

**The Joint Budget & Finance Committee Meeting  
&  
Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**Monday, March 13, 2023  
City Council Chambers  
3:30 PM**

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**AGENDA**

**1) Call to Order**

**2) Approval of the Minutes**

**3) Consideration of the Consent Agenda**

**4) A Resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, a professional services contract with Gray Quarter Inc, for technical expertise in network infrastructure, software development process or SDLC, system to system interfaces, API's, web services, databases, SaaS, SOA, and Accela Methodologies for assistance with phases 2 and 3 of the Accela Permitting implementation project for a term of one (1) year for an amount not to exceed \$319,200.00.**

**Submitted by: Annette Harris**

**Department: IMS**

**Extension: 2751**

**Recommended Funding: FY23 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001**

**Amount: \$319,200.00**

**5) A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, any and all documents necessary for the City to make application, receive and expend grant funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA)Implementation Projects grant in the amount of \$200,000.00**

to improve mental health and wellness services for law enforcement officers, dispatchers, and other interdepartmental personnel that experience trauma with no matching funds due from the City.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**  
**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**  
**Extension: 2434**  
**Recommended Funding: N/A**  
**Amount: N/A**

6) A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to apply, accept and expend grant funds on behalf of the City of Birmingham in the amount of \$600,000.00, with the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), United States Department of Justice (DOJ), as authorized by the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and under the FY23 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies, a project supported by Grant No. O-BJA-2023-171562, for a term of thirty-six (36) months with a required City match of \$300,000.00 and authorizing the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the Grant.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**  
**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**  
**Extension: 2434**  
**Recommended Funding: 001\_022\_16000\_16100.536-040 Grant Match.**  
**Amount: \$300,000.00**

7) A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, any and all documents necessary for the City to make application, receive and expend grant funding from U. S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office for Victim Crime's Law Enforcement-Based Victim Services (LEV) Program grant in the amount of \$300,000.00 to enhance the capacity of law enforcement-based victim services through guidance on promising practices and policies to support victim's access to their legal rights and the services and responses they need for a period of twenty-four (24) months with no matching funds due from the City.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**

**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**  
**Extension: 2434**  
**Recommended Funding: N/A**  
**Amount: N/A**

8) A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, any and all documents necessary for the City to make application, receive and expend grant funding from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights (OEJECR) for its Environmental Justice Government-to-Government (EJG2G) Program grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to develop a Parks Resiliency Masterplan for a period of three (3) years with no matching funds due from the City.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**  
**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**  
**Extension: 2434**  
**Recommended Funding: N/A**  
**Amount: N/A**

9) A Good Jobs Challenge Grant Sub-recipient agreement with the Prosper Foundation under which the Prosper Foundation will participate in all phases of implementing the grant, including the establishment of the Health Sector Leadership Council, (“HSLC”), Healthcare Employer Roundtable, and Workforce Success Roundtable, designing new training pathways in community health and digital health with employers to meet employer demand and Implementing programs to train the target population in employer-demanded skills with a Board chair to serve on the HSLC for a term of one (1) year for an amount not to exceed \$3,159,000.00.

**Submitted by: Amelia Muller**  
**Department: Civic Design**  
**Extension: 205.581.3067**  
**Recommended Funding: EDA-Good Job Challenge Grant GL to be assigned**  
**Amount: \$ 3,159,000.00**

10) A Good Jobs Challenge Grant Sub-recipient agreement with Strive International, Inc. under which Strive International, Inc. will serve a member of the Worker Success Roundtable, contributing

to the co-design of programming and training that is responsive to the needs of industry and jobseeker and will recruit, train and support jobseekers, in accordance with the budget and capacity projects, primarily during the third phase of the grant: Program Implementation, for a term of one (1) year for an amount not to exceed \$1,180,119.00.

**Submitted by: Amelia Muller**  
**Department: Civic Design**  
**Extension: 205.581.3067**  
**Recommended Funding: EDA-Good Job Challenge Grant GL to be assigned**  
**Amount: \$1,180,119.00**

**11)** A Good Jobs Challenge Grant Sub-recipient agreement with the Women’s Foundation of Alabama under which the Women’s Foundation of Alabama will serve as members of the Worker Success Roundtable, contributing to the co-design of programming and training that is responsive to the needs of industry and jobseeker and alongside other training providers, will recruit, train and support jobseekers, in accordance with the budget and capacity projects, primarily during the third phase of the grant: Program Implementation, for a term of one (1) year for an amount not to exceed \$1,627,500.00.

