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ATLANTA
CITY
COUNCIL

ANNUAL
PERFORMANCE
REPORT



In accordance with City Code Section Sec. 2-133 (h), the Atlanta City Council Office of Communications in collaboration with the Atlanta City Council Office of Research and Policy Analysis is charged with producing an annual report on the activities of City Council committees during the preceding year.

This report includes a brief synopsis of all major legislative business transacted by each standing committee.



2021 ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL



FELICIA A. MOORE
PRESIDENT



MICHAEL JULIAN BOND
POST 1 AT-LARGE



MATT WESTMORELAND
POST 2 AT-LARGE



ANDRE DICKENS
POST 3 AT-LARGE



CARLA SMITH
DISTRICT 1



AMIR FAROKHI
DISTRICT 2



ANTONIO BROWN
DISTRICT 3



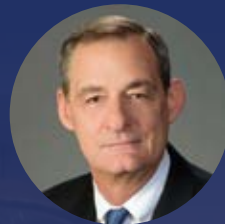
CLETA WINSLOW
DISTRICT 4



NATALYN M. ARCHIBONG
DISTRICT 5



JENNIFER N. IDE
DISTRICT 6



HOWARD SHOOK
DISTRICT 7



J.P. MATZIGKEIT
DISTRICT 8



DUSTIN HILLIS
DISTRICT 9



ANDREA L. BOONE
DISTRICT 10



MARCI COLLIER OVERSTREET
DISTRICT 11



JOYCE M. SHEPERD
DISTRICT 12

City Council Mission

The City Council is the chief policy-making body for the City of Atlanta. The Council's mission is to ensure that Atlanta is led by a ground-breaking, strong, and capable group of leaders that work for the good of all citizens across the city.

As a legislative body, the Council's main role is to make laws. In addition, the Council has oversight of multiple agencies, boards, and commissions. The Atlanta City Council is comprised of 15 members and led by the Council president. Each member of the Atlanta City Council tirelessly works to improve the lives of Atlanta's citizens.

Together, they work to ensure safer and cleaner streets, bolster Atlanta's economy, and institute many community-based programs. Working hand in hand with Atlanta's mayor and the members of the executive branch, the Council plays a key part in the budget process and financial well-being of Atlanta.

Considered the symbol of Atlanta's rebirth, **"The Phoenix"**



Government Oversight

In addition to legislation, the Atlanta City Council works hard to ensure that city government works for its citizens. Through the various committees, the Council assesses various government programs and agencies.

Each year, the Council is in charge of holding budget hearings in which the City's budget, recommended by the mayor, is strictly reviewed prior to being approved.

Constituent Services

The Atlanta City Council prides itself on being responsive to its citizens. Each Council member employs a professional staff to address questions and concerns of Atlanta's citizens.

 **TO CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE, CALL US AT (404) 330-6030.**

—represents the ascension from the ashes and devastation of the Civil War to become an international city.

Phoenix Statue

How the Atlanta City Council works

The Atlanta city government is divided into three bodies: the legislative, executive and judicial branches. The Atlanta City Council serves as the legislative branch. City departments, under the direction of the mayor, constitute the executive branch, and the municipal courts constitute the judicial branch.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The legislative body, comprised of the Council, makes the laws that govern the city. It is responsible for the development of policies that serve as operational standards and establishes the parameters for the administration of city government.

THE CITY CHARTER

A new charter was enacted in 1996 that reduced the representation of Council to 12 districts and three at-large posts.

The 1974 charter resulted in many changes in Atlanta city government. Prior to its adoption, the legislative body was called the Board of Aldermen, and each alderman was elected citywide. The 1974 charter changed the Board of Aldermen to the City Council, the vice-mayor to the president of the Council, and established 12 Council members to be elected from individual districts and six at-large posts.

Administration of the day-to-day operation of city government was transferred to the executive branch, and legislative authority was vested in the Council. This system allows the Council to maintain a strong system of checks and balances.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The executive body carries out the laws that have been instituted by the City Council. It is responsible for the day-to-day operations of city government.

Legislation takes two forms - ordinances and resolutions. An ordinance establishes a permanent rule of government. Every official act of the Council having the force and effect of law must be an ordinance. Ordinances must be read before the full Council at two regular meetings. There are exceptions; for example, a City Charter amendment requires three readings.

Resolutions usually express intent or support of various projects and enterprises or establish legislative policy of a general nature. Resolutions need be read only once and can be introduced and adopted at the same meeting.



STANDING COMMITTEES

The standing committees of the Atlanta City Council meet to consider legislation and to make recommendations on each item. The committees then report their actions to the full Council. More than 100 pieces of legislation are considered per meeting. Citizens have the opportunity to appear before a standing committee and express their views on any piece of legislation. Comments from the public on matters related to zoning changes are heard by the Zoning Review Board, an independent body comprised of appointed city residents. The Zoning Review Board meets once per month. The Council is required by law to hold public hearings on certain matters, including changes to the City Charter, changes to the City Code of Ordinances, tax increases, etc. Notification must be provided to residents in advance of any public hearing.

LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Legislation can be introduced on the floor of the Council by a Council member as a personal paper, or it can come through a standing committee. In either case, almost all legislation goes before a committee for discussion at some time.

After a paper has been through the committee process, it is voted on by the full Council. The Council may accept or reject the committee's recommendations. A majority vote is needed for adoption.

When a paper is adopted by the Council, it goes to the mayor for signature. The paper must be approved or vetoed within seven days. If not signed or vetoed within that period, it automatically becomes law. If vetoed, the Council can override with a two-thirds vote.

ABOUT THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL

The president of the City Council is elected from the city at-large (city-wide). The Council consists of 15 members, 12 elected from single-member districts and three elected at-large. The Council president presides at all meetings of the Council and votes in the case of a tie. The Council president appoints chairs and members of the various committees, subject to rejection by a majority of the Council. The Council president exercises all powers and discharges all duties of the mayor in case of a vacancy in that office or during the disability of the mayor.

Council members are elected to four-year terms commencing with the first Monday in January.

The members of the Council elect a president pro tempore each year to serve a one-year term beginning with the first meeting in January. The president pro tempore presides over the Council meetings in the president's absence.

Atlanta City Council members are paid an annual salary of \$60,300. The Council president is paid \$62,000 annually. Salaries are determined by an independent committee of city residents (Elected Officials Compensation Committee).



Overview of the Legislative Process

- a** Once a Council member introduces a legislative item, it is assigned to one of the Council's committees for consideration.
- b** If the committee recommends that the Council adopt the item into law, it goes before a vote of the full City Council.
- c** Passed items are then signed (enacted) into law by the mayor.

DETAILED PATHWAY

- a** Legislation is introduced on the floor of the full Council by a Council member as a personal paper or through a standing committee.
- b** The Council president assigns it to one or more appropriate committees.
- c** The committee considers the legislation.
 - 1.** The legislation can be held in the committee for later review.
 - 2.** If the committee takes no action within one calendar year, the legislation dies.
 - 3.** The committee can hold a public hearing or work session with additional Council members to discuss the legislation in depth.
- d** The committee sends the legislation out of committee with or without a recommendation for its passage. The full Council may accept or reject the committee's recommendations.
- e** Once sent out of committee, legislation is placed onto the agenda of the regular Council session.

- 1.** Ordinances, which establish a permanent rule of law, must be read before Council at two regular meetings.
 - 2.** Resolutions, which express the general intent or support of various projects or enterprises, need be read at only one meeting; they can be adopted at the same meeting.
 - 3.** City charter amendments, which affect everything the city government does, including regulatory functions and delivery of services, require readings at three regular meetings.
- f** The full Council considers the legislation, including any amendments and substitutions it may have acquired, and votes.
- 1.** Majority no: Legislation fails.
 - 2.** Majority yes: Legislation passes.
 - 3.** Legislation can also be sent back to its originating committee.
- g** If an additional reading is required at a future meeting (for ordinances and city charter amendments), the previous step is repeated.
- h** Once adopted by the Council, the legislation goes to the mayor for signature. The mayor must act within seven days.
- 1.** Signed (approved): Legislation becomes law.
 - 2.** Vetoed (rejected): Legislation is sent back to Council.



ATLANTA CITY HALL

2021 COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEMBERSHIP

FELICIA A. MOORE,
PRESIDENT

MICHAEL JULIAN BOND,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE, NATALYN MOSBY ARCHIBONG – CHAIR

Andrea L. Boone (Vice Chairperson)
Dustin Hillis
J.P. Matzigkeit
Joyce M. Sheperd
Howard Shook
Cleta Winslow

Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

Policy Analyst: Jared Evans
Legislative Assistant: Jazmine Tell

ZONING COMMITTEE, AMIR FAROKHI – CHAIR

Carla Smith (Vice Chairperson)
Andrea L. Boone
Andre Dickens
Marci Collier Overstreet
Howard Shook
Cleta Winslow

Meeting: Monday, 11:00 a.m.

Policy Analyst: Corrine Lindo
Legislative Assistant: Wasonna Griffin

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, MATT WESTMORELAND – CHAIR

Antonio Brown (Vice Chairperson)
Natalyn Mosby Archibong
Michael Julian Bond
Dustin Hillis
Joyce M. Sheperd
Carla Smith

Meeting: Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

Policy Analyst: Julia Pulidindi
Legislative Assistant: Wasonna Griffin

PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE, JOYCE M. SHEPERD – CHAIR

Dustin Hillis (Vice Chairperson)
Michael Julian Bond
Andrea L. Boone
Amir R. Farokhi
Carla Smith
Cleta Winslow

Meeting: Monday, 2:00 p.m.

Policy Analyst: Corrine Lindo
Legislative Assistant: Jazmine Tell



**FORIS WEBB,
MUNICIPAL CLERK**

**THEO PACE,
COUNCIL STAFF DIRECTOR**

**COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL,
J.P. MATZIGKEIT – CHAIR**

Antonio Brown (Vice Chairperson)
Michael Julian Bond
Amir R. Farokhi
Jennifer N. Ide
Marcy Collier Overstreet
Cleta Winslow

Meeting: During Full Council’s Meeting

Policy Analyst: Jared Evans
Legislative Assistant: Jazmine Tell

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE,
ANDRE DICKENS – CHAIR**

Marcy Collier Overstreet (Vice Chairperson)
Antonio Brown
Amir R. Farokhi
Jennifer N. Ide
J.P. Matzigkeit
Matt Westmoreland

Meeting: Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Policy Analyst: Julia Pulidindi
Legislative Assistant: Jazmine Tell

**FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
JENNIFER N. IDE – CHAIR**

Howard Shook (Vice Chairperson)
Natalyn Mosby Archibong
Andre Dickens
J.P. Matzigkeit
Joyce M. Sheperd
Matt Westmoreland

Meeting: Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.

Policy Analyst: Santana K. Wright
Legislative Assistant: Wasonna Griffin

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS,
FELICIA A. MOORE – COUCIL PRESIDENT**

Natalyn Mosby Archibong
Andre Dickens
Amir R. Farokhi
Jennifer N. Ide
J.P. Matzigkeit
Joyce M. Sheperd
Matt Westmoreland



2021 CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE



NATALYN MOSBY ARCHIBONG
CHAIR

The City Utilities Committee is responsible for the Departments of Watershed Management and Public Works.



JURISDICTION

- Solid waste, sanitation and recycling.
- Sewage, bulk waste, construction and inert disposal.
- Matters pertaining to cable television and the Mayor's Office of Communications.
- The Department of Watershed Management.
- The Department of Public Works and matters related to solid-waste enforcement and services, street cleaning and fleet management.
- The Metropolitan Atlanta River Protection Act.
- The Office of Resilience.
- City franchise agreements including those related to public-access television.
- Matters related to the Atlanta Fulton Water Resources Commission, Keep Atlanta Beautiful Commission, public-access television management, Solid Waste Management Authority, Water and Sewer Appeals Board.
- All budgeted contracts pertaining to agencies under the jurisdiction of this committee.



Atlanta adopted a goal to **reduce energy burdens for 10 % of households**, with tracking metrics focused on those with low incomes.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3725)

Requested that the Department of Public Works purchase and install two (2) commercial trash receptacles and place them at 2317 and 2323 Cascade Road and then service these trash receptacles on a regular basis.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0201)

Amended the code so that citizens with less than \$8,000 of income annually being exempted from an \$88 per year fee for the provision of recycling services.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0189)

Authorized a new agreement allowing the City to continue to supply water to Hapeville, GA for a term of thirty (30) years.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0767)

Amended the Solid Waste Services Supplemental Staffing agreement with Georgia Works to provide adequate staffing to address the disruption of collection of garbage, illegal dumping, recycling and yard trimmings.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0633)

Authorized a Cooperative Technical Assistance Intergovernmental Cost Sharing Agreement for technical and legal services related to water supply between the City of Atlanta, Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority, Dekalb County, the Atlanta-Fulton County Water Resources Commission, and Gwinnett County, and the Atlanta Regional Commission.



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE



MATT WESTMORELAND
CHAIR

Community Development / Human Services Committee makes recommendations on matters relating to comprehensive development and land-use plans, housing-related programs, housing code enforcement, matters pertaining to parks and recreation, job and manpower training, community development, urban redevelopment and urban economic development.



JURISDICTION

- Department of City Planning.
- The Department of Parks and Recreation.
- The Offices of Housing, Cultural Affairs, Special Events, Constituent Services, Human Services, Grants Management and Film and Entertainment.
- Design and planning functions of the city.
- Comprehensive development plans.
- Land-use plans.
- Neighborhood reformulation and development.
- Economic development.
- Office buildings, including zoning and building-code enforcement.
- The Department of Parks and Recreation.
- The Capital Improvement Program
- Development impact fee matters for parks, transportation and public safety.
- The Women's Entrepreneurial Initiative.
- Urban farming initiatives.
- The consolidated plan.
- Community Development Block Grant funding.
- The Atlanta Housing Authority.
- The Atlanta Workforce Development Agency Work Source Atlanta (formerly the Atlanta Workforce Development Agency).
- Matters pertaining to health, education and welfare.
- All City community-services activities.
- Consumer affairs.
- Cultural affairs, including public art and murals.
- Convention and tourism.
- Department of grants and community development
- Atlanta Beltline as it relates to housing and the Tax Allocation District



The new **Rodney Cook Sr. Park** was the winner of the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2021 Regional Development Award for **Great Place**.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0048)

Established a master program for financing or refinancing the acquisition, development, construction, equipping, and installation of the Beltline Trail Completion Project through the authorization of its master drawn-down special services district tax revenue bond in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100M.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0024)

Authorized the transfer of funds from Council Districts 12, 1, 11 and 4 Participatory Budget accounts in a total amount not to exceed \$175K to the Atlanta Police Foundation to purchase security cameras within the respective districts.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0191)

Authorized the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying the City's interest in properties located at 879 White Street, SW, 1154 Edgefield Drive, SW, and 1241 Almont Drive, SW to the Metro Atlanta Land Bank Authority for development as permanent affordable housing.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0754)

Authorized the City to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) to implement a Junior and Adult Tennis apprenticeship program at City of Atlanta five Tennis Center sites.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0426)

Amended the effective date of implementing the regulation, taxation and enforcement of short-term rentals within the City from September 1, 2021, to March 1, 2022.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3297)

Authorized the Atlanta-Fulton Recreation Authority, on behalf of the Stadium Neighborhood Community Trust Fund Committee (SNTFC), to award grants in an amount not to exceed \$1,709,995.28 to fund various community services projects in Mechanicsville, Peoplestown, Pittsburgh, Summerhill, and Grant Park to be used for economic and community development initiatives.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0049)

Created the Beltline Special Services District that will be funded in whole or in part from a special improvement tax or taxes generated within the boundaries of the district.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0776)

Established a Community Park Fund with an initial allocation of \$2 million to support greenspace improvements and other upgrades in underserved neighborhoods. The funds will be used, along with matching contributions from the philanthropic organizations such as, Park Pride, to support greenspace enhancements.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-0-1656)

Amended the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances - Land Development Code to add a new Part 20 to establish rules for the regulation and taxation of short-term rentals to operate within the City.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3442)

Designated the Southwest Atlanta and District 11 in Fulton as an Opportunity Hub Innovation and Equity District to ensure that all of its constituents are connected, exposed, upskilled, hired, incubated and receive employment and economic opportunities through a partnership with Invest Atlanta.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0777)

Amended the City Charter to require that at the beginning of each fiscal year, two percent (2.0%) of the general fund budget is appropriated to a dedicated Affordable Housing Fund, established as the "Building the Beloved Community Affordable Housing Trust Fund". The appropriations would be phased in over a three-year period at the beginning of each fiscal year as follows: 1.0% in FY23; 1.5% in FY24 and 2.0% in FY25, contingent on the annual Revenue Budget. The accumulated funds would be transferred to Invest Atlanta annually for housing development.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0676)

Amended the FY22 Tree Trust Fund Budget to authorize a Special Procurement with Trees Atlanta in an amount not to exceed \$1,743,850.00 to complete plantings and implement Community Education and Outreach and Community-Based Invasive Plant Removal projects.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0052)

Amended the City Code to establish a rate of special service district Ad Valorem taxes on property within the BeltLine Special Services District to raise revenue for further implementation of the BeltLine vision and complete the BeltLine trail by December 31, 2030.

