

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

The Enterprise City Council convened in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 19, 2023 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Council President Turner Townsend, District #5  
Council President Pro-Tem Sonya W. Rich, District #1  
Council Member Eugene Goolsby, District #2  
Council Member Greg Padgett, District #3  
Council Member Scotty Johnson, District #4

**ABSENT:** Mayor William E. Cooper

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Administrator Jonathan Tullos  
City Clerk Beverly Sweeney was present and kept the minutes.

**ROLL CALL** – Council President Townsend noted that all Council Members were present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The President called for a motion to approve the agenda of the meeting as submitted. Council Member Johnson moved to approve the agenda of the meeting as submitted. Council Member Rich seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

The President called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2023
- Contract Billings in the amount of **\$458,141.39** as follows:
  - Wiregrass Construction Co., Inc. -**  
Estimate No. 8 - \$29,412.45 – Construction – FY22 Resurfacing/Phase III (A)  
Estimate No. 8 - \$12,870.00 – Construction – FY23 Resurfacing/Phase III (B)
  - Beasley Construction Services, Inc. -**  
Estimate No. 7 - \$323,273.44 – Construction – Multipurpose Rec Complex/Phase I
  - Poly, Inc. -**  
Invoice No. 19985 - \$11,005.05 – Construction Phase Services – Multipurpose Rec Complex/Phase I  
Invoice No. 19986 - \$2,752.35 – Engineering/Design – FY22 Resurfacing/Phase III (A)  
Invoice No. 19987 - \$1,352.82 – Engineering/Design – FY23 Resurfacing/Phase III (B)
  - CDG -**  
Invoice No. 1 - \$71,225.25 – Professional Services – Recreation & Aquatics Center
  - Fine Geddie & Associates, LLC -**  
Invoice No. 2349 - \$6,250.00 – Contract Services – September 2023
- Travel Request as follows:

<u>Main Street</u>	<u>Police Department</u>
Mariah Montgomery	Officer Jeff Shelton
(2) Main Street Board Members	Firearms Instructor Workshop
Main Street Alabama Quarterly Training	Patrol Rifle Tactics Course
Athens, Alabama	Vinemont, Alabama
October 17-18, 2023	September 25-28, 2023
Estimated Cost: \$1,210.01	Estimated Cost: \$160.00

Council Member Goolsby moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Rich seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

**REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL/PERMIT REQUEST (Mary Huguley/MLK Memorial March)**

The President recognized Mary Huguley, representing Good Samaritan Helping Hands & Enterprise Ministerial Alliance, who requested to address the Council to obtain a permit to hold a Memorial March honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. The march will begin at City Hall and end at Liberty Missionary Baptist Church on Geneva Highway.

Council Member Rich moved to approve the permit request as submitted. Council Member Goolsby seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

CONSIDER PERMIT/STREET CLOSURE REQUESTS (Chamber of Commerce/Fall Festival & Christmas Parade)

The President introduced a request on behalf of Erin Grantham, Enterprise Chamber of Commerce, to obtain permits for the following events:

- Boll Weevil Fall Festival on Saturday, October 21, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., with a rain date of Saturday, October 28, 2023 or November 4, 2023.
- Enterprise Christmas Parade on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., with a rain date of Thursday, November 30, 2023.

Council Member Johnson moved to approve the permit requests as submitted. Council Member Padgett seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

CONSIDER PERMIT/STREET CLOSURE REQUEST (ESCC & MSE/Whoville 5K & Fun Run)

The President called for a motion to approve the following permit request as submitted:

- Whoville 5K & Fun Run  
Event Time/Date: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 16, 2023  
Rain Date: Saturday, December 23, 2023  
Street Closure: 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Closure Area: East College Street

*\*\*Previously approved by the Council on March 7, 2023. Revised to reflect a change in event and rain dates.*

Council Member Rich moved to approve the permit request as submitted. Council Member Goolsby seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Persons allowed 3 minutes to address the Council)

The President recognized Ashton Cutts, Cutts Restaurant, who requested assistance with the lack of parking at the restaurant due to the construction of the new Recreation and Aquatics Center.

STAFF REPORTS

Police Chief Michael Moore and Captain Billy Haglund introduced the members of the Auxiliary Division, Officer/Reserve Coordinator Chris Millard, Reserve Officer Albert Mitchell, Reserve Officer Jonathan Oldham, and Reserve Officer Jun Ma.

City Engineer/Public Works Director Barry Mott discussed various options to address funding shortfalls in both the Sewer and Sanitation departments. Further discussion will be held at an upcoming Work Session.

Assistant Director of Engineering Thomas Hardy provided a brief update on code enforcement and nuisance properties.

OLD BUSINESSPUBLIC HEARING & CONSIDERATION/ABC LICENSE REQUEST (Tacos El Vale)

The President called for a public hearing prior to consideration of a request from Tacos El Vale LLC d/b/a Tacos El Vale for a Restaurant Retail Liquor license located at 1016 Rucker Blvd. No comments were offered. The President closed the hearing and called for consideration of the ABC license request.

Council Member Johnson moved to approve the ABC license request as submitted. Council Member Rich seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING & CONSIDERATION/ABC LICENSE REQUEST (The Barrel Room)

The President called for a public hearing prior to consideration of a request from 3 Plates LLC d/b/a The Barrel Room for a Restaurant Retail Liquor license located at 2200 Ozark Highway, Suite B. No comments were offered. The President closed the hearing and called for consideration of the ABC license request.

Council Member Goolsby moved to approve the ABC license request as submitted. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS****INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 09-19-23 (GO Warrants, Series 2023)**

The President introduced Ordinance 09-19-23 related to the issuance of General Obligation Warrants, Series 2023.

Council Member Rich moved to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of Ordinance 09-19-23. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and called for consideration of Ordinance 09-19-23.

Council Member Rich moved to adopt Ordinance 09-19-23. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance 09-19-23 duly passed and adopted.

**REVIEW & CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-19-23 (Fiscal Year 2024 Budget)**

The President introduced and called for consideration of Resolution 09-19-23, providing for the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget in the total amount of \$119,608,350.00 for the general fund, all governmental funds, capital project funds, sewer/disposal funds, and debt service funds.

Council Member Padgett moved to adopt Resolution 09-19-23. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution 09-19-23 duly passed and adopted.

**REVIEW & CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-19-23-A (Amend Employee Classification Plan/Communications Supervisor)**

The President introduced and called for consideration of Resolution 09-19-23-A, providing for an amendment to Ordinance 10-16-01 which establishes the Employee Classification Plan/Salary Schedule. The amendment calls for the deletion of Communications Supervisor in Pay Grade 16 and reclassifies the existing job classification in Pay Grade 19.

Council Member Rich moved to adopt Resolution 09-19-23-A. Council Member Goolsby seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution 09-19-23-A duly passed and adopted.

**REVIEW & CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-19-23-B (Amend Employee Classification Plan/Sr. Communications Officer)**

The President introduced and called for consideration of Resolution 09-19-23-B, providing for an amendment to Ordinance 10-16-01 which establishes the Employee Classification Plan/Salary Schedule. The amendment calls for the deletion of Senior Communications Officer in Pay Grade 13 and reclassifies the existing job classification in Pay Grade 16.

Council Member Rich moved to adopt Resolution 09-19-23-B. Council Member Padgett seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution 09-19-23-B duly passed and adopted.

**REVIEW & CONSIDER RESOLUTION 09-19-23-C (Amend Employee Classification Plan/Communications Officer)**

The President introduced and called for consideration of Resolution 09-19-23-C, providing for an amendment to Ordinance 10-16-01 which establishes the Employee Classification Plan/Salary Schedule. The amendment calls for the deletion of Communications Officer in Pay Grade 12 and reclassifies the existing job classification in Pay Grade 15.

Council Member Goolsby moved to adopt Resolution 09-19-23-C. Council Member Padgett seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution 09-19-23-C duly passed and adopted.

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ROOM SPACE AGREEMENT (Old Coppinville Jr. High School/Police Department)**

The President called for a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Enterprise City Board of Education for the police department's use of room space within old Coppinville Jr. High School.

Council Member Padgett moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement as submitted. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

AUTHORIZE AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. AGREEMENT (In-Car Cameras/Police Department)

The President called for a motion to authorize the Mayor or Police Chief to enter into an agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of six (6) in-car cameras for the Enterprise Police Department. Total cost of the three-year agreement is \$73,426.08, with \$36,713.04 to be paid the first year, and \$18,356.52 each year for an additional two years. The requested equipment is a budgeted item within the department’s FY 2024 budget.

Council Member Johnson moved to authorize the Mayor or Police Chief to execute the agreement. Council Member Rich seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

INTRODUCE ABC LICENSE REQUEST (Mirandas Mexican Restaurant)

The President introduced a request from Mirandas Mexican Restaurant LLC d/b/a Mirandas Mexican Restaurant for a Restaurant Retail Liquor license located at 2952 Rucker Blvd., and called for a public hearing to be held at the regular meeting scheduled for October 3, 2023.

MAYORS REPORT

No report was presented.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS

Council Members thanked Mr. Cutts for his comments, meeting attendees, and citizens watching online.

RECESS

The Regular Session was recessed at 6:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:55 p.m., Council President Townsend entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session to continue discussion on items requiring legal advice and counsel related to economic development, reputation and character, and legal issues. A motion was made by Council Member Padgett, seconded by Council Member Johnson, for the Council to go into Executive Session. All Council Members – Aye. The President declared the motion carried and announced that the Council would reconvene in Regular Session in approximately 15 to 30 minutes.

RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session was recessed into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. and reconvened into Regular Session at 7:40 p.m. after duly made motion and second with all ayes. The President declared the Executive Session adjourned and reconvened the Regular Session.

ADDITION TO AGENDA

The President entertained a motion to add the following item to the agenda:

- AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT – PRemployer

Council Member Goolsby moved to add the agenda item. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

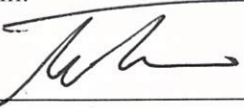
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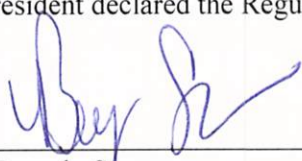
The President called for a motion to approve the Mayor to execute an agreement subject to legal review by the City Attorney for professional consultation and assessment services related to city-wide personnel and Human Resources with PRemployer.

Council Member Padgett moved to approve the Mayor to execute the agreement. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The vote being: Rich – Aye; Goolsby – Aye; Padgett – Aye; Johnson – Aye; Townsend – Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the President declared the Regular Session adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

  
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 Turner Townsend  
 Council President

  
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 Beverly Sweeney  
 City Clerk