



COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING
 ~Minutes~

Atlanta City Hall
 55 Trinity Ave.
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CITY OF ATLANTA

Chairperson
 The Honorable Yolanda Adrean

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Monday, October 21, 2013

11:15 AM

Committee Room 2

A. CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the **Committee on Council** was held on **Monday, October 21, 2013**, at **11:15 AM**. in **Committee Room 2**. The following members were present:

B. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS PRESENT

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Yolanda Adrean	Chair	Present	11:15 AM
Natalyn Mosby Archibong	Councilmember, District 5	Present	11:27 AM
Michael Julian Bond	Councilmember, Post 1 –at-Large	Absent	
Kwanza Hall	Councilmember, District 2	Absent	
Felicia A. Moore	Councilmember, District 9	Present	11:18 AM
Joyce Sheperd	Vice-Chair	Absent	
Cleta Winslow	Councilmember, District 4	Present	11:31 AM
Wasonna Hammonds-Griffin	Legislative Assistant	Present	10:45 AM
Bernard Thomas	Research & Policy Analyst	Present	11:12 AM

Others in Attendance:

Municipal Clerk's Office: Rhonda Johnson, Municipal Clerk; Law Department: Saul Schultz; APD officer, councilmember staff, the media and members of the public.

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

ADOPTED

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

E. ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL AGENDA

ADOPTED

F. REMARKS FROM PUBLIC

- Dave Walker-Public Speaker
- Brother Anthony Muhammad-Public Speaker
- Ben Howard-Public Speaker
- Ron Shakir-Public Speaker
- Rhonda Johnson-Municipal Clerk

Municipal Clerk, Rhonda Johnson, was asked to come to the Committee to give an update on voting precinct changes and/or corrections. She also spoke to early voting turn outs and forthcoming statistics.

G. COMMUNICATION(S)

13-C-5032 (1) - A COMMUNICATION FROM CATHY RICHARDS, PRESIDENT ATLANTA PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD (APAB), TO MUNICIPAL CLERK RHONDA DAUPHIN JOHNSON, SUBMITTING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. GERALD W. SOUDER FOR CONSIDERATION TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ATLANTA CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT (NPU) GROUP M-R CATEGORY. THIS APPOINTMENT IS FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS TO BEGIN ON THE DATE OF COUNCIL CONFIRMATION.

**(Favorable by Public Safety and Legal Administration Committee
10/15/13.)**

RESULT: HELD IN COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Yolanda Adrean, Natalyn Mosby Archibong, Felicia A. Moore, Clela Winslow

ABSENT: Michael Julian Bond, Kwanza Hall, Joyce Sheperd

13-C-5026 (2) - A COMMUNICATION BY CATHY RICHARDS, ATLANTA PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD (APAB) PRESIDENT, TO MUNICIPAL CLERK RHONDA DAUPHIN JOHNSON, SUBMITTING THE ATLANTA PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD'S APPOINTMENT OF MR. MATTHEW JONES FOR CONSIDERATION TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE BELTLINE TAX ALLOCATION DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TADAC). THIS APPOINTMENT IS FOR A TERM OF TWO (2) YEARS TO BEGIN ON THE DATE OF COUNCIL CONFIRMATION.

**(Favorable by Community Development/Human Resources Committee
10/15/13.)**

RESULT: FAVORABLE [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Yolanda Adrean, Natalyn Mosby Archibong, Felicia A. Moore, Clela Winslow

ABSENT: Michael Julian Bond, Kwanza Hall, Joyce Sheperd

H. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE

(ID # 1863) (3) - 10-O-0133 AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER FELICIA A. MOORE AS SUBSTITUTED BY COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL TO AMEND SECTION 2-41 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA WHICH IS CURRENTLY ENTITLED "PROCLAMATIONS AND CITATIONS" BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 2-41 AND CHANGING THE CATCHLINE TO "LEGISLATION AND OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL" WHICH CODE SECTION SHALL SET FORTH THE PROCESS BY WHICH LEGISLATION AND OTHER ITEMS

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL; TO RE-DESIGNATE CODE SECTION 2-41 AS CODE SECTION 2-41.1; TO WAIVE CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND CODE SECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

(Substituted and held 1/19/10 for further discussion and review.)

HELD

- (ID # 1860) (4) - 10-C-1748 A COMMUNICATION FROM SAM A. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT, METRO ATLANTA CHAMBER, TO MUNICIPAL CLERK RHONDA DAUPHIN JOHNSON, SUBMITTING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. BILL CLEMENT, TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE JOHN PORTMAN AND HERMAN RUSSELL COMMISSION.
(Held 10/4/10 to allow the appointee an opportunity to appear before the Committee.)

HELD

- (ID # 1861) (5) - 10-C-1818 A COMMUNICATION BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT CEASAR C. MITCHELL, TO MUNICIPAL CLERK RHONDA DAUPHIN JOHNSON, APPOINTING MR. EUGENE J. DUFFY, TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE MR. JOHN PORTMAN AND MR. HERMAN RUSSELL COMMISSION.
(Held 11/1/10 to allow the appointee an opportunity to appear before the Committee.)

