

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLACAUGA HELD DECEMBER 7, 2021

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:32 P.M. by Council President, Lee Perryman.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Nate Brewer, Lee Perryman, and Laura Heath. Council Members Absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and Interim City Clerk/Treasurer Kim Morris were also present.
3. Invocation was provided by Rev. Charles Sims, First Presbyterian Church prior to the work session.
4. Council President led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. Report from Mayor James Heigl:
Mayor Heigl asked Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Laura Strickland to update the group on Christmas activities in Sylacauga. Laura reported a good attendance at the Christmas Market, tree lighting and movie held in Central Park Saturday, December 4. The annual Christmas parade is scheduled for Thursday, December 9 at 6:00 PM. To date, seventy entries are participating. Strickland also updated the group on the Christmas light pole decorations and asked all to vote for their favorite decoration on the Chamber's Facebook page.
Mayor Heigl commended the Beautification Council for the beautiful Christmas decorations at City Hall this year.
6. Adopt Agenda:
*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to amend agenda to add items #18 and #19 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 November 16, 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:

8. Action that is necessary to consider resolution setting date for public hearing to consider rezoning of property located at 900 Crestline Avenue from R-3 to MX-2, as recommended by the Planning Commission. *First available date for public hearing is January 20, 2022.*
Resolution #105-2021 was introduced by Councilman Brewer; Dispensed with reading of resolution.
*A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Brewer 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 approve Resolution #105-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.
9. Action that is necessary to consider resolution setting date for public hearing to consider rezoning of property located at 228 Ray's Loop from M-2 to AG-2, as

recommended by the Planning Commission. First available date for public hearing is January 20, 2022.

Resolution #106-2021 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Dispensed with reading of 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 Heath, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution #106-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to repeal Resolution 96-2021 approved 11-2-21, which authorized project to widen SR-21 from Odena Road to Logan Lane, and committed \$30,000 in City funds from the Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax Funds. EEFS was unable to submit application to ALDOT for ATRIP II funding due to unexpected and excessive costs associated with the relocation of gas and water lines:

Resolution #107-2021 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; Dispensed with reading of resolution.

A motion by Councilwoman Heath, 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 Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution #107-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to consider request from Police Chief Kelley Johnson to consider resolution declaring identified police badges as surplus property and authorizing sale of badges to officers who previously wore them:

Resolution #108-2021 was introduced by Councilman Brewer; Dispensed with reading of 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 Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to approve Resolution #108-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to approve 2022 holiday and 2022 City Council work session and meeting schedule:

A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilman Fowler to approve 2022 holiday and Council meeting schedule as presented was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

13. Action that is necessary to approve request from Fire Chief Nate Osgood to authorize one exception to the new FD incentive policy adopted 11-16-21, to 'grandfather' current paramedic pay to Fire Captain Tommy Chamberlain at the rate of \$250.00 per pay cycle:

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

14. Action that is necessary to authorize travel/training expenses for Firefighter Logan Blake to attend the Fire Investigator I course in Anniston January 24-28, 2022. No registration fee; expenses for meals and use of a city-provided vehicle will be incurred. Estimated expenses for Blake are \$75.00.
A motion by Councilman Brewer, 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.
15. Action that is necessary to authorize travel/training expenses for Fire Captain Jarrod Cunningham and Fire Lt. Scott Kines to attend the Alabama Fire College Fire Instructor Crossover course in Gadsden December 20-22, 2021. No registration fee; expenses for meals and use of a city-provided vehicle will be incurred; employees will carpool. Total estimated expenses for Cunningham and Kines are \$45.00 each.
A motion by Councilman Brewer, 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.
16. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$150,868.49 for additional FY21 accounts payable invoices:
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, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.
17. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$699,752.19 for November accounts payable invoices received to date:
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, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.
18. Action that is necessary to consider Change Order #1 to CDBG Project #LR-CE-PF-19-011, Sylacauga Blight Demolition project, previously awarded to MW Industrial Services, Inc. to add the demolition of property located at 506 South Norton Avenue; City notified that property owner has provided executed Consent and Release for demolition of property:
Resolution #109-2021 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Dispensed with reading of resolution
A motion by Councilwoman Heath, 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 #109-2021 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.
19. Action that is necessary to extend contract with Aaron's Cleaning Services for disinfecting services of City Hall (lobby area of all three floors), PD Training Room, Faye Hosey Chambers (Municipal Court), and Maintenance Shop, at a fee of \$1,240.00/mth for an additional six-month period (December 21-June 20, 2022); Original six-month contract approved 6-15-21; Funding from American Rescue Plan funds:
A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to approve six-month extension to contract was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Brewer, Perryman, Heath; Nays: None.

20. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council. There were no speakers at the meeting.

21. Having no further business to discuss, Council President announced that the Council had a need to go into executive session to discuss certain matters for which an executive session is allowed pursuant to Section 36-25A-7(a)(1) Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and referenced a letter from the City Attorney supporting such action—**Perryman advised that Council would not return to the council meeting following adjournment of the Executive Session.**
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to enter into executive session was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Brewer, Heath; Nays: None.

All Council members, Mayor, Accounting Mgr. Yourlanda Burns, and Interim City Clerk-Treasurer Kim Morris entered into executive session at approximately 5:45 p.m. City Attorney Win Livingston was available via telephone during executive session.

A motion by Councilman Brewer, second by Councilwoman Heath to exit the executive session and to adjourn regular council meeting at approximately 6:53 p.m. was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Brewer, Heath; Nays: None.

(Time of adjournment 6:53 PM)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL DECEMBER 21, 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 December 7, 2021.



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