

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
September 4, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in a Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday September 4, 2017. Mayor Stancil Handley called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk, Mark Frey, to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

Present: Council member Leslie Whiting Council member Barbara Moore
 Council member Ricky Ruston Council member Ouida Mayfield
 Mayor Stancil Handley

Absent: Council member Kim King

The Mayor declared a quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes 08-15-2017 Regular Meeting
- B. Approval for Liz Taylor to use the Credit Card for meals and accommodations during the AMROA Revenue Officer Training in Tuscaloosa for September 19-23. Not to exceed \$600.
- C. Recommendation from Dale Lucas: Increase Cayson Findley from Pay Grade V Step 1 to pay grade V step 2. Effective on the next pay cycle.
- D. Reappointment of Commissioner David Nolen to the Columbiana Housing Authority. Term to expire on 10-01-2022.

Council member Whiting made a motion to accept the Consent agenda which was seconded by Council member Mayfield and unanimously passed by a vote of all members present.

Family Day and Family Week PROCLAMATION 2017

WHEREAS, children are our future and society's greatest asset, and committed families shape and guide children by preparing them for obstacles and encouraging them to overcome life's demanding challenges; and

WHEREAS, the cornerstone of an orderly society is the family, but Alabama's families have grown progressively weaker and children are living in a world where TVs, cell phones, and electronic devices have replaced playgrounds and conversation; and

WHEREAS, children who spend significant time with both parents show lower risks of suicide, dropout, teen pregnancy, incarceration, and drug abuse; however, the importance of children having two parents is diminishing in society as approximately 40,000 Alabama children a year experience court ordered visitation with one parent for only two to six days a month; and

WHEREAS, the widespread availability of illegal drugs from outside the state, increased local manufacture of illegal narcotics, and the growing problem of prescription drug abuse, are all contributing factors to the increased drug concerns for Alabamians, especially teenagers; and

WHEREAS, children of concerned and active parents are far less likely to exhibit risky and unhealthy behaviors such as smoking, drinking, or using illegal drugs because of the

valuable time spent with parents and the positive examples set by parents, and social scientists agree that shared parenting should be the norm for children of all ages; and

WHEREAS, simple daily activities like sharing a meal, a conversation, or a book can have an enormous impact on the life of a child. Strong and engaged families help build a strong Alabama, and it is our responsibility as concerned family members to help create a solid foundation for the future health and happiness of all of Alabama's children; and

WHEREAS, Family Day in Alabama has grown to promote the importance of family interaction and connecting with kids throughout the day/week, and to stress that children need both parents, and during Family Day Week we honor the devotion of parents and recognize their critical role in teaching children positive and healthy behaviors; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all Alabamians to visit CASAFamilyDay.org for information on talking with children about the perils of drug use, and we call on community and state leaders to support shared parenting because of its benefits for children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stancil Handley, Mayor of the City of Columbiana, do hereby proclaim September 25, 2017 as **FAMILY DAY** and the week of September 24 through September 30, 2017 as **FAMILY WEEK** and in the **City of Columbiana** and encourage our citizens to join together in observing this week/day by spending time with their families and by engaging in appropriate ceremonies and activities to honor and strengthen both our city's and state's families.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Police Department** – Chief Lamar Vick was out of town and Mayor Handley gave a brief report.
- **Administration** – City Clerk Mark Frey has been working on 2018 Budget preparation. He also attended CAPZO Training in Chelsea and has just completed his Master Municipal Clerk Certification in Tuscaloosa.
- **Fire Department** – Assistant Chief Brett Ashworth reported that their main truck is having some problems with its air system. The FD has received 18 used air packs to replace old equipment. Call volume is about average for the year. All AEDs located in municipal buildings are up to date.
- **Library** – Interim Library Director, Sheila Gallups reported that the Library has started a home school program this month and they hope to get into the new space soon.
- **Environmental Services** – Dale Lucas reported that on October 2nd the new sewer project is beginning. This project should be completed by April 30th, 2018.
- **Streets and Maintenance** – Allen Reynolds said that his department has been working on equipment and preparing to pressure wash sidewalks as soon as grass cutting season is over.

MARKETING REPORT

Elizabeth Smith said that the Tourism Conference was excellent and she learned a lot about putting on events and the City's liability. She is creating a new resident guide for the City and preparing for Cowboy Day 2018.

Council member Ruston introduced:

RESOLUTION 09-17-01
REDIRECTION OF LIBRARY FUNDS FOR LIBRARY EXPANSION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Columbiana has been desirous of providing expansion's Fixtures, Furnishings and Equipment the new library expansion provided by Shelby County and the Harrison Regional Library, and

WHEREAS, Shelby County agreed to renovate said new space and provide construction services to provide access to the new area, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved funding for Library Capital Improvement during the 2017FY authorizes the redirection of a portion of the \$27,000.00 library funds from Movie Screen Project to cover said \$25,000.00 expenditure for the Library Expansion Buildout with funding provided by the following account:

Capital Expense Account \$25,000

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

The Mayor of the City of Columbiana is hereby authorized and directed to sign and execute all documents required to provide funding for the Columbiana Public Library's FFE, and that the City Clerk be authorized to transfer the aforementioned amount to the Capital Expense account from of the General Fund Account.

THEREUPON Council member Mayfield moved and Council member Whiting seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by majority vote of all members of the Council. Results of the vote were as follows:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	absent	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted and approved this the 5th day of September, 2017.

Council member Mayfield made a motion to add Resolution 09-17-05 to the agenda which was seconded by Council member Whiting and followed by a unanimous vote of all the Council present to add the resolution to the agenda.

Council member Ruston introduced:

RESOLUTION 09-17-05
AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR AIR LINE REPAIRS AND ACCEPTING THE BID FROM CIVIL CONTRACTORS

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana operates a waste water treatment facility with a waste water sewer plant located on CR70; and

WHEREAS, said portion of the sewer plant has become deteriorated and more costly to maintain due to the overall age and ongoing issues with the system; and

WHEREAS, this system is necessary to handle an ever increasing volume of waste water.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, at the recommendation of engineer for the city, Dave B. Bechtel, P.E. of Utility Engineering Consultants, LLC. as follows:

1. That the City of Columbiana accepts the low qualified bid submitted by Civil Contractors at the total contract price of \$23,000.00.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary to be signed by the City in order to fulfill the terms of this resolution.
3. This repair has been previously included in the Repair and Maintenance line of the 2017FY Sewer Department Budget.

Council Member Mayfield made the motion to award the bid to Civil Contractors and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract which was seconded by Council Member Whiting adopted by a roll call vote of all members present. The results of the vote:

Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u> ___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	___absent___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u> ___

Mayor Handley announced the results and declared the Resolution passed.

Council member Ruston introduced:

RESOLUTION 09-17-03
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR AN INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT FUNDING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Columbiana City Council has been presented updated information regarding the Intersection Improvement Funding Agreement, previously approved by the City Council in November of 2012, and

WHEREAS, due to unanticipated construction cost increasing from \$500,000 to over \$1.3 million dollars with a city match currently due in the amount of \$395,900.41, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Columbiana to continue the project with half of the funding coming from the City and developer – AR Properties, LLC, and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana understands that a city match is required by the City, in the amount of 50% (\$197,950.20) of the cost, which AR Properties, LLC has agreed to pay in order to facilitate funding of said project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Columbiana’s City Council that the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute all documents required and remit 50% (\$197,950.20) guaranteed funding from AR Properties and 50% (\$197,950.21) funding from the General Fund to the Department of Transportation. The funding agreement is attached hereto.

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, and the Mayor declared the same passed. The results of the roll call vote were as follows:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	<u>absent</u>	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2017.

