



City of South Fulton

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City of South Fulton's New City Manager

South Fulton – The City of South Fulton is pleased to announce the selection of Mr. Odie Donald II as its permanent City Manager. Mr. Donald comes to the City of South Fulton from the District of Columbia (DC), where he served as Director of the Department of Employment Services. Prior to that time, he also served as the Executive Director for the District of Columbia's Workforce Investment Council.

Mr. Donald has considerable government administration experience. Before going to DC, Mr. Donald was the Director of Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Services for the Georgia Department of Workforce Development where he oversaw the administration and contract compliance management of more than \$90M in federal grant funds. Under his leadership, Georgia was twice recognized as the nation's number one destination for business, with the nation's most skilled workforce. Mr. Donald also served as the Executive Director for the City of Savannah's Coastal Workforce Services overseeing \$7M in federal grant funds.

A native Georgian, Mr. Donald is an active civic leader. His volunteer work and community affiliations include serving as Secretary on the Executive Committee for the National Association of State Administrators (NASWA), a member of the Workforce Development Council's Board of Trustees for the US Conference of Mayors, a member of the DC 100 Resilient Cities Executive Cabinet, the DC Career Academy Network (DC CAN), the CTAE Advisory Board for Atlanta Public Schools, and he was a founding member of the Savannah Graduates Executive Council. A 2014 member of the Georgia Forward's Young Game Changers, Mr. Donald was also recognized by Georgia Trend magazine and Georgia State University's 40 under 40 in 2015 and 2018 respectively, joining a host of innovators in business, government, politics, and education.

Mayor William "Bill" Edwards stated, "I am extremely impressed with Mr. Donald's background and considerable credible government administration experience. He is clearly a respected and skilled professional who will bring great value, innovation, and transparency to the City of South Fulton."

Mr. Donald holds a Masters of Business Administration Degree and a Bachelor of Arts and Science in History from Georgia State University.



Mr. Donald will begin his duties with the City of South Fulton effective March 20, 2018.

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