

**COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL
MINUTES
JANUARY 2, 2007**

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Committee on Council was held on Tuesday, January 2, 2007 in Committee Room #2.

Chairperson Moore recognized a quorum was present and the meeting convened at 11:09 am.

The Following Committee Members were Present

**The Honorable Felicia A. Moore, Chair
The Honorable Mary Norwood
The Honorable Anne Fauver
The Honorable Jim Maddox
The Honorable Clea Winslow**

The Following Committee Members were Absent

**The Honorable Natalyn Archibong
The Honorable Ceasar Mitchell**

Others in attendance were President Lisa Borders; Rhonda Johnson, Municipal Clerk; Robert Barger, Council Director; Derrick Williams, Mayor's Office; Megan Middleton, Legislative Counsel; Roger Bhandari, Deputy City Attorney; Members of the Public, the Media and Council Staff.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Agenda was ADOPTED without objection.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the December 4, 2006 Committee on Council Meeting were APPROVED.

C. ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL AGENDA

Councilmember Moore made a motion to re-order the Order of Business for the January 2, 2007 Full Council meeting so that the Mayor could present The State of The City Address before Proclamations, Commendations and other Special Awards. Councilmember Maddox made a motion to re-order the Report of Standing Committees to allow the Finance/Executive Committee to give its report first. Without objection, the agenda was ADOPTED as amended.

D. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Councilmember Moore announced that the floor was open for nominations to the position of Vice Chair for the Committee for 2007. Councilmember Norwood nominated Councilmember Fauver who declined since she has already held the seat as Chair of the Committee. Councilmember Maddox then nominated Councilmember Norwood, who accepted. Without objection, Councilmember Norwood was named Vice Chair of the Committee on Council for 2007.

E. DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

President Lisa Borders, gave the Committee an update on the Office Space Planning transitions. To date, the transitions are 95% complete. The Director of Council, Director Robert Barger and the Municipal Clerk, Rhonda Johnson, gave the Committee a report on the Preliminary Budget for their offices. Written information showing the cost of the projected priorities for each office was given to the Committee.

Also, the Municipal Clerk informed the Committee of a refund of election advances received from Fulton County in the amount of \$876,619.96. Councilmember Moore stated that an account should be set up as a reserve for the cost of administration of future elections.

F. COMMUNICATION(S)

- 06-C-2385 (1) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Ms. Mary L. Floyd** to serve as a member of the Keep Atlanta Beautiful Board of Directors. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Favorable by City Utilities Committee 12/12/06.)**

(Councilmember Maddox made a motion to Approve.)

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- 06-C-2637 (2) A Communication to Council President Lisa M. Borders by Clerk Mark Massey to the Fulton County Board of Commissioners submitting the Fulton County Board of Commissioners' appointments of **Mr. Yusuf Muwwakkil (Position 7); Ms. Portia A. Scott (At-Large Position 8); Mr. Al Goodgame (At-Large Position 9); and Mr. Eugene Bowens, Sr. (At-Large Position 10)** to serve as the County's representative on the BeltLine TAD Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Favorable by CD/HR 12/12/06.)**

(Councilmember Maddox made a motion to Approve.)

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G. PAPER(S) HELD IN COMMITTEE

- 06-O-1333 (1) An Ordinance by Councilmembers Anne Fauver and Cleta Winslow to amend the Charter of the City of Atlanta adopted under and by virtue of the authority of the Municipal Home Rule Act of 1965 (Ga. Laws 1965, P.298, et seq.) as amended, to amend Part I, Subpart A, Article VII, Chapter 3, Section 2-301(c) of the Charter of the City of Atlanta, Georgia (Ga. Laws 1996, p. 4469, et seq.), approved April 15, 1996 as amended, so as to allow elected officials to view a video taped copy of the Elected Officials Mandatory Training Modules; to make the mandatory training apply to newly elected officials only; and for other purposes. **(HELD 6/19/06; Vote taken to continue to HOLD 1/2/07.)**
- 06-O-1597 (2) An Ordinance by Committee on Council to amend Chapter 2, Article XVI, Division 1, Section 2-1852 (entitled, "Procedures for appointments of Councilmember to a Board, Commission or Authority.") of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta, so as to establish a procedure for appointments of persons, by individual members of Council, to Boards, Commissions or Authorities; to waive conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes. **(Held 8/21/06.)**
- 06-C-1978 (3) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **James Wright** to serve as a member of the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board for the City of Atlanta in the Castleberry Hill Neighborhood Association Category. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded without Recommendation by CD/HR 9/12/06; Held 9/18/06.)**
- 06-C-1979 (4) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Michael Tompkins** to serve as a member of the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board for the City of Atlanta in the Chamber of Commerce Category. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded without Recommendation by CD/HR 9/12/06; Held 9/18/06.)**

G. PAPER(S) HELD IN COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

- 06-C-1986 (5) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Michael Jeter** to serve as a member of the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Neighborhood Advisory Board for the City of Atlanta in the Neighborhood/Non-profit Category. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded without Recommendation by CD/HR 9/12/06; Held 9/18/06.)**
- 06-O-2137 (6) An Ordinance by Councilmember Howard Shook to abolish the term limit for persons serving on any City Board or Commission; and for other purposes. **(Held for further review and discussion 10/02/06.)**
- 06-C-2268 (7) A Communication by Councilmembers Felicia A. Moore, District 9; C. T. Martin, District 10; Jim Maddox, District 11; Joyce M. Sheperd, District 12 and H. Lamar Willis, Post 3 At-Large appointing **Ms. Cindy Dennis** to serve as a member of the Beltline Tax Allocation District Advisory Committee for the City of Atlanta. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded with no recommendation by CD/HR Committee 10/31/06; Held 11/6/06 so that the appointee can appear before the Committee.)**
- 06-C-2508 (8) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin appointing **Ms. Frankie Brown** to serve as a Taxicabs and Vehicles for Hire Hearing Officer for the City of Atlanta. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded with no recommendation by Public Safety & Legal Administration Committee 11/28/06.)**

(Councilmember Maddox made a motion to Approve.)

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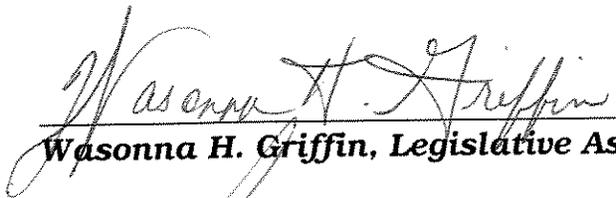
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There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Wasonna H. Griffin, Legislative Assistant


Bernard Thomas, Research & Policy Analyst
**The Honorable Felicia Moore, Chair
Committee on Council**