

# ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL

## SPECIAL CALL MEETING

### ACTION MINUTES

#### MAY 23, 2013

The Atlanta City Council held a Special Call Meeting on Thursday, May 23, 2013. The Meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. in Atlanta City Hall's Council Chamber. The roll was called and a quorum was declared.

**PRESIDER(S):** The Honorable Council President Pro Tempore Michael Julian Bond presided.

**Attendance:** The following (15) voting members were present at the Meeting:

The Honorable Carla Smith	The Honorable Felicia A. Moore
The Honorable Kwanza Hall *9:18	The Honorable C. T. Martin
The Honorable Ivory Young, Jr. *9:16	The Honorable Keisha Bottoms
The Honorable Cleeta Winslow *9:56	The Honorable Joyce Sheperd *9:38
The Honorable Natalyn Archibong *9:38	The Honorable Michael Bond
The Honorable Alex Wan	The Honorable Aaron Watson *11:53
The Honorable Howard Shook	The Honorable H. Lamar Willis *10:12
The Honorable Yolanda Adrean	

\* Indicates arrivals (with time noted) occurring after convening roll call.

**INVOCATION:** Reverend Reginald Wilborn of the Atlanta Police Department gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** In Unisom, the Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

#### COMMUNICATION

13-C-5009 (1) - A COMMUNICATION BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT CEASAR C. MITCHELL AS OFFICIAL NOTICE OF A SPECIAL CALL MEETING FOR THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013 AT 9:00A.M.  
FILED WITHOUT OBJECTION

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**A Motion was made to Adopt** the Agenda. It was Seconded by Councilmember Moore and the Motion **CARRIED** by a roll call vote of **8 yeas**; *(Councilmembers Smith, Young, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin and Bond)*; **0 nays**.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*Felicia A. Moore, Chair*

Chairperson Moore made a Motion to enter Committee of the Whole to hear from Chief Financial Officer J. Anthony “Jim” Beard presenting a budget overview; followed by a public hearing on the Tax Millage Rate and finally, to discuss the listed legislation for consideration. Properly Seconded, the Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9 yeas; (*Councilmembers Smith, Hall, Young, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin and Bond*); 0 nays. Council entered Committee of the Whole. Within Committee of the Whole, Chief Financial Officer J. Anthony “Jim” Beard summarized the budget overview to the Council. Following, Ms. Moore open the floor for a public hearing on the Tax Millage Rate. Without Objection the Motion CARRIED by Voice Vote. The public hearing was therefore open. The Chief Financial Officer J. Anthony “Jim” Beard then summarized the property millage rate. Ms. Moore, subsequently, made a Motion to close the public hearing. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote. However, Councilmember Martin made a Motion to Reconvene the public hearing to properly entertain the public to speak. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote. The public hearing was re-opened. President Pro Tempore Michael Julian Bond then acknowledged anyone to speak concerning the Millage Rate. There being no one to speak, Chairperson Moore made a Motion to close the public hearing. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote. Therefore, the public hearing was closed. After which, Councilmember Wan was recognized and made a Motion to Recess until 1:00p.m. It was Seconded by Councilmember Moore and CARRIED by a roll call vote of 12 yeas; (*Councilmembers Smith, Hall, Young, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Sheperd, Bond and Watson*); 0 nays. Returning from Recess, Chairperson Moore made a Motion to Reconvene. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8 yeas; (*Councilmembers Smith, Archibong, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Bond and Watson*); 0 nays. Council was reconvened in Committee of the Whole and began to consider the listed legislation.

**LEGISLATION FOR CONSIDERATION**

13-O-0619 (1) - AN ORDINANCE BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014 PROPOSED BUDGET, TO INCLUDE ALL FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (HELD 5/1/13 FOR THE FY 2014 BUDGET)

Within Committee of the Whole, Chief Financial Officer discussed a list of amendments to Ordinance 13-O-0619. After the discussion, Chairperson Moore made a Motion to Refer the item to Finance/Executive Committee. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by a roll call vote of 13 yeas;0 nays.

**REFERRED TO FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 13 YEAS; (Councilmembers Smith, Hall, Young, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Bottoms, Bond and Willis); 0 NAYS**

**Within Committee of the Whole, Ordinances; (2) through (03) as follow, were Referred to the Finance/Executive Committee by a single roll call vote of 9 yeas (Councilmembers Smith, Archibong, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Sheperd, Bond and Willis); 0 nays.**

13-O-1018 (2) -

AN ORDINANCE BY **FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** TO AMEND SECTION 146-26 (B), (C), (D), (E) AND (F) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, SO AS TO CHANGE THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE GENERAL LEVY, DEBT LEVY, CITY PARKS LEVY, SCHOOL OPERATING LEVY, SCHOOL DEBT LEVY AND THE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT LEVY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE TAX RATES ESTABLISHED HEREIN SHALL REMAIN FIXED EACH YEAR UNTIL AMENDED OR REPEALED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (HELD 5/1/13 FOR THE FY 2014 BUDGET)  
**REFERRED TO FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS**

