

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Strong family relationships constitute the foundation of our community; and

WHEREAS: Alienating behaviors are frequently seen in high-conflict divorces, separations, and asymmetrical custody arrangements but can occur in intact marriages; and

WHEREAS: Parental alienation is a term used to describe any number of behaviors and attitudes on the part of one parent or both parents designed to interfere, damage or destroy the relationship a child has with their other parent. It's a form of abuse that causes emotional trauma to children; and

WHEREAS: Parental alienation deprives children of their right to freely love and be loved by both parents, their extended family, and robs children of their sense of security; and

WHEREAS: Mental professionals agree that the negative effects of parental alienation can follow a child into adulthood with tragic consequences; and

WHEREAS: The recently published Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5) made several references to the dysfunctional family dynamic of alienation to be a form of psychological child abuse; and

WHEREAS: Approximately 40,000 children in the State of Alabama were subjected to child custody determination in 2013; and

WHEREAS: Parental Alienation Prevention Week is intended to increase the knowledge and understanding of this problem to help Alabamians, institutions, the legal and mental health community, and leaders to better identify and combat such abusive behavior to children; and

WHEREAS: God so loved us, we also ought to love one another; love does no harm to its neighbor; therefore Children should be able to freely express the meaning of F.A.M.I.L.Y.;

Father And Mother, I Love You; and

WHEREAS: In honor of Parental Alienation Prevention Week, come and show your support by taking 10 minutes out of your day at noon, on Monday, April 25, to blow soap "Bubbles for Love". Each bubble we blow will represent the love our children have and should be allowed to share with both their parents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stancil Handley, Mayor of the City of Columbiana, do hereby proclaim April 24 through April 30, 2016, as

PARENTAL ALIENATION PREVENTION WEEK

And April 25, 2016, as

PARENTAL ALIENATION AWARENESS "Bubbles of Love" DAY

Mayor Handley read the following proclamation in honor of National Service Day:

National Service Recognition Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character and central to how we meet out challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities, and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, national service participants serve in more than 70,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve with, both through their direct service and by recruiting and managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, City of Service, and mayors across the country to recognize the impact of service on the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April, 2016.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Stancil Handley, Mayor of Columbiana, do hereby proclaim April 5th, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city and thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities. Signed on this the 5th day of April, 2016.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Administration** – City Clerk Mark Frey reported that he was working to get budget numbers together for all of the Department Heads as well as the updated budget for the Council. There have been budget amendments that have required work and many resolutions.
- **Streets and Maintenance** – Allen Reynolds reported that his department is wide open with grass cutting and picking up garbage.
- **Environmental Services** – Dale Lucas reported that Skyler Martin had decided not to re-take his waste water test so he is transferring to the Street Department. He has hired Allan Keef to replace Skylar and he has a positive attitude. There are lots of projects going on in his department. Today they smoke tested Pine Tree Circle, Bolton Lane, Pitts Drive and Alabama Avenue. There is a lift station over on Hwy 25 bypass and it needs to be rehabbed. There is also work that is needed on Alabama Avenue. They are going to video the line and make sure it needs to be replaced. The forced main on Hwy 70 may need to be reworked. Dale is busy with all of the projects and he is looking for a temporary worker that can cut grass and keep up with general maintenance around the plant.
- **Fire Department** – Chief Howard stated that we received good news about the fire engine that had a cracked impellor and bent drive shaft. It has been placed back in service and the damage was less than expected. There are a lot of public assist calls coming in, many from the same people day in and out. Our Fire Department does all of the Columbiana public assist calls that come into 911. Often they are called out to the same residence several times per week. After repeated calls for assistance to the same residence over and over, the FD is forced to make the recommendation that that person contact an outside source for ongoing care and assistance.

The new brush truck is at Wilson Paint and Body. It has been there for approximately 6 weeks so far. Hopefully everything will be done by Liberty Day. He is waiting on the SUVs to come back into stock so he can order the new Chief's vehicle.

- **Library** - Tom Rary reported that there are numerous events and the library is busy. There are many events planned every week for the Library and everything is going very well. Check the library calendar for all of the many events.

Next week is the State Convention and Tom is excited for this. Mayor Handley thanked Tom for all of the events that he is incorporating with the Senior Center and school system.

- **Police Department** – Chief Vick reported that everything is going good. Officer Sasha Knighten is our School Resource Officer and she is doing an excellent job. She goes above and beyond to involve the children at the schools. The Chief encouraged everyone to show their appreciation for this funding and the way that it is working for the City of Columbiana and the safety of the children.

The Council and Mayor Handley are planning to send a letter of appreciation for this program and how it is working. Chief is still going through some applications to fill the open position in the department.

Marketing

Mayor Handley asked Elizabeth Smith to give a Marketing update. Elizabeth expressed her appreciation for all of the Mayor, Council and staff for being so accommodating during her first few weeks here. The Mayor thanked Elizabeth for her diligence – working to continue moving Columbiana forward.

