



GWINNETT COUNTY
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Matthew Holtkamp, District 4

Official
Business Session Minutes
Tuesday, November 5, 2024 - 2:00 PM

Present: Nicole L. Hendrickson, Kirkland Carden, Ben Ku, Jasper Watkins III, Matthew Holtkamp

I. Call To Order

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; Holtkamp-Yes}

IV. Approval of Minutes:

- **Public Hearing:** October 22, 2024

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

V. Announcements:

- **Proclamation:** Recognizing Gwinnett Great Days of Service
- **Proclamation:** Recognizing National Military Family Month
- **Proclamation:** Supporting Operation Green Light for Gwinnett's Veterans



Proclamation

RECOGNIZING GWINNETT GREAT DAYS OF SERVICE

October 20 – 22, 2024

WHEREAS, Volunteer Gwinnett, established in 2012, offers countywide volunteer opportunities, increasing awareness and streamlining volunteer recruitment. Gwinnett Serves connects these volunteers with organizations, fostering a community focused on engagement, visibility, and impact; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett Great Days of Service stands as the largest community volunteer initiative in the county, organizing thousands of volunteers, corporations, schools, civic organizations, and nonprofits for a weekend of community building, connection, and positive impact each fall; and
WHEREAS, Gwinnett Great Days of Service tackles some of the county's most pressing needs, including food insecurity, homelessness, hunger, education, disabilities, support for veterans, and assistance for seniors; and

WHEREAS, From October 20 to 24, 2024, Gwinnett Great Days of Service mobilized volunteers, corporations, schools, civic organizations, and nonprofits to create, connect, and impact the community; and

WHEREAS, During the weekend, nearly 800 registered volunteers completed more than 70 Gwinnett Great Days of Service projects supporting government departments, public schools, and nonprofits throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett Great Days of Service continues to grow in reach, service hours, and volunteer participation each year, broadening community engagement and providing service opportunities for residents. The community impact of these volunteers, nonprofit organizations, and Gwinnett employees is immeasurable in the lives of those in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nicole Love Hendrickson, on behalf of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize and celebrate Gwinnett Great Days of Service in Gwinnett County. I encourage all residents to participate in volunteer and community service opportunities year-round.

**Chairwoman
Board of Commissioners
Gwinnett County, Georgia**

Signed this 5th day of November, 2024



Proclamation

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL MILITARY FAMILY MONTH

November 2024

WHEREAS, National Military Family Month was established in 1996 by the Armed Services YMCA and the United States government to honor the sacrifices and commitment of military families; and

WHEREAS, These families face unique challenges, including frequent relocations, extended deployments, and the constant worry for the safety of their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, In Gwinnett County, we recognize the resilience and strength of our military families, inspiring us all as they maintain households, raise children, and pursue careers while their service members defend our nation's freedom; and

WHEREAS, We honor our veterans and their loved ones by ensuring they have access to crucial resources and opportunities through Gwinnett Veteran and Family Services, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 90, and other community service providers; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett also hosts events such as the Women's Veterans Brunch, Stand Down resource fair, and the County's annual Veterans Day Ceremony, happening on Monday, November 11, 2024, at 11:00am at the Gwinnett Fallen Heroes Memorial in Lawrenceville; and

WHEREAS, Military families are integral to our nation's security, providing a vital support system that enables our service members to focus on their missions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jasper Watkins III, do hereby proclaim November 2024 as National Military Family Month in Gwinnett County. It is imperative that we express our deepest gratitude to military families for their selfless service and sacrifices.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jasper Watkins III", is written over a horizontal line.

District 3
Board of Commissioners
Gwinnett County, Georgia

Signed this 5th day of November, 2024



Proclamation

SUPPORTING OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR GWINNETT VETERANS

November 4 – 11, 2024

WHEREAS, Each year, more than 200,000 service members transition back to civilian life, facing a myriad of challenges as they reintegrate into society; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett County is committed to ensure these veterans thrive and have access to stable housing, employment, education, and essential mental health services to address trauma and prevent suicide; and

WHEREAS, Veterans actively contribute to their communities as civic and business leaders through involvement in service organizations including the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, and many more; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett joins the National Association of Counties and the National Association of County Veterans Service Officers to honor veterans for their profound sacrifices in the name of freedom by participating in NACo's Operation Green Light initiative; and

WHEREAS, The Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center will be illuminated in green as part of Operation Green Light for veterans, and the weeklong observance will conclude with the County's annual Veterans Day Ceremony on Monday, November 11, 2024, at 11:00am at the Gwinnett Fallen Heroes Memorial in Lawrenceville; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett deeply values the sacrifices made by our U.S. military personnel and believes that veterans should be celebrated and honored year-round.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jasper Watkins III, do hereby support and recognize Operation Green Light in Gwinnett County. As part of Operation Green Light, Gwinnett residents are encouraged to display green lights in the windows of their homes and businesses from November 4 through 11. Let us embrace the patriotic tradition of honoring all those who have made immeasurable sacrifices to safeguard our freedom.



