



OCTOBER 11, 2024 10:00 a.m. - WORKSHOP and CITY MANAGER'S BRIEFING

CITY GOVERNMENT

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

The work session and City Manager's briefing was held at **10:06 a.m.**, in the SCCPSS Board of Education Room located at the Eli Whitney Administrative Complex, 2 Laura Avenue, Building G. **Mayor Johnson** called the meeting to order, then recognized **Alderman Kurtis Purtee** to offer a prayer.

PRESENT:

Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, Presiding
 Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, At-Large, Post 2
 Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2
 Alderwoman Linda Wilder-Bryan, District 3 - Vice Chair
 Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4 - Chairman
 Alderwoman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5 - Mayor Pro Tem
 Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

ABSENT:

Alderwoman Carolyn H. Bell, At-Large, Post 1
 Alderwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager Jay Melder
 Chief of Staff Daphanie Williams
 City Attorney Bates Lovett
 Clerk of Council Mark Massey
 Assistant to Clerk of Council Renee Osborne

Workshop Agenda Items

[1. Boards, Commissions, and Authorities](#)

[UPDATED Boards MASTER LIST-2024 as of 10-03-2024 Six Boards Needing Action.pdf](#)

Mayor Johnson nominated William Shedrick Coleman for appointment to the Historic District Board of Review (HDBR).

Ald. Leggett nominated Clarkson C. Logan for appointment to the HDBR.

Mayor Johnson stated we have three seats available for the Hospital Authority Board, so both names (Grace H. Taylor and Kristen Ravenel) can move forward if that is okay with everyone.

For Keep Savannah Beautiful (KSB), Mayor Johnson stated there are four (4) vacancies, some are outside of the city proper, so he asked members of Council to prioritize city residents. Then he asked for recommendations.

Ald. Leggett nominated Lillian Proveaux Breitbart for appointment to KSB.

Ald. Wilder-Bryan nominated Margaret Pringle for appointment to KSB.

Ald. Miller Blakely nominated Andrew Logan Lawrence for appointment to KSB.

Ald. Wilder-Bryan nominated Theodore A. Robbins for appointment to KSB.

Ald. Purtee stated regarding Kristen Ravenel being appointed to the Hospital Authority, he recently appointed Ms. Ravenel to the Traffic Calming Committee, so he'd like to spread this out a bit, by forgoing her nomination to the Hospital Authority Board.

Ald. Miller Blakely inquired if Ms. Ravenel applied. Mayor Johnson responded yes, she applied twice.

Mayor Johnson advised that there is only one expiration and one application received for the Pilotage Commission, so we will proceed with that one nomination if everyone is good.

Mayor Johnson advised that there are four (4) expirations for the Savannah-Chatham Council on Disability Issues (SCCODA), and two applications, so we will proceed with those two names (Rubin Huckabee and Christine Pendergrass), if everyone is accepting of it.

Ald. Wilder-Bryan asked the Clerk of Council if he got in contact with her appointment to the Traffic Calming Committee, Larry Myers. The Clerk of Council stated he reached out to him, but he has not heard back from him.

Ald. Miller Blakely nominated herself for appointment to the Traffic Calming Committee (Post 2, At-Large appointee).

[2. Closed Executive Session: Litigation, Personnel, and Real Estate](#)

There was no executive session held.

[3. City Manager's Agenda Review](#)

There was no agenda review held.

There was no action taken during the Workshop.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the workshop at **10:13 a.m.**

The video recording of the Workshop can be found by copying and inserting the link below in your url:

<https://savannahgovtv.viebit.com/player.php?hash=BlhqwiVadzGpN5wH>

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Signature: _____

