

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SYLACAUGA HELD JUNE 18, 2019**

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:12 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. Charles Kelly, Church of the Highlands.
5. Mayor James Heigl proclaimed June, 2019, as Healthy Homes Month in the City of Sylacauga, and presented the proclamation to Sylacauga Housing Authority Director, Michael Threatt. Mr. Threatt spoke briefly about the topic and the goals of the SHA to make all its homes safe.
6. Adopt Agenda:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adopt the agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
7. Approve minutes of the regular city council meeting held June 4, 2019:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve the minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Public Hearing for consideration of a request from Heritage South Credit Union for the closing/vacation of the public alley in the 900 block between North Norton Avenue and North Broadway Avenue—*Public hearing date set 5/07/2019; Resolution 27-2019:*
Council President opened the public hearing and called for comments. Ben Robbins, attorney for Heritage South Credit Union, spoke on behalf of the Credit Union and in favor of the proposed action. Council President closed the public hearing and called for action by Council.
Resolution #35-2019 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; Read by City Clerk.
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve Resolution 35-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
9. Public Hearing for consideration of a request from Sylacauga Area Habitat for Humanity for the closing/vacation of a portion of Alexander Avenue/Roberts Circle which is located off Alexander Avenue—*Public hearing date set 5/07/2019; Resolution 28-2019:*
Council President opened the public hearing and called for comments. Don Fuhr, Construction Manager for Habitat, spoke on behalf of Habitat

and in favor of the proposed action. Council President closed the public hearing and called for action by Council.

Resolution #36-2019 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 36-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve ordinance amending Ordinance 2136-12 (which adopted 2012 Building & related Codes) by modifying the language in certain sections and replacing the fee schedules established by Ordinance 2136-12:

Ordinance #2214-19 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the ordinance immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to adopt Ordinance 2214-19 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing Mayor James Heigl to file an application with ADECA for FY2019 Community Development Block Community Enhancement Fund assistance in the amount of \$250,000.00, committing a 10% local match in the amount of \$25,000.00, authorizing the Building & Code Enforcement Department to manage the project, and authorizing Mayor Heigl to execute the required documents:

Resolution #37-2019 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 37-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to approve resolution granting requested tax abatement to PlastiCal, LLC for new construction of a manufacturing facility to be located at 2300 Hill Road—*Project has an estimated investment of \$14,103,500.00 and is expected to employ 50 employees over the first three years:*

Resolution #38-2019 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 38-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

13. Action that is necessary to approve request from Police Chief Kelley Johnson to approve resolution authorizing Chief Johnson to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Oxford allowing the City of Sylacauga Police Department to participate in the City of Oxford East Metro Area Crime Center.

Resolution #39-2019 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 39-2019 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

14. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Police Chief Kelley Johnson to authorize disposal of the surplus 2012 Dodge Charger hull (no motor or working transmission, S/N 2C3CDXAGXCH221048) by transferring ownership to the Town of Rockford as requested by Mayor Randall Lewis—Vehicle declared surplus through Resolution 22-2019, on 4/16/2019:

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

15. Action that is necessary to approve application for (transfer of) 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor license from Ricardo Sanchez, owner of El Vaqueros Mexican Grill, LLC, DBA El Vaqueros Mexican Grill—Transfer of location from Ft. Williams to 320 Coaling Road in Sylacauga—Police report complete; Council can waive waiting period:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve application as filed was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Davenport; Nays: Blackmon.

16. Action that is necessary to approve request from Q4, Inc. for refund in the amount of \$88.00 for commercial building permit #2019-56 for work to have been performed at 105 East 2nd Street—Code Dept. approved request; Q4 never performed the work and property owner has applied for a new permit and will be doing the work instead:

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

17. **Appointment to the Sylacauga Health Care Authority (Hospital Board), Place 3, Six-year term of Dr. Steve Bowen, expiring August, 2019:**

Action that is necessary to make appointment to Place 3 of the SHCA (Hospital Board) for the six-year term ending August, 2019—New term expiring August, 2025— *Bowen was the only applicant:*

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to appoint Dr. Steve Bowen to Place 3 of the SHCA (Hospital Board) for the six-year term ending August, 2025, was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

18. **Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals)—Expired three-year term of William “Bill” Roberts ended January, 2019—New Term ends January, 2022—Roberts was the only applicant:**

Action that is necessary to make appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the three-year term ending January, 2022:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to reappoint William “Bill” Roberts to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the three-year term ending January, 2022, was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

19. **Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals)—Expired three-year term of Vinton Crawford ended January, 2019—New Term ends January, 2022—Crawford was the only applicant:**

Action that is necessary to make appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the three-year term ending January, 2022:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to reappoint Vinton Crawford to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the three-year term ending January, 2022, was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

20. **Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals)—Vacant three-year Supernumerary term ending January, 2021—Bernard Alton Webb was the only applicant:**

Action that is necessary to make appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the vacant three-year Supernumerary term ending January, 2021:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to appoint Bernard Alton Webb to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (aka Board of Adjustments & Appeals) for the vacant three-year Supernumerary term ending January, 2021, was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

21. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Admin. Asst. Kim Morris to attend the AIDT Leadership Training Series to be conducted at the Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce—Leadership Skills I workshop to be held July 10-11, 2019; Leadership Skills II workshop on August 20-21, 2019; and Leadership Skills III workshop on September 5, 2019—Registration fees are \$25.00 for Leadership I & II and \$12.00 for Leadership III—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Morris is \$62.00:

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

22. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Accounting Clerk III/Payroll Specialist Sandy Sorensen to attend the AIDT Leadership Training Series to be conducted at the Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce—Leadership Skills I workshop to be held July 10-11, 2019; Leadership Skills II workshop on August 20-21, 2019; and Leadership Skills III workshop on September 5, 2019—Registration fee are \$25.00 for Leadership I & II and \$12.00 for Leadership III—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Sorensen is \$62.00:

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

23. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Municipal Court Magistrate Melanie Allen to attend the Administrative Office of Courts Maintenance Training to be held in Montgomery, November 15, 2019—Registration fee is \$50.00; Additional cost for *mileage will be incurred (*Allen and King will carpool)—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Allen is \$125.00:

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

24. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Municipal Assistant Court Clerk Krissy King to attend the Administrative Office of Courts Maintenance Training to be held in Montgomery, November 15, 2019—Registration fee is \$50.00; *King will carpool with Allen—Estimated total cost of travel/training for King is \$50.00:

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

25. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Municipal Court Magistrate Wendy Mickler to attend the Administrative Office of Courts Maintenance Training to be held in Montgomery, December 6, 2019—Registration fee is \$50.00; Additional cost for mileage will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Mickler is \$125.00:

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

26. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Accounting Specialist Yourlanda Burns to attend the GFOAA Summer Conference to be held in Orange Beach, August 13-16, 2019—Registration fee is \$295.00; Additional cost for lodging, mileage, and meals will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Burns is \$1,176.34:

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

27. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$626,084.53 for payrolls for May, 2019:

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

28. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$220,095.44 for balance of accounts payable invoices received for May, 2019:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize payment of accounts payable invoices as presented was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

29. 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 at this meeting.

30. 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: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

(Time of adjournment 6:33 p.m.)


APPROVED BY COUNCIL JULY 2, 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 June 18, 2019.



Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer