

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
Monday July 15, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met for a Work Session in the City Hall Conference Room, Monday, July 15, 2019. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present:

Council Member Leslie Whiting  
Council Member Barbara Moore  
Council Member Ricky Ruston  
Council Member Kim King  
Council Member Ouida Mayfield  
Mayor Stancil Handley

Absent:

None

**Discussion – Tax Incentives – New Business**

The Council discussed giving tax incentives to new businesses that come into Columbiana. Terms and amounts will be agreed upon by the business and Council once a contract/agreement has been drawn up. The incentive discussed was a sales tax rebate. More information will be gathered and this will be discussed at a later date.

**Discussion – Downtown District**

The Council discussed the need for a downtown district. The Mayor suggested a ½ mile radius around the Shelby County Courthouse and showed Council a map with that radius marked. This will compliment the new Shelby County Arts Council building. The downtown district will specify what is allowed on the streets and off premises for restaurants.

**Discussion – Fence on Mill Street**

The Council discussed the fence on Mill Street that is 4 ½ feet in the right of way. This may cause issues with paving on Mill Street and the curbs that will be installed. Council will discuss this at a later date.

**Discussion – Vulcan Electro Coating Property**

The Council discussed the Vulcan Electro Coating property that is for sale. It is 11.1 acres and 103,000 square feet in two buildings. A group is interested in purchasing the property for plastic reclaiming/recycling operation. They are only interested in one of the buildings. If they are interested in selling the building closest to the road, the Mayor is interested in it for the new location for the City garage. Council agrees for the Mayor to proceed with negotiating with the prospective buyers.

**Discussion – Old Pool Hall Building**

The Council discussed the progress on the abatement of the old pool hall building. The Mayor has talked to mold/asbestos specialists and structural engineers to get quotes. It could cost between \$75,000 and \$125,000 to complete. All expenses will be billed to the owner of the building.

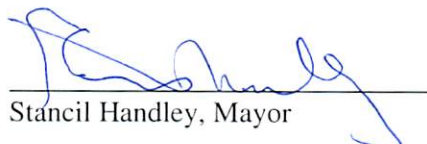
**Discussion – Code Enforcement**

The Council discussed a couple of buildings on Main Street that need to be repaired. The Mayor informed Council that the code enforcement officer would need to contact those property owners.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Council Member King made the motion to adjourn and Council Member Ruston seconded the motion which was followed by a vote of members present to adjourn. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

  
Charlene Tucker, City Clerk

  
Stancil Handley, Mayor

