

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
October 6, 2020**

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. on Tuesday, October 6, 2020. Mayor Stancil Handley called the meeting to order and asked Assistant City Clerk, Kayce Watkins, to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

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

The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes 9-15-20 Regular Council Meeting
- B. Approval of Check Registers for September 20 and October 1, 2020 Accounts Payable Batches
- C. Approval for City Clerk Charlene Tucker to attend virtual Clerk's Training (AAMCA) training on October 21-23. Also authorizing the use of the city credit card for training expense not to exceed \$265.00.

Council Member Mayfield made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, which was seconded by Council Member King and followed by a unanimous show of hands vote of all members present. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Admin** – Charlene Tucker reported that the Mayoral runoff had run smoothly throughout the day. Canvassing of the votes will be held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at noon. The new council will also have an organizational meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020, and the time is to be determined. The census has been extended to October 31, 2020, and there will be a table set up at the Monster Walk on October 30th for anyone who hasn't completed the census.
- **Senior Center** – Ali Payne reported that their Wednesday Coffee Talks are going well. Meals on Wheels services are continuing. Every Friday the Senior Citizens meet at a park in the area for a picnic. Everyone is hopeful that normal activities will be able to resume sometime in the near future.

- **Street** - Allen Reynolds reported that they are busy cutting grass, working on equipment, and cleaning the cemetery. The garbage truck is still being repaired. They will also be helping to decorate the downtown area with fall decorations. He is two men short in his department, and has a new man starting on Monday.
- **Environmental-** Dale Lucas reported that a new line is being replaced near the Recreational Building and a new manhole has been set. The waste water treatment plant is running well, and they have been in the process of making repairs.
- **Planning and Zoning-** Dale Lucas reported that they have been working with Highpointe Properties on the rezoning of property on Highway 70 & Highway 343. He also stated that his office has been very busy with building and remodeling questions within the city.
- **Marketing-** Elizabeth Smith reported that the Shelby County Shindig will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2020 at Old Mill Square. It is possible that it may be moved inside due to bad weather. There will also be a jury selection at the Grande Hall on October 19th. Elizabeth also reminded everyone of the upcoming time change on November 1st.
- **Fire Dept.-** Johnny Howard reported that they are without an Admin vehicle at this time, so Rodney Reed has been driving the rescue truck. Everything has been going well, and they have been doing a lot of building inspections, due to both remodeling and relocations of businesses. As of now, the burn order is still in effect until November 1, 2020.
- **Police Dept.-** Officer Kevin Perry reported that the police department had received an ADECA Grant that will run from October 1 thru November 4, 2020. There has also been a grant submitted for body cameras. Right now, the department has one inoperable vehicle. They are also gearing up to help facilitate the Shelby County Shindig and the Monster Walk.
- **Library-** Shelia Gallups announced that longtime librarian, Barbara Todd, had passed away. There are plans to purchase a collection of Christian fiction in her memory. The library is now open with a limit of ten people. Guests may come through the side door and are asked to wear a mask. There are four computers available for use with a one hour time limit.

PUBLIC HEARING- REZONING REQUEST

Mayor Handley entertained a motion to suspend the regularly scheduled Council Meeting in order to have a Public Hearing. Council member Ruston made the request to suspend the regular meeting. Council member Whiting seconded the motion. A roll call vote to suspend the regular meeting was voted upon unanimously by all Council members present.

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

Mayor Handley called to order the Public Hearing to hear from anyone speaking for or against the rezoning of Tax Parcel # 21 8 27 0 000 001.000, 21 8 27 0 000 001.004 and 21 5 22 0 000 002.000 from A-1 to R-3. This property is located at Highway 70 and Highway 343 (Amos Mitchell Road).

John Lawley, with Highpointe Properties, spoke in favor of the rezoning. No one present spoke against the rezoning of the property.

Mayor Handley announced that he would entertain a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Council member Ruston made a motion to adjourn. Council member Whiting seconded the motion. A show of hands vote was unanimous to adjourn the Public Hearing.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-20-01

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM A-1 TO R-3

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, certain property located at Highway 70 & Highway 343 (Amos Mitchell Road), Columbiana, AL is currently owned by The Westervelt Company; and

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing on the matter, the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended that, at the request of the property owner, these parcels be rezoned from the A-1 to R-3, subject to certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Columbiana City Council has held a public hearing on the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation and carefully considered the said recommendation and the comments thereon;

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

Section 1. That the zoning district boundaries be amended so as to rezone the following property from A-1 to R-3, and that such rezoning be reflected on the Zoning Map of the City of Columbiana:

Tax Parcel # 21 8 27 0 000 001.000

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Provided, however, that such rezoning is subject to the following condition: Compliance with the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures of the City of Columbiana, and

Section. 2. That the city clerk be directed to publish or post this ordinance as required by law.

