



VIRTUAL JOINT BUDGET & FINANCE & SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Monday, April 26, 2021 | 3:30 PM

## MINUTES

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**Councilor(s) Present:** Abbott, Alexander, Smitherman

- 1) **Call to Order**  
Councilor Abbott called the meeting to order.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Minutes Approved.**
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**  
Items # 4,5,7,8,9,10,13,14,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 4) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds totaling \$2,000.00 (two thousand dollars) from Councilor Smitherman's account # 001\_000\_04260.542-001 to the South Titusville Neighborhood Association for Titusville Day expenses, account # 031\_200\_12190\_12192\_15199.540-001.  
Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniels  
Department: City Council (10)  
Extension: 2035  
Funding Source: 001\_000\_04260.542-001  
Amount: \$ 2,000.00  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.**  
**Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 5) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, §11-47-130, *et seq.*, §22-3-11 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Crisis Center, Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: The Provider will assist the district by providing mental health and suicide prevention services to citizens in need in the City of Birmingham. These services will be provided at no cost. Said funds to come from District 2 Discretionary Funds.

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Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney  
Department: City Council District 2  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 2 Discretionary Funds (Williams)  
Amount: \$3,000.00

Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 6) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to increase funding for an existing Agreement between the City of Birmingham and Benevate, Inc. (d.b.a. Neighborly Software) whereby an amount of Nine Thousand Six Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$9,600.00) will be added to the existing amount of Fifty Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$53,000.00) bringing the total amount of funding available to an amount not to exceed Sixty Two Thousand Six Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$62,600.00). The Vendor will provide four (4) additional web-based software licenses to support the management and administration of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

Submitted by: Christopher Hatcher  
Department: Community Development  
Extension: 2723  
Funding Source: Fund 035  
Amount: \$62,600.00

Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 7) An Ordinance, pursuant to Alabama Act 1969-916, authorizing the Mayor to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, for a term not to exceed six (6) months, between the City of Birmingham and the Jefferson County Department of Health (the "Board") for the City to appropriate and donate to the Board the sum of One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) to assist in paying costs incurred for the Household Hazardous Waste Day Event which is offered to protect the local environment by providing citizens of the City and of Jefferson County an opportunity to dispose of household hazardous items safely, including electronics, paper for onsite shredding, pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers, household cooking grease, paint, tires, appliances, prescription drugs, ammunition, and batteries.

Submitted by: Mayor  
Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2277  
Funding Source: 048\_016.527-05  
Amount: \$1,000.00

Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 8) A Resolution to determine that MHC Software, LLC (MHC) is a sole source provider of unique Express Payroll software maintenance services, and to authorize the Mayor to execute the 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the MHC Software License Agreement to purchase additional software and maintenance services on behalf of the City of Birmingham, with MHC for a term of up to three years. The City is authorized to expend an amount not to exceed Eighteen Thousand, Six Hundred, and 00/100 Dollars (\$18,600.00).

Submitted by: Mayor

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Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2277  
Funding Source: 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001 FY21  
Amount: \$18,600.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 9) A Resolution approving any and all necessary payments for goods and services costing in excess of \$10,000.00 to Jefferson County, Election Systems & Software, Pinnacle Data Systems, and any other sole-source vendors for the purpose of conducting August 24, 2021, and the October 5, 2021 runoff elections for Mayor, Council and Board of Education and authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all necessary contracts and agreements. [Appropriated in FY2020-2021 Budget; G/L Account: 001\_007\_01350\_01351 General Fund, City Clerk, Elections] (Submitted by the Mayor) (Recommended by the City Clerk)

Submitted by: Mayor

Department: City Clerk  
Extension: 2298  
Funding Source: 001\_007\_01350\_01351  
Amount: TBD

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 10) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §16-11-9.1 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with The Birmingham Board of Education in an amount not to exceed \$432.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of students of the Birmingham City Schools: The Board shall coordinate with Wylam Elementary School associated with expenses for the purchase of surge protectors for the school. The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds will come from Wylam Neighborhood Association Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: Mayor's Office  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: Wylam Neighborhood Association Funds  
Amount: \$432.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 11) Assignment and Consent of Rights to City Payments and to Amended and Restated Project Agreement by and among 29-Seven, LLC, Weldenfield Development, LLC, and the City of Birmingham, under which an Amended and Restated Project Agreement dated June 2, 2011, between 29-Seven, LLC and the City, under which the City agreed to provide up to \$1,500,000.00 in incentives in support of 29-Seven, LLC's development of mixed-use retail and residential project located at the northwest corner of the intersection of 29<sup>th</sup> Street South and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, will be assigned to Weldenfield Development, LLC with the City's consent.

