



JOINT BUDGET AND FINANCE AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024 | 3:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

COUNCILOR CRYSTAL SMITHERMAN, COMMITTEE CHAIR
COUNCILORS VALERIA A. ABBOTT & WARDINE T. ALEXANDER, COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councilor(s) Present: Smitherman, Abbott, Alexander

- 1) **Call to Order**
The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Councilor Smitherman.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes**
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
The February 12, 2024 Joint Budget and Finance and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes were approved as recorded.
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**
Items #5,13,15
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 4) A resolution by the Council of the City of Birmingham that the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for, submit, execute, expend, accept, and to take any and all actions as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the Grant submission requirements and Grant Agreement with the US Department of Transportation. Maritime Administration FY 2024 Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Grant for the purpose of improving the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods through ports and intermodal connections to ports in an amount up to \$21,714,616.00 to rebuild a dock wall and replacement of 2 cranes with new E-Cranes and authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver a Funding Agreement with Watco Alabama Port Services, LLC, owner and operator of the Port Birmingham Terminal to cover the 20% required PIDP grant match on behalf of the City.
Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt
Department: Finance/Grants
Extension: x2434
Recommended Funding Source: n/a
Amount: n/a
Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt
Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.
- 5) An Agreement with **Carahsoft Technology Corporation ("Carahsoft")**, in accordance with §41-16-51(a)(17), Code of Alabama, to purchase DocuSign software and services for a period not to exceed one year. The software is currently available through a current and GSA Contract (No. 47QSWA18D008F). The City shall be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed \$12,627.00 for this purchase.
Submitted by: Annette Harris
Department: IMS
Extension: 2751

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Recommended Funding Source: G/L # 001_037_01920_01922.526-001
IMS-Systems Development-System Support Technology Maintenance-Software Maintenance
Amount: \$12,627.00

Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 6) A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with ZOOM Motorsports under which Zoom shall manage and host the Indy Racing League event, and for said services the City shall provide incentives in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 (\$350,000.00) for a term of up to one (1) year.

Submitted by: Michelle Inman
Department: Mayor's Office
Extension: 2144

Recommended Funding: Sporting & Entertainment Recruit Boards & Agencies Boards
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Amount: \$350,000.00

Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 7) A Resolution approving, and authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, an agreement between the City of Birmingham and Magnet Forensics, LLC under which Magnetic Forensics, LLC shall provide hardware, software, professional services, and ongoing maintenance and support services related to its GrayKey and AXIOM Products, a proprietary software which allows digital forensic access for iOS devices for use by the Birmingham Police Department for a term of one (1) year, and the City shall pay Magnetic Forensics, LLC an amount not to exceed \$18,055.00.

Submitted by: Annette Harris
Department: IMS
Extension: 2751

Recommended Funding Source: FY23 - 001_037_01920_01922.526-001
Amount: \$18,055.00

Action Taken:
Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 8) A Resolution, pursuant to Section 11-43-55 and Section 11-47-19, Code of Alabama, authorizing the Birmingham Police Department (BPD) to host and conduct **FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING** on March 2, 2024, for interested inhabitants of the City of Birmingham who are at least 21 years of age. The Firearms Safety Training will be provided free of charge to qualified citizen participants at the BPD Firing Range. All Citizens who participate must sign a Release and Waiver of Liability Form and provide their own ammunition and qualified handgun.

Submitted by: LaQuaylin Parhm-Mack
Department: Birmingham Police
Extension: 1706
Recommended Funding Source: BPD Operating Budget

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Amount: \$N/A

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 9) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Funding Agreement with the Birmingham Jefferson County Port Authority ("BJCPA"), under which the BJCPA will contract with the owner and operator of the Port Authority Terminal for the installation of a 6" tap on a 6" cast iron water main in the Warrior River Water Authority service area to support construction of a 25,000 square foot warehouse facility at the Birmingham Port Terminal to further the functions of an inland port facility on the Black Warrior River to carry out its duties and responsibilities and other services that are required to fulfill the intent of the Port Authority Act as defined in Chapter 94 of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama (1975) and the purposes of the Funding Agreement and the City will pay the BJCPA an amount not to exceed \$188, 020 for such services.

Submitted by: Chris Hatcher

Department: Chief Community Planner

Extension: x2723

Recommended Funding Source: FIN039RM 99999A_005_005

Amount: \$188,020.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 10) An Agreement between the City of Birmingham and **Master Solutions, LLC**, in an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00, under which Master Solutions, LLC will provide professional consulting services to leverage relationships with other governmental entities, non-profit and for-profit organizations across the City and State to advance the City's economic and community development goals.

Submitted by: Chris Hatcher

Department: Mayor's Office

Extension: 2430

Funding Source: G/L 039_000.527-050 – Recovery Loss Grant Match

Amount: \$85,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman Seconded the Motion.

