

APPROVED MINUTES

BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING- October 1, 2021

The Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections met in Special Session on Friday, October 1, 2021, 2:00 p.m.

CHALLENGE HEARING

Assembly Hall

141 Pryor Street, SW

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Presiding: Cathy Woolard, Chairwoman

Other Board Members Present:

Mr. Aaron V. Johnson Mrs. Teresa Crawford

Absent Board Members

Mr. Mark Wingate Dr. Kathleen Ruth

Staff Attending: Ms. Nadine Williams, Elections Chief; Ms. Holly Smith, Registration Chief; Cheryl Ringer, County Attorney; Regina Waller, Senior Public Affairs Officer; ManagerJessica Corbitt, PIO & Director of External Affairs; Mr. James Reese, Production

Guests Attending: None

#1– APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<u>Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to adopt agenda. The motion was made by Mr. Johnson,</u> <u>seconded by Ms. Crawford and carried by a unanimous vote of 3-0.</u>

#2– CHALLENGE HEARING FOR COLLEGE PARK'S CANDIDATE: DEREK TAYLOR

Madam Chair introduced the Challenger on the phone, Ms. Vanessa Bridges and Mr. Derek Taylor, challenge candidate was in the audience

Ms. Bridges spoke:

My name is Vanessa Bridges. I've been a resident in College Park since 1974. I was a property manager at 2800 Camp Creek from 2010 to 2014. And since then, a lot of residents have come to me wanting to know why they can't get any help in their area. On the property and in the area. And I told them, they should

contact their city council. But to me, I didn't know who their councilman was at the time until I did research. And I found that Mr. Taylor did not live in the district nor did he lived at 2800 camp Creek A couple residents have also submitted affidavits. The states that they've never seen him over there and that they don't know anything about him.

Mr. Taylor spoke:

I don't even know her. That was my first time hearing about it when somebody sent me an email about it. I've been living in 2800 Camp Creek a year and a half. I've been in College Park for about 10 to 15 years. She don't even live in an apartment that I live in. I found out that she lives somewhere else. And like I say it's more than just what she's doing it's political. I've been living in 2800 Camp Creek. I don't see everybody, in apartments due to COVID.

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Taylor where he's registered to vote

Mr. Taylor answered 2800 Camp Creek

Chairwoman Woolard requesting Mr. Barron's recommendation

Mr. Barron recommended:

Mr. Taylor has residency according to voter registration in Ward 2 since May 30, 2017 which satisfies the City Charter of (12) continuous months in that ward.

<u>Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to accept the Director's recommendation for residency</u> requirement for office. The motion was made by Ms. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried by a unanimous vote of 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other items requiring the Board's action, <u>Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to adjourn.</u> <u>Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion.</u> Collectively, the Board agreed to adjourn at 2:20 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Prepared by,

Mariska Bodison, Board Secretary