



MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers | 1953 Municipal Way
Alabaster, AL
September 17, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Scott Brakefield Called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

ROLL CALL

Sophie Martin, Rick Ellis, Stacy Rakestraw, Greg Farrell, Russell Bedsole, Scott Brakefield, Kerri Pate

PRESENT

Council Member - Ward 2 Rick Ellis
Council Member - Ward 3 Stacy Rakestraw
Council Member - Ward 4 Greg Farrell
Council Member - Ward 5 Russell Bedsole
Council Member - Ward 6 Scott Brakefield
Council Member - Ward 7 Kerri Pate

ABSENT

Council Member - Ward 1 Sophie Martin

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Reconsideration Request: Alcohol License Request ABC - Southern Star LLC / Amstar 14 Alabaster

Regional Director for Amstar, Michelle Duren requested to have the Council reconsider the denied 160 - Special Retail Alcohol License for Southern Star LLC / Amstar 14 Alabaster located at 820 Colonial Promenade Parkway. This license would allow for the sale of liquor. Specifically they would like to install a Frozen Jack and Coke Machine. They will not have a bartender and will not be modifying the business model of the theaters. This item will be on the agenda for Monday night for reconsideration.

2. Proposed Code of Ordinances Updates Regarding Business Licenses

Finance Director John Haggard and Auditor Jamie Wagner discussed with Council proposed changes for the City of Alabaster's Business License Ordinance. Some changes will be a simple adjustment of language and others will be changes in the way that the licenses are calculated. Many other cities have moved from a flat fee to a gross receipts' calculation. Council will discuss during an upcoming meeting.

3. FY2020 4th Quarter Budget Adjustments

Finance Director John Haggard went line by line for each department and presented the 4th Quarter Budget Adjustments for revenues and expenditures. Council will consider during Monday's Regular City Council Meeting.

4. FY2021 Budget Presentation

Finance Director John Haggard presented the final 2021 Budget Presentation to City Council. This was the final presentation prior to adoption. This item was added to Monday's agenda.

5. MS4 Update

City Administrator Brian Binzer updated the Council on the progress of the City's MS4 Project for 2020. The City is fulfilling the educational portion of the project and is on track to meet all the requirements for this year's project.

6. City Wide Wireless Access Point Upgrade (Ruckus)

IT Director Patrick Johnson discussed with Council access points for several of the City's Wifi locations. These are not public Wifi devices, instead they are internal access devices. This project replaces 15 existing Ruckus R730 units and adds one new outdoor device for the APD to allow video offloading from the vehicle. Item added to Monday's agenda.

7. Review Request for Fire Department Purchase of CPR Assist Devices

Fire Chief Tim Love reviewed a request for the Alabaster Fire Department to purchase three (3) Lucas 3.1 CPR Assist Devices through the NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Contract Number OK-SW300 at a cost of \$47,979 with 100% refunding through the CARES Act. This item was added to Monday's meeting.

8. C-Spire Agreement for ROW Discussion

City Attorney Jeff Brumlow reviewed a proposed C-Spire franchise agreement and the changes requested by the City. Council asked Mr. Brumlow to continue to work with C-Spire and look into reducing the agreement to a 7-year term and requiring permits and inspections.

9. Review Agreement with ATC Relating to the new Police Department Building Construction Materials Testing Services

City Administrator Brian Binzer discussed an agreement for the construction materials testing services needed for the new Alabaster Police Department building at a cost of \$30,165.00. This will be included on Monday's agenda.

10. ALDOT and Other City Projects - Update and Review

Director of Engineering, Fred Hawkins and City Administrator, Brian Binzer updated Council on various ALDOT and other City projects within the City of Alabaster.

- ATRIP II Funding is coming up again this year and we are looking at trying to improve the Hwy 119 / US 31 intersection. Council asked to proceed with the application.
- APPLE Study available through the Regional Planning Commission that can be used to study Hwy 119 or on a trail plan. This is a \$60K project with a \$12K match. Council asked to proceed with the application.
- There is possible trail funding available to pave the Buck Creek Trail, replace a bridge and add lighting. This can be up to a million-dollar project with an 80/20 match and would begin with approximately \$100,000 engineering project to develop a plan.
- ALDOT Rail-Highway Safety Program grant available. There are 6 crossings that have been identified that the City could enhance safety. Each crossing will cost approximately \$250K. Council asked Mr. Hawkins to identify 4 sites and proceed with the project.
- ALDOT's Hwy 119 expansion project has 8 properties are under contract and they are planning on breaking ground in March.

11. *Ordinance 20-106 An Ordinance to Rezone Multiple Properties within the Camp Branch Estates, 2nd and 3rd Additions, and other Adjacent Parcels from Municipal Reserve District to Agriculture District

Public Hearing set for Monday night for Ordinance 20-106 An Ordinance to Rezone Multiple Properties within the Camp Branch Estates, 2nd and 3rd Additions, and other Adjacent Parcels from Municipal Reserve District to Agriculture District. Properties also known as the Fogle Lake Property.

12. *Ordinance 20-107 An Ordinance to Prezone Property of Alabama Baptist Childrens Home at 100 Meadow Creek Lane

Public Hearing set for Monday night for Ordinance 20-107 An Ordinance to Prezone Property of Alabama Baptist Childrens Home in the vicinity of 100 Meadow Creek Lane.

13. *Ordinance 20-108 An Ordinance to Rezone Property of Western REI LLC located at 229 Kent Stone Blvd to B-3 Community Business District

Public Hearing set for Monday night for Ordinance 20-108 An Ordinance to Rezone Property of Western REI LLC located at 229 Kent Stone Blvd to B-3 Community Business District

14. Adding Scott Brakefield as Authorized Check Signer

Finance Director John Haggard discussed adding Mayor Elect Scott Brakefield as an authorized check signer for the City of Alabaster. This was added to Monday's agenda.

UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS ON MONDAY'S AGENDA:

A. *Resolution 092120-A A Resolution to Abate Weeds at Two Properties

Public hearings to abate weeds at two properties within the City of Alabaster. Properties were declared a nuisance with Resolution No 072020-A and amended by Resolution 081720-B setting the public hearings for September 21, 2020. At the request of the Fire Marshall, 148 Grande View Lane was removed from the active abatement list.

B. Naming Directors of the Public Building Authority (PBA)

Naming John Aaron, Jim McClain, and Derrick Morrissette directors of the Public Building Authority (PBA) for the City of Alabaster.

C. Appointing Members of the Library Board - Set for Monday

Following a recommendation from the Library Board - re-appointing Nancy Hicks and Judy Mosely to the Library Board with terms set to expire in October 31, 2024.

15. Executive Session Relating to Purchase of Real Property

Council Member Rakestraw made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:22 PM, which was seconded by Council Member Farrell. Council President Brakefield announced that the Council would not reconvene following the Executive Session.

City Attorney Brumlow confirmed the Executive Session was in order. *Executive Session for Legal Matters Involving Consideration for Purchase of Real Property within the City of Alabaster – Updating the City Council on legal matters involving consideration the city is willing to offer or accept with the purchase of real property Ala. Code § 36-25A-7(a)(6) within the City of Alabaster.*

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Rakestraw made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Council Member Ellis. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM



J. Mark Frey, City Clerk



Scott Brakefield, Council President