Councilor Alexander Abstained

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 11) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, 11-47-9 and §11-47-11 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Central Alabama Redevelopment Alliance, under which Central Alabama Redevelopment Alliance, shall coordinate and provide marketing, and outreach support for public input sessions with community leaders through the Woodlawn Community Council and with Business owners through the Woodlawn Business Association for a term ending on June 30, 2024 and for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Submitted by: Connie Horn

Department: City Council

Extension: 2907

Recommended Funding Source: 001-000-04250-527-014

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Amount: \$25,000.00

Action Taken:

Item Tabled until the end of the agenda in order to receive additional information from Jeffery McDaniels.

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 12) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute various agreements with various vendors in an amount not to exceed \$4,000 per Neighborhood Association for the registration of Neighborhood Officers, Neighborhood Association Committee Members or Neighborhood Volunteers, not to exceed two (2) attendees per Neighborhood Association, to attend either the 2024 NUSA Conference in Lubbock, Texas from May 22, 2024 – May 25, 2024 or the 2024 Main Street Now Conference in Birmingham, Alabama from May 6, 2024 to May 8, 2024. Registration shall also include up to ten (10) Community Resource Services (“CRS”) staff members for each conference attended. Attendees representing neighborhood associations cannot attend more than one (1) conference in a calendar year. These events will serve to educate and train the Neighborhood Volunteers and CRRs on a vision of communities and provide information that will benefit those seeking resources for community and economic development within the City of Birmingham. Said funds to come from the respective Neighborhood Associations.

Submitted by: Alice Williams

Department: Community Development

Extension: 8085

Funding Source: The Requesting Neighborhood Associations

Amount: \$396,000.00 (not to exceed \$4,000.00 per Neighborhood Association)

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 13) 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 for the purchase and delivery of Native trees and mulch for Highland Park. Said funds to come from the Highland Park Neighborhood Association Fund.

Submitted by: Willie Watson

Department: Community Development Extension: 2066

Funding Source: 031_200_12140_12142_15198.540-001

Amount: \$3,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 14) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute various agreements with various vendors in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 per attendee, including registration, for up to one (1) member from each of the communities represented by the 23 member Citizens Advisory Board and up to ten(10) Community Resource Service (CRS) as employees of the City of Birmingham to attend the 2024 Reclaiming Vacant Properties Conference in St. Louis, Missouri from October 9, 2024 to October 11, 2024. Attendees representing communities must be a current officer in good standing and cannot attend more than one (1) conference in a calendar year. The cost of registration for each attendee is not to exceed \$750.00. The events will serve to educate and train the Neighborhood Officers and CRRs on a vision of communities and provide information that will benefit those seeking resources for community and economic development within the City of Birmingham. Said funds to come from the respective Neighborhood Associations.

Submitted by: Alice Williams

Department: Community Development Extension: 8085

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Funding Source: The Requesting Neighborhood Associations

Amount: (not to exceed \$2,500.00 per Community)

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

15) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City, a Software Agreement with Hyland Software, Inc. ("Hyland") under which Hyland shall provide maintenance and support for the City's custom document storage solution software, Perceptive Content. The contract shall be for a term of three (3) years and in an amount not to exceed \$241,142.34.

Submitted by: Annette Harris

Department: IMS

Extension: 2751

Recommended Funding Source: 001_037_01920_0192-2.526-001

Amount: \$241,142.34

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

16) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, by transferring \$96,848.07 from Park & Recreation, Miscellaneous Revenue and appropriating \$96,848.07 to Non-Departmental, Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement; and amend the Capital Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, by appropriating \$96,848.07 to Public Works Deferred Maintenance Program, Highland Park Golf Repairs.

Submitted by: Shonae Eddins-Bennett, Director

Department: Park & Recreation

Extension: 2391

Recommended Funding Source: 001 & 102

Amount: \$96,848.07

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

17) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, by transferring \$2,638,492.38 from General Fund, Miscellaneous Clearing and appropriating \$2,638,492.38 to Non-Departmental, Transfer to Fund 103 Neighborhood Revitalization; and amend the Neighborhood Revitalization Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, by appropriating \$2,638,492.38 to Office of the City Attorney. Funding source is settlement funds from opiate litigation.

Submitted by: Nicole King, City Attorney

Department: Office of the City Attorney

Extension: 2369

Recommended Funding Source: 001 & 103

Amount: \$ 2,638,492.38

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.

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- 18)** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Development and Program Funding Agreement pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) between the City of Birmingham (the “City”) and Southern Research Institute (“SR”) to respond to the far-reaching public health and negative economic impacts of the pandemic under which the SR will develop a unique public health data system program to connect personalized medical data, including genomic, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, and other forms of data to clinical data to support the public health (the “Program”) creating over 50 new jobs over the next 5 years and the City will pay the SR pursuant to Amendment No. 772 from monies received by the City from ARPA, an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 to support the Program.
Submitted by: Chris Hatcher
Department: Chief Community Planner
Extension: x2723
Recommended Funding Source: 039_000.527-050
Amount: \$5,000,000
Action Taken:
Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.
Councilor Smitherman Seconded the Motion.
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.
- 19)** **Old & New Business**
None
- 20)** **Adjournment**
Councilor Alexander Motioned to Adjourn.
Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.
Meeting Adjourned.