



JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER DECEMBER 12, 2022 | 3:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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## 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

- 1) **Call to Order**  
The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Council President Pro Tem Smitherman.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**The November 28, 2022 Joint Budget and Finance and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes were Approved as Recorded.**
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**  
**Items #4,5,6,8,10,11,12,13**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**  
**Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 4) A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute a one-year Agreement with **VertiGIS North America Ltd. (VertiGIS)** to provide maintenance and technical support services for the GCX Analytics T2 software. The City is authorized to expend an amount not to exceed **Ten Thousand Twenty-five Dollars and No/Cents (\$10,025.00)**.  
**Submitted by: Patrick McClendon**  
**Department: IMS Extension: 2812**  
**Recommended Funding Source: G/L account # 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001**  
**Amount: \$10,025.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 5) An Ordinance to amend the Grant Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by appropriating \$7,800.00 to IEO, Alabama Tourism Dept Blues & BBQ Fest per grant award received.  
**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley, Director**  
**Department: IEO**  
**Extension: 2657**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 035 GRANT FUND**  
**Amount: \$ 7,800.00**

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**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 6) An Ordinance to amend the Donation Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by appropriating \$1,000.00 to Hillman Park NA, \$1,500.00 to Green Acres NA, \$666.67 to West Brownville NA, \$666.67 to East Brownville NA, \$666.66 to Roosevelt NA for general use per donation received from Jefferson County Community Service Fund.

**Submitted by: Dr. Meghan Thomas, Director**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2723**

**Recommended Funding Source: 032**

**Amount: \$ 4,500.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 7) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete and submit a grant application with Bloomberg Philanthropies, the Bloomberg Initiative for Cycling Infrastructure program, to implement transformative cycling infrastructure improvements in the City of Birmingham, if awarded.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**

**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**

**Extension: 2434**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: No Funding Source**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 8) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Camino Technologies, Inc. for their Permitting Guide Services to be integrated with Accela to be used by the City's Planning, Engineering and Permitting Department to provide a customized checklist that will take applicants through the process of preparing and submitting permit applications for a period not to exceed three years for a total amount not to exceed \$75,000.

**Submitted by: Annette Harris**

**Department: IMS**

**Extension: 2751**

**Recommended Funding Source: \$25,000/year 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001**

**Amount: \$75,000**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 9) 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 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball (Round 1&2) Championship Games 2023 in Birmingham at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex on March 16th & March 18th 2023. The City will provide incentives to Knight Eady in the amount of \$30,000.00 pursuant to Amendment No. 772 as a sponsorship for the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship, which will generate revenue from out-of-town visitors and will provide positive publicity for the City.

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**Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell**  
**Department: Mayor's Office**  
**Extension: 2771**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 057\_000.527-050 Professional Fees**  
**Amount: \$30,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 10) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an order under the City's Master Services and Purchasing Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. approved by the Council of the City of Birmingham on February 15, 2022 (Resolution 263-22) under which the City of Birmingham will acquire Axon devices and services detailed in Quote Q-439304-44893.865BF such as Axon VR, its Virtual Reality (VR) Simulator Training platform which provides immersive VR training that helps police offices develop critical thinking and de-escalation skills improving outcomes for public safety for use by the Birmingham Police Department for an amount not to exceed \$608,925.00 for a term not to exceed 44.4516 months with said products and services to be delivered to the City on or after July 1, 2023.

**Submitted by: Chief Thurmond**  
**Department: BPD**  
**Extension: 1701**  
**Recommended Funding Source:001\_043\_26000\_26001.527-050 - Professional Fees Other Professional Services**  
**Amount: \$608,925.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 11) A Resolution pursuant to §11-47-19 of the Code of Alabama, 1975 to authorize the Mayor to expend funds and execute agreements in an amount not to exceed \$4,200, for the purchase and planting of 24 trees along Highland Avenue. Said funds to come from the Highland Park Neighborhood Association Funds.

**Submitted by: Melony Martin**  
**Department: Community Development**  
**Extension: 2535**  
**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12140\_12142\_15198.540.001**  
**Amount: \$4,200.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 12) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an order under the City's Master Services and Purchasing Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. approved by the Council of the City of Birmingham on February 15, 2022 (Resolution 263-22) under which the City of Birmingham will acquire Axon devices and services detailed in Quote Q-431850-44855.887BF such as Axon Air an integrated drone platform that provides integrated evidence and program management and delivers secure wireless livestreaming to provide critical situational awareness improving outcomes for public safety for use by the Birmingham Police Department for an amount not to exceed \$227,007.88 for a term not to exceed 50.4516 months with said products and services to be delivered to the City on or before January 1, 2023.

**Submitted by: Chief Thurmond**  
**Department: BPD**  
**Extension: 1701**

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**Recommended Funding Source: 001\_043\_26000\_26001.527-050 - Professional Fees Other Professional Services**

**Amount: \$227,007.88**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 13) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, pursuant to Amendment 772 and §11-47-16, Code of Alabama 1975, to execute an agreement with **Community Affairs Committee of Birmingham, Inc.**, in an amount not to exceed \$13,480, to provide up to 28 tables to officers, employees and volunteers of the City of Birmingham to attend the 37<sup>th</sup> 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 1,000 attendees, will serve to educate and train 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. The services are expected to bring jobs and to boost and enhance the estimated economic impact to the City. Said sums to come from the following sources: City Council Respective Discretionary funds as follows: Mayor's Fund: \$1,000; City Council's Fund: \$2,880; and \$9,600 to come from respective Neighborhood Association funds.

**Submitted by: Alice Williams**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 8085**

**Recommended Funding Source:**

**Mayor's Fund: \$1,000.00 - 001\_031\_09877.767-111**

**City Council's Fund: \$2,880.00 - 001-010-04200.527-014**

**Neighborhood Association Funds:**

**Central Pratt NA - \$460.00 - 031-200-12130-12131-15198.540-001 Grasselli Heights NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12090-12091-15198.540-001 South Pratt NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12130-12135-15198.540-001**

**East Brownsville NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12220-12221-15198.540-001 Sun Valley NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12070-12075-15198.540-001**

**Rising West Princeton NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12220-12204-15198.540-001 Belview Heights NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12020-12021-15198.540-001 Druid Hills NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12120-12122-15198.540-001**

**Ensley Highlands NA \$480.00 - 031-200-12020-12024-15198.540-001 Fairview NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12020-12025-15198.540-001**

**Green Acres NA - \$480 - 031-200-12020-12026-15198.540-001 Collegeville NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12110-12112-15198.540-001 Enon Ridge NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12160-12163-15198.540-001 Huffman NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12100-12101-15198.540-001**

**Liberty Highland NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12100-12104-15198.540-001 Roebuck NA - \$960.00 031-200-12150-12151-15198.540-001**

**South East Lake NA - \$960.00 - 031-200-12150-12153-15198.540-001 North East Lake NA - \$480.00 - 031-200-12060-12064-15198.540-001**

**Amount: \$13,480.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

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

- 14) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by transferring \$9,327.00 from Mayor's Office, Grant Match and appropriating \$9,327.00 to Non- Departmental, Transfer to Fund 036 Grant Match; and amend the Grants Match Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by appropriating \$9,327.00 as an addition to AmeriCorps VISTA award received. (Resolution Number 1131-22).  
**Submitted by: Chaz Mitchell, Chief of Operations**

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Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2771  
Recommended Funding Source: 001 General Fund and 036 Grants Match Fund  
Amount: \$ 9,327.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.  
Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

15) Old & New Business  
None

16) Adjournment  
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Adjourn.  
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.  
Meeting Adjourned.