CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 21, 2017

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 21, 2017. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Councilmember Betterton 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: Kaytrina Simmons, William D. Jordan, David Bradley, Michelle Eubanks, Blake Edwards and Andrew Betterton.

AMENDED AGENDA
CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 2017
5:00 P.M.

1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
2. Invocation
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:
   (a) Proposed rezoning of property located at 2914 Cloverdale Road, 2950 Cloverdale Road and the unaddressed lot at the Southeast corner of the Cloverdale Road/Winborne Drive intersection as requested by Acclaim Holdings, LLC
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 7, 2017, meeting.

(b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.

(c) Resolution to approve the agreement with Thompson Tractor Company to perform preventative maintenance at 250, 500, 1,000 and 2,000 hours of operation on the Gas Department’s 420F Cat Backhoe/Loader, as per the cost schedule contained in the agreement, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #880.500-Maintenance of Equipment, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(d) Resolution to approve the contract with SEC Roofing and Construction, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to replace a roof at the Gas Department, in the amount of $11,200.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390.00-Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(e) Resolution to approve the agreement with ASCO Power Services Inc., for maintenance, emergency services and other essential services for the Wilson Lake Treatment Plant’s emergency transfer switch, in the total amount of $8,532.54 for a five year period, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #652.00-Equipment Maintenance, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(f) Resolution to approve the Small Government Enterprise License Agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., for the use and maintenance of the ESRI software for GIS operations, in the amount of $35,000.00 annually for three years, to be prorated between the Gas Department, Water/Wastewater Departments and other General Fund Departments that continue to access GIS software, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(g) Resolution to approve the contract with Athens Fence Company, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to install fencing at the substation at the new RegionalCare Hospital, in the amount of $8,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390-Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Richard Morrissey. (This item was moved to Regular Agenda Item 12 (c))

(h) Resolution to approve the contract with C&M Testing, LLC, to provide site and construction materials testing for the Florence/Lauderdale Animal Services Building Project, in the amount of $26,165.00, to be paid from bond proceeds, Account #193-42110, sponsored by Leah Fox.

(i) Resolution to approve the contract with the Colbert-Lauderdale Attention Homes, Inc., in the amount of $15,000.00, sponsored by Mayor Holt and the City Council.

(j) Resolution to approve the contract with Northwest Alabama Community Health Association, in the amount of $5,000.00, sponsored by Mayor Holt and the City Council.

(k) Resolution to approve the contract with the Cramer Children’s Center, Inc., in the amount of $5,000.00, sponsored by Mayor Holt and the City Council.

(l) Resolution to reappoint Gina Bailey to the Florence Beautification Board, sponsored by the City Council.

(m) Resolution to reappoint Ralph G. Jones to the Florence Beautification Board, sponsored by the City Council.

(n) Resolution to reappoint Brenda Tease to the Florence Beautification Board, sponsored by the City Council.

(o) Resolution to reappoint Linda Van Sandt to the Florence Beautification Board, sponsored by the City Council.

(p) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Holt.
12. Regular Agenda
   (a) Ordinance to amend Chapter 11 of the Code of Florence, Alabama, as amended, to add Article VI. - Mobile Food Service Vendor Licenses, regarding food truck regulations, sponsored by Bill Musgrove.
   (b) Ordinance to rezone property located at 2914 Cloverdale Road, 2950 Cloverdale Road and the unaddressed lot at the Southeast corner of the Cloverdale Road/Winborne Drive intersection, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
   (c) Resolution to approve the contract with Athens Fence Company, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to install fencing at the substation at the new RegionalCare Hospital, in the amount of $8,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390-Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Richard Morrissey. *(This item was moved from Consent Agenda Item 11 (g)*)

13. General Business
   (a) Board Member Appointed Expires
   Agri-Business Vacancy Leonard Skipworth 06/03/08 11/15/17
   Historical Board Tom White 08/05/14 12/17/17
   David Curott 12/02/14 12/17/17
   Uhland Redd IV 10/20/15 12/17/17
   Rod Whatley 12/18/12 12/17/17
   Library Board (Fl/Laud) Thomas Andrew Frith 11/20/12 12/01/17
   Julie Trapp 11/20/12 12/01/17
   SCOPE 310 Vacancy Josh Webster 08/21/12 07/21/15
   Reginald Owens 04/01/14 07/21/16
   Tree Commission Preston Hillis 02/03/09 11/03/17
   Jacari Holt 03/21/17 11/03/17


15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).
   Council member Edwards
   Council member Betterton
   Council member Simmons
   Council member Bradley
   Council member Eubanks
   Council member Jordan

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan noted that it was decided at the earlier work session to move Consent Agenda Item 11 (g) Resolution to approve the contract with Athens Fence Company, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidental necessary to install fencing at the substation at the new RegionalCare Hospital, in the amount of $8,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390-Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Richard Morrissey to Regular Agenda Item 12 (c).
There being no further changes, President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the amended agenda. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the amended agenda. Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons, William D. Jordan, David Bradley, Michelle Eubanks, Blake Edwards, Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Message from the Mayor:

Mayor Holt noted that today is Councilmember Simmons' birthday and wished her a very happy birthday. Mayor Holt further noted that a groundbreaking ceremony was recently held at the site of the new Florence-Lauderdale Animal Shelter. Mayor Holt wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Report of Department Heads: none

Report of Standing Committee: none

Public Hearing:

President Jordan noted that this is the day and time advertised for a public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning of property located at 2914 Cloverdale Road, 2950 Cloverdale Road and the unaddressed lot at the Southeast corner of the Cloverdale Road/Winborne Drive intersection as requested by Acclaim Holdings, LLC.

Melissa Bailey, Planning Director, appeared and stated that the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the rezoning to the Council.

There being no comments, President Jordan closed the public hearing.

Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent or 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 Edwards seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons  
William D. Jordan  
David Bradley  
Michelle Eubanks  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to amend Chapter 11 of the Code of Florence, Alabama, as amended, to add Article VI. - Mobile Food Service Vendor Licenses, regarding food truck regulations, sponsored by Bill Musgrove. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:
Councilmember Eubanks moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons
     William D. Jordan
     David Bradley
     Michelle Eubanks
     Blake Edwards
     Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Bradley moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Betterton seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Councilmember Edwards stated that he initially had concerns for the brick and mortar businesses but they were answered in the previous work session.

President Jordan made comments in support of the proposed ordinance. President Jordan stated that this will be a good addition to our City.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons
     William D. Jordan
     David Bradley
     Michelle Eubanks
     Blake Edwards
     Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to rezone property located at 2914 Cloverdale Road, 2950 Cloverdale Road and the unaddressed lot at the Southeast corner of the Cloverdale Road/Winborne Drive intersection, sponsored by Melissa Bailey. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:
Councilmember Simmons moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons
William D. Jordan
David Bradley
Michelle Eubanks
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Eubanks moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Simmons seconded the motion.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons
William D. Jordan
David Bradley
Michelle Eubanks
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve the contract with Athens Fence Company, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to install fencing at the substation at the new RegionalCare Hospital, in the amount of $8,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390-Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Richard Morrissey. Said Resolution follows, to wit:
Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons  
William D. Jordan  
David Bradley  
Michelle Eubanks  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

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

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

Ayes: Kaytrina Simmons  
William D. Jordan  
David Bradley  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Abstain: Michelle Eubanks
General Business

(a) Board  Member  Appointed  Expires

Agri-Business Vacancy
Leonard Skipworth  06/03/08  11/15/17

Historical Board
Tom White  08/05/14  12/17/17
David Curott  12/02/14  12/17/17
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SCOPE 310
Vacancy
Josh Webster  08/21/12  07/21/15
Reginald Owens  04/01/14  07/21/16

Tree Commission
Preston Hillis  02/03/09  11/03/17
Jacari Holt  03/21/17  11/03/17

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

Mr. Billy Hammock, Creative Jewelers 216 North Court Street, appeared and made comments regarding the outdoor sidewalk space next door to his business. Mr. Hammock stated that the Woodpecker Café located in the Court Street Market Building closed in January and he wants the City to remove the fenced-in sitting area.

Council Reports and Comments:

Councilmember Edwards stated that the Florence-Lauderdale Animal Shelter project is moving forward. Councilmember Edwards thanked the City employees that were involved in the clean up and restoration of electricity due to the severe storm last Saturday.

Councilmember Betterton had no comment.

Councilmember Simmons wished everyone a very happy Thanksgiving and happy birthday to herself.

Councilmember Bradley also wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and Councilmember Simmons a very happy birthday.

Councilmember Eubanks had no comments.

President Jordan had no comments.
Councilmember Eubanks presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK