

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA
OCTOBER 6, 2020 - 11:00 A.M.

The City Council met on October 6, 2020 in regular session.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Council President Toles. On roll call by the City Clerk, Iva Nelson, the following council members answered present: Toles, Williams, Worthy, Back, Cannon and Reed. Councilman Wilson 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 work session, council meeting, and special called council meeting held on September 29, 2020, were approved by unanimous vote.

Kip Williams (Emergency Management Agency) presented a Covid update, noting 342 new cases within the last 14 days, with a positive test rate of 7.1%. He encouraged planning ahead for Halloween activities to ensure social distancing, proper sanitizing, and wearing masks. In response to Councilman Cannon's inquiry concerning the Wall Street drive-by event, Mr. Williams suggested providing personal protection equipment for those distributing candy.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-317-20

REAPPOINTING MEMBER TO
WATER WORKS AND SEWER BOARD

(Reappointing Ben Reed for term expiring on November 1, 2026)

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-318-20

APPROVING TERMS ALLOWING OSCO INTERIORS, INC.
TO UTILIZE EXISTING STATE OF ALABAMA CONTRACTS

(Approving Terms - Osco Interiors, Inc. - \$78,769.28 - To design and utilize existing State of Alabama contracts to install furnishings in the new East Gadsden Community Center)

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

NEW BUSINESS

(1) Councilman Williams introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-319-20

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH MILLIMAN, INC.

(Authorizing Agreement - Milliman, Inc. - \$5,000.00 - To provide “roll forward” Actuarial OPEB Valuation Report for fiscal period ending 2020 - Relating to post employment benefits)

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

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REMARKS

Several Councilmen Worthy, Reed, and Williams joined in expressing condolences to the family of former Councilman Fred Huff.

Councilman Back announced First Baptist Church will distribute food on Saturday. Councilman Williams announced United Christian Church will distribute food boxes every Friday in October.

President Toles wished Councilman Williams a happy 50th birthday and welcomed him to the AARP club. She encouraged donation of bottled water to city schools.

Councilman Worthy congratulated A. J. Tinker and his organization for a successful community project.

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

Iva Nelson, City Clerk (10-6-20)

FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM - BID OPENING
OCTOBER 6, 2020- 2:00 P.M.

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

Bid No. 3443 - Walker Street Drainage Improvements

Alabama Grading & Excavation, LLC	\$42,250.00
CB&A Construction	\$63,649.62
Jet Pep, Inc.	\$94,125.00

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