



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Council Chamber | 1953 Municipal Way  
Alabaster, AL  
April 28, 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 6:30 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. 04-14-2025 Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting**
- B. 04-24-2025 Minutes - Work Session City Council**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate.  
Motion carried. Minutes approved.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

**MAYOR BRAKEFIELD COMMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- C. Teen Council Induction Ceremony**

Mayor Brakefield expressed his appreciation for Karen Fillingim and Brandon Mathews in working with the Alabaster Teen Council. He then swore in all of the new members of the Teen Council.

- D. Stroke Awareness Month Proclamation**

Mayor Brakefield welcomed Sanchez Tanniehill and presented the Stroke Awareness Month Proclamation and announced that the Water Tower and Police Station would be lit up in Red during the Month of May for Stroke Awareness.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

- E. Library Report - March 2025** - Council Member Rick Ellis
- F. Public Works Monthly Report - March 2025** - Council Member Stacy Rakestraw

- G. **AFD Monthly Report - March 2025** - Council Member Greg Farrell
- H. **APD Monthly Activity Report - March 2025** - Council Member Zach Zahariadis
- I. **Building and Engineering Monthly Report - March 2025** - Council Member Kerri Pate

## AGENDA ITEMS

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

### 1. **\*Ordinance 25-232 Authorizing the Transfer of Property to the PBA**

Public Hearing to Authorize the transfer of the property located at the corner of SR-119 and Thompson Rd to the Public Building Authority of the City of Alabaster.

Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis made a motion to set aside the rules and allow adoption of Ordinance 23-232 during its first reading which was seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Roll Call 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.

Council President Martin opened up a public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak for or against said ordinance. Hearing and seeing none, she closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 2 Ellis, 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

### 2. **Resolution 042825 Establishing Voting Location and MOU with ABOE for the 2025 Municipal Election**

Establishing the voting location and MOU for the 2025 Municipal Election as 128 Market Center Drive, Alabaster Alabama.

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

### 3. **Resolution 042825-A Authorizing Agreement with Sain and Associates for Construction Inspection Services - Thompson Rd and SR-119**

Authorizing a Professional Services Contract with Sain and Associates for Construction Inspection services for the roadway and signal improvements to Thompson Road and SR 119 in the amount not to exceed \$166,290.

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

### 4. **Resolution 042825-B MOU with 58INC for Economic Development Collaboration**

Authorizing a pilot agreement with 58INC for Economic Development Collaboration for the remainder of the 2025FY in the amount of \$17,054.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, 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.

**5. Resolution 042825-C Amending Resolution 120307 by Removing Restrictions from the Alabaster Reserve Bank Account**

Amending Resolution 120307 by removing the supermajority vote requirement related to the Council Reserve Bank Account.

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.

**6. Resolution 042825-D ClasTran Funding Agreement FY26**

Authorizing ClasTran's local match Funding Request for the 2026 Fiscal Year in the amount of \$10,200.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 6 Zahariadis. 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 042825-E Authorizing Contract With Alabama Power for LED Streetlights - Kingwood Greenfield and Southfield Subdivisions**

Authorizing the addition of nine (9) LED Lights in the Kingwood Community, thirteen (13) LED Lights in the Greenfield Subdivision, and ten (10) LED Lights in the Southfield Subdivision with a monthly cost of \$415.54.

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

**8. Resolution 042825-F FY25 Mid-Year Budget Adjustments**

Approving the mid-year budget adjustments for City of Alabaster as recommended by the Mayor and Finance Director.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, 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.

**9. Resolution 042825-G Adding One Full Time Maintenance Mechanic I Position in Public Works Department**

Approving the addition of one (1) full time Maintenance Mechanic I position to the Public Works Department.

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

**10. Resolution 042825-H Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with InSite Engineering LLC - 2025 Annual City Paving Program**

Authorizing a professional services contract with Insite Engineering for design and construction inspection of our 2025 paving project not to exceed \$84,000.

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.

**11. Resolution 042825-I Authorizing Agreement with ALDOT for Project ATRP2-59-2025-072 6 Traffic Signal Upgrades on SR-119**

Authorizing a \$2M ATRIP 2 Grant Agreement between ALDOT and City of Alabaster for improvements for 6 traffic signals on SR 119, with the City being responsible for 20% of costs of this (up to) \$2.0M project and 100% of all cost overruns that exceed \$2.0M.

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

**12. Resolution 042825-J City Council Endorsing the Alabaster Comprehensive Plan**

City Council's official endorsement of the City of Alabaster's new Comprehensive Plan Branded as "Blueprint Alabaster".[www.blueprintalabaster.com](http://www.blueprintalabaster.com)

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

**13. Resolution 042825-K MOU with Shelby County for Use of Poll Pads Election Equipment**

Authorizing the City Clerk to enter into an agreement on behalf of the City for the use of Electronic Poll Pads for the 2025 Municipal Election.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Angela Kemp** 212 Industrial Park Drive

On behalf of the Greenfield Subdivision - Mrs. Kemp expressed concern over 18-wheelers driving down into the neighborhood and backing out due to entrance to Avanti being moved up near the intersection of Industrial Road and Industrial Park Dr. Also there have been issues with trucks looking for Progressive Finishes driving up Industrial Park Dr as well.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Council Member Greg Farrell** - Thank you to Council Member Stacy Rakestraw and all of those who made the annual Clean Sweep a success.

**Council President Sophie Martin** - Congratulated the Teen Council on being sworn in tonight.

**Mayor Scott Brakefield** - Thanked Jamia James (PBA Director), Derrick Morrisette (PBA Director), Jim McClain (PBA Chairman) for their work on the PBA. Director Derrick Morrisette was in attendance and recognized. Mayor Brakefield also thanked Council Member Stacy Rakestraw for her work on the 2025 Clean Sweep event.

**WORK SESSION SCHEDULED FOR MAY 8, 2025 AT 6:00 PM**

The 2nd Regular City Council Meeting in May is being changed to May 22nd due to city holiday.

**ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 3 Rakestraw, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

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**J. Mark Frey, City Clerk**

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**Sophie Martin, Council President**