



## VOICE FOR THE PEOPLE

**Knowledge is Power; and Elections have Consequences!**

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**If there is ANYONE BUT PITTMAN who told you this, thank them.**

### **TIME TO CALL IN THE BIG BOYS!**

East Point Mayor and Council has once again kicked the City Charter and Respect for the Residents to the curb. However, their latest votes at the February 16, 2023, Council Meeting were the straw that broke the camel's back. I am not going to provide you with the Sections in the City Charter concerning the laws that they violated. I will leave that to our expensive Legal Department. Since April 2022 with invoices covering the last six months, the City has paid Interim City Attorney Weems; Solicitor Weems; and the Weems Law Firm \$561,270.35 to provide legal advice. Surely for that kind of money and their expert legal backgrounds there is no way that Mayor and Council should have ever included in Proposed Budget Amendment 1 the following garbage:

1. Transferring \$1 million from the Federal Recovery Rescue Account to a nonexistent Office of Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment that does not exist in any City Department; and just so happens to need \$990,292 for a project.
2. Transferring \$175,000 for an Event (Wednesday Wine Down) that does not exist in any City Department.

**Budget Amendments can only be used to TRANSFER FUNDS ONE DEPARTMENT TO ANOTHER. The spending of City funds and taxpayers' money with no transparency and in violation of the City Charter and Ordinances has been going on for over five years. IT IS TIME FOR THE RESIDENTS TO PUT A STOP TO IT!**

**The Residents are going to need the kind of help that hiring an Attorney cannot provide! The Residents need the HELP OF GEORGIA ATTORNEY GENERAL and the GOVERNOR. This help from the BIG BOYS at the State level is not going to cost the Residents any money. Residents will have to get the attention of these two Public Servants and that means PROTESTS! If you care enough about East Point then get up off of your behinds and do what it takes to stop the CORRUPTION in East Point. If you are willing**

**to ride in buses to the Capitol to PROTEST THE LACK OF HELP FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL or the GOVERNOR then get READY. This is an Election year for East Point. I hope that one or more Proposed Candidates will come forward and lead this Event with solid help. I will not sign up for Elected Office ever again. However, I will never cease being an Activist.**

**So, future Leaders need to step up. If you are interested in leading or participating in the PROTEST, please email me. No email information will be made public by me unless there are enough 60 participants. When trying to get our Charter changed, I organized sixty residents on two buses to go to the Capitol to PROTEST. I still have the clippings from the South Fulton Neighborhood Paper. I look forward to hearing from you!**

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