



## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chamber | 1953 Municipal Way

Alabaster, AL

February 12, 2024

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### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM and the Council organized for the Regular City Council Meeting which started 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. **01-22-2024 Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting**
- B. **02-08-2024 Minutes - Work Session City Council**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Minutes approved.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Greg Farrell made a motion to amend the agenda to include item #14 - Resolution 021224-J Relating to Agreement with Alabama Power for Traffic Signals.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Amended agenda approved.

### MAYOR BRAKEFIELD COMMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS

- C. **Resolution 021224 Mayoral Beautification Board Appointments**

Appointing Donna Morris, Loretta Barber and Janice Lacey to Place A of the Alabaster Beautification Board with terms expiring December 1, 2026.

- D. **Arbor Day Proclamation 2024**

Arbor Day Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, February 24th at 8:00 AM.

### AGENDA ITEMS

- \* Public Hearing on these Items
- \*\* Set Public Hearing on these Items

**1. \*Ordinance 24-194 Amending Administrative Sections of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alabaster**

Public Hearing to amend various portions of the the Alabaster Zoning Ordinance.

Council President Sophie Martin called the public hearing to order and asked if anyone would like to speak in favor or against the ordinance. No one spoke for or against said ordinance. The public hearing was closed.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. Motion carried. Ordinance adopted.

**2. \*\*Ordinance 24-195 Authorizing Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Southeast dba Charter Communications Inc**

Setting a public hearing for Monday, February 26, 2024 at 6:30 PM to consider approving the new 2024 Charter Franchise Agreement request.

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

**3. \*\*Ordinance 24-196 Cancelling Delinquent Business Licenses on March 1 of Each Year**

Setting a public hearing for Monday, February 26, 2024 at 6:30 PM to amend Section 8-34 of the Alabaster Code of Ordinances relating to business licenses.

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

**4. Resolution 021224-A Authorizing Agreement with ALDOT for Project No STPAA-003(655) and (656)**

Authorizing agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation for State paving project on US31 - Project #STPAA-003(655) and (656).

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

**5. Resolution 021224-B Declaring Items within Various Departments as Surplus**

Declaring surplus items within various departments within the City of Alabaster.

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

**6. Resolution 021224-C Authorizing Funding for 2024 Gone Fishin Not Just Wishin Event**

Approving request to support the Exceptional Anglers event, Gone Fishin', Not Just Wishin', at Oak Mountain State Park on May 8-10, 2024 in the amount of \$3,000.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. 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.

**7. Resolution 021224-D Authorize and Accept Grant Application for Senior Center**

Authorizing the application and acceptance of the Shelby County Senior Grant to aid in funding programs and services for seniors in the community in the amount of \$2,000.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw. 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.

**8. Resolution 021224-E Approving Issuance of ABC License -Lexy Express LLC dba I65 Chevron**

Approving a request for a 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 – Retail Wine (Off Premises Only) Alcohol License for Lexy Express LLC dba I65 Chevron at 1100 1ST ST S Alabaster, AL 35007.

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

**9. Resolution 021224-F Authorizing Agreements for General Liability, Workers Comp, and Cyber Insurance**

Authorizing the Mayor to sign the 2024 insurance renewal agreements with AMIC for Liability Insurance, MWCF for Workers Comp Insurance, and RPS for Cyber Security Insurance with a cost not to exceed \$985,421.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis. 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.

**10. Resolution 021224-G Authorizing Agreement with TrainFo**

Authorizing a one year pilot agreement with Train Crossing Communication System | TrainFo to provide a system which notifies Waze, Daktronics Message Boards, 911 Maps and ESRI ArcGIS the status of railroad crossings at a cost not to exceed \$38,990.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, 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.

**11. Resolution 021224-H Authorize and Accept Grant Applications for the City of Alabaster**

Authorizing City Departments to apply for and accept all grants for which there are no matching funds required by the city.

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

**12. Resolution 021224-I Approving Issuance of ABC License - Kent Kwik 920**

Approving a request for a 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 – Retail Wine (Off Premises Only) Alcohol License for Kent Stone Development LLC / Kent Kwik 920 at 1565 Simmsville Rd Alabaster, AL 35007.

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

**13. \*\*Resolution 022624 Assessing Weed Abatement Cost for 1226 Thompson Rd**

Setting a public hearing for Monday, February 26, 2024, 6:30 PM to place a lien on property located at 1226 Thompson Rd for weed abatement.

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

**14. Resolution 021224-J Street Lighting and Traffic Agreement**

Authorizing an agreement with Alabama Power relating to three traffic signals on Hwy 119 at Fulton Springs Road, Smokey Road, and Veteran's Park, as well as two other signals at Patriots Park and Industrial and 1st Ave W at CR 17.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. 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.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Rocky Donahoo**

292 Kent Dairy Rd

Inquired about the traffic issues at Kent Dairy Rd/SR-119 with traffic congestion.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council President Sophie Martin thanked Mr. Donahoo for coming to the meeting and she stated that during the last Council Meeting, the city had ordered a traffic study for the Kent Dairy Rd/SR-119 intersection.

**WORK SESSION SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024, AT 6:00 PM**

**ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

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**J. Mark Frey, City Clerk**

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**Sophie Martin, Council President**