Council member Ruston introduced:

RESOLUTION 09-17-04

**Authorizing Mayor to Sign Agreement for Project Number: ACAA61025-ATRP (012)
Widening and Resurfacing CR-28 from Joint East of Arlington Street in Columbiana, East to
SR-145 Shelby County**

Whereas, the City of Columbiana recognizes the added benefit of the repaving of CR-28 for its citizens;

Now, Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to sign and execute any and all documents necessary to approve this project.

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

Passed, adopted and approved this 5th day of September, 2017.

Council member Mayfield introduced:

**RESOLUTION 09-17-06
APPROVING THE FORMATION OF
COLUMBIANA PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, it has been made to appear that Evan K. Major, Jr., Richard G. Williams, and Charles C. Smith are natural persons and duly qualified electors of and property owners in the City of Columbiana, Alabama, who have filed on the 1st day of September, 2017, an application to form a public corporation pursuant to the provisions of §§ 11-56-1 through 11-56-22, Code of Ala. 1975, as amended, to be known as The Public Building Authority of the City of Columbiana; and

WHEREAS, the application was accompanied by a proposed certificate of incorporation for the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that it is wise, expedient and necessary that such public corporation be formed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama (hereinafter referred to as "City"), as follows:

1. That the application to form The Commercial Development Authority of the City of Columbiana is regular in all respects and complies with all requirements of the laws of Alabama

under which said corporation is proposed to be organized; that the proposed certificate of incorporation is in proper form; and that it is wise, expedient and necessary that such public corporation be formed.

2. That the application is hereby allowed and the persons signing said application are authorized to file and record a certificate of incorporation for The Commercial Development Authority of the City of Columbiana in the form accompanying the application and in the manner provided by the laws of Alabama under which said corporation is proposed to be organized.

3. That a copy of this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the meeting of the Council at which it was adopted, and the Clerk is directed to certify a copy of this resolution, to be filed with the certificate of incorporation of the Authority as provided by law. The results of the roll call vote are as follows:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	___	<u>X</u>
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	absent	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

ADOPTED and APPROVED this 5th day of September, 2017.

Council member Mayfield introduced:

**RESOLUTION 09-17-07
RESOLUTION FOR ABC LICENSE FOR DOLGENCORP LLC D/B/A
DOLLAR GENERAL STORE 8661**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has received an application from **DOLGENCORP LLC D/B/A DOLLAR GENERAL STORE 8661**, through the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board requesting an 050 Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) Alcohol License Application; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana recognizes that this business has complied with the requirements of the State of Alabama to obtain such licenses;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council of the City of Columbiana does hereby grant the request and charge the City Clerk with providing a letter to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board indicating their approval of the license request.

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

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2017.

	Yea:	Nay:
Council member Leslie Whiting	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Barbara Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Rickey Ruston	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Kim King	absent	___
Council member Ouida Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___
Mayor Stancil Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2017.

UPDATE ON ABATEMENTS

Mr. Burquez addressed the Council regarding the Stewart abatement. He stated that he wanted it entered into the record that Mrs. Fox should not be paid anything for the job she has done for the Stewart Abatement. There was extensive discussion about the project and reasons for delays. Mayor Handley stated that he will contact Mrs. Fox for an update.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Council will meet next Tuesday for a Work Session
- There have been new handrails installed at the Rec Building
- The Main Street Board is interviewing for a new Main Street Columbiana director
- The Pancake Breakfast for Childhood Cancer Research was a success

ANNOUNCEMENTS

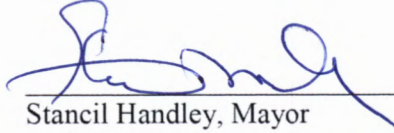
- There are 2 acres behind the sewer plant that we can clear for burning brush if we clear. There is an opportunity to have a company that will be in the area clear the property. All of the Council agreed that they should move forward with the clearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 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 7:50 p.m.


J. Mark Frey, City Clerk


Stancil Handley, Mayor

