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Official

Business Session Minutes

Tuesday, November 2, 2021 - 2:00 PM

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

I. Call To Order, Invocation, Pledge to Flag

II. Opening Remarks by Chairwoman

III. Approval of Agenda

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

IV. Approval of Minutes:

- **Invocation:** October 26, 2021
- **Executive Session:** October 26, 2021
- **Public Hearing:** October 26, 2021
{Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

V. Announcements:

- **Proclamation:** National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, November 7-13, 2021
- **Proclamation:** America Recycles Day, November 15, 2021
- **Special Presentation:** Celebrating Gwinnett's IMA Graduates
- **Proclamation:** Indigenous Peoples' Day October 11, 2021
- **Proclamation:** Native American Heritage Month, November 2021

VI. Consent Agenda

A. New Business

1. Multiple Departments

2021-1275 Approval to renew BL118-17, purchase and installation of custom signs on an annual contract (February 18, 2022 through February 17, 2023), Departments of Community Services, Transportation and Water Resources, with Southeastern Sign, Inc., base bid \$224,000.00 (this represents a 2% decrease over the previous contract). This contract is funded 1% by various SPLOST Programs. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1279 Approval to renew RP023-20, provision of wrecker services on an annual contract (January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022), Departments of Police Services and Support Services, with Lance Wrecker Service, Inc.; Statewide Wrecker Service, Inc.; and Willard Wrecker Service, Inc., base amount \$68,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2. Community Services/Tina Fleming

2021-1287 Award BL079-21, provision of Bethesda and Holcomb Bridge Park pavilion repairs, to Lichy Commercial Construction, Inc., amount not to exceed \$312,230.00. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Award) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

3. Financial Services/Buffy Alexzulian

2021-1292 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 \$94,745,910.00, a decrease in assessed value of \$43,120.00 for a net increase of \$94,702,790.00 for tax years 2015 through 2021. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) (Board of Assessors Approved on October 6, 2021, Vote 5-0) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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3. Financial Services/Buffy Alexzulian

2021-1316 Approval to renew OS009-21, provision of a software solution for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program on an annual contract (March 23, 2022 through March 22, 2023) and approval of Change Order No. 1, with Benevate, Inc., dba Neighborly Software, base amount \$169,505.00 (negotiated cost savings of \$4,495.00). Change Order to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This contract is funded by the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1290 Approval/authorization of the September 30, 2021 Monthly Financial Status Report and ratification of all budget amendments. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

4. Law Department/Michael P. Ludwiczak

2021-1312 Approval of the settlement in the matter of Anna Harrison, as the Court Appointed Personal Administrator of the Estate of Michael Harrison v. Gwinnett County, Georgia, Civil Action Number 16-C-01851-5, Superior Court of Gwinnett County, for the sum of \$375,000.00 and authorization for the Chairwoman to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement. All documents are subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1280 Approval/authorization for Declaration of Taking Condemnation proceedings for the property of Bom Magar and Stonegate Mortgage Corporation, consisting of 1,471.31 square feet of permanent construction easement, Tax Parcel No. R6159 049, 4662 Burns Road, amount \$3,100.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This project is funded by the 2017 SPLOST program. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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4. Law Department/Michael P. Ludwiczak

2021-1330 Approval/authorization of the settlement in the matter of Jane Doe by next friend James Doe, et al. v. Gwinnett County, Georgia, et al., Civil Action No. 1:19-CV-00813-SDG, United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, for the sum of \$290,500.00 and authorization for the Chairwoman to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement. All documents are subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

5. Police Services/James D. McClure

2021-1304 Approval to renew BL097-20, provision of landscaping maintenance services for various Police facilities on an annual contract (December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022), with Ed Castro Landscape, Inc., base bid \$110,000.00 (negotiated cost savings of approximately \$3,300.00). (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

6. Support Services/Angelia Parham

2021-1253 Approval to renew RP021-18, provision of standby architectural and engineering services on an annual contract (January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022), with CAS Architecture, P.C.; Clark Patterson Engineers, Surveyor, Architects and Landscape Architect, D.P.C. dba CPL, P.C.; Croft & Associates, P.C.; Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung International, Inc.; Jericho Design Group, LLC; Lindsay, Pope, Brayfield, Clifford & Associates, Inc.; Pieper O'Brien Herr Architects, LTD; Pond and Company; and Precision Planning, Inc., base amount \$3,345,000.00 (negotiated cost savings of approximately \$27,880.00). This contract is funded 15% by the 2017 SPLOST program. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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6. Support Services/Angelia Parham

