

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA
AUGUST 29, 2018 - 11:00 A.M.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 129 E. Walnut Street - District 4 - Jerry Van Cline and wife Edith Sue Cline)

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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