
Action Taken:
Council President Alexander Motioned to Approve the Item.
Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.
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- 9) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute a [BOLD Program](#) Agreement with **Community Care Development Network**. In which Community Care Development Network, as part of the City's Building Opportunities for Lasting Development ("BOLD") program to implement their Inspire Education Program in partnership with Lawson State Community College, Jefferson State Community College, GED Works, Best Generation Recruitment and WorkFaith Birmingham. To help residents with the transition from high school to adult life, prison to society, and unemployment/underemployment to career track job skills encompassing core academic education, job readiness, and financial literacy. In order to affect positive change in the current economic and family structure conditions in Birmingham for a term of twelve (12) months, for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.
Submitted by: Coreata Houser
Department: IEO
Extension: x2799
Recommended Funding Source: GL: 001_003_00900.545-001
Amount: \$80,000
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Agenda.
- 10) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute a [BOLD Program](#) Agreement with **Tech Alabama dba Education Farm**. In which Tech Alabama dba Education Farm as part of the City's Building Opportunities for Lasting Development ("BOLD") program to conduct a 14-week introductory coding bootcamp to 50 Birmingham residents. This will focus on digital skills training in addition to comprehensive student support services including access to childcare, loaned equipment for the duration of the program as well as regular meetings with a Success Coach. To identify concrete goals and co-create customized pathways to achieving goals for a term of twelve (12) months, for an amount not to exceed 154,975.00.
Submitted by: Coreata Houser
Department: IEO
Extension: x2799
Recommended Funding Source: GL: 001_003_00900.545-001
Amount: \$154,975
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Agenda.
- 11) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute a [BOLD Program](#) Agreement with **Women's Fund of Greater Birmingham**. Under which Women's Fund of Greater Birmingham, as part of the City's Building Opportunities for Lasting Development ("BOLD") program, to strengthen its social innovation efforts to address job accessibility for women and to address one of Birmingham's most pressing community problems: economic insecurity of women and their children through its two-generation (2Gen) approach by intentionally catalyzing collaboration among community college and social service non-profits in Birmingham for a term of TWELVE (12) months, for an amount not to exceed \$79,720.00.
Submitted by: Coreata Houser
Department: IEO
Extension: x2799
Recommended Funding Source: GL: 001_003_00900.545-001 Economic Incentives Incentive Agreements
Amount: \$79,720
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

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- 12) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute a [BOLD Program](#) Agreement with **Urban Impact, Inc.** Under which Urban Impact, Inc. as part of the City's Building Opportunities for Lasting Development ("BOLD") program to (i) identify, organize and deliver resources for small business owners to grow and sustain their businesses; and (ii) identify and address barriers for women-owned, minority-owned and disadvantaged business enterprises within the City of Birmingham for a term of twelve (12) months, for an amount not to exceed \$125,500.00.
Submitted by: Coreata Houser
Department: IEO
Extension: x2799
Recommended Funding Source: GL: 001_003_00900.545-001
Amount: \$125,500
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Agenda.
- 13) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute a [BOLD Program](#) Agreement with **Rebirth Community Corporation.** Under which Rebirth Community Corporation as part of the City's Building Opportunities for Lasting Development ("BOLD") program to implement their "REBOOT: Rebuilding Better" Mental Health and Emotional Wellness Program to equip at-risk disadvantaged minority small business owners and entrepreneurs with mental health services, wellness strategies and emotional support needed to bounce back from the COVID-19 pandemic for a term of twelve (12) months, for an amount not to exceed \$67,000.00.
Submitted by: Coreata Houser
Department: IEO
Extension: x2799
Recommended Funding Source: GL: 001_003_00900.545-001
Amount: \$67,000
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Agenda.
- 14) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, pursuant to Amendment 772 and §11-47-16, Code of Alabama 1975, to execute an agreement with The Community Affairs Committee of Birmingham, in the amount not to exceed \$24,000.00. To provide up to 60 tables to officers, employees and volunteers of the City of Birmingham to attend the 36th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast and to make seats and tables available to the general public who wish to pay to attend the event. The event, which is expected to attract approximately 500 attendees, will serve to educate and train the City officials, employees and volunteers, as well as the public in attendance, on a vision of communities without poverty and provide information that will benefit those seeking resources for community and economic development within the City of Birmingham, Alabama. The Services are expected to bring jobs and boost and enhance the estimated economic impact to the City. Said sums to come from the following sources: Mayor's designated fund \$5,000.00, City Council designated funds \$4,800.00 and \$13,850.00 to come from respective Neighborhood Association funds.
Submitted by: Office of the City Attorney
Department: City Council, Neighborhood Association
Extension: x2369
Recommended Funding Source: Mayor's Office, City Council, and Neighborhood Association Funds
Amount: Not to exceed \$24,000
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
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- 15) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to increase funding for an existing Agreement between the City of Birmingham and Aletheia House, Inc. Whereby an amount of One Hundred Ninety Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$190,000.00) from Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program administration funds will be added to the existing amount of Five Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$537,244.00). Bringing the total amount of funding available to an amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and 00/100 Dollars (\$727,244.00). The funding increase will allow Aletheia House, Inc. to continue client application intake, screening and case management services to support the program administration, management, compliance and financial reporting required to administer the Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program.
Submitted by: Christopher Hatcher
Department: Community Development
Extension: 2723
Recommended Funding Source: CD035GR
Amount: \$ \$190,000.00 (increase), \$727,244.00 (total)
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 16) A resolution declaring certain personal property as surplus property and transferring ownership of said property to the Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency. Replacing property which was damaged by the BFRS.
Submitted by: MAYOR
Department: MAYOR'S OFFICE
Extension: 2277 Recommended Funding Source: N/A
Amount: N/A
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 17) A Resolution pursuant to §11-47-19, Code of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 to purchase trees, mulch and delivery for designated City Right of Way. Said funds to come from the Highland Park Neighborhood Association funds.
Submitted by: The Office of The City's Attorney
Department: Mayor's Office (Community Resource)
Extension: 2369
Recommended Funding Source: Highland Park Neighborhood Association
Amount: \$3000
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.
Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 18) 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 Christian Service Mission in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. To provide the following goods and services for the City: The provider will assist the District Five (5) citizens with health protection programs for the residents that reside in the City of Birmingham. Said funds to come from District 5 Discretionary Funds.
Submitted by: The Office of The City's Attorney
Department: District 5, Councilor O'Quinn
Extension: 2369