This ordinance was adopted and passed by the City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, this the 6th day of October, 2020.

Council member Ruston introduced:

**RESOLUTION 10-20-01
ESTABLISHING A CREDIT CARD POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Columbiana City Council recognizes that the use of credit cards is a customary and economical business practice to improve cash management, reduce costs and increase efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the City also recognizes credit cards to be an appropriate and useful means of making payment for a variety of purchases including registration, travel expense, departmental supplies, subscriptions and on-line purchases; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the need for a policy to administer and monitor credit card purchases by City employees/officials;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City of Columbiana Credit Card Policy is established and approved and said policy is attached to this Resolution.

THEREUPON, said resolution be given a vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by a vote of all Council members present.

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

Adopted this 6th day of October, 2020.

Introduced by Council Member Mayfield:

**RESOLUTION 10-20-02
A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY –
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana, Alabama, has certain items of personal property which are no longer needed for public or municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-43-56 of the Code of Alabama of 1975 authorizes the municipal governing body to dispose of unneeded personal property,

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

SECTION 1. That the following personal property owned by the City of Columbiana, Alabama, Police Department and is not needed for public or municipal purposes:

2005 Ford Crown Victoria VIN Number 2FAFP71W35X128457

SECTION 2. That the city clerk be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to dispose of the personal property owned by the City of Columbiana, Alabama, described in Section 1 above. This vehicle will be donated to the Shelby County Board of Education Career Technical Education Center.

THEREUPON, said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by roll call vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

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

Adopted and approved this 6th day of October, 2020.

Discussion- Mayor’s Office Furniture

Mayor Stancil Handley discussed the fact that his offices within City Hall are furnished with personal items that he owned prior to becoming Mayor. He noted that at the time he initially took office, he was unaware that he should have completed an inventory of the items. He made a request that Council allow him to remove all of his personal items, and that he be allowed to have city employees remove and transport them to his warehouse. Council members were agreeable to his request, but asked that legal counsel with the League of Municipalities be consulted before moving forward with the removal. City Clerk, Charlene Tucker, agreed to contact the League of Municipalities for their guidance.

Discussion- Other City Business

Mayor Stancil Handley announced that the trolley began running again on October 1, 2020.

Council member Kim King stated that she is excited about the Monster Walk to be held on Friday, October 30, 2020, from 4:00 – 5:30pm. Candy donations are welcome and are being accepted at City Hall, Main Street Florist, and The Farm Company.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Stancil Handley reported that he is excited about the new administration, and he pledges his full support and help during the transition.

Announcements

Council member Ruston announced that the Shelby County High School volleyball team will be hosting a tournament. He also stated that this week's football game would be moved from Friday night to Thursday night due to the possibility of inclement weather.

Council member Whiting announced that he is excited about the support that the football team has been receiving from the community.

Public Comments

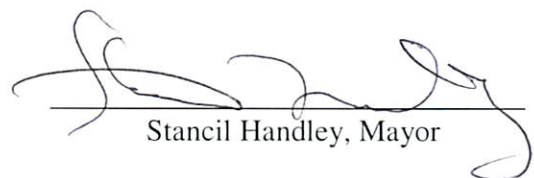
Dale Lucas stated that on Saturday, October 17th at Noon, there will be a drive-thru BBQ stand providing rib plates for all first responders in uniform or with identification. This will be held in the overflow parking lot of the Shelby County Courthouse. All first responders are welcome.

Fire Chief, Johnny Howard stated that there will be a Fall Festival on Halloween night located at Designs Salon and Spa on Highway 47 South, across from the funeral home. The fire department is working on safety procedures.

Susan Conn asked about the need for a new fire station on the side of town where the new subdivisions are being built. Mayor Handley responded by saying that a new fire station and other infrastructure would definitely be driven by new homes being built in the city. Johnny Howard stated that the fire department already has enough equipment to run two fire stations.

There being no further business, Council Member Whiting moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council Member Ruston. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.


Kayce Watkins, Assistant City Clerk


Stancil Handley, Mayor

