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AN ORDINANCE BY
BY COUNCILMEMBER NATALYN
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AMENDING THE CITY OF ATLANTA'S
CODE OF ORDINANCES "DIVISION 3.
STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES"
SECTION 2-135 FOR THE PURPOSE OF
INSERTING LANGUAGE REQUIRING
THAT DEPARTMENTAL QUARTERLY
REVIEWS BE HELD BY THE
APPROPRIATE STANDING
COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES. ADOPTED BY

JAN 19 2010

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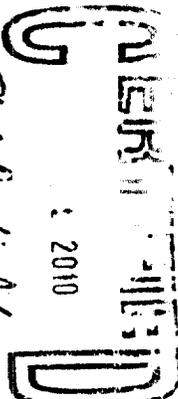
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- FINAL COUNCIL ACTION
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Paula Chapman Johnson
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MAYOR'S ACTION

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CITY COUNCIL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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WHEREAS, in 1973, under its new Charter, the City changed from a weak Mayor form of government to a Mayor/Council (Strong Mayor) form of government; and

WHEREAS under this form, the Mayor, operating as the Executive branch, has the responsibility of the day to day operations of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council is a legislative/policymaking body; and, as such, has the responsibility for the oversight of city operations; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Council to exercise its fiduciary responsibilities, it must be kept abreast of major operations of all city departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, this type of reporting should be done in an orderly and consistent manner which adheres to generally accepted principles of auditing and accounting standards, and related administrative practices of the city of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of quarterly reviews would provide the Council with sufficient information to make informed decision on all major and non major capital projects as well as the day to day operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Council's "Rule of Conduct of Business of the Atlanta City Council" Section 9.1 (e) require that all standing committees of the council conduct quarterly departmental reviews; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Atlanta would benefit if all of its elected officials are informed on the expenditures of all revenues it has control over; and

WHEREAS, the current fiscal crisis the city and this country is experiencing is due in large part because the necessary oversight was not being done; and

WHEREAS, the city's current fiscal problems, which were unbeknownst to the City Council, it becomes imperative that the Council exercise its oversight responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; as follows:

SECTION 1: That Section 2-135 subparagraphs (a1), (a2), (a3), (a4), (a5), (a6) and (a7) be amended to include the following language in each subparagraph enumerated:



Each of the Standing Committees shall, on a quarterly basis, conduct a review of the department/agencies over which it has purview. Such review shall include, but not be limited to review of management objectives, cost control mechanisms (i.e. financial-related audits, compliance audits, contractor/vendor audits, electronic data processing audits, performance audits and other special audits as needed) employee performance appraisal, and other areas that maybe of concern.”

SECTION 2: That any quarterly review be televised on Cable 26 and all quarterly documents (reports) be posted on the department’s web page and the council’s web page for the purpose of providing the public with as many options to review these documents as possible.

SECTION 3: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and are hereby waived in this instance only.

A true copy.


Deputy Clerk

ADOPTED by the Atlanta City Council
APPROVED by Mayor Kasim Reed

JAN 19, 2010
JAN 27, 2010

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Atlanta City Council

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