2021-1259 Approval to renew RP021-20, provision of custodial services at various County facilities on an annual contract (February 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023), with Intercontinental Commercial Services, Inc., base amount \$1,198,760.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1286 Approval to renew BL118-19, provision of landscaping maintenance services at various County facilities on an annual contract (January 8, 2022 through January 7, 2023), with Visionscapes, Inc., base bid \$220,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

7. Transportation/Lewis Cooksey

2021-1288 Award BL085-21, Sugarloaf Parkway at SR120/Duluth Highway, Old Norcross Road at Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road and Old Norcross Road at Cruse Road traffic improvement project, to Ohmshiv Construction, LLC, amount not to exceed \$359,580.00. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This contract is funded by the 2017 SPLOST program. (Staff Recommendation: Award) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1296 Approval for Change order No.3 – Final on BL066-18, Pleasant Hill Road (Chattahoochee River to Howell Ferry Road/McClure Bridge Road) widening project with CMES, Inc. increasing the contract by a net of \$95,948.26. The contract amount is adjusted from \$7,573,273.07 to \$7,669,221.33. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This project is funded by the State Road and Tollway Authority and 2014 SPLOST Program. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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8. Water Resources/Tyler Richards

2021-1210 Approval to renew BL075-17, provision of grounds maintenance at various Department of Water Resources facilities on an annual contract (November 8, 2021 through November 7, 2022), with ACS Landscape Management and Yellowstone Landscape-Southeast, LLC, base bid \$290,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1247 Approval to renew BL108-20, provision of locating services on an annual contract (February 14, 2022 through February 13, 2023), with One Vision Utility Services, LLC, base bid \$1,272,960.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) (Water and Sewerage Authority Approved on October 11, 2021, Vote 5-0.) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1252 Approval to renew RP018-18, landfill disposal of bio-solids and grit and screenings on an annual contract (January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022), with Waste Eliminator, Inc., base amount \$7,737,600.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) (Water and Sewerage Authority Approved on October 11, 2021, Vote 4-0.) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1256 Approval to renew BL090-19, provision of electrical equipment installation, inspection and repair services on an annual contract (January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022), with Cleveland Electric Company, base bid \$1,800,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) (Water and Sewerage Authority Approved on October 11, 2021, Vote 5-0.) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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8. Water Resources/Tyler Richards

2021-1284 Approval to renew BL085-18, purchase of liquid cationic polymer on an annual contract (November 28, 2021 through November 27, 2022), with Polydyne, Inc., base bid \$201,500.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1235 Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman to execute the Joint Funding Agreement for Water Resource Investigations with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) in the amount of \$1,084,825.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1289 Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman to execute the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program Agreement with the Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services (DHS-DFCS) to receive funding up to \$1,200,000.00. This funding will be used to assist low-income households with water and sewer bills. Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman or designee to execute grant documents and any other necessary documents. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This program is 100% funded through DHS-DFCS with no local match requirements. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

2021-1311 Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman to execute the Lake Lanier Shoreline Stabilization and Erosion Reduction Agreement between Gwinnett County and Lake Lanier Association, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

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VII. Old Business

1. Law Department/Michael P. Ludwiczak

2021-1216 Approval/authorization to amend the Code of Ordinances of Gwinnett County by repealing Section 66-3, entitled "Possession of Marijuana" and replacing it with a new Section 66-3, entitled "Possession of Marijuana". Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Tabled on 11/2/2021) (Tabled to 12/7/2021) (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Tabled Motion: Carden Second: Ku Vote: 3-2; Hendrickson-No; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-No; Fosque-Yes}

VIII. New Business

1. Planning & Development/Susan Canon

2021-1327 Approval/authorization to amend Article II, Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances of Gwinnett County related to the Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Tabled on 11/2/2021) (Tabled to 11/16/2021 Business Session) {Action: Tabled Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Fosque-Yes}

IX. Comments from Audience

X. Adjournment

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