

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SYLACAUGA HELD APRIL 2, 2019**

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President, Lee Perryman.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Donnie Blackmon, Dallas Davenport, and Lee Perryman; Absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Carden were also present.
3. Invocation was given by Rev. Nathan Paschal, Dayspring Assembly of God.
4. Council President Lee Perryman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. Mayor James Heigl reported that the City of Sylacauga was recently awarded a Bronze Risk Management Award by the insurance divisions of the Alabama League of Municipalities, making a total of five Bronze Awards and six Silver Awards for the City over the last eleven years. Mayor Heigl thanked city employees for practicing safe work habits which contributed in receiving the awards. Mayor Heigl commented on the success of the Sylacauga Area Litter Clean-up Day and thanked the sponsors; Sylacauga Beautification Council, Local Garden Clubs, and Talladega County Commissioner Greg Atkinson. Heigl also thanked participants; The Lions Club of Sylacauga, Church of the Highlands, First United Methodist Church, Robert Campbell, Sandra Friday, Teresa Austin, and all participating citizens, along with the Sylacauga Housing Authority. Mayor Heigl proclaimed April, 2019, as National Donate Life Month in the City of Sylacauga, and April 21-27, 2019, as Parental Alienation Preservation Week in the City of Sylacauga.
6. Adopt Agenda:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to adopt agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
7. Approve minutes of the regular city council meeting held March 19, 2019:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Public Hearing for consideration of a request from Blue Bell Creameries for the closing/vacation of a portion of a public alley located within Blue Bell properties off of West 4th Street—*Public hearing date set 2/21/2019; Resolution 04-2019:*
Council President opened the public hearing and called for comments. No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the proposed action. Council President closed the public hearing and called for action by Council.
Resolution #17-2019 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Davenport to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
Upon unanimous consent by Council to give resolution immediate consideration:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 17-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None; Abstain: Fowler.

9. Action that is necessary to adopt ordinance authorizing City of Sylacauga's participation in the State of Alabama Department of Revenue 2019 Sales Tax Holiday during the weekend of July 19-21, 2019:

Ordinance #2210-19 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give ordinance immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Ordinance 2210-19 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve resolution accepting recommendation from Mayor James Heigl to accept quote in the amount of \$37,246.00 from Engineering Design Technologies, Inc. (EDT), for the provision of Contract related services and Construction Engineering & Inspection (CE&I) services for the construction phase of the 2015 TAP Streetscape Improvement Project:

Resolution #18-2019 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Blackmon to approve Resolution 18-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Police Chief Kelley Johnson to authorize funding necessary for the Sylacauga Utilities Board to make Phase I & Phase II LED replacements/upgrades to the street lights located at the Hwy 280/Hwy 231 intersection—Total projected cost for Phases I & II in the amount of \$69,000.00 is based upon quotes from SUB and will be funded from the 2017 Bond Proceeds:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize funding as recommended was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Police Chief Kelley Johnson to authorize funding in the estimated amount of \$8,100.00 (rounded) to install solar traffic flashers at the intersection of Sherwood/E 6th St & N Main, and to add strobes to the red traffic signals at the intersection of Hwy 280 & Coosa St—Council allowed PO latitude of up to \$10,000.00 to complete project; PO was issued to St Dept for \$4,720.00 (rounded) for solar flashers at Hwy 280 & Fayetteville Rd and Hwy 280 at Allen Oil, bringing total project to approximately \$7,960.00 (rounded):

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize funding as recommended was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

13. Action that is necessary to approve request from the Sylacauga Planning Commission to amend contract with KPS to add the optional hourly services, not to exceed \$5,000.00 each, for the provision of zoning assistance services and for assistance with updating the subdivision regulations:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize funding for optional services as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

14. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Interim Code Director to authorize funding necessary to begin work to upgrade the City Hall parking lot lights by purchasing new light poles from the Sylacauga Utilities Board at an estimated cost of \$3,486.00 (*Anticipated additional costs of \$7203.00 for installation of lights will be incurred based on an earlier quote from Farr Construction; will need updating for approval at next meeting*)—*Total cost of project (including installation) will be funded from the 2017 Bond Proceeds.*
A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to authorize funding as recommended was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

15. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Payroll Specialist Sandy Sorensen to attend the Alabama Association of Public Personnel Administrators (AAPPA) 2019 Annual Conference and Problem Solving Forum to be held in Foley, July 24-26, 2019—*Registration fee is \$250.00 for conference & \$150.00 for forum; Additional cost for lodging, mileage, and meals will be incurred -- Estimated total cost of travel/training for Sorensen is \$1,384.01.*

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve training/expenses as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

16. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$182,023.46 for accounts payable invoices received to date for March, 2019:


A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize payment of accounts payable invoices as presented was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

17. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council:
No one addressed Council during this meeting.

18. Having no further business to discuss,
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adjourn was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

(Time of adjournment 6:13 p.m.)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL APRIL 16, 2019:



Lee Perryman, President of City Council

CERTIFICATION:

I, PATRICIA G. CARDEN, as City Clerk-Treasurer of the CITY OF SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA, do hereby certify that the foregoing document constitutes a true and correct permanent record of the action taken during a regular meeting of the Sylacauga City Council held April 2, 2019.



Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer