

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA
JANUARY 30, 2018 - 11:00 A.M.

The City Council met on January 30, 2018, in regular session.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Council President Pro Tem Cannon. On roll call by the City Clerk, Iva Nelson, the following council members answered present: Toles, Worthy, Echols, Billingsley, Cannon and Reed. President Williams was absent. The clerk stated a quorum was present and the meeting was open for business. Mayor Guyton, Heath Williamson, Lee Roberts and Captain Keener were also present.

The invocation was given by Heath Williamson.

The minutes of the last work session and council meeting held on January 16, 2018, were approved by unanimous vote.

Payment of the HTE System accounts for the weeks of January 12-18 and January 19-25, 2018 were ratified by unanimous vote.

#179421-179548	General	\$1,622,672.88
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

President Pro Tem Cannon 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 of a resolution approving an ambulance operator permit for A-Med Ambulance Service. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-29-18

APPROVING PERMIT FOR A MED AMBULANCE SERVICE

(Approving Ambulance Operator Permit - A-Med Ambulance Service - Accepting report and recommendation of Police Chief and Fire Chief - Authorizing Police Chief to issue certificate of public necessity and convenience)

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

(2) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 1132 Wainwright, Annie Mae Hunter being the last known owner. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in December 2016, and recommended abatement. Councilwoman Toles moved to table the resolution for 30 days, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy and unanimously carried.

(3) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 1605 Fillmore Avenue, Apache Lee Gibbs, and Bankers Insurance Company being the last known owners. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in July 2017, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-30-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 1605 Fillmore Avenue- District 5 - Apache Lee Gibbs; Bankers Insurance Company)

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

(4) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 1010 Fairview Alley, State of Alabama, Benson Enterprises, LLC., c/o Ronnie Bryant, and Alexis Vaughn being the last known owners. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-31-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 1010 Fairview Alley - District 6 - State of Alabama; Benson Enterprises, LLC, c/o Ronnie Bryant; Alexis Vaughn)

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

(5) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 3603 W. Meighan Blvd, FNA NP, LLC, W.R. and Gail McReynolds being the last known owners. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in February 2017, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-32-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 3603 W. Meighan Blvd. - District 6 - FNA NP, LLC; W.R. McReynolds; Gail McReynolds)

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

(6) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1402 Alabama Street, Thirteenth Place being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-33-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Demolition - \$3,541.40 - 1402 Alabama Street - District 3 - Thirteenth Place)

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

(7) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1516 Hill Avenue, Abelardo Perez being the last known owner. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-34-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Demolition - \$3,491.40 - 1516 Hill Avenue - District 3 - Abelardo Perez)

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

(8) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1413 4th Avenue, State of Alabama and Jeffery Wright being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-35-118

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Demolition - \$2,741.40 - 1413 4th Avenue - District 5 - State of Alabama; Jeffery Wright)

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

(9) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1612 Peachtree Street, State of Alabama, and heirs of the estate of Square Louis Owens being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-36-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for demolition - \$3,241.40 - 1612 Peachtree Street - District 5 - State of Alabama; Heirs of the estate of Square Louis Owens)

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

NEW BUSINESS

(1) Councilwoman Toles introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-37-18

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH BIG FISH KAYAK
OUTDOOR RECREATION CO., INC.

(Authorizing Ground Lease Agreement - Big Fish Kayak - Outdoor Recreation Co., Inc. - For use of property located at 150 River Road - For term of 5 years, beginning March 1, 2018, with two automatic renewals of 5 years each - \$250 per month for the first year; \$500 per month thereafter)

President Pro Tem Cannon received unanimous consent to immediately consider the resolution as an item of new business. Councilwoman Toles moved to adopt the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols and unanimously adopted.

(2) President Pro Tem Cannon introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-38-18

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH ESO SOLUTIONS, INC.

(Authorizing Agreement - ESO Solutions, Inc. - \$12,295.80 annually - Software and services for Gadsden Fire Department)

President Pro Tem Cannon received unanimous consent to immediately consider the resolution as an item of new business. Councilman Worthy moved to adopt the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols and unanimously adopted.

(3) President Pro Tem Cannon introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-39-18

AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

(Authorizing Acquisition Of Property from Gerald B. Stephens and Kerry B. Stephens - \$5,000.00 - Woodland Drive - Lots 17-20, Forrest Park First Addition - For Black Creek Trail expansion)

President Pro Tem Cannon received unanimous consent to immediately consider the resolution as an item of new business. Councilman Reed moved to adopt the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Billingsley and unanimously adopted.

(4) President Pro Tem Cannon introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-40-18

AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

(Authorizing Acquisition Of Property from Mary E. Boyd - \$5,000.00 - Woodland Drive - Lots 14-16, Forrest Park First Addition - For Black Creek Trail expansion)

President Pro Tem Cannon received unanimous consent to immediately consider the resolution as an item of new business. Councilman Reed moved to adopt the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Toles and unanimously adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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

Iva Nelson, City Clerk (1-30-2018)

FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM - BID OPENING
JANUARY 30, 2018 - 2:00 P.M.

The City Clerk received bid proposals as advertised for the following bid:

Bid No. 3370 -Tee Shirts

Gadsden Screen Printing	Unit prices
Model Tees	Unit prices
Lingfeng Garment	Unit prices
AL Industries For The Blind	Unit prices
Riddell	Unit prices
Uniforms Mfg	Unit prices
Koppel Advertising	Unit prices
T Shirt Mayhem	Unit prices
International Promotional Ideas	Unit prices
ESP	Unit prices

Copies of the bids will be forwarded to the Department and the Assistant Purchasing Agent, and a recommendation will be made to the Council.

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