



**HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES**

Hall County Government Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
2875 Browns Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA, 30504  
Streamed Live on Hall County Government's Website - [www.hallcounty.org](http://www.hallcounty.org)  
Monday, July 19, 2021 - 03:00 PM

**Call to Order**

*Chairman Higgins at 3:10 p.m.*

*Present:*

*Chairman Richard Higgins, Vice Chairman Jeff Stowe and Commissioners Kathy Cooper, Billy Powell, and Commissioner Shelly Echols*

*Also present were County Administrator Jock Connell (by phone), Assistant County Administrators Marty Nix and Zach Propes, Commission Clerk Lisa Ritchie, Deputy Clerk Jennifer Rivera and County Attorney Van Stephens*

**Presentation/s**

*Chris Armstrong, Fire Chief, addressed the Board.*

- 1 Hall County Fire Services Recruit Video Presentation

*Chief Armstrong presented a recruiting video that highlighted the men and women of Hall County Fire Services. The video showcased the wide range of opportunities available to Hall County Fire Services employees.*

**Administration**

*Tread Syfan, Stewart Melvin & Frost, addressed the Board.*

- 2 Approve the resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Hall County, Georgia, which: (i) approves, to the extent required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, the plan of financing relating to the proposed issuance by the Hospital Authority of Hall County and City of Gainesville of its Series 2021A and Series 2021B Revenue Anticipation Certificates for the benefit of Northeast Georgia Health System, Inc.; (ii) approves the execution and delivery of a certain Intergovernmental Contract related to the Series 2021B Certificates; (iii) consents to the execution and delivery of the Amended and Restated Master Trust Indenture for Northeast Georgia Health System, Inc. and Affiliates; and (iv) is for other purposes related to the Series 2021B Certificates.

*Consent*

**Community Services and Parks**

*Mike Little, Director of Community Services addressed the Board.*

- 3 Approve the award of RFP #052-41 for the construction of nine (9) Pickle Ball Courts at Alberta Banks Park for Parks and Leisure Services to Signature Tennis Courts, Inc. of Woodstock, GA in the amount of \$145,000.00.  
*Consent*
- 4 Approve the purchase of playground equipment at Laurel Park for Parks and Leisure Services to Miracle Recreation Equipment Company of Monett, MO in the amount of \$97,084.91.  
*Consent*
- 5 Approve the purchase of a playground pavilion at Tadmire Park for Parks and Leisure Services to Hasley Recreation Inc. of Flowery Branch, GA in the amount of \$126,209.40.  
*Consent*
- 6 Approve the Task Order 2022-002 for paving services at Tadmire Park of County Contract #37-001 for Parks and Leisure Services to Allied Paving Contractors Inc. of Pendergrass, GA in the amount of \$165,759.50.  
*Consent*
- 7 Approve the purchase of playground equipment at Tadmire Park for Parks and Leisure Services to Miracle Recreation Equipment Company of Monett, MO in the amount of \$115,283.19.  
*Consent*

## **Financial Services**

*Dena Bosten, Director of Financial Services, addressed the Board.*

- 8 Approve the ratification of the application of the Georgia Public Library Service Construction Grant for the Hall County Library to construct the East Hall Library in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 and, if awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. A cash match of \$2,000,000.00 will be required.  
*Consent*
- 9 Approve the sole source award of the Professional Services Agreement for the continuation of services between Witt O'Brien's, LLC and Hall County to provide consulting services for the administration of the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) 2.0 program in the amount not to exceed \$584,310.00, and appoint the Grants Manager as Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related award documents.  
*Consent*

- 10 Approve the Fiscal Year 2022 Gainesville-Hall County Economic Development Council Service Contract between Hall County and the Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$165,000.00.

*Consent*

- 11 Approve the renewal of annual contract IFB #016-41 Office Supplies for various County departments to Staples Contracts & Commercial, LLC of Atlanta, GA. The estimated annual cost is \$160,000.00.

*Consent*

- 12 Approve the renewal of annual contract IFB #024-40 Prescription & OTC Sundry Drugs for the Correctional Institution and Detention Center to Riverside Pharmacy, Inc. of Gainesville, GA. The estimated annual cost is \$160,000.00.

*Consent*

### **Fire and Emergency Services**

*Chris Armstrong, Fire Chief, addressed the Board.*

- 13 Approve the purchase of four (4) Osage Super Warrior Ambulances for Fire and Emergency Services with Ten-8 Fire Equipment, Inc. of Bradenton, FL in the amount of \$1,247,856.00.

*Consent*

### **Human Resources**

*Dr. LisaRae Jones, Director of Human Resources, addressed the Board.*

- 14 Approve the resolution to adopt, restate, and amend certain Hall County retirement benefits subject to review by the County Attorney.

*Consent*

- 15 Approve the contract with Aetna to provide medical and prescription benefits for retirees who choose to continue coverage after age 65 and renew the contract with On-Site RX to continue to provide pharmacy management services for the Hall County Government Family Health Center, and authorize the Chairman to execute all related documents, subject to review by the County Attorney.

*Consent*

### **Planning and Development**

*Sarah McQuade, Director of Planning and Development, addressed the Board.*

- 16 Application of Kevin Herbert for a Use Subject to County Commission approval on a 2.20± acre tract located on the north side of Athens Highway, at its intersection with Athens Street; a.k.a. 2017 Athens Highway, Zoned H-B and AR-IV; Tax Parcel 15032E002012A(pt.). Proposed Use: Automobile repair and maintenance. Commission District 4.
- 17 Application of Terri J. Chandler to rezone from Agricultural Residential-III (AR-III) to Planned Residential Development (PRD) 58.71± acres located on the east side of Ridge Road approximately 2,775 feet from its intersection with Friendship Road; a.k.a. 4119 and 4131 Ridge Road; Zoned AR-III; Tax Parcels 15048 000016 and 000154. Proposed Use: 127-lot subdivision. Commission District 1.
- 18 Application of Polygon Storage, LLC to rezone from Agricultural Residential-IV (AR-IV) to Planned Commercial Development (PCD) on a 5.00± acre tract located on the north side of Priest Circle, approximately 715 feet from its intersection with Athens Highway/US129; a.k.a. 2960 Priest Circle, Zoned AR-III; Tax Parcel 15023 000003 (pt.). Proposed Use: Self-storage warehouse facility. Commission District 3.
- 19 Application of Cooley Custom Homes to rezone from Agricultural Residential-IV (AR-IV) to Residential-I (R-I) on a 16.55± acre tract located on the north side of Burton Mill Road, at its intersection with Dover Road; a.k.a. 3361 Burton Mill Road, Zoned AR-IV; Tax Parcel 15015 000067. Proposed Use: 15-lot subdivision. Commission District 3.

**Public Works and Utilities**

*Srikanth Yamala, Director of Public Works and Utilities, addressed the Board.*

- 20 Second Reading and Public Hearing to Amend Title 10 entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" of the Official Code of Hall County, Georgia, by creating Chapter 10.92 to be entitled "Residential Speed Control Program" for the purpose of investigating and installation of speed tables in residential subdivisions; to provide for an effective date for said resolution; to repeal conflicting ordinances and resolutions; and for other purposes.
- 21 Approve the award of Task Order 2022-001 Hall County Health Department Stormwater Management Facility to Simpson Trucking & Grading, Inc. The estimated cost is \$259,920.00.  
*Consent*
- 22 Approve the Acceptance of a \$128,344.00 Guaranty Performance/Maintenance Agreement for Streets and Stormwater Management Facilities in Trinity Falls Phase I Subdivision. Commission District 1.  
*Consent*
- 23 Approve the release of a \$432,126.00 Guaranty Performance/Maintenance Agreement for Streets, Stormwater Management Facilities, and Sidewalks in Trinity Falls Phase I Subdivision. Commission District 1.  
*Consent*

## **Sheriff's Office**

*Captain Sean McCusker addressed the Board.*

- 24 Approve the application of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for the Sheriff's Office to purchase mobile trailer with message board in the amount of \$26,278.00, and if awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award requirements. No match is required.

*Consent*

- 25 Approve the updated purchasing agreement for the lease of body cameras and tasers for the Sheriff's Office with Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$1,221,486.48.

*Consent*

## **County Administrator**

*Mr. Nix did not have any items to report.*

## **Public Comments**

*There were no comments from the public.*

## **Commission Time**

*The Commissioners did not have any items to report.*

## **Adjourn**

*Chairman Higgins adjourned the meeting at 3:39 p.m.*

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