

**COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL
MINUTES
AUGUST 20, 2007**

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Committee on Council was held on Monday, August 20, 2007 in Committee Room #2.

Chairperson Moore recognized a quorum was present and the meeting convened at 11:15 am.

The Following Committee Members were Present

**The Honorable Felicia A. Moore, Chair
The Honorable Cleta Winslow
The Honorable Jim Maddox
The Honorable Ceasar Mitchell
The Honorable Mary Norwood, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Natalyn Archibong
The Honorable Anne Fauver**

Others in attendance were Councilmember C. T. Martin, District 10; Greg Giornelli, Chief Operating Officer; Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer; Leslie Ward, City Internal Auditor; Jeffrey Norman, Compliance Manager-Law Department; Saul Schultz, Law Department; General Public, members of the Press, and Council Staff.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Agenda was ADOPTED without objection.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the July 16, 2007 Committee on Council Meeting were APPROVED.

C. ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL AGENDA

Chairperson Moore offered an Amendment to the Order of Business for the Full Council Agenda for August 20, 2007, to allow the Community Development/Human Resources Committee the opportunity to report first. The amendment was accepted and the Agenda was Adopted as Amended.

D. DISCUSSION ITEM

**Integrity Line Operations, First Year Report
Leslie Ward, City Internal Auditor
Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer
Jeffrey Norman, Compliance Manager**

Greg Giornelli, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the Integrity Line Operations, First Year Report to the Committee. He stated that this initiative has high priority within this current administration, dating back to the introduction and adoption of the current ethics code.

D. DISCUSSION ITEM (CONT'D)

Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer, addressed the Committee first, to give background information on the integrity line and to explain how it operates. She informed the Committee of the Integrity Line Steering Committee, consisting of the Ethics Officer, the City Auditor and the Compliance Manager. She also informed the Committee that the operation of the hotline call center for the Integrity Line is outsourced to The Network, Inc.

Leslie Ward, City Auditor, addressed the Committee and stated that the Integrity Line is being utilized. She reported that during its first year of operation, April 2006 to April 2007, over 300 calls were received. She spoke on the different types of calls received. She also informed the Committee that some calls result in an investigation and, in some cases, disciplinary action is required.

A copy of the report from the Integrity Line Steering Committee is on file with these minutes.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

07-C-1618 (1) A Communication by Councilmember Clela Winslow appointing **Ms. Helen D. Jenkins** to the Atlanta Commission on Women. This appointment is scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

(Councilmember Moore offered an amendment to state that the appointment term is for two (2) years. She also made a motion to hold so that the appointee can appear before the Committee.)

HELD 5 YEAS 0 NAYS

07-C-1518 (2) A Communication by Councilmembers H. Lamar Willis, Post 3 At-Large; Felicia A. Moore, Council District 9; C. T. Martin, Council District 10; Jim Maddox, Council District 11 and Joyce Sheperd, District 12 appointing **Mr. Kyle R. Bailey** as a member of the Human Relations Commission. This appointment is scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

(Councilmember Moore offered an amendment to state that the appointment term is for three (3) years. Councilmember Maddox made a motion to approve.)

FAVORABLE 6 YEAS 0 NAYS

F. PAPERS 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-C-1978 (2) 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 Committee 9/12/06; Held 9/18/06.)**

(Councilmember Moore made a motion to file at the request of the Mayor's Office.)

FILE 6 YEAS 0 NAYS

06-O-2137 (3) 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.)**

07-O-0081 (4) An Ordinance by Councilmember Howard Shook to amend the Rules of Council so as to establish a policy requiring city departments to submit quarterly reports to the Council Committee of purview in a manner prescribed by the Committee; and for other purposes. **(Held 1/16/07 so that the Law Department can meet with the author for further discussion.)**

07-O-0094 (5) An Ordinance by Committee on Council to amend Chapter Two, Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 2-104 (a), entitled "Remarks from Public" of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta, so as to preclude the City Council from accepting additional names on the speakers' list, to be heard during remarks from the public, after roll call has occurred

F. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

at its regularly scheduled City Council meetings; to waive conflicting ordinances; and for other purpose. **(Held 2/05/07 so that the Committee can discuss further.)**

07-C-0408 (6) A Communication to Council President Lisa M. Borders and Members of Council by **Reverend Darrell D. Elligan**, President of Concerned Black Clergy of Metropolitan Atlanta, Inc. on behalf of Concerned Black Clergy, submitting his name as appointee to serve on the Reverend Joseph E. Boone Commission, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Held 3/19/07 so that the appointee can appear before the Committee.)**

07-C-0667 (7) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Ms. Page Gleason** to serve as a member of the Tree Conservation Commission in the Lay Citizen Category for the City of Atlanta. This re-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 5/1/07)**

(Councilmember Maddox made a motion to approve.)

FAVORABLE 6 YEAS 0 NAYS

07-C-0876 (8) 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' appointment of **Mr. Kwaku C. George** (At-Large Position 9) to serve as the County's representative on the BeltLine TAD Advisory Committee. This appointment is to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Al Goodgame (expiration date of 1/2/09), scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Forwarded with no Recommendation by CD/HR Committee 5/15/07) (Held 5/21/07 awaiting Mr. George to appeal before committee.)**

(Councilmember Maddox made a motion to approve.)

FAVORABLE 6 YEAS 0 NAYS

07-O-1340 (9) An Ordinance by Councilmembers Jim Maddox, Kwanza Hall, Joyce Sheperd, Howard Shook, Anne Fauver, Ceasar Mitchell, Lamar Willis, Ivory Young, Jr., C. T. Martin, Carla Smith and Clair Muller to amend the Rules for the Conduct of Business of the Atlanta City Council so as to create a new

F. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

policy for the receipt of legislation prepared by the Executive Branch. **(Held 7/2/07 for further review and discussion.)**

G. ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA

07-O-1704 (1) An Ordinance By The Committee On Council to amend the 2001 City of Atlanta Precincts and Polling Places Ordinance by adding new Precinct/Polling Place 05H created as a result of Precinct Boundary Line Adjustments approved by the Dekalb County Board of Registration and Elections due to overcrowding at Precincts/Polling Places 05D and 05G; and by relocating Precinct 09F from its temporary location back to its permanent location, approved by the Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections as a result of renovations being completed at the permanent facility; and for other purposes.

(Councilmember Moore made a motion to accept as a first read.)

TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL

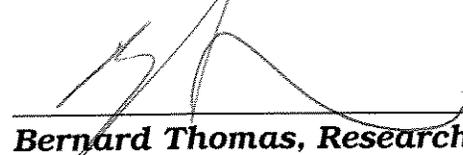
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

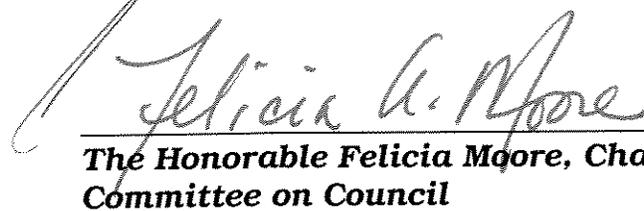
Respectfully Submitted:



Wasonna H. Griffin, Legislative Assistant



Bernard Thomas, Research & Policy Analyst



**The Honorable Felicia Moore, Chair
Committee on Council**