

**The Joint Budget & Finance Committee Meeting  
&  
Committee of the Whole Meeting**

*Monday, January 13, 2025  
Council Chambers  
3:30 p.m.*

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**AGENDA**

**1) Call to Order**

**2) Approval of the Minutes**

**3) Consideration of the Consent Agenda**

**4) A Resolution accepting the bid of National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform (“NICJR”) in the amount of \$302,418.00 for the design, implementation, and refinement of the City of Birmingham’s gun violence reduction strategy (“GVRS”) and community violence intervention (“CVI”) ecosystems under the Community Safety Initiatives Immediate Response Action Plan, this being the lowest responsible and responsive bid submitted, and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with NICJR in substantially the same form contained within the bid documents and in accordance with said bid, providing that the total compensation payable under the agreement not exceed the appropriation.**

**Submitted by: Uche Bean**

**Department: Mayor’s Office**

**Extension: 8026**

**Funding Source: G/L: 039\_000.527-050**

**Project: FIN039RM 99999C\_004 - ARPA Gun Violence Reduction**

**Amount: \$302,418.00**

**5) A Resolution accepting the bid of Institute of Research for Social Justice in Action (IRSJA) in the amount of \$700,000.00 for implementation of a Community Practitioner Certification and**

Transforming Communities Through Effective Violence Intervention Strategies Program under the Community Safety Initiatives Immediate Response Action Plan, this being the lowest responsible and responsive bid submitted, and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Institute of Research for Social Justice in Action in substantially the same form contained within the bid documents and in accordance with said bid, providing that the total compensation payable under the agreement not exceed the appropriation.

**Submitted by: Uche Bean**

**Department: Mayor's Office**

**Extension: 8026**

**Funding Source: 039\_000.527-050**

**Project: FIN039RM 99999C\_004 - ARPA Gun Violence Reduction**

**Amount: \$700,000.00**

6) A Resolution accepting the bid of Trajectory Changing Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$700,000.00 for implementation of a comprehensive Community Violence Intervention Program under the Community Safety Initiatives Immediate Response Action Plan, this being the lowest responsible and responsive bid submitted, and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Trajectory Changing Solutions, LLC in substantially the same form contained within the bid documents and in accordance with said bid, providing that the total compensation payable under the agreement not exceed the appropriation.

**Submitted by: Uche Bean**

**Department: Mayor's Office**

**Extension: 8026**

**Funding Source: G/L: 039\_000.527-050**

**Project: FIN039RM 99999C\_004 - ARPA Gun Violence Reduction**

**Amount: \$700,000.00**

7) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$332,703.00 to Police, 2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) per award received. (Resolution Number 1491-24)

**Submitted by: Michael Pickett, Interim Police Chief**  
**Department: Police**  
**Extension: 1701**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 035 Grants Fund**  
**Amount: \$ 332,703.00**

**8)** An Ordinance to amend the Donation Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$55,000.00 to Arlington House for general use per donation received from Anne M. Cabaniss Charitable Trust.

**Submitted by: Toby Richards, Director**  
**Department: Arlington House**  
**Extension: 2599**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 032**  
**Amount: \$ 55,000.00**

**9)** An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$70,521.00 to Police, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Grant per award received. (resolution 1418-24)

**Submitted by: Michael Pickett, Interim Chief of Police**  
**Department: Police**  
**Extension: 1701**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 035 Grants Fund**  
**Amount: \$ 70,521.00**

**10)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to allocate funds in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for the purchase of refrigerator magnets to distribute to residents of the Kingston neighborhood which announce the date, location and time of regular monthly neighborhood association meetings in the Kingston Neighborhood. Said funds to come from the Kingston Neighborhood Association funds.

**Submitted by: Willie Watson**  
**Department: Community Development**  
**Extension: 2066**  
**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12120\_12124\_15198.540-001**  
**Amount: \$2000.00**

**11)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to allocate funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the purchase of forty (40) 18-inch by 24-inch Coroplastic two-sided neighborhood meeting signs to be installed on the public right of ways or public property located in the Roebuck Springs-South Roebuck Neighborhood. Said funds to come from the Roebuck Springs-South Roebuck Neighborhood Association funds.

**Submitted by: Melony Martin**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2535**

**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12150\_12152\_15198.540-001**

**Amount: \$1000.00**

**12)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to allocate funds in an amount not to exceed \$7,200.00 for the purchase and installation of twelve (12) banners and hardware to be installed on public right of ways or public property on Jefferson Avenue and Dennison Avenue in the West End Manor Neighborhood. Said funds to come from the West End Manor Neighborhood Association funds. This expenditure shall rescind and replace the previously Budget and Finance Committee approved expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 on September 25, 2023, and the subsequent Council Resolution No. 1650-23 on October 3, 2023.

**Submitted by: Alice Williams**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 8085**

**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12200\_12205\_15198.540-001**

**Amount: \$7200.00**

**13)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 et. seq. and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975, authorizing the Mayor to allocate funds in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 for the purchase of one (1) double-sided, ornamental, aluminum neighborhood sign with 7.5 ft posts and shrubs to be located on city owned property at 29th Street SW and Walnut Street within the Industrial Center Neighborhood. Said funds to come from the Industrial Center Neighborhood Association Funds. This expenditure shall rescind and replace the previously Budget and Finance Committee approved expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 on August 26, 2024, and the subsequent

Council Resolution No. 1312-24 on September 3, 2024. A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, §11-47-11 and §11-47-19 Codes of Alabama, 1975 approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute, for and as the act of said City an Agreement between the City of Birmingham and Create Birmingham, Inc. under which Create Birmingham, Inc. shall provide a Co. Starters 10 week cohort program, aimed at creating more entrepreneurs, including artists within the City, and teach entrepreneurs how to turn their ideas into sustainable operations for a term of one year in an amount not to exceed \$2,475.00. Said funds shall come from District # 8 Discretionary funds.

**Submitted by: Ceara Benson**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2548**

**Funding Source: 031\_200\_12090\_12094\_15198.540-001**

**Amount: \$6000.00**

**14)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1 and §11-47-19 and §11-47-16 Codes of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with the Ballard House Project Inc. ("Ballard House") in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 for the Ballard House to provide services to the City of Birmingham by promoting and protecting the cultural heritage and historical assets of The Ballard House through community education and events. Said funds will come from the following source 001-000-04280-542-001 District 8 Discretionary Funds.

**Submitted by: Felicia Jolly**

**Department: City Council**

**Extension: 2907**

**Funding Source: 001-000-04280-542-001 District 8 Discretionary Funds**

**Amount: 5,000.00**

**15)** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham, under which Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham will provide community based assistance to families (i.e. children with incarcerated parents, children of military families, single parents, etc.) through adult volunteers in order to provide a broad range of opportunities to raise awareness for mentoring, parenting, workforce development, and basic quality of life that leads to productive citizenship. The fee for these services is not to exceed total funds in the amount of \$4,500, inclusive of any reimbursable expenses. Said total funds will come from District #2 Discretionary Funds.

**Submitted by: Felicia Jolly**  
**Department: Council**  
**Extension: 2907**  
**Funding Source: 001\_000\_04220.542-001 District 2 Discretionary**  
**Amount: \$4500.00**

**16)** A Project Funding Agreement between the City of Birmingham and **Avenue V Entertainment, LLC dba The Epic Center Birmingham**, under which **The Epic Center Birmingham** will undertake a project that will involve the hiring of an additional (i) 4 full-time employees and (ii) convert (3) part-time positions into full-time positions at The Epic Center Birmingham located at 1301 3rd Avenue West Birmingham, AL 35208. The Epic Center Birmingham is expected to generate an estimated \$784,000 in total gross sales over the next five years and the City will provide financial incentives to The Epic Center Birmingham under the RISE program in the amount of \$15,000 in support of the project, pursuant to Amendment No. 772.

**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley, Director of Innovation and Economic Opportunity**  
**Department IEO**  
**Extension: 2799**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 001\_003\_00910.545-001**  
**Amount: \$ 15,000.00**

**17)** A Project Agreement between the City of Birmingham, and DOLGENCORP, LLC dba DG Market under which DG Market will lease, rehabilitate and remodel existing retail space located at 833 Dennison Avenue Southwest, Birmingham, AL 35210, formerly "Save A Lot" food stores in the Heritage Park Towne Center, delivering everyday low prices on items such as meats, fruits, vegetables, dairy, beverages, snacks, health and beauty aids, cleaning supplies, basic apparel, housewares and more to meet the needs and desires of shoppers in local neighborhoods in an amount up to but not to exceed \$600,000, pursuant to Amendment No. 772.