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Recommended Funding Source: District 5 Discretionary Funds

Amount: 10,000

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 19) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by transferring \$340,000.00 from Boards & Agencies - Division of Youth Services (DYS) to Mayor's Office to cover personnel expenses.

Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell, Chief of Operations

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2136

Recommended Funding Source: 001 General Fund

Amount: \$ 340,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 20) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$253,706.95 to Community Development for Home Investment Partnerships per award received. (Resolution Number 1828-21)

Submitted by: Christopher Hatcher

Department: Community Development Extension: 2723

Recommended Funding Source: 035 Grants Fund

Amount: \$ 253,706.95

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 21) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, by appropriating \$17,592.00 to Municipal Court, Court Referral Officer per grant award received.

Submitted by: Judge Andra Sparks

Department: Municipal Court

Extension: 8259

Amount: \$ 17,592.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 22) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Event Sponsorship Agreement with Knight Eady Sports and Entertainment, L.L.C. (Knight Eady) under which Knight Eady will host the CM Newton Classic Basketball Game in Birmingham at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex. The City will provide incentives to Knight Eady in the amount of \$20,000.00 pursuant to Amendment No. 772 as a sponsorship incentive for the CM Newton Classic, which will generate revenue from out-of-town visitors and will provide positive publicity for the City through sponsorship recognition by Knight Eady.

Submitted by: Coreata' R. Houser

Department: IEO

Extension: 2799

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Recommended Funding Source: 057_000.527-050 Professional Fees
Amount: \$20,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 23) 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/FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in the amount of \$229,449.60. To purchase eight (8) washer extractors and eight (8) dryer cabinets to ensure a thorough decontamination of turnout gear for the Birmingham Fire and Rescue Service. The City shall provide \$25,494.40 in matching funds. To authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as appropriate and necessary to make 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 Sabrina Franklin

Department: Grants Division Finance

Extension: x8266 Terrie Burrell x2991 Sabrina Franklin

Recommended Funding Source: GL 001_022_17000_17401.522-004

Amount: \$25,494.40

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 24) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §11-47-19, Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with ASO to provide the following services within the City of Birmingham: i.ASO will coordinate and administer a virtually INSPIRED program to provide up-close access to musicians, provide new music education opportunities to supplement existing music programs and create long-term partnerships with young people, free of charge to ALL City of Birmingham school age children. The ASO will provide in-person sessions as well in its 2021/2022 season. ii.ASO will provide virtual personalized masterclass visits from the ASO Assistance Conductor and ASYO Music Director for orchestras or bands that will be designed to motivate and inspire young musicians. The requestor will choose the topic and the goal. The ASO will provide in person Maestro Masterclasses as healthcare protocols allow during the 2021/2022 season. lii. ASO will provide free tickets and free virtual access to an education concert "When Instruments Roamed the Earth." This special concert will focus on introducing younger attendees to the orchestra while reinforcing basic learning skills through dynamic performances all while taking listeners to pre-historic times. Attendees will be introduced to instruments, instrument families and musical concepts through engaging visuals, narration, music and dinosaurs. iv. ASO will celebrate its 100th Anniversary with a multi-day celebration with a special outdoor concert featuring familiar classical favorites on May 13, 2022. Said funds shall be in the amount of \$25,000.00 and shall come from 001_400_96700_96703.550-008.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2369

Recommended Funding Source:

Amount: Not to exceed \$24,000

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

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- 25)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-47-19, Code of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 to complete Community Projects within the Oakwood Place Neighborhood projects to include: (1) Pressure wash the Neighborhood sign marquee at 1697 Tuscaloosa Avenue SW and around the sign at this location; replace broken bricks and polish the sign; (2) replant the green spaces on Pearson Avenue and 21st Street; (3) Clear debris and remove dead shrubbery from the following locations: (a) Pearson Ave/Jefferson Ave at 15th Street SW; (b) 16th St/Woodland Ave SW; (c) 18th Street/Fulton Ave SW; (d) 21st Street/Pearson Ave SW; (e) 16th Place and Fulton Avenue; (f) 17th Street/Tuscaloosa Ave SW. Said funds to come from the Oakwood Place Neighborhood Association Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2369

Recommended Funding Source:

Amount: Not to exceed \$12,000

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve the Item.

Council President Alexander Seconded the Motion.

The Item was Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 26) Adjournment**