



JOINT BUDGET AND FINANCE AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Monday, January 27, 2025 | 3:30 PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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COUNCILOR CRYSTAL SMITHERMAN, COMMITTEE CHAIR  
COUNCILORS VALERIE A. ABBOTT & WARDINE T. ALEXANDER, COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councilor(s) Present: Smitherman, Abbott, Alexander

- 1) **Call to Order**  
The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Councilor Smitherman
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes – January 13, 2025**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**The January 13, 2025 Joint Budget and Finance and Special Called Committee Meeting Minutes were approved as recorded.**
- 3) **Consideration of the Consent Agenda**  
Items #4,5,7,8,9  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Items Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 4) A Resolution authorizing the City Clerk to publish ordinances, resolutions, bids, ads and notices with various newspaper vendors as requested by City Departments and Agencies from time to time for the 2025 calendar year, under the provisions of Alabama Code § 6-8-65. (Submitted by the Mayor) (Recommended by the City Clerk).  
**Submitted by: Mayor**  
**Department: City Clerk**  
**Extension: 2298**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 001-007\_01300.534-035**  
**Amount: \$ Up to \$150,000.00 (yearend total depending on the number of submissions)**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 5) A request seeking a budget ordinance to transfer funds in the amount totaling \$6,722.00 (six thousand seven hundred twenty-two dollars 00/100) from the following District # 2 G/L account: 01\_000\_04220.542-001 to Parks & Recreation, account # 031\_202\_84000\_84165\_84167.521- 001 for expenses related to the annual fishing rodeo.  
**Submitted by: Jeffery McDaniel**  
**Department: Birmingham City Council**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Recommended Funding Source: 001\_000\_04220.542-001**  
**Amount: \$ 6,722.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
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- 6) A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete a grant with the State of Alabama acting and through the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) for grant funding from the Federal Carbon Reduction Program (CRPBH) to upgrade signals on state and local roads throughout the City of Birmingham with the total grant award not exceed \$1,000,000.00 with \$450,000.00 matching funds required by the City for a term of twelve months and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the Grant.  
**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**  
**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**  
**Extension: 2434**  
**Funding Source: 001\_0159\_0005480.539-040**  
**Amount: \$450,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**
- 7) An Agreement with the **Birmingham Board of Education**, in an amount not to exceed \$12,500.00, to provide services and allow the Board to coordinate with (1) Brown Elementary School (\$2,500.00); to assist with school expenses; (2) Central Park Elementary School (\$2,500.00) to assist with school expenses; (3) Minor Elementary School (\$2,500.00) to assist with school expenses; (4) Princeton School (\$2,500.00) to assist with school expenses; and (5) Bush Hills Steam Academy (\$2,500.00) to assist with school expenses. Said funds will come from District #8 Discretionary Funds. The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated.  
**Submitted by: Jeffrey McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2751**  
**Funding Source: 001-000-04280-542-001**  
**Amount: \$12,500.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 8) An Agreement with the **Birmingham Board of Education**, in an amount not to exceed \$21,000.00, to provide services and allow the Board to coordinate with (1) Jackson Olin High School (\$7,500.00); to assist with school expenses; (2) South Hampton Elementary School (\$1,000.00) to assist with school expenses; (3) Tuggle Elementary School (\$1,000.00) to assist with school expenses; (4) Wilkerson Middle (\$4,000.00) to assist with school expenses; and (5) Wylam Elementary School (\$1,000.00) to assist with school expenses, (6) Carver High School (\$9,5000.00) to assist with school expenses. Said funds will come from District #9 Discretionary Funds. The allocation is exclusively for the purposes stated.  
**Submitted by: Jeffrey McDaniels**  
**Department: City Council**  
**Extension: 2035**  
**Funding Source: 001-000-04290-542-001**  
**Amount: \$21,000.00**  
**Action Taken:**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**
- 9) Mayor to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement pursuant to Act 1969-916 of the Acts of Alabama, between the City of Birmingham and the **Birmingham Water Works Board**, for BBWB to perform certain water sampling test services to include Organic Analysis, Inorganic Analysis, Wet Chemistry Analysis, and Microbiological Analysis on an as-requested basis. The term of the Agreement shall not exceed two years.

