



*City of South Fulton  
Board of Ethics Meeting*

*Monday, February 10, 2020  
6:00 P.M.*

*City of South Fulton City Hall  
5440 Fulton Industrial Blvd., SW  
Atlanta, GA 30336*

**AGENDA**

Call to Order

O.V. Brantley, Chair

Roll Call by Clerk

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Public Comment

New Business:

Action Items: Ethics Complaint #2020-01: Wise v. Kamau  
Ethics Complaint #2020-02: Wise v. Gilyard

Adjournment

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**Attendees:** O.V. Brantley, Chair, Board of Ethics  
Dennis Francis, Member, Board of Ethics  
Kenneth Joe, Sr., Member, Board of Ethics (Arrived 6:14 PM)  
Jill E. Pope, Member, Board of Ethics  
Jewel Johnson, Member, Board of Ethics  
Eleanor Ross, Member, Board of Ethics

**Staff:** Corey Adams, Sr., Deputy City Clerk  
Michael Huening, City Attorney's Office

**MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brantley at 6:10 PM.

The roll call was conducted by the Deputy City Clerk. A quorum was established. Board members Stanley Muhammad and Charles Hodges were absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Francis and seconded by Ms. Pope to approve the agenda. The motion was approved 4-0.

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Pope to hold the minutes from the January 13, 2020 Board of Ethics Meeting and the minutes from the January 25, 2020 Training Session until the next meeting. The motion was approved 4-0.

**Public Comment:** There were 4 speakers during the Public Comment section of the meeting.

- 1) Councilmember Helen Willis: Spoke in support of ethics complaint 2020-01.
- 2) Pamela Harris, District 1: Sought a better understanding of the complaints listed on the agenda.
- 3) Patricia Wise, District 7: Spoke in support of her two ethics complaints: 2020-01 and 2020-02.
- 4) Rosie Jackson, District 5: Urged the Board to look at all councilmembers' spending

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**Ethics Complaint #2020-01 (Wise v. kamau)**

Chair Brantley requested that the Deputy City Clerk read the complaint into the record.

Mrs. Johnson asked the Deputy Clerk whether the complainant was a resident of the City of South Fulton. The Deputy City Clerk verified that the complainant's address is located within District 7 of the City of South Fulton.

A motion was made by Mr. Joe and seconded by Mrs. Ross to proceed to a preliminary hearing. The motion was approved 5-0.

Patricia Wise presented a statement in support of her complaint.

Next, Councilmember khalid presented a statement explaining the circumstances of his conference trip to Jekyll Island on August 27-30, 2019.

Next, the Board called the Chief Financial Officer for the City of South Fulton, Frank Milazi, to come to the podium and receive questions.

Mr. Huening advised the Board that they should not consider any documents submitted during Public Comment. Further, this is not the time to address witnesses. Questions can be presented to the complainant and respondent only.

Mr. Joe made a motion to move complaint 2020-001 forward to a formal hearing. Mr. Joe stated the allegation is not disputed; however, a justification has been offered. The formal hearing will allow for the Chief Financial Officer and other witnesses to address the Board. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pope.

Mrs. Ross expressed an interest in receiving further information regarding the City's financial and purchasing policies and procedures.

The Board conducted a question and answer period with Ms. Wise and Councilmember khalid.

After discussion and concurrence by the Board, Mr. Joe's motion to proceed to a formal hearing was approved 5-0.

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**Ethics Complaint #2020-02 (Wise v. Gilyard)**

Chair Brantley requested that the Deputy City Clerk read the complaint into the record.

A motion was made by Mr. Francis and seconded by Mr. Joe to proceed to a preliminary hearing. The motion was approved 5-0.

Patricia Wise presented a statement in support of her complaint.

Next, Councilmember Gilyard presented a statement and evidence explaining the circumstances of the purchases alleged in the complaint.

The Board conducted a question and answer period with Councilmember Gilyard.

Mr. Francis made a motion to dismiss complaint 2020-002 with prejudice. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Johnson. The motion was approved 5-0.

Chair Brantley would like to add "General Comments" to the agenda for future meetings for Board Members to make statements at the end of meetings, if they so choose. Several Board Members consented to the Chair's suggestion as long as there is a time limit on the comments.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Joe to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ross. The motion was approved 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted, Corey E. Adams, Sr., Deputy City Clerk