

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
January 17, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:35 p.m., Tuesday, January 17, 2012. Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk Gina Antolini to let the record reflect that all Council members were in attendance and declared a quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes: January 3, 2012 – Pre-Council; Regular Meeting.

There being no objections, Mayor Lowe declared the consent approved as presented.

**RESOLUTION 01-12-02 AWARDING GRANT ADMINISTRATION FOR
SENIOR CENTER TO COMMUNITY CONSULTANTS, INCORPORATED**

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-12-02

**AWARDING GRANT ADMINISTRATION FOR SENIOR CENTER TO
COMMUNITY CONSULTANTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has received a Community Development Block Grant for a Senior Center project that will benefit predominately low and moderate income persons; and

THEREFORE, in accordance with CDBG regulations the City of Columbiana has solicited and received proposals from qualified grant administrative firms to implement the above referenced CDBG grant in accordance with ADECA regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Columbiana has evaluated the administrative proposals and have selected Community Consultants, Incorporated to administer this project; and

THAT, Allan Lowe, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Community Consultants, Incorporated to perform CDBG project administrative services required to implement the above referenced project in accordance with the approved ADECA administrative fee scale commensurate with the scope of services required to adequately discharge all project administrative responsibilities associated with this project.

THEREUPON Council member Handley moved and Council member Abrams seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and Mayor Lowe declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION APPROVAL TO REPAIR EQUIPMENT FOR GIRLS SOFTBALL

Council member Handley introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-12-03

APPROVAL TO REPAIR EQUIPMENT FOR GIRLS SOFTBALL

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana Park & Recreation Board has requested and recommended the repair of field maintenance equipment owned and used by Columbiana Girls Softball; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana Park & Recreation Board has requested that funds from the Park and Recreation budget be utilized for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbiana City Council, the Council hereby authorizes and approves the repair of field maintenance equipment, not to exceed \$2,000.00, and that it be funded from Park & Recreation budget.

THEREUPON Council member Abrams moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 01-12-04 AUTHORIZING CHANGE REQUEST #1 - REVISED FOR MAIN STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT

Council member Seale introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-12-04

AUTHORIZING CHANGE REQUEST #1 REVISED FOR MAIN STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has a contract with Triple J Construction, LLC for construction of the sidewalks and street lighting for the Main Street Sidewalk Project and Gresham, Smith and Partners as project engineers on the same, as awarded by this Council; and

WHEREAS, Gresham Smith and Partners having previously submitted a change order that was not approved by the Council and subsequently submitted a revised changed order, Change Request #1, Revised, which is before this Council, paid to the contractor only at the actual cost based upon documentation as provided to the City.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbiana City Council, the Council hereby authorizes and approves the change request and the conditions therein, including the addition of 14 calendar days of contract time for delays and approval of the Change Request, increasing the total contract time to 94 calendar days.

THEREUPON Council member Strickland moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and Mayor declared the same passed.

REPORTS

Library Director Laura Hackney gave an update on events including February 9th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. the Library will host an Open House. She talked about programming, and increased use of services in various areas and what her priorities were for adding to the library materials collection.

City Clerk Gina Antolini reported that the annual audit is on-going, preparations are beginning on Liberty Day and that she will be attending the International Institute of Municipal Clerks' Region III Meeting, January 18-20, hosted by the Alabama Association of Municipal Clerks and Administrators as the President of the Association, with all costs to be reimbursed by the Association.

Mayor Lowe announced that the changes to the sign ordinance are being fine-tuned and that anything that needs to be addressed be done formally with Planning and Zoning to enable them to complete this and move forward with a recommendation to the Council.

Council member Strickland commented on the shingle and A-frame type signage and felt that a recommendation could be presented at the next regular council meeting. A public hearing would be scheduled and he felt that we should not delay by considering additional signage but move with what they have and address others as they came up.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Owens of 306 Mildred Street addressed the Council regarding parking on Mildred Street and the related safety issues. Mayor Lowe charged the Chair of the Public Safety Committee with researching the issue and responding back to the council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Handley announced that Cowboy Day is February 18th and the Cattlemen's Rodeo is February 24-25th. He also mentioned the Friends of the Library Antiques and Appraisal Market to be held March 3, from 9:00-4:00 at his barn. A request to donate to the event, to the Friends of the Library, was made by Council member Mayfield and the Council agreed that an amount of \$400.00 would be appropriated out of the promotion of the City line item in the budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council member Abrams moved that the meeting be adjourned, Council member Strickland seconded and the motion passed by vote of all members of the Council. Mayor Lowe declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.