**Submitted by: Amelia Muller**  
**Department: Civic Design**  
**Extension: 205.581.3067**  
**Recommended Funding: EDA-Good Job Challenge Grant GL to be assigned**  
**Amount: \$1,627,000.00**

**12)** A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, an Agreement with the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) pursuant to Amendment 772 under which NABJ will conduct its Annual National Convention and Career Fair on August 02-06, 2023 in the City of Birmingham which expected to increase tourism by bringing thousands of visitors to the City, will generate additional revenue and will provide a positive economic benefit to the City, and will provide positive publicity to the City from the extensive print and electronic media coverage of the event, and the City will provide incentives to NABJ in amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for conducting its Annual National Convention and Career Fair in Birmingham.

**Submitted by: Coreata’ Houser**

**Department: IEO**  
**Extension: 2799**  
**Recommended Funding: 039\_000.534-040 G&A Marketing and Promotion**  
**Amount: \$150,000.00**

**13)** An Ordinance to amend the Donation Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by appropriating \$10,000.00 to Arlington House for general use per donation received from Rodger Smitherman.

**Submitted by: Toby Richards, Director**  
**Department: Arlington House**  
**Extension: 2599**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 032**  
**Amount: \$ 10,000.00**

**14)** An Ordinance to amend the Rebuild AL Gas Tax Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by transferring \$53,728.41 to Fund 102 Capital Improvement Fund to for Farmer’s Market Project.

**Submitted by: Denise Bell, Director**  
**Department: Capital Projects**  
**Extension: 2503**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 058 Rebuild AL Gas Tax**  
**Amount: \$ 53,728.41**

**15)** An Interlocal Agreement between the City of Birmingham and **Lawson State Community College**, under which Lawson State Community College will provide workforce development training, more particularly described as “Commercial Driver’s License Training” for City employees and the City will provide vehicles for use by the City employees during the course of the training.

**Submitted by: Joshua Yates**  
**Department: Public Works**  
**Extension: 6345**  
**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

**16)** An Agreement with **Greater Birmingham Arts Education Collaborative**, under which Greater Birmingham Arts Education Collaborative will create and sustain a system for PreK-12 students in Birmingham that increases equitable access to robust and comprehensive arts

education in schools, creative teaching and learning in all classrooms, and opportunities to engage with community arts resources. Said total funds will come from District #8 Discretionary Funds in a total amount not to exceed \$5,000.

**Submitted by: Lamford Johnson**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2294**  
**Funding Source: 001\_000\_04280.542-001**  
**Amount: \$5,000**

17) An Agreement with **Black Warrior Riverkeeper**, under which Black Warrior Riverkeeper will provide professional consulting services related to the development and implementation of the “Volunteer Litter Cleanup” program, which will engage diverse populations in watershed stewardship through direct action accompanied by environmental education. Said total funds will come from District #8 Discretionary Funds in a total amount not to exceed \$10,000.

**Submitted by: Lamford Johnson**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2294**  
**Funding Source: 001\_000\_04280.542-001**  
**Amount: \$10,000**

18) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$2,332.56, for the purchase of 12 round tables and 30 chairs for the Evergreen Community Center. Said funds to come from the Evergreen Neighborhood Association fund.

**Submitted by: Willie Watson**  
**Department: Community Development**  
**Extension: 2066**  
**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12120\_12123\_15198.540-001**  
**Amount: \$2,332.56**

19) A Project Agreement with **Tquila Automation, Inc.**, under which Tquila Automation, Inc. will make a total estimated capital investment of \$280,000 to lease and equip approximately 2,542 square feet of space in the former “Sticks ‘N’ Stuff” building located at 1531 Third Avenue North, where it will establish and operate a center for its robotic precision automation technical operations, and will hire 200 new full-time employees over 5 years, and the City will provide incentives in support of this project to paid annually for up to five years in an amount equal to

\$1,500 for each new employee hired in the preceding year, not to exceed a total incentive amount of \$300,000.

**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley**

**Department: Innovation & Economic Opportunity**

**Extension: 2799**

**Recommended Funding Source: 417-001 Occupational Taxes**

**Amount: \$300,000**

**20)** An Agreement with **Building Peace, Inc.**, under which Building Peace, Inc. will assist the City of Birmingham with the organization, promotion and management of “The International Peace Conference” scheduled to take place at the Birmingham Jefferson Convention Center from May 4, 2023 through May 6, 2023, which will have nationally and internationally recognized speakers on a variety of topics, ranging from individual peace and peace in the communities, to human trafficking and international peace. The fee for the services will be for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

**Submitted by: Belinda Bertrand**

**Department: Mayor’s Office**

**Extension: 2704**

**Recommended Funding Source: 001\_031\_03700.534-050**

**Amount: \$25,000**

**21) Old & New Business**

**The next Budget & Finance Committee meeting will**

**be on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 3:30 pm.**

