The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Alabama, was held in the City Hall Auditorium in Florence at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Ronnie Pannell gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert M. Leyde, City Clerk, performed the roll call and noted that five Councilmembers were present and a quorum was present with the following members of the City Council in attendance: Kaytrina Simmons, William D. Jordan, Michelle Eubanks, Blake Edwards and Andrew Betterton. David Bradley was absent.

AMENDED AGENDA
CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 6, 2018
10:30 A. M.

1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
2. Invocation - Ronnie Pannell
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:
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 February 20, 2018, meeting.
   (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.
   (c) Resolution to approve the contract with USIC Locating Services, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals to locate and mark underground facilities (Electric, Natural Gas, Water, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Sewer) for the Electricity Department, in the amounts of $16.88 per 1,000 feet, $42.00 hourly rate and $320.00 site monitoring per day, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #594.00 - Maintenance of Underground Lines, sponsored by Richard Morrissey.
(d) Resolution to approve the contract with Joel John McGee automatic Gates, to provide labor, materials, equipment and incidentals necessary to install two (2) gates at the Gas Department, in the amount of $15,100.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390.00 - Structures & Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(e) Resolution to approve the contract with Maintenance Plus, to provide labor, materials, equipment and incidentals necessary to replace a 7.5 ton HVAC unit at the Gas Department, in the amount of $7,600.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390.00 - Structures and Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(f) Resolution to approve the contract with ICS General Contractors, to provide labor, materials, equipment and incidentals necessary to replace the roof at the Gas Department, in the amount of $9,998.90, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #390.00 - Structures and Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

(g) Resolution to approve the License Agreement for Underground Pipelines, Cables and Conduits between the City and Tennessee Southern Railroad Company, LLC, sponsored by Mike Doyle. **(This item was moved to Regular Agenda Item 12 (a)**

(h) Resolution to approve the contract with H-GAC to purchase a fire truck, in the amount of $870,188.16, to be expensed to Account 1147-42200, sponsored by Jeffrey Perkins.

(i) Resolution to approve the Agreement between the City and Cindy Mashburn, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner, to provide examinations and equipment for victims of sexual assault through the ADECA VOCA (Victims of Crime Assistance) grant funds, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.

(j) Resolution to approve the Agreement between the City and Kelsey Farris, Administrative Assistant/Victim Advocate, to provide services for victims of sexual assault through the ADECA VOCA (Victims of Crime Assistance) grant funds, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.

(k) Resolution to approve the renewal of the Use Agreement between the City and the Florence Marina City, Inc., for the use of the Florence Harbor and Marina for a period of five (5) years, sponsored by Bill Musgrove.

(l) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Holt.

12. Regular Agenda:

(a) Resolution to approve the License Agreement for Underground Pipelines, Cables and Conduits between the City and Tennessee Southern Railroad Company, LLC, sponsored by Mike Doyle. **(This item was moved from Consent Agenda Item 11 (g)**

13. General Business:

(a) Resolution - Alcohol Beverage License Application for a FullMenu with On-Premises Liquor-Beer-Wine by BBB FLORENCE LLC, d/b/a BIG BAD BREAKFAST, located at 313 AND 315 NORTH COURT STREET, FLORENCE, AL 35630, sponsored by Robert M. Leyde.

(b) Resolution - Alcohol Beverage License Application for a Special Event with On-Premises Liquor, Beer & Wine by THE PIE FACTORY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, INC., d/b/a SMOKE ON THE WATER, located at 333 JIM SPAIN DRIVE, FLORENCE, AL 35630, to take place on April 28, 2018, sponsored by Robert M. Leyde.

(c) Resolution - Alcohol Beverage License Application for a Special Event with On-Premises Liquor, Beer & Wine by RM MUSIC LLC, d/b/a RED MARLOW CONCERT, located at 702 EAST VETERANS DRIVE, FLORENCE, AL 35630, to take place on March 31, 2018, sponsored by Robert M. Leyde.

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

Council member Simmons
Council member Bradley
Council member Eubanks
Council member Edwards
Council member Betterton
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 License Agreement for Underground Pipelines, Cables and Conduits between the City and Tennessee Southern Railroad Company, LLC, sponsored by Mike Doyle to Regular Agenda Item 12 (a).

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 Eubanks seconded the motion.

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

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

Noes: None

Message from the Mayor:

Mayor Holt along with student Mayors read a Proclamation designating Thursday, March 8, as “Child Hunger Awareness” day.

Report of Department Heads: None

Report of Standing Committee:

Councilmember Edwards, Utilities Committee Chairperson, comments follow, to wit:
Public Hearing: None

Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent or Regular Agenda:

Mr. Billy Ray Simpson, 755 West Alabama Street, appeared and made comments in opposition to the alcohol beverage resolutions that appear on today's agenda.

Ms. Shirley Schofield, Director of the Food Bank of North Alabama, appeared and thanked Mayor Holt for presenting the proclamation regarding child hunger.

Consent Agenda:

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items. Councilmember Simmons moved for approval of the ordinances and resolutions as follow, to-wit:
Councilmember Eubanks seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

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

Noes: None  

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve the License Agreement for Underground Pipelines, Cables and Conduits between the City and Tennessee Southern Railroad Company, LLC, sponsored by Mike Doyle. Said Resolution follows, to wit:
Councilmember Edwards moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

President Jordan seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

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

Noes: None

Councilmember Edwards moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Betterton seconded the motion.

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

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

Noes: None

Abstain: Michelle Eubanks

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Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

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

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

Noes: None

Councilmember Eubanks moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Betterton seconded the motion.

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

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

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

Noes: None

Councilmember Betterton moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Eubanks seconded the motion.

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilmember Betterton moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

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

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

Noes: None

Councilmember Betterton moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Eubanks seconded the motion.

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

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

Noes: None
Business from the Public (5-minute time limit):

Mr. Billy Ray Simpson, 755 West Alabama Street, appeared and stated that he is disappointed that the video coverage of the Council meetings will be discontinued after today’s meeting. Mr. Simpson further stated we need to be more proactive in protecting our school children. Mr. Simpson stated that all schools need metal detectors.

Ms. Wendy Spencer appeared and noted that the Quad Cities Urban Arts Expo will be held on April 14 at the new gym in Sheffield.

Ms. Rachel Mansell, Recycle Outreach Co-ordinator, appeared and noted that the City Wide Cleanup Day will be Saturday, March 10.

Council Reports and Comments:

Councilmember Simmons thanked the Exchange Club, City of Florence and students for participating in “Youth in Government” day. Councilmember Simmons stated that construction of the Bellamy Housing project is on schedule. Councilmember Simmons asked everyone to participate in the city-wide cleanup.

Councilmember Eubanks thanked Riverhill School for their birthday party for Florence. Councilmember Eubanks stated that the District 4 newsletter should be in the mail soon.

Councilmember Edwards stated that he attended the press conference at the hospital and that December 6 is the opening date for the new hospital. Councilmember Edwards reminded everyone of the City’s birthday party on Monday at 3:00 p.m. at Wilson Park.

Councilmember Betterton welcomed the students to “Youth in Government” day. Councilmember Betterton stated that he is very excited about the new hospital opening in December.

President Jordan thanked the Exchange Club for supporting “Youth in Government” day.
Councilmember Edwards presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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