



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Council Chamber | 1953 Municipal Way
Alabaster, AL
June 09, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

The Pre-Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM and the Council organized for the Regular Meeting that was called to order at 6:31 PM with Council President Sophie Martin presiding.

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Sophie Martin, Rick Ellis, Stacy Rakestraw, Greg Farrell, Jamie Cole, Zach Zahariadis, Kerri Pate

PRESENT

- Council Member - Ward 1 Sophie Martin
- Council Member - Ward 2 Rick Ellis
- Council Member - Ward 3 Stacy Rakestraw
- Council Member - Ward 4 Greg Farrell
- Council Member - Ward 5 Jamie Cole
- Council Member - Ward 6 Zach Zahariadis
- Council Member - Ward 7 Kerri Pate

MINUTES APPROVAL

- A. 05-22-2025 Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting and Work Session**
- B. 06-05-2025 Minutes - Work Session City Council**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

MAYOR BRAKEFIELD COMMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS

- C. Recognition of Public Works Staff**

Mayor Brakefield recognized several members of the Public Works Department who have worked diligently in recent weeks due to the storms.

- D. Central State Scholarship Presentation**

Brandi Hamilton with Central State Bank will present this year's Central State Bank Scholarships to Cooper Burkes, Kaitlyn Burnett, and Sasha Gann.

- E. Juneteenth Observance 2025 Proclamation**
- F. Men's Mental Health Proclamation** – Presented to Fire Chaplin Derrick Morrisette
- G. Resolution 060925-D Mayors Appointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission - Place 1**

Mayor Brakefield appointed River Morris (in attendance) to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term expiring 12/01/2029. Filling the unexpired term of Mike Allen.

H. Mayor's Chief of Police Recommendation to City Council

Mayor Brakefield thanked Tracy Worley and all who were involved in the process to identify Alabaster's new Police Chief. He made a formal recommendation to offer the position to Captain Grant Humphries.

AGENDA ITEMS

* Public Hearing on these Items ** Set Public Hearing on these Items

1. Resolution 060925-F Appointing Police Chief for the City of Alabaster

Upon the recommendation of Mayor Scott Brakefield, City Council appointed Grant Humphries as the new Police Chief for the City of Alabaster.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Motion carried.

Mayor Brakefield thanked the Council for their appointment and swore in Grant Humphries as Alabaster's new Police Chief.

2. *Resolution 060925.1 Revocation of Grace Spa AL LLC Business License

Public Hearing, set at the request of the Shelby County Drug Task Force and the Alabaster Police Chief, for the Revocation of Grace Spa LLC Business License.

Council Member Rick Ellis introduced Resolution 060925.1 Revocation of Grace Spa AL LLC Business License. Council President Sophie Martin opened up the public hearing and City Attorney Jeff Brumlow stated that the Shelby County Drug Task Force and Police Chief Rigney had recommended revocation of the business license due to alleged illegal activities within the business.

SPEAKING FOR REVOCATION:

Jeff Brumlow, City Attorney
Lt. Lane Smith, Shelby County Drug Taskforce

SPEAKING AGAINST REVOCATION:

None

Council President Martin closed the Public Hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried. Business License revoked.

3. *Resolution 060925-A.1 Revocation of Tru Acupressure Clinic LLC Business License

Public Hearing, set at the request of the Shelby County Drug Task Force and the Alabaster Police Chief, for the Revocation of Tru Acupressure Clinic LLC Business License.

Council Member Rick Ellis introduced Resolution 060925-A.1 Revocation of Tru Acupressure Clinic, LLC Business License. Council President Sophie Martin opened up the public hearing and City Attorney Jeff Brumlow stated that the Shelby County Drug Task Force and Police Chief Rigney had recommended revocation of the business license due to alleged illegal activities within the business.

SPEAKING FOR REVOCATION:

Jeff Brumlow, City Attorney
Investigator Sims, Shelby County Drug Taskforce

SPEAKING AGAINST REVOCATION:

Craig Cleckler, P.C
Business Owner "Lucy"

Council President Martin closed the Public Hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. Motion carried. Business License revoked.

4. *Ordinance 25-233 Rezoning 1520 Simmsville Road to B-4 General Business District

Public Hearing, set at the request of Robert C Barnett ½ INT & Charles G. Kessler Jr Trustee of the Nina J Kessler Family Trust, applicant Stoic Equity Partners LLC, Rezoning 1520 Simmsville Road from B-3 (Community Business District to B-4 (General Business District). PID 13 7 36 1 001 027.001

Council President Sophie Martin opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. No one spoke for or against. Council President Martin closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Motion carried.

5. *Ordinance 25-234 An Ordinance to Prezone 3 Parcels Highway 31 (Fulton Crossing) to B-3

Public Hearing, set at the request of owner, Western REI LLC, to pre-zone three parcels West of Hwy 31 (23 1 12 0 000 036.000; 23 1 12 0 000 036.001; 23 1 12 0 000 036.004) to B-3 (Community Business District).

Council President Sophie Martin opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. No one spoke for or against. Council President Martin closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis. Motion carried.

6. *Ordinance 25-235 An Ordinance to Alter and Rearrange the Corporate Limits of the City of Alabaster Alabama Annexing 3 Parcels West of Hwy 31

Public Hearing, set at the request of Western REI LLC, annexing 3 Parcels West of Hwy 31 into the City of Alabaster. (Parcels: 23 1 12 0 000 036.000; 23 1 12 0 000 036.001; 23 1 12 0 000 036.004)

Council President Sophie Martin opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. No one spoke for or against. Council President Martin closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. Motion carried.

7. *Ordinance 25-236 An Ordinance to Prezone 430 Highway 31 (Fulton Crossing)

Public Hearing, set at the request of Western REI LLC, to prezone 430 Hwy 31 (PIN: 23 1 12 0 000 043.000) to R-6 (Multifamily District).

Council President Sophie Martin opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. No one spoke for or against. Council President Martin closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis. Motion carried.

8. *Ordinance 25-237 An Ordinance to Alter and Rearrange the Corporate Limits of the City of Alabaster Alabama by Annexing 430 Hwy 31

Public Hearing, set at the request of Western REI LLC, annexing 430 Hwy 31 (PIN: 23 1 12 0 000 043.000) into the City of Alabaster.

Council President Sophie Martin opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. No one spoke for or against. Council President Martin closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis. Motion carried.

9. Resolution 060925-B Declaring Items within Various Departments as Surplus

Declaring items within various departments as surplus.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Motion carried.

10. Resolution 060922-C Absentee Elections Manager

Setting the compensation for the function of Absentee Election Manager for the City of Alabaster pursuant to Section 17-11-14 Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried.

11. Resolution 060925-E MOU for the City of Alabaster Health Fair 2025

Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between ACS, Discover Shelby, Baptist Health Shelby and the City of Alabaster for the 2025 Alabaster Health Fair.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. Motion carried.

12. Resolution 060925-G Authorizing an Agreement with Stone and Sons for Traffic Signal Modification at Thompson Rd and 1st Ave and Navajo Trail

Authorizing an agreement with Stone & Sons for traffic signal upgrades at Thompson Rd/1st Ave W/Navajo Trail in the amount not to exceed \$80,000.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Voting Yea: Council Member - Ward 1 Martin, Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis, Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Motion carried.

13. **Ordinance 25-241 Amend Section 111-111 Keeping of Animals

Setting a public hearing for Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM to amend Section 111-111 Keeping of Animals ordinance - related to bees, within the City of Alabaster.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

****Ordinance 25-239 Pre-Zoning 104 Meadow Creek Lane to E Single Family Estate Residential District**

Setting a public hearing for Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM, set at the request of Charles R Holderfield and Whitney Holderfield, pre-zoning 104 Meadow Creek Lane (PIN: 13 7 26 1 001 004.004) to E (Single Family Estate Residential District).

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried.

****Ordinance 25-240 An Ordinance to Alter and Rearrange the Corporate Limits of the City of Alabaster**

Setting a public hearing for Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM, at the request of Charles R Holderfield and Whitney Holderfield, annexing 104 Meadow Creek Lane (PIN: 13 7 26 1 001 004.004) into the Corporate Limits of the City of Alabaster.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried.

****Ordinance 25-242 An Ordinance Establishing the Use of Electronic Vote Counting Devices**

Setting a Public Hearing for Monday, June 23, 2025 at 6:30 PM for an Ordinance Establishing the Use of Electronic Vote Counting Devices for Municipal Elections held within the City of Alabaster.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Rick Ellis congratulated Chief Humphries on his appointment to the new Police Chief.

Council Member Greg Farrell thanked Tracy Worley, the Mayor and the whole team for their tremendous effort in hiring the new Police Chief.

Council Member Jamie Cole echoed the previous comments and added his appreciation for everyone who made this year's CityFest a great success.

Council President Sophie Martin thanked Jamie Cole for his tremendous effort in making this year's CityFest the best yet.

**WORK SESSION SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025 AT 5:30 PM.
(Preceding the Regular City Council Meeting which begins at 6:30)**

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Greg Farrell, Council President Pro Tem