

**City of Sylacauga  
City Council Agenda  
September 19, 2023**

1. Meeting called to order at 5:27 p.m. by Council President, Ashton Fowler.
2. Roll Call: Councilmembers present included: Ashton Fowler, Nate Brewer, Laura Heath, Tiffany Nix, and Lee Perryman; Councilmembers absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk/Treasurer Alexandra Lambert were also present.
3. Invocation was provided by Councilmember Brewer prior to the work session.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. Report from Mayor Heigl:

Mayor Heigl expressed his appreciation to the council for successfully passing the FY24 Budget. He emphasized the significance of approving the budget before the start of the fiscal year to ensure smooth operations. Mayor Heigl also provided an update on the current job vacancies within the city departments, detailing the following positions: five vacancies in Administrative and Finance, one vacancy at the Animal Shelter, three vacancies in the Building Services Department, one vacancy in the Municipal Court, three vacancies in the Fire Department, six vacancies in the Police Department, and three vacancies in the Street Department. He informed the council that these vacancies are at various stages in the hiring process, including advertising, testing, and interviewing.

Afterward, Mayor Heigl invited Director of the Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce, Laura Strickland, to address the council. Strickland shared information about upcoming events in the city, including a State of Healthcare Forum scheduled for September 28th at 10:00 AM at the B.B. Comer Memorial Library, featuring Glenn Sisk, CEO of Coosa Valley Medical Center, who will provide an update on healthcare in the Sylacauga region, followed by a light lunch. Additionally, Strickland announced the Christmas Open House set for November 5th and the Christmas Tree Lighting at City Hall on November 26th, organized by the Sylacauga Christmas Club in partnership with the Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce, the Sylacauga Beautification Council, Santa Magic Studios, and other local organizations. The event will feature a new 23-foot Christmas tree. Strickland also noted the annual Sylacauga Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup>.

6. Adopt Agenda:

*A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Heath to adopt agenda was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*

7. Approve minutes of the regular work session held August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

*A motion by Councilmember Nix, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*

8. Approve minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

*A motion by Councilmember Nix, second by Councilmember Heath to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*

Old Business:

None

New Business:

9. Action that is necessary to accept and authorize the Mayor by Resolution No. 63-2023 to sign the FY24 Memorandum of Agreement with The Alabama Department of Public Health in the amount of \$12,000.00 (funds outlined in FY24 General Fund Operating Budget approved September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 010-585-46012-000).  
*A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Heath to accept and authorize the Mayor by Resolution No. 63-2023 to sign the FY24 Memorandum of Agreement with The Alabama Department of Public Health in the amount of \$12,000.00 (funds outlined in FY24 General Fund Operating Budget approved September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 010-585-46012-000) was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
10. Action that is necessary to approve and authorize the Mayor by Resolution No. 64-2023 to sign the FY24 Airport Pre-Application for project titled "Construction of the Taxiway Rehabilitation" with a city match of \$70,000.00.  
*A motion by Councilmember Nix, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve and authorize the Mayor by Resolution No. 64-2023 to sign the FY24 Airport Pre-Application for project titled "Construction of the Taxiway Rehabilitation" with a city match of \$70,000.00 was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
11. Action that is necessary to authorize alcohol sales by Fermenter's Food Truck at the approved Parks and Recreation Special Event "BBQ and Blues Festival" on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 contingent on Alabama Beverage Control (ABC) Board approval of alcohol sales.  
*A motion by Councilmember Heath, second by Councilmember Nix to authorize alcohol sales by Fermenter's Food Truck at the approved Parks and Recreation Special Event "BBQ and Blues Festival" on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 contingent on Alabama Beverage Control (ABC) Board approval of alcohol sales was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
12. Action that is necessary to accept and authorize the Mayor to sign the Cintas Service Agreement renewal. *No price adjustment for this agreement.*  
*A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Nix to accept and authorize the Mayor to sign the Cintas Service Agreement renewal. No price adjustment for this agreement was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
13. Action that is necessary to refund zoning appeal fees in the amount of \$400.00 for property located at 215 S. Cannon Avenue. *The Board of Adjustment and Appeals has determined the request does not meet the requirements as set out in Section 11-52-80 (d)(3) Code of Alabama 1975.*  
*A motion by Councilmember Nix second by Councilmember Perryman to refund zoning appeal fees in the amount of \$400.00 for property located at 215 S. Cannon Avenue. The Board of Adjustment and Appeals has determined the request does not meet the requirements as set out in Section 11-52-80 (d)(3) Code of Alabama 1975 was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
14. Action that is necessary to approve September Accounts Payable invoices in the amount of \$147,324.16.  
*A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Heath to approve September Accounts Payable invoices in the amount of \$147,324.16 was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*
15. Time for anyone to address the City Council – no action to be taken at this meeting: (Please come to the microphone and state your name and address for record prior to addressing the council.)

16. Having no further business to discuss:

*A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Heath to adjourn was carried by the following roll call vote:  
Yeas Fowler, Brewer, Heath, Nix, Perryman; Nays None.*


Time of adjournment: 5:36 p.m.

**APPROVED BY COUNCIL October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**

  
Ashton Fowler, President of City Council

**CERTIFICATION**

I, ALEXANDRA LAMBERT, 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 City Council held September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

  
Alexandra Lambert, City Clerk-Treasurer  
City of Sylacauga