Submitted by: Griffin Lassiter

Department: IEO  
Extension: 2799

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Funding Source: N/A  
Amount: N/A  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 12) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$700,773.26 to Transportation, 7th Avenue Streetscape per grant award received. An Ordinance to amend the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$149,152.00 to 7th Avenue Streetscape Grant Match.

REQUESTED BY: James Fowler, Transportation  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 035 and 036  
Amount: \$849,925.26  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Alexander: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

- 13) An Ordinance to amend the Neighborhood Allocations Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by transferring \$605.00 from Woodland Park NA-Capital Projects and appropriate \$605.00 to Transfer to Fund 001 General Fund. An Ordinance to amend the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$605.00 to Transportation, R&M Instructure Street & Traffic Signs for 7-No Dumping Signs and 12-Traffic Slow Down Signs.

REQUESTED BY: Christopher Hatcher, Community Development  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 001 and 031  
Amount: \$605.00  
Action Taken:  
Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.  
Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.  
Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 14) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, §11-47-130, et seq., §22-3-11 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Birmingham Aids Outreach, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: Birmingham Aids Outreach, Inc. will provide transportation, medication assistance, clothes, and household items, personal hygiene supplies, case management and targeted outreach and prevention to residents within the Birmingham area who are affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. They will also provide free and confidential resources as well as counseling to residents within the Birmingham area through specific programs and other activities from April 13, 2021, through June 30, 2021. Said funds to come from District 2 Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney  
Department: City Council District 2  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 2 Discretionary Funds (Williams)

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**Amount:** \$5,000.00  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 15) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Mobility Capital Finance, Inc. (MoCaFi), a Delaware corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for startup costs and in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year over a three-year term to provide a payment card program through the provision of municipal identification cards and immediate response cards, financial and project management and data services to support the management and administration of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. The City received approximately \$6,272,092.00 to provide rental and utility payment assistance to landlords and utility companies on behalf of eligible low-to-moderate income households that have experienced a loss of income due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. The City desires to retain Mobility Capital Finance, Inc. (MoCaFi) for the provision of a payment card program and financial and project management and data services in an amount not to exceed the identified amount to support program management, compliance, and financial reporting required under the Emergency Rental Program.

**Submitted by:** Kelvin Datcher  
**Department:** Mayor's Office  
**Extension:** 8093  
**Funding Source:** CD035GR 022055 – Emergency Rental Assistance  
**Amount:** \$ 150,000.00

**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Alexander:** Seconded.  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 16) BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Birmingham that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute, for and as the act of said City, an Agreement with Morehouse College and Tuskegee University, under which the City will host a Morehouse -Tuskegee Football Classic at Legion Field Stadium for a term of three (3) years commencing October 9, 2021, and the Agreement may be renewed for an additional two (2) one (1) year terms subject to an appropriation by the City Council in each corresponding fiscal year's budget and the City will provide pursuant to Amendment No. 772 incentives and in-kind services relative to hosting the Morehouse-Tuskegee Classic in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 each year.

**Submitted by:** Faye Oates, Mayor's Office Sports & Entertainment  
**Department:** General Fund  
**Extension:** 8954  
**Funding Source:** 001\_400\_96100\_96117.550-002  
**Amount:** \$500,000

**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Alexander:** Moved to Approve.  
**Councilor Smitherman:** Seconded.  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 17) An Ordinance to amend the Neighborhood Allocations Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by transferring \$69,542.36 from District 3 PIC Projects, \$70,121.40 from District 3 PIC Projects-District 3 Park Improvements, and appropriating \$139,663.76 to Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement. An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by transferring \$24,336.24 from City Council, District 3, Various Accounts and appropriating \$24,336.24 to Non-Departmental, Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement. An Ordinance to amend the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$164,000.00 to the Hanover Circle

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Repaving project.