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Signed this 5th day of November, 2024

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VI. Consent Agenda

A. New Business

1. Multiple Departments

2024-0970 Approval to renew BL081-23, provision of minor roof repairs, roof cleaning and inspection, and roof condition assessments on an annual contract (January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025), with Core Roofing Systems, LLC, base bid \$455,950.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0971 Approval to renew RP023-20, provision of wrecker services on an annual contract (January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025), with Lance Wrecker Service, Inc.; Statewide Wrecker Service, Inc.; and Willard Wrecker Service, Inc., base amount \$107,500.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2. Administrative Office of the Courts/Phil Boudewyns

2024-1045 Approval/authorization of the order appointing James R. Argo, Valeria E. Head, and Keith Miles to serve as Senior Magistrates of the Magistrate Court of Gwinnett County, for the term of office commencing January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2028. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

3. Child Advocacy and Juvenile Services/Michelle Vereen

2024-0978 Approval/authorization to accept, if awarded, grant funds up to the amount of \$167,429.93, from the Georgia Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for the continuation of the CASA program. 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 grant is funded through CASA with no match requirements. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

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4. Community Services/Tina Fleming

2024-0980 Approval to renew RP013-15, provision of management, operation and maintenance services for Collins Hill Golf Club on an annual contract (January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025), with Cornerstone Golf Partners, Inc., base amount \$108,860.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

5. Financial Services/Buffy Alexzulian

2024-0976 Approval/authorization of the September 30, 2024 Monthly Financial Status Report and ratification of all budget amendments. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

6. Fire Services/Fred Cephas

2024-0973 Approval to renew BL109-23, provision of bunker gear maintenance and repair on an annual contract (November 8, 2024 through November 7, 2025), with LION TotalCare, Inc., base bid \$115,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

7. Information Technology Services/Dorothy Parks

2024-1001 Approval to declare the attached list of technology equipment and software as surplus/salvage to be disposed in accordance with the Gwinnett County Code of Ordinances. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

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A. New Business

8. Law Department/Michael P. Ludwiczak

2024-0962 Approval/authorization for Declaration of Taking Condemnation proceedings for the property of Toco Properties, Inc., consisting of 4,757.36 square feet of fee simple right of way, 9,258.11 square feet of permanent construction easement, and 3,144.35 square feet of 48-month temporary driveway easement, Tax Parcel No. R6061 109, 1475 East Park Place Boulevard, amount \$214,400.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This project is funded by the 2023 SPLOST program. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0963 Approval/authorization for Declaration of Taking Condemnation proceedings for the property of Toco Hill, Inc., consisting of 2,550.63 square feet of fee simple right of way, 975.94 square feet of permanent construction easement for utilities and wall, and 201.38 square feet of permanent construction easement for slopes and utilities, Tax Parcel No. R6061 136, 5250 Stone Mountain Highway, amount \$103,700.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This project is funded by the 2023 SPLOST program. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0996 Approval/authorization of the settlement of the claim of Ashley Humphrey for the sum of \$425,000.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0997 Approval/authorization of the settlement of the claim of Helen Okoro Mayuku for the sum of \$162,500.00. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

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9. Planning & Development/Matt Dickison

2024-0975 Approval/authorization of ABO2024-00001 to amend Chapter 6 of the Gwinnett County Code of Ordinances related to Alcoholic Beverages. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

10. Police Services/James D. McClure

2024-0927 Approval/authorization for the Chairwoman or designee to execute a Memorandum of Understanding, and any other necessary documents, with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) through the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) related to acceptance of grant funds for the Law Enforcement, Fire Rescue, Emergency Operations, and Community Preparedness capabilities. The estimated value of the award is \$336,860.00. ARC/UASI will purchase all items on behalf of Gwinnett County, and no County match is required. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

11. Support Services/Ron Adderley

2024-0783 Award BL087-24, Lawrenceville Bicentennial Plaza sculpture project, to AMO Construction, LLC, amount not to exceed \$165,000.00. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Award) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

12. Transportation/Lewis Cooksey

2024-0979 Award BL110-24, SR 141 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard (Holcomb Bridge Road to Medlock Bridge Road) intersection improvement project, to Ohmshiv Construction, LLC, amount not to exceed \$4,885,087.80. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. This project is funded by the 2017 SPLOST Program. (Staff Recommendation: Award) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

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13. Water Resources/Rebecca Shelton

2024-0934 Award BL096-24, Dacula Maxey Street sewer, to Professional Pipeline, LLC, amount not to exceed \$1,559,861.00. Contract to follow award. Subject to approval as to form by the Law Department. (Staff Recommendation: Award) (Water and Sewerage Authority Approved on October 7, 2024, Vote 3-0.) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0905 Approval to renew BL131-22, provision of odor control and corrosion protection chemicals, equipment, and services on an annual contract (December 13, 2024 through December 12, 2025), with Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC, base bid \$4,150,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) (Water and Sewerage Authority Approved on October 7, 2024, Vote 4-0.) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

2024-0969 Approval to renew SS049-23, provision of products and services for Endress + Hauser equipment on an annual contract (December 5, 2024 through December 4, 2025), with Endress + Hauser, Inc., base amount \$250,000.00. (Staff Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

VII. Comments from Audience

VIII. Adjournment

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