13-O-0646 (3) -

AN ORDINANCE BY **C.T. MARTIN AND H. LAMAR WILLIS AS SUBSTITUTED BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL ACTIONS IN LINE WITH THE 2014 BUDGET; BY AMENDING CHAPTER 114, PERSONNEL, ARTICLE "IV", CLASSIFICATION PLAN OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN POSITION ABOLISHMENTS, CREATIONS, RECLASSIFICATIONS, CLASS ABOLISHMENTS, CLASS CREATIONS, ABOVE ENTRY AUTHORIZATIONS, EMPLOYEE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS, SALARY GRADE AMENDMENTS, POSITION TRANSFERS, POSITION FUNDING ALLOCATION CHANGES; AND BY CHANGING THE DEPARTMENTAL LOCATION OF THE OFFICE OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS BY REMOVING IT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND BY ADDING IT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MAYOR AND DELETING THE "BUREAU OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS" FROM ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 2-222(8) AND ADDING IT TO CODE SECTION 2-190 AND DIRECTING THAT ALL REFERENCES TO THE "DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS" THROUGHOUT THE ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED TO READ THE "DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (HELD 5/1/2/13 FOR THE FY 2014 BUDGET) (SUBSTITUTED AND HELD 5/29/13)  
**REFERRED SUBSTITUTE TO FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS**

12-R-1273 (4) -

A RESOLUTION BY **FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FC-6046 WITH AOT PUBLIC SAFETY CORPORATION D/B/A CRYWOLF FALSE ALARM SOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 24601 ET. SEQ. OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES, UTILIZING THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA CONTRACT NUMBER R-2001-4 TO PROVIDE FOR FALSE ALARM ADMINISTRATION SERVICES AS A CONTINGENCY BASED CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE

DEPARTMENTS OF POLICE AND FIRE RESCUE; ALL CONTRACTED WORK SHALL BE CHARGED TO AND PAID FROM THE FUND DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION AND ACCOUNT NUMBERS LISTED HEREIN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Within Committee of the Whole, Chairperson Moore sounded the Substitute caption to resolution 12-R-1273. Following, Councilmember Shook made the Motion to bring the Substitute forward. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by a roll call vote of 12 yeas; (Councilmembers Smith, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Bottoms, Sheperd, Bond and Willis); 0 nays. The Substitute was before Council. After which, Councilmember Shook made a Motion to Amend the Substitute by adding the contract as Exhibit "A". It was properly Seconded and an extensive discussion ensued with inquiries to Deputy Chief Procurement Officer Keith Brooks and Deputy Chief Operating Officer J. Hans Utz. Thereafter, the Shook Amendment CARRIED by a roll call vote of 10 yeas; (Councilmembers Smith, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Moore, Martin, Bottoms, Sheperd, and Bond); 1 nay; (Councilmember Adrean). Subsequently, Councilmember Shook made a Motion to Approve on Substitute as Amended. Properly Seconded, the Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9 yeas; (Councilmembers Smith, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Martin, Bottoms, Sheperd and Bond); 2 nays; (Councilmembers Adrean and Moore).

After Council discussed the above legislative items for consideration, the union representatives had an opportunity to address the Council. The following unions consisted of AFCME, IBPO, Police, Fire and PACE. All representatives were given the same equality of time as a Motion was made by Councilmember Martin. The Motion was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote. Concluding of the discussion with the union, Chairperson Moore made a Motion to re-enter Regular Session. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by a roll call vote of 10 yeas; (Councilmembers Smith, Young, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Bottoms and Bond); 0 nays. Council then re-entered Regular Session.

During Regular Session, Chairperson Moore made a Motion to Adopt on Substitute as Amended. The Motion then FAILED by a roll call vote of 6 yeas; (Councilmembers Young, Wan, Shook, Martin, Bottoms and Bond); 2 nays; (Councilmembers Adrean and Moore). Following, Councilmember Adrean made a Motion to Reconsider resolution 12-R-1273. It was Seconded by Councilmember Bond and the Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9 yeas; (Councilmembers Smith, Young, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin and Bond); 0 nays. The resolution was again before Council. Chairperson Moore then made a Motion to Adopt on Substitute as Amended. The Vote was CARRIED by a roll call of 9 yeas; 2 nays.

Note: The vote was CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8 yeas; 2 nays; however a Motion was made to reflect Councilmember Winslow's vote in the affirmative. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote.

**ADOPTED SUBSTITUTE AS AMENDED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 9 YEAS; (Councilmembers Smith, Young, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Martin, Bottoms and Bond); 2 NAYS; (Councilmembers Adrean and Moore**

**GENERAL REMARKS**

**A Motion was made to suspend the Rules of Council to introduce Councilmember Bond's assistant from Morehouse College. It was properly Seconded and CARRIED by Voice Vote.**

**ADJOURNMENT ROLL CALL**

There being no further business to discuss, the May 23, 2013 Special Call meeting of the Atlanta City Council was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT ROLL CALL: Council President Ceasar C. Mitchell was absent (1); Councilmembers Smith, Young, Winslow, Archibong, Wan, Shook, Adrean, Moore, Martin, Bottoms and Bond (11); the attendance of Councilmembers Hall, Sheperd, Watson and Willis was not signified upon adjourning roll call (4).**