HELD

- (ID # 1862) (6) - 10-C-1907 A COMMUNICATION FROM MR. A. J. ROBINSON, PRESIDENT, CENTRAL ATLANTA PROGRESS, DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, TO MUNICIPAL CLERK RHONDA DAUPHIN JOHNSON, APPOINTING HIMSELF AS REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE JOHN PORTMAN AND HERMAN RUSSELL COMMISSION.
(Held 11/15/10 to allow the appointee an opportunity to appear before the Committee.)

HELD

- (ID # 1864) (7) - 10-O-2101 AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL JULIAN BOND TO AMEND CHAPTER 114, PERSONNEL, ARTICLE IV, CLASSIFICATION PLAN OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO CREATE A DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND POLICY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL, OFFICE OF COUNCIL STAFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

(Held 12/6/10 for further review.)

HELD

- (ID # 1867) (8) - 10-O-2103 AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL JULIAN BOND TO AMEND CHAPTER 114, PERSONNEL, ARTICLE IV, CLASSIFICATION PLAN OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN POSITION CREATIONS AND RECLASSIFICATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL, OFFICE OF COUNCIL STAFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
(Held 12/6/10 for further review.)

HELD

- (ID # 1934) (9) - 11-R-0794 A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS C. T. MARTIN, JOYCE M. SHEPERD AND YOLANDA ADREAN, AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A CITY WIDE COMMISSION TO STUDY CURRENT METHODS, ALTERNATIVES, LOCATIONS AND BEST PRACTICES FOR HONORING CITIZENS IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
(Held 6/6/11 for further discussion.)

HELD

- (ID # 1935) (10) - 11-R-0954 A RESOLUTION BY COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL TO EXPRESS THE INTENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO REVISE THE JOB DESCRIPTION OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK AND ONCE REVISED, TO OPEN THE POSITION TO APPLICANTS, TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS AND TO SELECT THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
(Held 6/20/11 for further discussion and additional information.)

HELD

- (ID # 1940) (11) - 12-R-1420 A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS YOLANDA ADREAN, JOYCE SHEPERD AND IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR. TO EXPRESS THE INTENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO PROCEED WITH A PLAN FOR THE RECONFIGURATION, RENOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL SPACE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
(Held 11/5/12 for further review.)

HELD

(ID # 2072) (12) 13-O-0509 AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER JOYCE SHEPERD TO AMEND SECTION 2-104 (A) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA (ENTITLED "REMARKS FROM PUBLIC") SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE TIME PERIOD THAT A SPEAKER MAY SPEAK AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS; TO WAIVE CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND CODE SECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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(Held 3/18/13 by the Committee for further discussion.)

HELD

(ID # 2073) (13) 13-O-0510 AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER CARLA SMITH TO AMEND SECTION 94-37, CHAPTER 94 OF ARTICLE II, HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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(Held 3/18/13 by the Committee for additional information.)

HELD

13-O-1190 (14) - AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER H. LAMAR WILLIS TO AMEND CHAPTER 114 PERSONNEL, ARTICLE IV, CLASSIFICATION PLAN OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
(Referred to Committee on Council by Finance/Executive Committee 7/31/13.) (Held 9/3/13 for further review)

HELD

13-O-1193 (15) - AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER C.T. MARTIN TO AMEND CHAPTER 114 PERSONNEL, ARTICLE IV, CLASSIFICATION PLAN OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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I. WALK-IN LEGISLATION

NONE

J. REQUESTED ITEMS

10/7/13

1. Chairperson Adrean asked staff to include the following questions from Brother Anthony Muhammad:
 - a. Is it a conflict of interest for Mr. Larry Gray to manage the Firefighters and Police Pension Funds even though he resigned from the General Employees' Pension Fund ?
 - b. Why maintain Mr. Gray's services at all ?
 - c. What are Mr. Gray's assets or liabilities according to the Securities and Exchange Commission ?
 - d. Who recommended Mr. Gray and his company ?

Brother Muhammad was provided, by email, the name and phone number/email address of the contact person with the Firefighters and Police Pension Boards.

2. Councilmember Adrean asked the Municipal Clerk to prepare a sample ballot for the November 5, 2013 General Municipal Election.

This information was received and is available in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

3. Chairperson Adrean asked staff to include the following question from Mr. Ben Howard:
 - a. When will information be made available to the public concerning the candidates who qualified to run for municipal office in the 2013 Municipal Elections ?

A link to the list of certified candidates is on the City of Atlanta website.

A copy of the list of certified candidates can be obtained in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

K. ADJOURNMENT

**There being no further business to come before the Committee on Council
the meeting was adjourned at**

Respectfully submitted:

Wasonna Griffin, Legislative Assistant

Bernard Thomas, Research & Policy Analyst

The Honorable Yolanda Adrean, Chair