

**CITY OF HOOVER  
CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 1, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Hoover met in a regular work session on this date at 5:00 PM, in the Council Chambers at the Hoover Municipal Complex, following publication and posting pursuant to Alabama Law. Council President Gene Smith called the meeting to order.

**Members Present:** Gene Smith, Council President  
John Greene, Council Pro-Tem  
John Lyda, Council Member  
Curt Posey, Council Member  
Mike Shaw, Council Member  
Casey Middlebrooks, Council Member  
Derrick Murphy, Council Member

**Members Absent:** None

**Other Officials Present:** Mayor Frank V. Brocato  
Phillip Corley, City Attorney  
April Danielson, City Attorney  
Rod Evans, City Attorney  
Nick Derzis, Police Chief  
Jehad Al-Dekka, Executive Officer, Police Department  
Clay Bentley, Fire Chief  
Amanda Borden, Library Director  
Jason Cope, Technology Director  
Tommy Daniel, Public Works Director  
Wendy Dickerson, City Clerk  
Greg Knighton, Economic Development Director  
Mike Lewis, Human Resources Director  
Frank Lopez, Revenue and Taxation Director  
Rod Long, City Engineer  
Mac Martin, City Planner  
Craig Moss, Director Parks and Recreation  
Ben Powell, Purchasing Director  
Dustin Moore, Fleet Manager  
Jim Wyatt, Building Inspections Director  
Linda Moore, 911 Director

Melanie Posey, Public Information Officer  
Tim Westhoven, Chief Operations Officer  
Ellen Williams, Executive Assistant to Mayor Brocato  
Robert Yeager, City Treasurer  
Mindy Wyatt, Applications Systems Specialist  
Susan Fuqua, Director, Municipal Court

Mr. Smith reviewed the agenda for the Monday, August 5, 2019, City Council Meeting with the City staff.

The following items were reviewed at the work session:

1. **Resolution Number 6041-19** – A Resolution Authorizing Birmingham Water Works To Install A Fire Hydrant

Chief Bentley said a fire hydrant will be installed on Mars Hill Road.

Mr. Murphy asked for this item to be removed from consent agenda.

2. **Resolution Number 6042-19** – A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With Raymond James For A Domestic Core Fixed-Income Manager

Mr. Smith said this is for a consultant to assist the City in investments in long term funds.

3. **Resolution Number 6043-19** – A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Application With Lincoln Financial For Group Insurance

Mr. Lewis stated that the Resolution is about benefits currently provided, such as, group term life insurance, voluntary life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment, and long term disability. Mr. Lewis stated that these are currently offered through two carriers and it would put the insurance under one carrier. Mr. Lewis stated that quotes were solicited from 21 different vendors and six quotes were received back. Mr. Lewis stated that this would be an annual savings of almost \$21,000.

Mr. Smith asked are these for City provided insurances or electives.

Mr. Lewis stated that the three are provided by the City. The accidental death, long term disability, and group life insurance is provided by the City. The City provided life insurance and the voluntary life insurance as a benefit elected by employees that choose the benefit.

Dr. Middlebrooks asked if the benefits will remain the same.

Mr. Lewis stated that that there would be no changes or disruptions.

**4. Resolution Number 6045-19** – A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With Jefferson County Office Of Senior Citizens Services Regarding Assistance With Programs

Ms. Dana Stewart stated that this is the same information that is signed every year for the Nutrition program. It is, also, a component that is done under the accreditation.

**5. Payment of Bills**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**6. Resolution Number 6044-19-** A Resolution Declaring A Weed And Other Vegetation Nuisance And Directing The Abatement Of Said Nuisance Pursuant To Alabama Law

Mr. Wyatt said there are five properties that are in violation of the weed ordinance.

**7. Ordinance Number 19-2450-** An Ordinance Of The City Of Hoover To Modify Chapter 3, Alcoholic Beverages And To Repeal All Ordinances And Parts Of The Ordinances Of The City Of Hoover In Conflict Therewith

Mr. Smith stated the Ordinance is the bill that Montgomery passed and the Governor signed that would allow Hoover to allow brunch hours.

Mr. Lyda stated that the Legislature passed a bill this past session that allows municipalities and counties to move back by two hours for Sunday alcohol sales on premise only so that hotels, restaurants and convention centers would have the ability to sell alcohol at 10:00 a.m. for on premise sales only. Mr. Lyda stated that this is an issue that is important for the business community and a revenue issue for the City. Mr. Lyda stated that he looks forward to giving the businesses a competitive advantage with their neighbors to attract more business to the City.

**8. Ordinance Number 19-2451-** De-Annexation – 2249 Highway 93, Villeta and Eugene Linton, Owner

Mr. Martin stated that this is the 26 acres.

**1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Mr. Smith stated the following items are for first read to be considered August 19<sup>th</sup>.

- 9. Ordinance Number 19-2449-** An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance Number 09-2183 To Establish Voting Locations For All Municipal Elections To Be Held In The City Of Hoover

Mr. Smith stated the Clerk has asked the Council should the School Board request the City to hold its ad valorem election prior to the end of the year, then the rules would need to be suspended to vote this ordinance on Monday night. Mr. Smith said he had not heard from the school system about whether or not they plan to do it by the end of the year.

- 10. Ordinance Number 19-2453-** Annexation – Blackridge Annexation Parcel 1, Phase 1, Blackridge Partners, LLC, Owner

Mrs. Dickerson stated that item was pre-zoned by the City Council by Ordinance Number 19-2425. Mrs. Dickerson stated that it is 24 acres and it is with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment to Blackridge on that was approved on June 17, 2019. The annexation will consist of a total of four phases with this being the first phase.

Mr. Martin stated that this property is toward the south end of the Blackridge Development adjacent to the southern set of railroad tracks. At one point in time, this was in the City of Helena. It was de-annexed from the City of Helena and now it is going through the phasing process.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading And Set Public Hearings For August 19, 2019**

- 11. Resolution Number 6040-19-** C-0719-10- Piyanka Ghosal, OBO AL Power Company, is requesting **Conditional Use** approval to allow Alabama Power Company, to own the residence (2177 Samuel Pass located in Reynolds Landing) as a demonstration home for emerging technologies and to continue to test and gather data related to electrical and solar applications, Jerry and Elizabeth Nowell are the property owners and the property is zoned PR-2.

Mr. Martin said the property is in Reynolds Landing and has been used as a demonstration home since it was built. The house has been leased and Alabama Power wants to purchase it and use it as a demonstration home.

- 12. Ordinance Number 19-2452 – Z-0719-23 –** Mr. Ryan Goolsby requests rezoning of property located at **2807 Wisteria Drive** from C-2 (Community Business District) to C-P (Preferred Commercial Office District) for the purpose of building his new State Farm Insurance Agency. Mr. Goolsby is the property owner and the property is currently zoned C-2 (Community Business District).

Mr. Martin stated that everyone in the area is agreeable with the change in zoning.

**COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

After no further discussion, Mr. Smith said the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

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Gene Smith  
Council President

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Frank V. Brocato  
Mayor

**ATTESTED BY:**

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Wendy Dickerson  
City Clerk