

COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL - GADSDEN, ALABAMA
OCTOBER 10, 2018 - 11:00 A.M.

The City Council met on October 10, 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: Williams, Worthy, Echols, Billingsley, Cannon and Reed. Councilwoman Toles 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 President Williams.

The minutes of the last work session and council meeting held on October 2, 2018, were approved by unanimous vote.

Payment of the HTE System accounts for the week of September 28 - October 4, 2018 were ratified by unanimous vote.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) The following resolution, which was tabled for 30 days on September 4, 2018, was presented in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-441-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 2409 James Street - District 1 - Kevin Joel Garrett and Wall Mark Siding Outlet, Inc.)

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

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 ordering the abatement of nuisances on property at 112 North 21st Street, Christopher E. Ford, John D. Williams, and 1st Franklin Financial Corporation being the last known owners. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in January 2018, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-442-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 112 North 21st Street - District 1 - Christopher E. Ford, John D. Williams, and 1st Franklin Financial Corporation)

Councilman Billingsley moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Worthy 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 516 Joseph T. Robinson Street, Clettie Henderson, 'LF EST' being the last known owner. 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-443-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 516 Joseph T. Robinson Street - District 3 - Clettie Henderson, 'LF EST')

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

(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 1411 4th Avenue, State of Alabama, possible rights of redemption of David K. Green being the last known owners. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in September 2017, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-444-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 1411 4th Avenue - District 5 - State of Alabama, possible rights of redemption of David K. Green)

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 3331 Madison Avenue, Poly Ann Hill being the last known owner. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in May 2018, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-445-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 3331 Madison Avenue - District 6 - Poly Ann Hill)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Reed 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 4 Mitchell Street, State of Alabama, possible rights of redemption of Timmy and Diana Cranford, Statewide Mortgage Corporation, First Family Financial Services, Inc., Equiprime, Inc., and Provident Bank being the last known owner. Brian Harbison, Building Inspector, stated no improvements have been made since procedures began in October 2017, and recommended abatement. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-446-18

ORDERING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(Ordering Abatement of Nuisance - 4 Mitchell Street - District 6 - State of Alabama, possible rights of redemption of Timmy and Diana Cranford, Statewide Mortgage Corporation, First Family Financial Services, Inc., Equiprime, Inc., and Provident Bank)

Councilman Cannon moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Billingsley 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 1104 Glen Iris Drive, State of Alabama, Nimrod Rutledge, c/o Willie Howard Rutledge being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-447-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$196.00 - 1104 Glen Iris Drive - District 3 - State of Alabama, Nimrod Rutledge, c/o Willie Howard Rutledge)

Councilman Echols moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Billingsley 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 1007 Hermosa Avenue, Kimberly Williams and Gary Wood being the last known owner. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-448-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 1007 Hermosa Avenue - District 3 - Kimberly Williams and Gary Wood)

Councilman Worthy moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Billingsley 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 1108 Hurst Street, State of Alabama and Jeff Bynum being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-449-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$316.00 - 1108 Hurst Street - District 3 - State of Alabama and Jeff Bynum)

Councilman Worthy moved to adopt the resolution as introduced, which motion was seconded by Councilman Billingsley 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 522 Haralson Avenue, Nationstar Mortgage, LLC and James & Jami Shelnett being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-450-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$196.00 - 522 Haralson Avenue - District 5 - Nationstar Mortgage, LLC and James & Jami Shelnett)

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

(10) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 3517 Georgia Avenue, State of Alabama and Deshunnor Porter being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-451-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$196.00 - 3517 Georgia Avenue - District 6 - State of Alabama and Deshunnor Porter)

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

(11) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 513 Henderson Street, FNA, NP, LLC and Tammie Mancil being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-452-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 513 Henderson Street - District 6 - FNA, NP, LLC and Tammie Mancil)

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

(12) The floor was opened to allow anyone to speak for or in opposition to a resolution assessing a nuisance abatement lien on property at 3328 Madison Avenue, Jerry L. & Vicki Dale Phillips, c/o Amy Young being the last known owners. No one spoke. The following resolution was introduced in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-453-18

ASSESSING NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY

(Assessing Nuisance Abatement Lien for Grass Cutting - \$136.00 - 3328 Madison Avenue - District 6 - Jerry L. & Vicki Dale Phillips, c/o Amy Young)

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-454-18

APPOINTING MEMBERS TO GREATER ETOWAH 310 BOARD

(Appointing Katie Simson for a Term Expiring on April 1, 2023 - Replacing Bob Auttman, and Re-appointing Ben Reed for a Term Expiring on April 1, 2022)

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-455-18-17

AUTHORIZING THE SATISFACTION OF NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN

(Grapevine Enterprises, LLC offer to pay \$300.00 to the City of Gadsden to Satisfy the Nuisance Abatement Lien at Property Located at 1104 Hurst Street)

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

(15) Councilman Reed introduced the following resolution in writing for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-456-18

AUTHORIZING INCENTIVES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNITED WAY

(City of Gadsden has permitted employees to make payroll deductions for contributions to the United Way)

President Williams 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 Worthy and Councilman Billingsley then unanimously adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REMARKS

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

Iva Nelson, City Clerk (10-10-2018)

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