2021 TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE



ANDRE DICKENS
CHAIR

The Transportation Committee makes recommendations on matters pertaining to transportation, generally, including the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA). One of its main functions is overseeing the Department of Aviation, which operates Hartsfield–Jackson Atlanta International Airport. The Transportation Committee also has purview over the Atlanta Department of Transportation (ATLDOT). This new department serves as both the coordinating agency for all transportation matters within the city government, and as the single point of contact for citizens and external agencies. ATLDOT will provide a safer more equitable, and more sustainable transportation network throughout the city.



JURISDICTION

- Aviation and Hartsfield–Jackson Atlanta International Airport.
- The Department of Public Works (DPW) related to transportation, engineering, operations, planning, streetcar and capital projects.
- DPW capital projects, including traffic engineering and control, bridges, roads, pedestrian facilities, sidewalk waivers, paths trails and bike facilities.
- Parking facilities.
- The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA).
- The Atlanta Regional Commission
- The Department of Planning.
- Community-development activities related to transportation planning.
- Infrastructure-bond issues and other capital funding related to transportation projects.
- Renew Atlanta matters related to transportation infrastructure.
- The Atlanta Streetcar and BeltLine transit and trails.
- All budgeted contracts pertaining to agencies under the jurisdiction of this committee.
- Atlanta Department of Transportation activities related to mobility strategy, planning, and performance.



More than **75 million passengers** passed through Hartsfield-Jackson International in 2021. **The passenger counts were up 76%**, from 42.9 million passengers in 2020 to 75.5 million in 2021.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0274 and No. 21-O-0888)

Temporarily waived the code to not allow taxicabs having a vehicle age greater than seven years to be operated by a taxicab company holding a ground transportation vehicle for-hire company permit at the Airport.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-O-1791)

Amended the code to set forth that the hours of operation at the Airport will be implemented by the Aviation General Manager to restrict access to facilities at certain locations. The ordinance provides signage requirements and punishment for violations.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0679)

Amended the City Code to update provisions to property name changes related to Vine City Parking Permit Parking Program.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0666)

Amended the Code to update the provisions related to the property name of Turner Field to University Stadium and to include the Mechanicsville neighborhood in the permit parking program area.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-R-4309)

Amended the Airport Concessions Agreements by changing the pricing clause of Street Plus 10 to Street Pricing plus fifteen percent (15%) due to the economic impact of Covid-19.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4119)

Requested the Atlanta Terminal Airline Terminal Corporation to increase the current minimum wage from \$8.25 to \$15.00 an hour to all airport cleaners and other contract employees at Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-O-0891)

Amended the code to extend the temporary on-street dining permit program through the end of 2022.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0405)

Amended the Traffic Calming Device ordinance of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances as it is outdated and to align it with best practices for speed reduction techniques by giving the Atlanta Department of Transportation purview and authority over streets and roads and supporting the Vision Zero Policy of reducing traffic deaths and serious injuries to zero.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0207)

Authorized the temporary closure of a portion of Edgewood Avenue on Friday and Saturday nights as part of the City's placemaking program to improve pedestrian mobility and public safety.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0473 and 21-O-0474)

Amended the Code of Ordinances to administer and maintain uniform parking regulations, to add a new illegal parking penalties section, and to update certain provisions in the interest of deterring illegal parking activity and maintaining adequate parking for residents.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0364)

Amended the Code of Ordinances to repeal the limit on the total number of bus shelters in the right-of-way in the interest of improving safety and protection for users of public transit.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3812)

Requested the Atlanta Department of Transportation and Atlanta Fire & Rescue Department to assess streets surrounding all existing and planned senior facilities to determine the need for appropriate traffic safety measures.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3932)

Requested Law, ADOT, and DEAM to collectively provide a report to Council regarding the abandonment and conveyance of all alleys in the City.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4164)

Requested the Atlanta Department of Transportation to conduct a traffic study on 2220 Campbellton Road and Cascade Road, SW and Spring Drive, SW to determine the need for speed monitors.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-R-3927)

Called for the referendum to impose the TSPLOST sales and use tax.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-R-4263)

Requested the Aviation General Manager to implement a temporary badge process to issue daily escort badges to concession employees to work in order to meet the consumer demands at the Airport while awaiting their security clearance.

2021 FINANCE/ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



JENNIFER N. IDE
CHAIR

The Finance/Executive Committee makes recommendations on matters pertaining to the City budget and budgetary spending, real estate transactions and matters pertaining to the executive branch of government.



JURISDICTION

- Matters pertaining to budget.
- Matters pertaining to transfers of appropriations.
- Taxing ordinances.
- Public revenue.
- Tax officials and collectors.
- All licenses other than those issued under the City's police power.
- Operation and maintenance of cable television.
- Matters pertaining to the mayor and executive branch.
- The Mayor's Office of Communications.
- Legislative oversight of the executive branch, especially purchasing functions of the City.
- Operation of the Office of the Mayor and departments under its jurisdiction not within the purview of another standing committee.
- The Department of Human Resources.
- The Department of Procurement and Office of Contract Compliance.
- Compliance Intergovernmental relations with the Atlanta Board of Education and county, state and federal authorities.
- International and diplomatic affairs, including activities of the Office of Immigrant Affairs Innovation delivery and performance.
- The Divisions of Real Estate and Facility Management.
- The Department of Customer Service and ATL311 call center.
- The Department of Enterprise Assets Management all budgeted contracts pertaining to the agencies under this committee's jurisdiction.



The Atlanta economy is the **10th largest in the country** 26 with an estimated 2019 GDP of over **\$365 billion**.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0243)

Approved legislation changing the ad valorem tax rates for 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, and fixing those rates for one year in compliance with the City Code.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0371)

Approved legislation to amend the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fund the "One Atlanta-Light Up the Night" initiative to increase the City's streetlight footprint by 10,000 lights-with a focus on areas with high rates of traffic crashes and crime.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0501)

Approved legislation that mandated ethics training for all full-time, part-time, and contract city of Atlanta employees at least once every two years and requires all employees to sign an ethics pledge to adhere by the city's standards of conduct. This legislation also amended section 2-814 "disclosure of income and financial interests" and section 2-820 "incompatible interests" to reflect current ethics division protocols.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3666)

Approved legislation that urged the Georgia General Assembly to amend O.C.G.A §40-2-20 (Registration and License Requirements) to require that all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) be licensed and registered, similar to a motor vehicle.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0096)

Approved legislation adopting the 2020 Development Impact Fee Study and adopted the Impact Fee Ordinance Update. The legislation also created new revenue accounts in accordance with the update.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4162)

Approved legislation authorizing the donation of \$2 million in support of the Urban League of Greater Atlanta establishing and implementing a guaranteed income pilot program for certain eligible individuals residing in the City of Atlanta.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0250)

Approved the Fiscal Year 2022 budget with a proposed general fund of \$708,779,181. This budget was supplemented by \$55.4 million in federal support from the American Rescue Plan Act and represented a \$36.6 million increase from the Fiscal Year 2021 budget.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0082)

Approved legislation to increase the appropriation of the City of Atlanta General Budget for the Public Infrastructure Maintenance and Improvement account from 3.5% to 5% to ensure adequate annual funding for routine maintenance, repair and replacement of public infrastructure.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4163)

Approved legislation authorizing the donation of \$2 million, of the \$33.5 million the City received in connection with the Centennial Yards project community benefits funds, to support Operation Hope of Greater Atlanta, Inc. establish and implement Child Savings Accounts to help children build savings for their future and to improve their ability to pursue postsecondary education or career-ready vocational programs.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0676)

Approved legislation amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Tree Trust Fund Budget to authorize a four-year, \$1,743,850 agreement with Trees Atlanta to implement the NeighborWoods project and perform community education and outreach.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0697)

Approved legislation establishing the Mayor's Office of Violence Reduction (MOVR) which is tasked to develop strategic plans and metrics to decrease violence within the City with a focus on the reduction of gun violence, homicides, and aggravated assaults. The MOVR will also coordinate major citywide programs related to violence reduction, prevention and intervention, to apply for and manage grants related to violence reduction, prevention and intervention programs, and to coordinate strategic plans and programs with impacted communities and community-based organizations.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0701)

Approved legislation adding LGBTQ Cultural Humility Training to the City Code, requiring all elected officials, part-time, full-time and contract employees undergo LGBTQ training on an annual basis and tasking the Department of Human Resources with ensuring all eligible employees meet the minimum requirements.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0702)

Adopted legislation establishing the Mayor's Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion which has clear purview and scope in critical areas such as youth and community engagement, public health, LGBTQ+, immigrant affairs and sustainability that drive social equity through the following six (6) divisions: LGBTQ Affairs, Youth Engagement, Health, Immigrant Affairs, Sustainability, and Strategic Partnerships.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-0-0865)

Approved legislation declaring the second Monday in October to be Indigenous Peoples' Day as an opportunity for City of Atlanta citizens and leaders to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the Indigenous Peoples and a day in which all City public schools are encouraged to include lessons on the Indigenous Peoples' contributions to American history.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4259)

Approved legislation urging the Georgia General Assembly to support the City of Atlanta's 2022 Legislative Package, which includes concern for issues regarding protecting existing City of Atlanta boundaries, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, housing affordability and eviction court records, protecting voting rights, modernizing the Open Meetings Act, and protecting public safety.





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PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE



JOYCE M. SHEPERD
CHAIR

The Public Safety and Legal Administration Committee makes recommendations on matters regarding public safety, licenses issued under the police powers of the City, discrimination under the human-relations ordinance and the drafting, implementation and supervision of all penal ordinances. It has legislative oversight over the Departments of Police Services, Corrections, Law, Fire Rescue, the Office of Emergency Management Services, and the City Courts.



JURISDICTION

- The safety of the public, generally.
- The Departments of Police, Law, Fire Rescue, and Corrections.
- The Office of Emergency Management Services.
- Licenses issued under the City's police powers.
- Matters of discrimination under the City's human-relations ordinances.
- Drafting, implementation and supervision of penal ordinances.
- The judicial branch of City government.
- All budgeted contracts pertaining to agencies under this committee's jurisdiction.



The metro area population of Atlanta in 2021 was 5,911,000, a 1.86% increase from 2020 (5,803,000).



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

Approved the payment of claims in a total amount of \$421,800.71

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3006)

Authorized a feasibility study regarding establishing a new Department of Public Safety and Wellness to include emergency and non-emergency divisions to provide for a more efficient and cost-effective way to address issues of major crimes vs. non-emergency matters.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3727)

Urged the Atlanta Police Department to evaluate the process for installing video surveillance cameras at more city parks and recreation facilities connected to its Video Integration Center (VIC) to help deter criminal activity.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0008)

Authorized the temporary suspension of late filing fees, penalties and sanctions for failure to renew licenses for the sale of alcohol by January 1, 2021, to ease the financial burden of business impacted by COVID-19 restrictions that were imposed for most of 2020.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3301)

Urged the Atlanta Police Department (APD) to further expand its Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to include additional responsibilities regarding when officers have a duty to intervene if they observe fellow officers engaging in excessive force or other unlawful activity and, also, to make it explicit that the duty to intervene is mandatory.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0059)

Amended the City Code Chapter 10 Alcohol Licensing requirements to provide that eating and drinking establishments exempted from certain distance requirements for the sale of alcohol for on premises consumption are required to file reports disclosing their gross food and gross alcohol sales at the time of renewal, to ensure that establishments licensed as restaurants are operating as such; and, amended the penalties associated for due cause findings (violation of licensing requirements).

Approved the payment of settlements in a total amount of \$6,190,285.16

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3040)

Established the City of Atlanta Alcohol Technical Advisory Group III (ATAG III) group tasked with evaluating the City's alcoholic beverage code and licensing requirements and making recommendations to the City Council on changes which may be warranted.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0367)

Authorized a Ground Lease Agreement with the Atlanta Police Foundation for property located at Key Road to include the construction of a state-of-the-art Public Safety Training Campus for all public safety agencies.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3038)

Expressed support for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC)'s public health approach to violence which is characterized by its emphasis on prevention and its strong conviction that violent behavior and its consequences can be prevented over time.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0020)

Required that a percentage of the net revenue collected for School Zone Speed Camera Enforcement is remitted to the City of Atlanta to be used for the purchase and maintenance of surveillance cameras and license plate readers citywide and that a portion is allocated to fund the construction of a new Public Safety Training facility, up to a maximum of \$2.5M.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0107)

Amended the City Charter for the Citizen Review Board to designate two youth serving organizations who shall each appoint a member between the ages of 18 and 30 to serve on the Board.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4063)

Authorized a feasibility study regarding the establishment of an Office of Nighttime Economy, a department within the Office of the Mayor tasked with advising the Mayor and City Council on policies and recommendations to address the challenges related to public safety and the economy, specific to overnight activities in the City.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3869)

Established the Atlanta Public Safety Training Center Community Stakeholder Advisory Committee which will be led by the Atlanta Police Foundation to engage members of the impacted community in the planning and development of the proposed Public Safety Training Center.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3401)

Accepted a donation of four (4) light weight mobile surveillance trailers from the Atlanta Police Foundation that operate from solar energy and can be deployed anywhere in the city to enhance security for residents and visitors.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0322)

Authorized the Atlanta Police Department and the Department of Parks and Recreation to conduct a joint study to determine the number of police officers and the funding that would be required to rehire police officers through the Recapture Program who would be deployed to patrol parks and parks facilities.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0259)

Amended the City Code to create a violent conduct nuisance ordinance to provide that licensed establishments found to be in violation of the violent nuisance ordinance will be subject to due cause for revocation and/or denial of an application for a new, or transfer of ownership of an alcohol beverage license.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-3441)

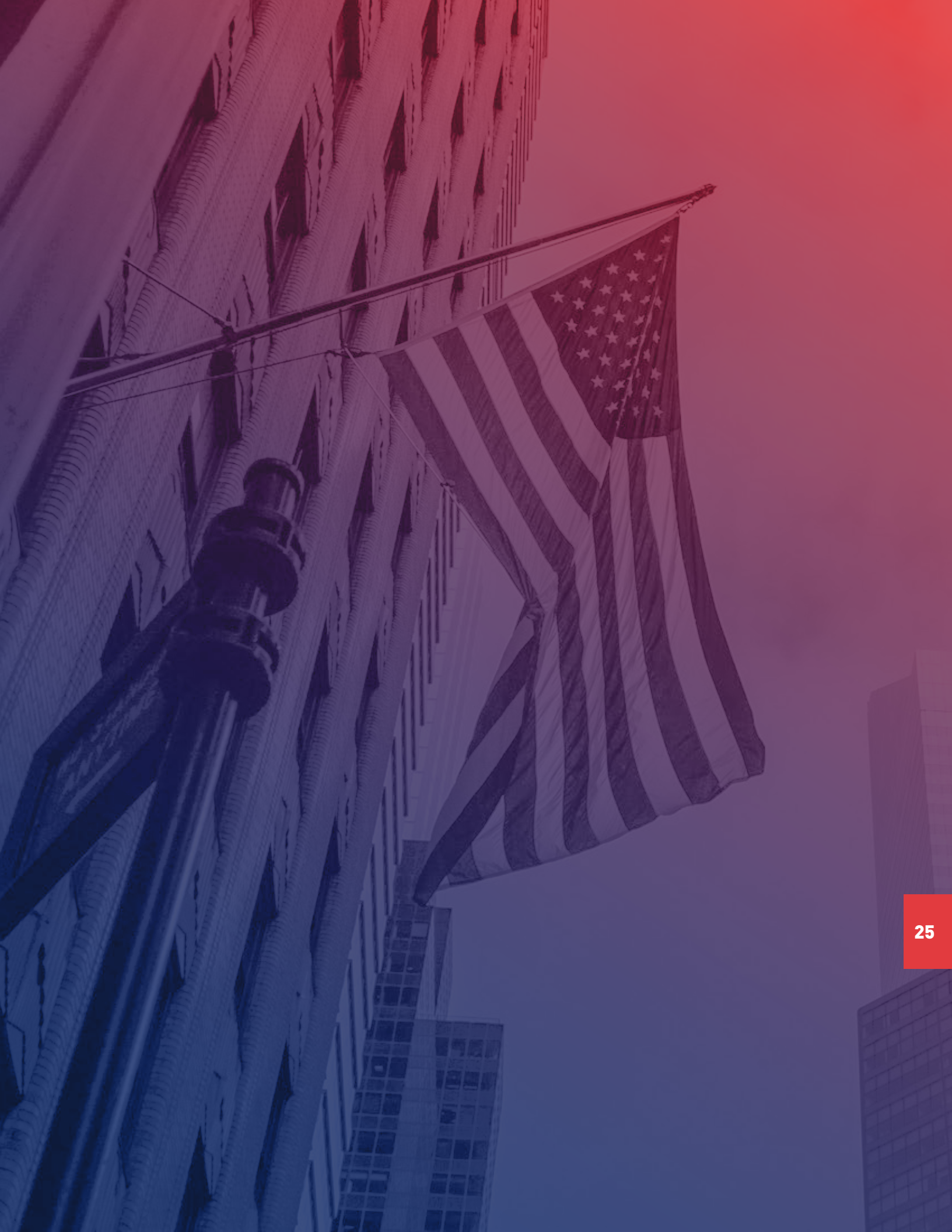
Established a Public Safety Commission tasked with providing recommendations for comprehensive reforms to address public safety and wellness within the City, including evaluating best practices regarding emergency and non-emergency public safety policies.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-R-4060)

Urged the Georgia General Assembly to amend the Georgia Code to allow the City to enact legislation requiring owners to ensure the safe storage of their firearms when outside of their immediate control.