**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley**  
**Department Innovation Economic Opportunity**  
**Extension: 2907**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 001\_003\_00910.45-001 Economic Incentives Agreements**  
**Amount: \$600,000.00**

**18)** A Resolution approving and authoring the Mayor to execute and deliver a First Amendment to the Good Jobs Challenge Subaward Agreement, under which the City will provide funding to the Women’s Foundation of Alabama for a term ending on September 30, 2025 in an amount not to exceed **\$1,977,500** from a grant received by the City from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration to carry out workforce development activities. The Women’s Foundation of Alabama will serve as members of the Worker Success Roundtable, contributing to the co-design of programming and training that is responsive to the needs of industry and jobseekers, and alongside other training providers, will recruit, train and support jobseekers, in accordance with the budget and capacity projects, primarily during the third phase of the grant: Program Implementation, pursuant to Amendment No. 772.

**Submitted by: Coreata Houser, Deputy Director**

**Department IEO**

**Extension: 2799**

**Recommended Funding Source: MO035GR 020221 – Good Jobs Challenge**

**Amount: \$ 1,977,500.00**

**19)** A Resolution pursuant to §11-40-1, §11-47-16, and §11-47-19, Code of Alabama, 1975 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with The Penny Foundation, Inc. (“Penny Foundation”) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to allow the Penny Foundation to provide services for the City of Birmingham by assisting the City with the organization, promotion, and funds administration for District # 4 Community Initiatives including Teacher Appreciation Week, Birmingham Youth Advisory Council Summit, and other District 4 programs, (the “Events”), which will be held on various dates and will be open to the public. Said funds to come from the following source: 001-000-04240-542-001 District 4 Discretionary Funds.

**Submitted by: Felicia Jolly**

**Department: City Council**

**Extension: 2907**

**Funding Source: 001\_000\_04250.542-001**

**Amount: \$50,000.00**

**20)** A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement between the City of Birmingham and Urban Alchemy in an amount not to exceed \$1,340,255.00, under which Urban Alchemy will provide services to the City by providing homeless outreach which

will include providing Care Coordinators to monitor progress, make referrals, provide counselling, and offer other assistance; providing support groups, AA meetings, social events, classes, and other activities; providing employment counseling, referrals and resources; providing assistance with applications for benefits; and providing transportation to unhoused citizens to address the challenges created by the intersection of poverty, mental illness, addiction and homelessness.

**Submitted by: Cory Stallworth**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2309**

**Funding Source: ERA2 Project: CD035GR 022057 G/L: 035\_013.536-001 (\$255,000.00) CDBG – CARES Project# CD035GR 022056\_001\_009; G/L: 035\_013.536-001 (\$1,300,000.00)**

**Amount: \$1,340,255.00**

**21)** A Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement between the City of Birmingham and Faith Chapel Christian Center in an amount not to exceed \$948,374.00, under which Faith Chapel Christian Center will provide services to the City by providing homeless outreach, case management, mailing addresses, counseling sessions, recovery meetings, independent living skills training, and day shelter, including access to laundry and shower facilities, to up to fifteen (15) residents at a time to address the challenges created by the intersection of poverty, mental illness, addiction and homelessness.

**Submitted by: Porcia Rawlings**

**Department: Community Development**

**Extension: 2721**

**Funding Source: G/L 035\_013.527-050 for Professional Services**

**Amount: \$948,374.00**

**22)** A Public Purpose Resolution authorizing the Department of Human Resources 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Milestones Breakfast to be held on February 20, 2025, at the Boutwell Auditorium for the purpose of recognizing employees who have reached 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50+ years of service to the City of Birmingham and our citizens. The purpose of this event is to demonstrate our appreciation for eligible employees' time and dedication to public service for the City of Birmingham and our citizens.



**Submitted by:** Jamilah Woods, MPA-PHRM  
**Department:** Human Resources  
**Extension:** x2811  
**Recommended Funding Source:** GIL 001\_042\_02300.524-042 (Supplies - Other Souvenirs), GIL 001\_042\_02300.523-006 (Supplies - Food Banquet), GIL 001\_042\_02300.524-015 (Supplies -Other General Office)  
**Amount:** Not to Exceed \$ 20,000

**23)** A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with CivicPlus, LLC, a Kansas limited liability company in an amount not to exceed \$173,282.90 for the purchase of web-based, Saas software, specifically SeeClickFix an online and smartphone application (311) that allows citizens to report code enforcement and other non-emergency issues for a term of three years.

**Submitted by:** Annette Harris  
**Department:** IMS  
**Extension:** X2751  
**Recommended Funding Source:** 001\_037\_01920\_01922.526-001 IMS-Systems Development-System Support. Technology Maintenance-Software Maintenance  
**Amount:** \$173,282.90

**24) Old & New Business**

**The next Budget & Finance Committee meeting will  
be on Monday, January 27, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.**

