

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF SYLACAUGA HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2021**

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:34 P.M. by Council President, Lee Perryman.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Nate Brewer, Lee Perryman, Laura Heath. Council Members Absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and Interim City Clerk/Treasurer Kim Morris were also present.
3. Invocation was provided by Councilman Ashton Fowler.
4. Council President Perryman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. Report from Mayor James Heigl:  
Mayor Heigl read a statement regarding the recent increase in crime in Sylacauga, and asked that citizens assist our officers by reporting crimes to Investigations at 256-249-4716 or CrimeStoppers at 334-215-7867.
6. Adopt Agenda:  
*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adopt agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*
7. Approve minutes of the regular city council meeting held October 19, 2021:  
*A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*
8. Approve minutes of the special city council meeting held October 22, 2021:  
*A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

**Old Business:**  
None.

**New Business:**

9. Election of City Council President for the next twelve-month period:  
**Nominations:**

- 1) Councilman Brewer nominated Councilwoman Laura Heath.
- 2) Councilman Fowler nominated Councilman Lee Perryman.

**Hearing no other nominations,**

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

**Vote on nominations:**

- 1) Those in favor of Councilwoman Laura Heath: Yeas: Brewer, Heath; Those opposed: Fowler, Nix, Perryman.

**Receiving no majority of votes,**

- 2) Those in favor of Councilman Lee Perryman: Fowler, Nix, Perryman; Those opposed: Brewer, Heath.

*Current Council President declares Lee Perryman re-elected as President and Presiding Officer of the City Council for the next twelve-month period.*

10. Election of City Council President Pro Tempore of City Council for the next twelve-month period:

**Nominations:**

Councilwoman Nix nominated Councilman Ashton Fowler.

**Hearing no other nominations,**

A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to close nominations was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

**Vote on nominations:**

Those in favor of Councilman Ashton Fowler: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Those Opposed: None.

President of Council declares Ashton Fowler re-elected as President Pro Tempore of the City Council for the next twelve-month period.

11. Action that is necessary to consider ordinance authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday within the City beginning at 12:00 noon; *action amends the beginning time of sales from 1:00 P.M., as previously authorized by Ordinance 2168-15 adopted 9-29-15; change is allowed due to Talladega County referendum approved 11-3-20 allowing Sunday sales in the County beginning at 12:00 noon.*

**Ordinance #2237-21** was introduced by Councilwoman Heath; Dispensed with reading of the ordinance.

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, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

**Upon unanimous consent to consider ordinance at this meeting,**

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adopt Ordinance #2237-21 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to consider ordinance authorizing City's participation in the 2022 Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday February 25-27, 2022:

**Ordinance #2238-21** was introduced by Councilman Brewer; Dispensed with reading of the ordinance.

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

**Upon unanimous consent to consider ordinance at this meeting,**

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Brewer to adopt Ordinance #2238-21 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

13. Action that is necessary to consider resolution authorizing contract with Avenu Insights and Analytics, LLC for collection of delinquent business license fees:

**Resolution #95-2021** was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Dispensed with reading of the resolution.

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, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

**Upon unanimous consent to consider resolution at this meeting,**

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve Resolution #95-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

14. Action that is necessary to consider resolution authorizing application to ALDOT for ATRIP II funding for the widening of SR-21 from Odena Road to Logan Lane with an estimated construction cost of \$760,000; *action authorizes a local match of up to \$30,000 and authorizes Mayor Heigl to sign required documents; funding for local match to be provided from Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax funds:*

**Resolution #96-2021** was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Dispensed with reading of the resolution.

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

**Upon unanimous consent to consider resolution at this meeting,**

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adopt Resolution #96-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

15. Action that is necessary to approve resolution to accept proposal from EEFS for preparation and submittal of ATRIP II application to ALDOT for the widening of SR-21 from Odena Road to Logan Lane at a cost of \$5,500; *action authorizes Mayor Heigl to sign required documents:*

**Resolution #97-2021** was introduced by Councilman Brewer; Dispensed with reading of the resolution.

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

**Upon unanimous consent to consider resolution at this meeting,**

*A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to adopt Resolution #97-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

16. Action that is necessary to accept Planning Commission By-Laws as approved by the Planning Commission on 10-26-21:

*A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Planning Commission By-Laws as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

17. Action that is necessary to authorize refund of \$34.00 to Rebecca Hackett for duplication of garbage fees charged at 620 E. Ft. Williams St.

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve refund as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

18. Action that is necessary to authorize travel/training expenses for Court Magistrate Wendy Mickler and Assistant Court Clerk Krissy King to attend the 2021 AOC One-Day Municipal Seminar in Montgomery on November 5, 2021. *Registration fee of \$50.00/each; additional expense for mileage will be incurred; employees will carpool. Estimated expenses for Mickler are \$125.00; estimated expenses for King are \$50.00:*

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilwoman Heath to approve travel/training as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

19. Action that is necessary to authorize travel/training expenses for Court Magistrate Melanie Allen to attend the 2021 AOC One-Day Municipal Seminar in Montgomery on December 3, 2021. *Registration fee of \$50.00/each; additional expense for mileage will be incurred. Estimated expenses for Allen are \$125.00;*

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

20. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$22,664.50 for additional FY21 accounts payable invoices received:

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize payments as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

21. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$121,167.75 for October accounts payable invoices received to date:

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize payments as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

22. Action that is necessary to approve resolution to accept proposal from Chambless King Architects for master planning for the City's Parks and Recreation Facility, programming for the Recreational Catalyst Project, and economic and fiscal impact analysis at a cost not to exceed \$142,250.00; *action authorizes Mayor Heigl to sign required contract documents:*

**Resolution #98-2021** was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Dispensed with reading of the resolution.

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration failed to carry by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman; Nays: Brewer, Heath.*

23. Action that is necessary to approve request from Police Chief Kelley Johnson for authorization to apply for ADECA Byrne JAG grant funds of up to \$24,000.00 for the purchase of PD investigation supplies:

*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve request as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

24. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council.

Ryan Coleman, 414 W Walnut St, Difference Architecture owner, discussed his proposal submitted in April for programming services for a new community center. He briefly discussed the difference in his proposal and the Master Plan proposal submitted by Chambless & King Architects.

25. 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, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.*

*(Time of adjournment 5:55 p.m.)*

APPROVED BY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 16, 2021:



Lee Perryman, President of City Council

#### CERTIFICATION

I, KIMBERLY S. MORRIS, as Interim 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 November 2, 2021.



Kimberly S. Morris, Interim City Clerk/Treasurer  
City of Sylacauga