



Official

## Business Session Minutes

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 - 2:00 PM

Present: Nicole L. Hendrickson, Kirkland D. Carden, Ben Ku, Jasper Watkins III,  
Marlene M. Fosque

### I. Call To Order, Invocation, Pledge to Flag

### II. Opening Remarks by Chairman

### III. Approval of Agenda

{Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

### IV. Approval of Minutes:

- **Work Session:** December 15, 2020
- **Informal Business Discussion 12:00 p.m.:** December 15, 2020
- **Executive Session:** December 15, 2020
- **Business Session:** December 15, 2020
- **Special Called Meeting 4:00 p.m.:** December 15, 2020
- **Public Hearing 7:00 p.m.:** December 15, 2020

{Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

## **V. Consent Agenda**

### **A. New Business**

#### **1. Commissioners**

**2021-0058 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Kim Hartsock. District 1/Carden - **Appoint Kim Hartsock {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0060 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Earl Mitchell. District 1/Carden. **Appoint Alana Moss {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0061 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Anthony Crotser, District 2/Ku. **Appoint Anthony Crotser {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0062 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Rich Edinger. District 2/Ku. **Appoint Rich Edinger {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0064 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Jeff Tullis. District 3/Watkins. **Appoint Glen Williams {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

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### **A. New Business**

#### **1. Commissioners**

**2021-0066 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Gabe Okoye. District 4/Fosque. **Appoint Gabe Okoye {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0067 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Johnny Barnard. District 4/Fosque. **Appoint Johnny Barnard {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0069 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Public Library Board of Trustees. Incumbent - Kelly Byrd. Term expires December 31, 2024. District 1/Carden. **Appoint Kelly Byrd {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0073 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Water & Sewerage Authority. Incumbent - J.C. Lan. Term expires December 31, 2021. District 2/Ku. **Appoint J.C. Lan {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0072 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Water & Sewerage Authority. Incumbent - Larry Genn. Term expires December 31, 2021. District 1/Carden. **Appoint Mark Gary {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0075 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Water & Sewerage Authority. Incumbent - Diometra Aldridge. Term expires December 31, 2021. District 4/Fosque. **Appoint Diometra Aldridge {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

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**V. Consent Agenda**

**A. New Business**

**1. Commissioners**

**2021-0077 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Transit Advisory Board. Incumbent - John Karnowski. Term expires December 31, 2024. District 1/Carden. **Appoint John Karnowski {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2. Community Services/Tina Fleming**

**2021-0006 Approval** to renew BL127-19, provision of respite care services for Gwinnett County citizens on an annual contract (January 22, 2021 through January 21, 2022), with Amazing Care Agency, Inc., base bid \$156,507.99 (negotiated cost savings of approximately \$6,300.00). This contract is funded by the Atlanta Regional Commission. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) **{Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

**2021-0049 Approval** to accept a grant in the amount of \$2,263,560.00 from the Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL) to assist with funding for the purpose of planning and operationalizing safe and secure election administration. Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman or designee to sign any and all related documents. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) **{Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}**

## **V. Consent Agenda**

### **A. New Business**

#### **3. Financial Services/Buffy Alexzulian**

**2021-0007 Approval** of tax digest corrections, including changes to the digest, in-additions, deletions and errors discovered during the billing and collection process of the Tax Assessors and Tax Commissioner's Office. Adjustments amount to an increase of assessed value in the amount of \$138,829,140.00, a decrease in assessed value of \$2,291,710.00 for a net increase of \$136,537,430.00 for tax years 2015 through 2020. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

#### **4. Law Department/Michael P. Ludwiczak**

**2021-0059 Approval/authorization** for the Chairwoman to execute a Quitclaim Deed to Action Technology Solutions, LLC to release 3.803 acre-tract of land from any and all obligations and liabilities imposed under a certain Maintenance Agreement from Gwinnett County Board of Education to Gwinnett County, Georgia. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

#### **5. Police Services/Brett West**

**2021-0008 Approval** to renew OS018-18, provision of 911 call handling system maintenance on an annual contract (February 20, 2021 through February 19, 2022), with AT&T Georgia, base amount \$188,580.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

## **V. Consent Agenda**

### **A. New Business**

#### **6. Support Services/Angelia Parham**

**2021-0010 Award RP021-20**, provision of custodial services at various County facilities on an annual contract (February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022), to the highest scoring firm, Intercontinental Commercial Services, Inc., base amount \$1,109,160.00. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This contract is funded 4% by the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). (Staff Recommendation: Award) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

#### **7. Tax Commissioner/Tiffany P. Porter**

**2021-0081 Approval** to record in the County's minutes the appointment of Denise R. Mitchell to Chief Deputy of Tax Commissioner by Tax Commissioner, pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-128.1. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0082 Approval/authorization** for the Chairwoman to execute a Resolution delegating authority to the Tax Commissioner to make the determination to waive certain ad valorem tax penalties pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-242. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0085 Approval/authorization** for the Chairwoman to execute a Resolution delegating authority to the Tax Commissioner to make determination to waive certain interest on ad valorem taxes pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-242. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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**VI. Old Business**

**1. Commissioners**

**2020-0710 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett Animal Control Hearing Board. Member serves a one-year term beginning August 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Joseph Wilson. Chairwoman's Appointment (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Hendrickson Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2020-0713 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett Animal Control Hearing Board. Member serves a one-year term beginning August 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Vacant Position. District 3/Watkins (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Watkins Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**VII. New Business**

**1. Commissioners**

**2021-0055 Approval** of appointment of the Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2021. Appoint Marlene Fosque {Action: Approved Motion: Hendrickson Second: Watkins Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0056 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent Larry Still – Chairwoman's Appointment (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Hendrickson Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0063 Approval** of appointment to the Planning Commission. Member serves a one-year term beginning January 1st of each year, and member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners at any time. Incumbent – Ben Archer. District 3/Watkins (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Watkins Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

## **VII. New Business**

### **1. Commissioners**

**2021-0068 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Public Library Board of Trustees. Incumbent - Richard Goodman. Term expires December 31, 2024. Chairwoman's Appointment (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Hendrickson Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0070 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Public Library Board of Trustees. Incumbent - Deborah Oscarson. Term expires December 31, 2024. District 3/Watkins (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Watkins Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0071 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Water & Sewerage Authority. Incumbent - Bryan Kerlin. Term expires December 31, 2021. Chairwoman's Appointment (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Ku Second: Hendrickson Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0074 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Water & Sewerage Authority. Incumbent - James Pirkle. Term expires December 31, 2021. District 3/Watkins (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Watkins Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0076 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Transit Advisory Board. Incumbent - Ethan Pham. Term expires December 31, 2024. Chairwoman's Appointment (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Hendrickson Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**2021-0078 Approval** of appointment to the Gwinnett County Transit Advisory Board. Incumbent - Mark Tapp. Term expires December 31, 2024. District 3/Watkins (Tabled on 1/5/2021) (Tabled to 2/2/2021) {Action: Tabled Motion: Watkins Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}



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**VII. New Business**

**2. Financial Services/Buffy Alexzulian**

**2021-0050 Approval** and adoption of the fiscal year 2021 Operating, Capital, and Grants Budgets, and preliminary approval of the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan. {Action: Approved Motion: Fosque Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

**VIII. Comments from Audience**

**IX. Adjournment**

{Action: Adjourn Motion: Ku Second: Fosque Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}