

COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL
MINUTES
MAY 4, 2009

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Committee on Council was held on Monday, May 4, 2009 in Committee Room #2.

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

The Following Committee Members were Present

The Honorable Felicia A. Moore, Chair
The Honorable Anne Fauver
The Honorable Mary Norwood, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Jim Maddox
The Honorable Clela Winslow
The Honorable Natalyn Archibong

Others in attendance were Greg Pridgeon, Chief of Staff-Mayor; Rhonda Johnson, Municipal Clerk; Saul Schultz, Law Department; General Public, Members of the Press, and Council Staff.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairperson Moore made a motion to amend the agenda to accept one Resolution, 09-R-0831. The Agenda was Adopted as amended without objection.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for the April 20, 2009 Committee on Council Meeting were APPROVED without objection.

D. DISCUSSION ITEM

1. "Ethics is the Only Deal" The first five years of the Ethics Office
Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer

Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer for the City of Atlanta, came before the Committee to present a report on, "the first five years of the Ethics Office". A copy of the report given to the Committee on Council can be viewed on the City of Atlanta Website at www.atlantaga.gov and is also on file with these minutes.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

09-C-0397 (1) A Communication by Clerk Mark Massey to the Fulton County Board of Commissioners to Council President Lisa M. Borders submitting the Fulton County Board of Commissioners' appointment of **Mr. Phillip Rush** (Position 1) 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. **(To expire on 12/31/2010.) (Recommendation to file by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

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09-C-0629 (2) A Communication by Councilmember Carla Smith appointing **Ms. Tina A. Arnold** to serve as a member of the Keep Atlanta Beautiful Board. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Favorable by City Utilities Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0630 (3) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc. to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its re-appointment of **Ms. Anna K. Cherry** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0631 (4) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its appointment of **Mr. Gerald Scott** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

E. COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

09-C-0632 (5) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its re-appointment of **Ms. Esther Stokes** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Recommendation to file by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

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09-C-0633 (6) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its re-appointment of **Mr. F. H. Boyd Coons** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0634 (7) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its re-appointment of **Mr. Nathaniel Q. Smith, Jr.** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0636 (8) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its appointment of **Ms. Sabrina Freeney** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

E. COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

09-C-0637 (9) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its appointment of **Ms. Priscilla Smith** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

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09-C-0638 (10) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its appointment of **Ms. Michelle J. Marcus** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0639 (11) A Communication from Chair Elizabeth B. Coyle, BeltLine Network, Inc., to President and Members of Atlanta City Council submitting its appointment of **Ms. Melissa Conrad** to serve as a member of the BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and expire December 31, 2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0643 (12) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin appointing **Mr. Edward Lindahl** to serve as a member on the Eastside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Neighborhood Advisory Board in the NPU-N category for the City of Atlanta. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

E. COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

09-C-0645 (13) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Mr. James Wright** to serve as a member on the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board in the Castleberry Hill Neighborhood Association category for the City of Atlanta. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on May 3, 2008 and to expire May 3, 2010. **(3rd and final consecutive term) (Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0646 (14) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin appointing **Mr. Craig Rusert** to serve as a member on the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board in the Downtown Resident category for the City of Atlanta. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0647 (15) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Mr. David D. Marvin** to serve as a member on the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board in the Centennial Olympic Park Area category for the City of Atlanta. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on May 3, 2008 and to expire May 3, 2010. **(3rd and final consecutive term) (Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0649 (16) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin re-appointing **Ms. Tahmida Shamsuddin** to serve as a member on the Westside Tax Allocation District (TAD) Downtown Advisory Board as the Central Atlanta Progress representative for the City of Atlanta. This re-appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on September 18, 2008 and to expire September 18, 2010. **(2nd term) (Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

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E. COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