APPROVAL OF DEBBIE GURGANUS TO SELL AN UNUSED CEMETERY PLOT

After a brief discussion, the Council all agreed that Mrs. Gurganus may sell the plot for the originally purchased price. The Council voted unanimously to allow for the sale of this plot.

ORDINANCE 04-16-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 04-00-01 AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL SALES TAX ON LIQUOR SALES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, have deemed it necessary, proper, and for the benefit of the City to amend Ordinance No. 04-00-01 as previously amended (“Tax Ordinance”) to add an additional tax on liquor sales;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 1 of the Tax Ordinance be amended to add the following as subsection (g):

“(g) In addition to the other taxes imposed by this Section 1 and all other taxes of every kind now imposed by law, upon every person, firm, or corporation (including the State of Alabama, the University of Alabama, Auburn University and all other institutions of higher learning in the state, whether such institutions be denominational, state, county or municipal institutions, and any association or other agency or instrumentality of such institutions) engaged or continuing within the City in the business of selling at retail, other than the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the State of Alabama, any liquor or alcoholic beverages (excepting beer and table wine) an amount equal to two percent (2%) of the gross proceeds of such sales of the business except where a different amount is expressly provided herein.”

Section 2. This Ordinance Cumulative to General License Code or Ordinance. This ordinance shall not be construed to repeal any of the provisions of the general license code or ordinance of the City, but shall be held to be cumulative, and the amounts of the taxes herein levied shall be in addition to the amounts of all other license taxes imposed by the City by its general license code or ordinance.

Section 3. Severability. Each and every provision of this ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions

of this ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the first day of May 2016, and the first payment of taxes hereunder shall be due and payable on the 20th day of June, 2016. This ordinance shall remain in full force and effect and shall apply to each month of the year 2016, beginning with the month of May and to each month of each calendar year thereafter from year to year.

Adopted and approved this 5th, day of April, 2016.

Council member Mayfield introduced:

RESOLUTION 04-16-03

APPLICATION FOR SHELBY COUNTY SENIOR CENTER GRANT 2016

WHEREAS, the Shelby County Commission has appropriated funds for the Senior Center Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has the opportunity to submit an application for a grant of up to \$2,000.00 or provide assistance to the Columbiana Senior Center in sustaining activities, services, programs and to promote health, wellness, educational, and recreational opportunities to area seniors, and there are no City matching fund requirements for this grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbiana City Council, the Council hereby authorizes Senior Center Director, Ali Payne, under the direction of Mayor Stancil Handley or City Clerk J. Mark Frey, to submit an application for the 2016 Shelby County Senior Center grant.

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

ADOPTED this the 5th day of April, 2016.

Council member Ruston introduced:

RESOLUTION 04-16-04

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR ATRP PROJECT ACAA61019-ATRP (012)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama as follows:

1. That the City enters into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation for:

The resurfacing on Old Highway 25 from SR-25 to CR-47. Length- 1.4 miles Project# ACAA61019-ATRP (012); A TRIP# 59-05-30

2. That the agreement be executed in the name of the City, by its Mayor, for and on its behalf.
3. That the agreement be attested by the City Clerk and the seal of the City affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

Passed, adopted and approved this 5th day of April, 2016.

Council member Whiting introduced:

RESOLUTION 04-16-05

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL SEWER DEPARTMENT WORK

WHEREAS, the following sewer expenditure was not included in the FY 2016 Budget:

- Hwy 25 Bypass Lift Station Rehab (Repair and Maintenance Pumps)
- Sewer Main Work on Alabama Avenue (Repair and Maintenance System)

WHEREAS, this additional expenditure was not included in the approved 2016FY budget, and the Mayor and Council have determined this expenditure is necessary, and

WHEREAS, these projects will be properly advertised and bid as directed by state law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Clerk to make the necessary amendment to the Fiscal Year 2016 budget effective immediately, resulting in an increase to projected repair and maintenance in the amount of \$135,000.00 total (subject to bid amount) and authorizing the use of funds as needed from the Sewer Revenue account to facilitate payment of said projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk has prepared an updated budget, reflecting this change and all other changes to the Fiscal Year 2016 budget previously amended by resolution by the City Council and that it be presented today with an updated status of revenue and expenditures through April 5th, 2016.

THEREUPON Council member Whiting moved and Council member Ruston seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by roll call vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor Handley declared the same passed.

Adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

MAYORS REPORT

- The Mayor reported that we are getting several tour groups that are coming into town to ride the Trolley, shop, tour the museums and visit the winery.
- The Horace Ware fence has been repaired as an Eagle Scout project done by Ryan Harmon. Ryan had help from Jerry Willis who actually re-poured part of the fence and it looks good as new.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Council member Mayfield stated that there is an Eagle Scout program at the Baptist Church honoring the three Eagle Scouts who have recently reached Eagle. AJ Cole, Ryan Harmon and Owen Barnes have reached Eagle and the Mayor commented that this was an outstanding accomplishment and everyone should be very proud of these young men and the tremendous projects that they have been able to accomplish.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- None.

There being no further business, Council member Ruston moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council member Whiting. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Stancil Handley, Mayor