(Legislative Reference No. 21-O-0016)

Amended the City Code to increase the incentive bonus that is paid to retain sworn Atlanta Police Officers who are in good standing.



20 ZONING 21 COMMITTEE



AMIR FAROKHI – CHAIR
CHAIR

The Zoning Committee makes recommendations on matters related to the zoning ordinance of the City as well as land use in conjunction with the Community Development/Human Services Committee. It is responsible for the Department of City Planning's Office of Zoning and Development. The committee handles routine legislation such as transfer of ownership and development rights, site plan amendments, the Metropolitan River Protection Act, special use permits, text amendments, rezoning, Comprehensive Development Plan amendments and other departmental needs as they relate to land use and subdivision of property issues. It also makes recommendations on Zoning Review Board and Board of Zoning Adjustment nominees.



JURISDICTION

- The City's Land-Subdivision Ordinance (Part 15 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances).
- The City's Zoning Ordinance (Part 16 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances).
- The Board of Zoning Adjustment.
- The Zoning Review Board.
- Land-plat amendments.
- The Metropolitan Atlanta River Protection Act.
- All budgeted contracts pertaining to the agencies under this committee's jurisdiction.



29 companies headquartered in metro Atlanta are among the Fortune 1000, of which **16 companies** are ranked in the elite Fortune 500.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

The Zoning Committee reviewed and approved 147 rezoning cases in 2021.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-0-1729)

The Committee amended the Zoning Ordinance to create a new Chapter 41 Entitled “Westside Park Affordable Workforce Housing District” and amends the official zoning map to include an overlay district for the neighborhoods of Almond Park, Carey Park, Center Hill, Grove Park, Rockdale, and West Highlands that shall be included in the Westside Park Affordable Workforce Housing District. The amendment establishes requirements for parcels being developed within the district to provide that development projects which includes ten (10) or more residential rental dwelling units or ten (10) or more for sale residential dwellings units include a percentage of affordable workforce housing units. In lieu of compliance with the on-site affordability requirement, an applicant may elect to pay an in-lieu fee to the City to be deposited into the Westside Affordable Workforce Housing In-Lieu Fee Trust Fund, to support the development of affordable housing via a city program, prior to the issuance of a building permit.



2021 COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL



J.P. MATZIGKEIT
CHAIR

The Committee on Council makes recommendations on matters pertaining to the operation of the Atlanta City Council; executive branch appointments confirmed by the Council; ethics issues such as conflict of interest, revision, codification and clarification of ordinances and resolutions; Council agenda; elections; rules, conduct and decorum of the Council and Council members; and procedures for the Office of the City Council and the Office of the Municipal Clerk.



JURISDICTION

- All operations of the Council, its officers and employees.
- All appointments of the executive branch, which by law must be approved or confirmed by the Council.
- All questions pertaining to conflicts of interest and standards of conduct.
- The revision, codification and clarification of all ordinances and examination of all proposed ordinances and resolutions as to their clarity.
- Formulation of the agenda of the Council.
- All matters pertaining to elections, initiatives and referenda.
- The rules of Council and any modifications thereof.
- The conduct, decorum and good repute of the Council and its members.
- Fund expenditures for members of Council, the Office of Research and Policy, Council Communications and the Office of the Municipal Clerk.
- Oversight of the Director of Council Staff and Municipal Clerk.
- Matters pertaining to cable television in the Office of Communications, specifically



In the city of Atlanta, **more than 90% of government building square footage** has been benchmarked in **ENERGY STAR** Portfolio Management.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATION ADOPTED

(Legislative Reference No 21-R-3934)

Approved legislation that authorized the establishment of a Commission on Fatherhood, Men and Boys, for the purpose of providing an organized and a collaborative structure for the discussion and the development of policy recommendations regarding issues specifically facing fathers, men, and boys within the city of Atlanta, as part of the One Atlanta vision.

(Legislative Reference No 21-R-3663)

Approved legislation that authorized the termination of certain boards, authorities, commissions, and other groups, created by action of the Atlanta city council, because such boards, authorities, commissions, and other groups have accomplished the purposes for which they were created, or because their authorized term had expired, and/or are their existence was no longer required.

(Legislative Reference No. 20-O-1770)

Approved legislation that established the salaries for the Mayor, Council President and members of council for the terms of office beginning in January 2022.

(Legislative Reference No 21-O-0411)

Approved legislation that restored quadrennial termination of legislation stalled in the legislative process so that following the municipal general election, all pending legislation held in committee will be automatically terminated at the end of the last city council meeting in December of the year of the municipal general election.

(Legislative Reference No 21-O-0501)

Approved legislation that mandated ethics training for all full-time, part-time, and contract city of Atlanta employees at least once every two years and requires all employees to sign an ethics pledge to adhere by the city's standards of conduct. This legislation also amended section 2-814 "disclosure of income and financial interests" and section 2-820 "incompatible interests" to reflect current ethics division protocols.



2021 ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL



(January 5, 2021) Post 1 At-Large Council member Michael Julian Bond partnered with the Atlanta Police Historical Society to honor former Atlanta Police Department Officer Claude E. Mundy Jr. Officer Mundy was the first African American Atlanta police officer killed in the line of duty.



(January 17, 2022) In celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, District 5 Council member Natalyn Archibong teamed up with the community to host a coat drive for residents of East Lake and surrounding neighborhoods.



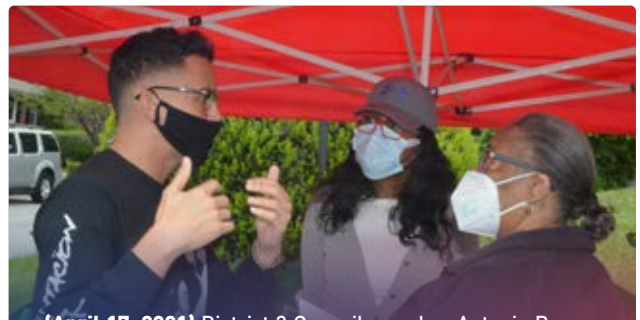
(March 21, 2021) District 1 Council member Carla Smith (pictured) and District 3 Council member Antonio Brown led volunteers to help clean up Forest Cove Apartments



(March 23, 2021) (R-L) Council members Andre Dickens, Natalyn M. Archibong, Marci Collier Overstreet, Andrea L. Boone, Dustin Hillis, Jennifer Ide, Cleta Winslow, Carla Smith, and Michael Julian Bond attend a remembrance ceremony commemorating the 83rd birthday anniversary of former Mayor Maynard Jackson.



(March 23, 2022) District 10 Council member Andrea Boone and District 9 Council member Dustin Hillis helped those in need with a drive-thru grocery store event. The event was sponsored by the Atlanta Community Food Bank and the Atlanta Retailers Association.



(April 17, 2021) District 3 Council member Antonio Brown and the Penelope Association Community helped residents connect with the Integrity Transformations Community Development Corporation mobile unit to obtain fresh produce and library services.



(May 1, 2021) District 2 Council member Amir Farokhi spent the morning with residents and a few four-legged friends to celebrate the first phase of District 2-funded renovations to the Freedom Barkway Dog Park.



(May 18, 2021) The Atlanta City Council joined the city in mourning the loss and passing of the former Dean of the Atlanta City Council and colleague C.T. Martin.



(May 22, 2021) Post 1 At-Large Council member Michael Julian Bond and District 6 Council member Jennifer Ide present a proclamation to local restaurateur and humanitarian Tom Murphy at his restaurant, Murphy's, to celebrate 40 years of service.



(June 19, 2021) Council President Felicia A. Moore honored supporters of Jennie Drake Park with a proclamation in celebration of the greenspace's 10th anniversary.



(June 19, 2021) (L-R) Council members Natalyn M. Archibong and Joyce S. Sheperd celebrate Juneteenth during E.F.F.E.C.T Fitness's annual 5K run.



(June 25, 2021) Council President Felicia A. Moore, Transportation Committee chair Andre Dickens, and committee members tour Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport with General Manager B.B. Bheodari.

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(July 23, 2021) District 5 Council member Natalyn M. Archibong with former MARTA CEO Jeff Parker during the dedication of the 'Reflection Tunnel' at the King Memorial Marta Station.



(July 28, 2021) District 4 Council member Clela Winslow teamed up with the Atlanta Braves, MLB, Delta Airlines, and a host of volunteers to help refurbish the practice field of the Atlanta Black Crackers. The Black Crackers competed in the Negro Leagues during segregation in the early and mid-1900s.



(August 25, 2021) Post 1 At-Large Council member Michael Julian Bond joined the East Atlanta community to distribute groceries as part of Hello Fresh's long-term initiative to donate surplus food to communities in need.



(August 25, 2021) District 5 Council member Natalyn M. Archibong hosted Hello Fresh to expand the organization's 'Meal with Meaning' program.



(October 12, 2021) District 12 Council member Joyce Sheperd joined the community for the grand opening and ribbon cutting for the Atlanta BeltLine Southside Trail. The event highlighted the completion of the first segment of the multi-use Southside Trail.



(October 12, 2021) District 11 Council member Marci Collier Overstreet in collaboration with the Atlanta NAACP, Morehouse School of Medicine, and Joyce Little from V-103, hosted a FREE Vax Concert at Greenbriar Mall featuring Keke Wyatt, Tony Terry, Anthony David, and Jukebox.



(October 28, 2021) Post 3 At-Large Andre Dickens partnered with Atlanta Public Schools to present a fourth-grade class at Barack and Michelle Obama Academy with 300 brand new backpacks filled with school supplies, hygiene products, and snacks.



(November 23, 2021) District 10 Council member Andrea L. Boone continued her support for Atlanta rapper T.I. during the 16th annual turkey giveaway at Jackson Memorial Church. More than 1,000 turkeys were donated to help feed underserved families.



(November 26, 2021) Post 3 At-Large Council member Andre Dickens held his 8th annual Senior Walk at Westside Park. Seniors toured the 280-acre park, which is Atlanta's largest green space and home to Bellwood Quarry, a reservoir holding 2.4 billion gallons of emergency water reserves.



(December 2, 2022) District 11 Council member Marci Collier Overstreet joined Keisha Lance Bottoms and several city officials to welcome the Truist Andrew & Walter Young Family At-Promise Center to the community during a ribbon-cutting event. It was the Atlanta Police Foundation's third At-Promise Center in Southwest Atlanta.



(December 9, 2021) District 12 Council member Joyce Sheperd is honored as a 2021 Community Champion at the Atlanta Police Foundation's 17th annual Crime is Toast Award Show & Breakfast.



(December 9, 2021) District 11 Council member Marci Collier Overstreet celebrated the groundbreaking of Atlanta's first standalone Emergency Medical Services (EMS) station during a community event.



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