



**CITY OF FLORENCE
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
November 18, 2014**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Alabama, was held in the City Hall Auditorium in Florence at 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, November 18, 2014. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Councilmember Morris gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert M. Leyde, City Clerk, performed the roll call and noted that six Councilmembers were present and a quorum was present with the following members of the City Council in attendance: Dave Smith, William D. Jordan, Hermon T. Graham, Barry Morris, Blake Edwards and Andrew Betterton.

AGENDA

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 18, 2014

5:00 P.M.

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1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
 2. Invocation - Councilmember Morris
 3. Pledge of Allegiance
 4. Roll Call - President Jordan
 5. Approval of Agenda
 6. Message from Mayor
 7. Reports of Department Heads
 8. Reports of Standing Committees
 9. Public Hearings: None
 10. Business from floor pertaining to items on the consent and regular agenda (5-minute time limit).
 11. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Florence City Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request. Please call 256-760-6400 for questions on Consent Agenda items prior to the Council meeting.

- (a) Approval of minutes of the November 4, 2014 meeting.
- (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.

- (c) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with PJH Cleaning Service, Inc., to furnish labor, materials and supplies necessary to provide janitorial services for the Electricity Department Office/Warehouse Complex, in the amount of \$1,604.00 per month plus \$.20 per square foot to steam clean carpets and \$0.30 per square foot to strip and wax tile floors, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #369.00–Services, sponsored by Richard Morrissey.
- (d) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Geo-Source, Inc., to perform an environmental site assessment for three lots of commercial property along Terrace Street between Plum and Sycamore Streets, to be expensed to Account #1020-43200, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Shoals Paving, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and sealcoat and restripe the Florence Police Department parking lot, in the amount of \$10,510.00, to be paid from Fund 117, Account #931-42100, sponsored by Chief Tyler.
- (f) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Athens Fence Company, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to install a 35' cantilever gate with operator at the Florence Sanitary Landfill, in the amount of \$9,510.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #1053-43200, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (g) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Alabama Painting, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to pressure wash, brush abrasive walls and piping, and apply two coats of epoxy pool coating to the tank walls, floor and piping at the River Heritage Fountain, in the amount of \$9,850.00, to be paid from Fund 17, Account #266-44725, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (h) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with American Imperial Fence, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to install approximately 700 linear feet of substation fencing including one 20' station gate and one four foot man walk gate at the Parkway 43/12 kV Substation, in the estimated contract amount of \$14,720.00, \$20.00/foot for additional fencing \$437.00 for man walk gate; to be paid from budgeted funds, Account # 353.00 - Transmission Plant Equipment, sponsored by Richard Morrissey.
- (i) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with The Radio Shop, Inc., to provide communications maintenance and service to the City, in the amount of \$1,179.50 per month for a one year period, renewable by mutual agreement for two additional one year periods, to be paid from budgeted funds, Line Item #216 in each department, sponsored by George Grabryan.
- (j) Resolution authorizing the City to approve the 2015 Education Grant Application to the Northwest Alabama RC&D Council to purchase additional education outreach to implement residential recycling carts city-wide, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (k) Resolution authorizing the City to approve an application for grant funds from the Tennessee Valley Authority to purchase 64 gallon carts to be used for residential recycling, sponsored by David Koonce.
- (l) Resolution to approve a contract with the Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children of Florence/Lauderdale County (CASA), in the amount of \$3,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (m) Resolution to approve a contract with Children's Museum of the Shoals, Inc., in the amount of \$10,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (n) Resolution to approve a contract with the Colbert-Lauderdale Attention Homes, Inc., in the amount of \$15,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.

- (o) Resolution to approve a contract with the Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama, Inc., in the amount of \$6,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (p) Resolution to approve a contract with the Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama, Inc. - Meals on Wheels, in the amount of \$7,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (q) Resolution to approve a contract with Florence Main Street, Inc., in the amount of \$50,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds in monthly installments, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (r) Resolution to approve a contract with Downtown Florence Unlimited, Inc., in the amount of \$10,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (s) Resolution to approve a contract with the Northwest Alabama Community Health Association, in the amount of \$5,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (t) Resolution to approve a contract with Rape Response, Inc., in the amount of \$2,500.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (u) Resolution to approve a contract with Maud Lindsey Kindergarten, Inc., in the amount of \$12,825.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (v) Resolution to approve a contract with the Music Preservation Society, Inc., in the amount of \$15,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and the City Council.
- (w) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.

12. Regular Agenda:

- (a) Resolution approving the amendment of the Asset Purchase Agreement and Escrow Agreement between the Health Care Authority of Lauderdale County and the City of Florence, Alabama, and Regional Care Hospital Partners, Inc., and authorizing the Health Care Authority to execute the amendments.
- (b) Resolution authorizing the City to participate in the Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation (MCDC) Initiative and submit the attached MCDC forms regarding City of Florence bond issues.
- (c) Resolution establishing policies and procedures concerning continuing disclosure obligations associated with City of Florence bond issues.

13. General Business:

- (a) Board Openings within the next 90 days or less:

<u>Board</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Beautification Board	Linda Van Sandt	08/05/2008	11/01/14
	Patricia Bulls-Butler	01/03/2012	11/01/14
Historical Board	Billy Richardson	12/17/2005	12/17/14
	David Curott	02/07/2012	12/17/14
	Bradley Dean	12/20/2011	12/17/14

Housing/Construction Appeals Board	Fitzgerald Hill	09/06/05	09/30/14
Library Board	Simpson Russell Peter Paine	01/04/2000 02/18/97	12/01/14 12/01/14
Parks & Rec	Bill Burke Mike Williams	01/06/09 12/01/09	10/30/14 10/30/14
Tree Commission	Louise Bone Preston Hillis	03/01/94 02/03/09	11/03/14 11/03/14

14. Business from the public (5-minute time limit).

15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).

Council member Morris
Council member Graham
Council member Edwards
Council member Betterton
Council member Jordan
Council member Smith

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Message from the Mayor:

Mayor Haddock noted that Saturday, November 29th, has been designated as “Small Business Saturday”. Mayor Haddock encouraged everyone to support our locally-owned businesses.

Mayor Haddock introduced Ms. Debbie Wilson, Director of Tourism. Ms. Wilson recognized Mr. Ernest Haygood for his 19 years of service to the Florence/Lauderdale Tourism Board.

Mayor Haddock asked everyone to go out and support the Florence Falcons against Gardendale on Friday and to support the UNA Lions on Saturday.

Report of Department Heads: None

Report of Standing Committee: None

Public Hearing: None

Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent Ordinance Regular Agenda: None

Consent Agenda:

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the ordinances and resolutions as follow, to-wit:

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution approving the amendment of the Asset Purchase Agreement and Escrow Agreement between the Health Care Authority of Lauderdale County and the City of Florence, Alabama, and Regional Care Hospital Partners, Inc., and authorizing the Health Care Authority to execute the amendments. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Smith moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Betterton seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Betterton moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Councilmember Graham noted that this will help the property owners.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

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Councilmember Graham moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution establishing policies and procedures concerning continuing disclosure obligations associated with City of Florence bond issues. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Edwards moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

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Business from the Public (5-minute time limit):

Mr. Billy Ray Simpson, 755 West Alabama Street, appeared and made general comments regarding the Criminal Justice System. Mr. Simpson stated that the system needs changes.

Mr. Bob Hember, 118 West Lelia Street, appeared and made comments regarding the Children's Museum. Mr. Hember stated that the Lauderdale County School system should help with raising funds for the Museum.

Council Reports and Comments:

Councilmember Morris echoed Mr. Simpson's comments regarding the Criminal Justice System. Councilmember Morris wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Graham thanked everyone in attendance tonight. Councilmember Graham also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Edwards also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Councilmember Edwards stated that we are very blessed.

Councilmember Betterton asked everyone to be safe and cautious during the upcoming holidays.

Councilmember Smith wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

President Jordan stated that several appropriations were approved tonight and the money was well spent.

Councilmember Morris presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