REQUESTED BY: Jeffrey McDaniels, City Council  
Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Department: Finance  
Extension: 2206  
Funding Source: Fund 001, 031 and 102  
Amount: \$164,000

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 18) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq., §11-47-16 and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Birmingham Zoo, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to provide the following goods or services to the City: The provider will coordinate and provide free “Dinner at the Zoo” type events that will provide opportunities for guests to feed the animals. The event will be free to the public. Said funds to come from the District 3 Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney  
Department: City Council (Abbott)  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 3 Discretionary Funds  
Amount: \$50,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 19) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Vulcan Park Foundation d/b/a Vulcan Park and Museum in an amount of \$15,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the benefit of the City of Birmingham: Develop and provide age-appropriate online art, dance, music, and culture educational programs for the citizens of Birmingham via a symposium of the museum through various online platforms. The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated. Said funds will come from the District 3 Discretionary funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney  
Department: City Council (Abbott)  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 3 Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04230.542-001)  
Amount: \$15,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 20) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Terri Tran in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to provide the following goods or services to the City: To provide district/field interviewing and data collection from constituents with concerns that will assist the City of Birmingham’s District 4. The fee for these services shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00), inclusive of any reimbursable expenses. These services will begin on April 14, 2021, and conclude no later than June 30, 2021. Said funds will come from District 4 Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

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Department: City Council District 4 (Parker)  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: Council Professional Fees/Consulting (Parker)  
Amount: \$10,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 21) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Birmingham FC, LLC. for \$10,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: Birmingham FC, LLC will assist underprivileged youth in the City of Birmingham with community-based athletic and educational enrichment opportunities to enhance mentorship and healthy lifestyle experiences beginning April 15, 2021, and conclude no later than July 15, 2021. Said funds to come from District 2 Discretionary Funds.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: City Council District 2  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 2 Discretionary Funds (Williams)  
Amount: \$10,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 22) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-16, Code of Alabama 1975, authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Ruffner Mountain Nature Coalition, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, for advertising and provide media releases of the City services provided in the natural preserve programs that are part of the region-wide ecosystem within the City of Birmingham. Said funds to be paid from Councilor Williams' Discretionary Fund.

Submitted by: The Office of the City Attorney

Department: City Council District 2 (Williams)  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: Hunter Williams Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04210.542-001)  
Amount: \$10,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 23) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Youth Towers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: The Provider will provide youth support services that include transportation for social services needs to services within the City of Birmingham and homeless prevention. Said funds to come from the District 7 Discretionary funds.

Submitted by: Office of City Attorney

Department: City Council (Alexander)  
Extension: 2989  
Funding Source: District 7 Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04270.542-001)

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Amount: \$2,500.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 24) A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §38-2-9 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Children’s Village, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 to provide the following goods and services for the City: The Provider will provide shelter, food, transportation and clothing to Birmingham’s abandoned, and neglected children. Said funds to come from City Council District Seven (7) Discretionary Funds (\$3,000.00).

Submitted by: Office of City Attorney

Department: City Council District 7 (Alexander)

Extension: 2989

Funding Source: District 7 Discretionary Funds (001\_000\_04270.542-001)

Amount: \$3,000.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 25) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, by appropriating \$454,500.00 to Police, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) National Explosives Detection Canine Team per grant award received.

REQUESTED BY: Chief Patrick Smith, Police

Submitted by: Lester Smith, Chief Financial Officer

Department: Finance

Extension: 2206

Funding Source: Fund 035

Amount: \$454,500.00

Action Taken:

Councilor Alexander: Moved to Approve.

Councilor Smitherman: Seconded.

Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.

- 26) Adjournment

Action Taken:

Councilor Smitherman: Moved to Adjourn.

Councilor Alexander: Seconded.

Meeting Adjourned.