



**CITY OF FLORENCE
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
JULY 2, 2019**

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, July 2, 2019. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Mayor Holt 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.

AGENDA

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 2, 2019

5:00 P.M.

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1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
 2. Invocation - Mayor Holt
 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 June 10, June 18, and June 26, 2019, meetings.
- (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.
- (c) Resolution to approve a contract with Coldwater Landscapes, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals necessary to install approximately 675 feet of two rail scarfed fence around the perimeter of the asphalt parking lot at the Cypress Creek Public Access Area, in an amount not to exceed \$9,939.32, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #304.03, Structures and Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.

- (d) Resolution to approve a contract with Commercial Industrial Renovators, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals necessary to paint multiple structures at the Rickwood Road Gas Department complex, in an amount not to exceed \$14,500.00 to be paid from budgeted Funds, Account #862.00, Structures and Improvements, sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (e) Resolution to approve a contract with Global Fire Sprinklers, LLC, to provide professional services necessary to provide monthly and annual fire pump inspections and annual sixth floor sprinkler inspection of the Florence-Lauderdale Government Building, in an amount not to exceed \$1,950.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #400-266-41820, sponsored by Shannon Olive.
- (f) Resolution to approve a contract with Langston Service Group, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals necessary to replace a compressor and repair a leak in an HVAC unit at the Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum, in an amount not to exceed \$5,150.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #266-44410, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (g) Resolution to approve a contract with Raney Construction Company, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals necessary to perform repair work to include restoring the front entryway and restoration of the side porch at the Karsner-Kennedy House, in an amount not to exceed \$14,075.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #110-939-48100, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (h) Resolution to approve an Investment Banking Agreement with The Frazer Lanier Company, Inc., sponsored by William D. Jordan.
- (i) Resolution to approve a contract with Joe Keenum Excavation and Construction, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals necessary for the Downtown Florence Streetscape – East Tennessee Street Phase III and College Street Phase II, in the amount of \$2,885,824.00, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
- (j) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Holt.

12. Regular Agenda:

- (a) Ordinance to lease Suite 510/514 in the Florence-Lauderdale Government Building to Michael Brandt for a term of three years commencing on August 1, 2019, in the amount of \$3,750.00 per year, sponsored by Shannon Olive.
- (b) Resolution to approve a First Amendment to Lease Agreement with the Florence-Lauderdale Tourism Board, sponsored by Shannon Olive and Bill Musgrove.
- (c) Resolution committing to partner with the University of North Alabama in renovating the Collins Medical Office Building by providing an amount not to exceed \$400,000 over a two year period when and if the University takes title to the building, sponsored by William D. Jordan.
- (d) Resolution to support Lauderdale County applying for grant funds for the construction of additional lanes on U.S. Highway 72/State Route 2/Florence Boulevard from Indian Springs Subdivision to Harris Drive, sponsored by Mayor Holt.

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>
Agri-Business	Vacancy	12/19/17	11/20/18
Port Authority	Katy Beth Carr	04/02/1307/21/19	
Scope 310	Reginald Owens	10/03/06	07/21/19
	MaLeah Chaney	12/19/17	07/21/19
Tree Commission	2 - Vacancies		
Zoning Adjustments	Robbie Hillis	05/07/13	05/17/19

14. Business from the public (5-minute time limit).
15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).

Council member Betterton
Council member Simmons
Council member Eubanks
Council member Bradley
Council member Edwards
Council member Jordan
Mayor Steve Holt

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Simmons 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 presented accommodations to Mars Hill Bible School Baseball and Softball Teams. Mayor Holt noted that both teams won Division 1A State Championships.

Mayor Holt stated that Ms. Michele Jones' appointment to the Planning Commission is on tonight's agenda. Mayor Holt further noted that, weather permitting, paving will begin tomorrow on the East Florence Roundabout.

Report of Department Heads: None

Report of Standing Committee: None

Public Hearings: None

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 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 an Ordinance to lease Suite 510/514 in the Florence-Lauderdale Government Building to Michael Brandt for a term of three years commencing on August 1, 2019, in the amount of \$3,750.00 per year, sponsored by Shannon Olive. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Eubanks moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Edwards 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 Simmons moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. 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

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve a First Amendment to Lease Agreement with the Florence-Lauderdale Tourism Board, sponsored by Shannon Olive and Bill Musgrove. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Simmons 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 Simmons 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

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution committing to partner with the University of North Alabama in renovating the Collins Medical Office Building by providing an amount not to exceed \$400,000 over a two year period when and if the University takes title to the building, sponsored by William D. Jordan. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Eubanks moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Betterton 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. President Jordan seconded the motion.

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

Ayes:
William D. Jordan
Blake Edwards
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Abstain: Kaytrina Simmons
Michelle Eubanks

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to support Lauderdale County applying for grant funds for the construction of additional lanes on U.S. Highway 72/State Route 2/Florence Boulevard from Indian Springs Subdivision to Harris Drive, sponsored by Mayor Holt. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

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 Betterton moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Simmons 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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President Jordan noted that at the earlier work session, the Council nominated Mr. B. J. Brewer to serve on the Agri-Business Board and his nomination will appear on the next City Council agenda.

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

Council Reports and Comments:

Councilmember Betterton had no comments.

Councilmember Simmons noted that the work in the West Florence/Nance Street configuration is completed. Councilmember Simmons thanked Bill Batson, City Engineer, and David Koonce, Street Department Director, for their work on this project. Councilmember Simmons further noted that a traffic speed study is planned for that area.

Councilmember Eubanks noted that the work on Decatur Avenue is continuing. Councilmember Eubanks reminded everyone of the “Spirit of Freedom” celebration on July 4 at McFarland Park.

Councilmember Edwards wished everyone a safe July 4. Councilmember Edwards noted that short-term rentals were discussed at today’s work session. Councilmember Edwards further noted that there will be a public meeting regarding this matter on July 22 in the Council Auditorium.

President Jordan noted that Pope’s Tavern Museum has reopened.

Councilmember Edwards presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK