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

The City Council met on September 11, 2018, in regular session.

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

The invocation was given by Shane Ellison.

The minutes of the last work session and council meeting held on September 4, 2018, were approved by unanimous vote.

At the request of President Williams, a moment of silence was observed for remembrance of the victims of 9/11 and their families.

Payment of the HTE System accounts for the week of August 31 - September 6, 2018 were ratified by unanimous vote.

#185094 - #185232 General

\$893,454.43

Mayor Guyton read a proclamation proclaiming September 24, 2018, as "Family Day" and September 23-29, 2018, as "Family Week" and presented it to Misty Sosebee Ledbetter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) A resolution ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 3322 Madison Avenue in District 6, which was tabled for 30 days on August 29, was presented in writing for consideration. Councilman Cannon moved to table the resolution indefinitely, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy and unanimously carried. Councilman Cannon noted a Public Works Committee meeting will be scheduled in the next few weeks to discuss documentation for grass cutting cases.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- (1) President Williams announced the hearing concerning a grass cutting lien on property at 1419 E. Broad Street in District 1 will be rescheduled to a later date, due to errors in the legal description.
- (2) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1001 Avenue G, the State of Alabama, New Life Family Worship and Tonya Latham being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-390-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 1001 Avenue G - District 3 - State of Alabama; New Life Family Worship; Tonya Latham)

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

(3) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1131 Bretwood Drive, Louise Trammell being the last known owner. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-391-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 1131 Bretwood Drive - District 3 - Louise Trammell)

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

(4) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 539 Tyler Street, the State of Alabama and Dione Shante Mostella being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-392-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$316.00 - 539 Tyler Street - District 3 - State of Alabama; Dione Shante Mostella)

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

- (5) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 1905 Broadway in District 5, Ronnie and Wanda Tedder being the last known owners. No one spoke. Councilman Billingsley noted this property is usually maintained and moved to table the resolution for 30 days. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cannon and unanimously carried.
- (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 2311 Chestnut Street, Richard Woodrow and the State of Alabama being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-393-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$256.00 - 2311 Chestnut Street - District 6 - Richard Woodrow; State of Alabama)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy 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 13 Comnock Avenue, Jacqueline D. McIntosh and Scott Douglas Walker being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-394-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 13 Comnock Avenue - District 6 - Jacqueline D. McIntosh; Scott Douglas Walker)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Echols 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 2405 Hill Avenue, Jeanette Chandler being the last known owner. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-395-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$256.00 - 2405 Hill Avenue - District 6 - Jeanette Chandler)

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

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REMARKS

Councilwoman Toles invited everyone to attend today's 9/11 remembrance, an annual event sponsored by the Gadsden Beautification Board. She announced a District 1 citizen appreciation event from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Tea Room of Downtown Civic Center on September 29, as well as movie night at Donehoo school at 5 p.m. on September 14.

At the request of Councilman Echols, City Engineer Heath Williamson explained the resurfacing of 5th Street was delayed due to needed work by the Water Works and Sewer Board, which is now complete. Mayor Guyton noted the entities try to coordinate work in order to prevent street cuts after paving work has been done.

Councilman Echols encouraged the public to vote in the upcoming runoff election on October 9.

Councilman Billingsley thanked everyone for their well wishes during his recent hip surgery.

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

Iva Nelson, City Clerk (9-11-2018)

FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM - BID OPENING SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 - 2:00 P.M.

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

Bid No. 3390 - Tuscaloosa Avenue Pedestrian Lighting Emergency Repairs

A& S Electric Contracting, Inc.

\$119,390.00

Copies of the bid will be forwarded to the City Engineer, and a recommendation will be made to the Council.