

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA
APRIL 26, 2016 - 5:00 P.M.

The City Council met on April 26, 2016, in regular session.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Council President Williams. On roll call by the City Clerk, Iva Nelson, the following council members answered present: Toles, Williams, Worthy, Echols, Cannon and Reed. Councilman Billingsley was absent. The clerk stated a quorum was present and the meeting was open for business. Mayor Guyton, Jeremy Ward, Lee Roberts and Captain Jackson were also present.

The invocation was given by President Williams.

The minutes of the last work session and council meeting held on April 19, 2016, were approved by unanimous vote.

Payment of the HTE System accounts for the week of April 15-21, 2016 were ratified by unanimous vote.

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Mayor Guyton read a proclamation proclaiming April 24-30, 2016, as "Parental Alienation Prevention Week."

Coach Jhe Rigby and members of the Gadsden Burners travel track team were recognized and displayed medals they won in a recent national competition in New York City.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) The following ordinance, which was introduced for first reading at last week's meeting, was presented for consideration:

ORDINANCE NO. O-23-16

AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 402 CAROLYN LANE

(Authorizing Conveyance of Property - 402 Carolyn Lane - Lot 26, Block N, Oakleigh Estates - Accepting offer of \$1,000.00 from Kevin M. Calhoun, Sr. - Note: Sealed bids were accepted for the house and property, which were donated to the City by Wells Fargo)

Councilman Echols moved to adopt the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilman Cannon and unanimously adopted.

(2) The following resolution, which was tabled for 7 days on April 19, was presented in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-190-16

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 430 Jacksonville Street, a/k/a 430 Ashley Street - District 3 - Roosevelt McCain Jr.; Mary E. Wise)

Councilman Worthy noted the owners wish for the City to demolish the structure. He moved to adopt the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Cannon and unanimously adopted.

(3) President Williams announced that no action was necessary regarding 1506 Tuscaloosa Avenue in District 3, as the nuisance has been abated by the owner.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

President Williams stated this was the time and place as advertised to conduct the following public hearings:

(1) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution approving the issuance of an alcoholic beverage license for Dollar General Store 4927 at 1401 J. R. Countryman Highway. No one spoke. The following resolution was presented for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-191-16

APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

(Dolgencorp, LLC - Dollar General Store 4927 - 1401 J. R. Countryman Highway - Retail Beer and Table Wine License, off premises)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Toles, Williams, Worthy, Echols, Cannon

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Reed

(2) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution approving the issuance of an alcoholic beverage license for Etowah Beverage Center at 952 Gilberts Ferry Road, Suite 960. No one spoke. The following resolution was presented for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-192-16

APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

(Debra, LLC - Etowah Beverage Center - 952 Gilberts Ferry Road, Suite 960 - Lounge Retail Liquor License, Package Store)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols and unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION:

(1) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-193-16

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH
CDG ENGINEERS & ASSOCIATES, INC.

(Authorizing Agreement - CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc. - \$103,853.00 - Construction engineering and inspection services for MPO Project - Resurfacing of Vandell Boulevard from Hickory Street to Forrest Avenue)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols and unanimously adopted.

(2) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R- 194-16

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH MITEL

(Authorizing Agreement - Mitel - For purchase of telephones, training, and support for Gadsden Public Works Department - Term of 36 months, with initial cost of \$700.00 and \$540.45 per month - Note: System is cloud-based)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols and unanimously adopted.

(3) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-195-16

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH
ALABAMA B.A.S.S. NATION, INC.

(Authorizing Agreement - Alabama B.A.S.S. Nation, Inc. - \$4,500.00 - City sponsorship of high school fishing tournament to be held April 21-22, 2017)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Toles and unanimously adopted.

(4) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-196-16

REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(Reappointing Tim McCartney and Bob Minyard for terms ending May 18, 2019)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy and unanimously adopted.

(5) The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-197-16

ACCEPTING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 542 TYLER STREET

(Accepting conveyance of property from Anne Frances Ware - 542 Tyler Street - East ½ of Lot 20, Herzberg Trustee Addition)

Councilman Worthy moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Cannon and unanimously adopted.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REMARKS

Councilman Cannon expressed hope the Civil Service Board will consider filling the Police Chief position from within.

Councilman Reed thanked everyone who planned and participated in yesterday's Patriots golf tournament. President Williams complimented the event.

President Williams extended condolences to Courtney Walker (Parks & Recreation Director) and family at the loss of his father.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Iva Nelson, City Clerk (4-26-2016)