09-C-0650 (17) A Communication by Mayor Shirley Franklin appointing **Mr. Kwame Thompson** to serve as a Procurement Appeals 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. **(Favorable by Finance/Executive Committee 4/29/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0652 (18) A Communication by Fulton County Commission Clerk Mark Massey to Council President Lisa M. Borders submitting the Fulton County Board of Commissioners' appointment of **Ms. Daphne Jackson** (Position 2) to serve as the County's representative on the BeltLine TAD Advisory Committee. This appointment is for a term of two (2) years, to begin retroactively on January 1, 2009 and to expire on 12/31/2010. **(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee 4/28/09.)**

FAVORABLE

09-C-0653 (1) A Communication by John Lewis, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Ethics for the City of Atlanta, to Rhonda Dauphin Johnson, Municipal Clerk for the City of Atlanta, reporting the Board's re-appointment of **Ms. Ginny Looney** to serve as the Ethics Officer for the City of Atlanta. This re-appointment, which is subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council and approval by the Mayor, is for a term of six (6) years, scheduled to begin on July 3, 2009.

(Councilmember Archibong made a motion to hold for further review and consideration.)

HELD

F. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

09-O-0654 (1) An Ordinance by Committee on Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Fulton County to conduct the 2009 City of Atlanta General Municipal Election and any Special Election(s) held in conjunction therewith on November 3, 2009 and if necessary, to conduct a City of Atlanta General Runoff Election to be held on December 1, 2009 or such other authorized date; to authorize the

F. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING (CONT'D)

payment of expenses incurred under the contract in an amount not to exceed \$2,126,576.00; to appoint the Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections, as Municipal Election Superintendent for the purpose of conducting said election, as Absentee Ballot Clerk and as Municipal Registrar; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE

09-O-0808 (2) An Ordinance by Committee on Council to amend the 2001 City of Atlanta Precincts and Polling Places in Precinct 04A as a result of completed renovations and permanent precinct relocation; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE

G. CHARTER AMENDMENT/SECOND READING/FIRST ADOPTION

09-O-0655 (1) An Ordinance and Charter Amendment by Committee on Council 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 Section 5-201 (entitled "Council Districts") 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 modify the boundary description for Council District 11 as set forth in Appendix I of the Charter of the City of Atlanta and the Council District Map for Council District 11, which modification is due to recent annexation actions by the city; to repeal conflicting ordinances and charter amendments; and for other purposes. (1ST Reading 4/20/09.)

FAVORABLE 2ND READING/1ST ADOPTION AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL

H. MISCELLANEOUS ITEM HELD

Subpoena request submitted by the Atlanta Citizens Review Board

MISC-01-09 (1) A Request from Atlanta Citizens Review Board Chair, Roderick E. Edmond, M.D., J.D., to Committee on Council Chair, Felicia A. Moore, requesting the Committee on Council to exercise its Subpoena power, pursuant to City Code Section 2-2211(i), to compel Police Chief Richard Pennington to produce requested documents, including OPS File No. 08-I-0730-PS as well as the Criminal Investigation File, regarding the police shooting of Pierre George on December 19, 2008. **(Discussion Item held 4/20/09 per Committee pending further review.)**

I. ITEM(S) NOT ON AGENDA

09-R-0831 (1) A Resolution by Committee on Council appointing Council
*** Members _____ and _____ to the two positions on the Budget Commission to be filled by two Governing Body Members nominated and confirmed by the governing body at large for one year terms; and for other purposes.

(Chairperson Moore accepted this resolution and Councilmember Maddox made a motion to hold pending member selection.)

HELD

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

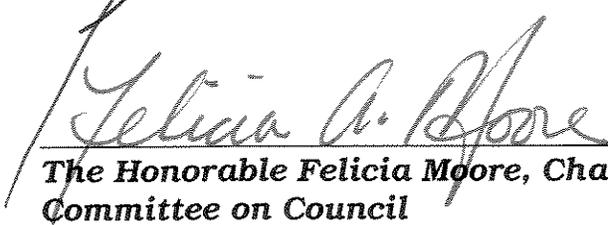
Respectfully Submitted:



Wasonna H. Griffin, Legislative Assistant



Bernard Thomas, Research & Policy Analyst



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