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The total costs to be paid by the City under said Agreement shall not exceed Eighty-nine Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and No/100 Dollars (\$89,660.00).

**Submitted by: Direcus Cooper**  
**Department: Storm Water Management**  
**Extension: 7771**

**Funding Source: G/L # 048-016.527-050**  
**Amount: \$89,660.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Consent Agenda.**

- 10) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete a grant and accept all grant funds appropriated by the Alabama Legislature FY2025 (ACT#2024-335) in support of the Birmingham Rapid Transit System (BRT) in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 with no matching funds from the City and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the grant.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt Department: Finance (Grants Division)**

**Extension: X2434**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: \$ 200,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 11) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete a grant and accept all grant funds appropriated by the Alabama Legislature FY2025 (ACT#2024-335) in support of City Walk Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 with no matching funds from the City and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the grant.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**

**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**

**Extension: X2434**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

**Amount: \$ 250,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 12) A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete a grant and accept all grant funds appropriated by the Alabama Legislature FY2025 (ACT#2024-335) in support of the Birmingham Police Department Athletics Youth Program in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 with no matching funds from the City and authorize the Mayor to take any and all actions and execute such other documents as are appropriate and necessary in accordance with the terms of the grant.

**Submitted by: Adrienne Stitt**

**Department: Finance (Grants Division)**

**Extension: X2434**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A**

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**Amount: \$ 50,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 13) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$252,880.00 to IEO, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Fund per grant award received (Resolution # 699-23).

**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley, Director**

**Department: Innovation & Economic Development**

**Extension: 2657**

**Recommended Funding Source: 035 Grant Fund**

**Amount: \$ 252,880.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 14) An Ordinance to amend the Grants Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$14,400 to Planning, Engineering, Planning and for Certified Local Government Grant per award received from Alabama Historical Commission. (Resolution Number 839-24).

**Submitted by: Katrina Thomas, Director**

**Department: Planning, Engineering, and Permits**

**Extension: 2288**

**Recommended Funding Source: Fund 035**

**Amount: \$14,400.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 15) An Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by transferring \$1,303,012.50 from Information Management Systems, Technology Professional Fees Other Professional Services, Transfer to Fund 102 Capital Improvement; and amend the Capital Improvement Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, by appropriating \$340,110.00 to IMS102CP 003905\_001 IMS Seek Solutions (IMS), \$277,902.50 to IMS102CP 003905\_002 IMS Seek Solutions (BPD), \$85,000 to IMS102CP 003905\_003 IMS Seek Solutions (PEP), \$60,000 to IMS102CP 03903A\_011 IMS Scanning (Capital Projects), \$40,000.00 to IMS102CP 03903A\_009 IMS Scanning (Fire), and \$500,000.00 to IMS102CP 003871A IMS Computer Software.

**Submitted by: Darryl Burroughs, Interim Chief Technology Officer**

**Department: IMS**

**Extension: 2812**

**Recommended Funding Source: 001 General Fund**

**Amount: \$ 1,303,012.50**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

- 16) A Project Agreement between the City of Birmingham and **WORKPLAY PROPERTIES, LLC**, and **WORKPLAY ENTERPRISES, LLC (Developer)**, in substantially the form attached, under which the Developer will undertake a project under which Properties will redevelop, rehabilitate, equip, and lease that certain real property, which is an approximately 30,000 square foot building located at 500 23rd Street South, Birmingham, Alabama 35233, to

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operate as a music and entertainment venue and the City will provide the Developer a revenue sharing incentive based on a percentage of actual sales tax revenue following each year during the payment term of the Agreement of 5 years, in an amount up to, but not to exceed Two Hundred Thirty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$230,000.00), provided that Developer is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

**Submitted by: Cornell Wesley, Director Department: Innovation and Economic Opportunity Extension: 2799**

**Recommended Funding Source: N/A Amount: \$230,000.00**

**Action Taken:**

**Councilor Alexander Motioned to Approve.**

**Councilor Abbott Seconded the Motion.**

**Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.**

17) **Old & New Business**  
None

18) **Adjournment**  
**Councilor Abbott Motioned to Adjourn.**  
**Councilor Alexander Seconded the Motion.**  
**Meeting Adjourned.**