



## MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers | 1953 Municipal Way

Alabaster, AL

February 08, 2024

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### CALL TO ORDER

City Council assembled for a Work Session and the meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM with Council President Sophie Martin presiding.

### 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

### AGENDA ITEMS:

#### 1. Review 2024 General Liability, Workers Comp and Cyber Liability Insurance Policies

REVIEW: 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. (Resolution 021224-F Authorizing Agreements General Liability Workers Comp and Cyber Insurance) Item added to Monday's agenda.

#### 2. APD Donations Discussion

Review opportunity for local retail corporations providing donations and small grants to local public safety departments. Item added to Monday's agenda.

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

A public hearing is set for Monday, February 12, 2024, at 6:30 PM, amending various portions of the Alabaster Zoning Ordinance. Item added to Monday's agenda.

#### 4. Charter Franchise Agreement - Discussion

Review the new 2024 Charter Franchise Agreement request. (Ordinance 24-195 Authorizing Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Southeast dba Charter Communications Inc) Item added to Monday's agenda.

#### 5. Review: Train Crossing Communication System | TrainFo (Norfolk Southern)

Review proposal from Train Crossing Communication System | TrainFo (Norfolk Southern). This company provides a system which notifies Waze, Daktronics Message Boards, 911 Maps and ESRI ArcGIS the status of railroad crossings. (Resolution 021224-G Authorizing Agreement with TrainFo) Item added to Monday's agenda.

#### 6. Authorize and Accept 2024 Senior Center Grant Application from Shelby County

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. (Resolution 021224-D Authorize and Accept Grant Application for Senior Center) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**7. Assessing Weed Abatement Cost for 1226 Thompson Rd**

REVIEW: Setting a public hearing for Monday, February 26, 2024 6:30 PM to place a lien on property located at 1226 Thompson Rd. (\*\*Resolution 022624 Assessing Weed Abatement Cost for 1226 Thompson Rd) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**8. Request to Authorize 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. (Resolution 021224-C Authorizing Funding for 2024 Gone Fishin Not Just Wishin Event) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**9. Review Request for an 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. (Resolution 021224-E Approving Issuance of ABC License - I65 Chevron) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**10. Review Request for an ABC License - Kent Stone Development LLC / 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. (Resolution 021224-I Approving Issuance of ABC License - Kent Kwik 920). Item added to Monday's agenda.

**11. Agreement with ALDOT for Project No STPAA-003(655)**

Authorizing agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation for State paving project on US31 - Project #STPAA-003(655) and (656). (Resolution 021224-A Authorizing Agreement with ALDOT for Project No STPAA-003(655) and (656) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**12. Alabaster City School Board Member and CDA Member Appointment Discussion**

Review: Upcoming ACS Board Member appointment. Appointments are typically done in April and will begin serving in June. Staff will post applications for a month and set up interviews of candidates in March or the first week in April. One appointment will be needed for the Commercial Development Authority in March.

**13. Mayoral Beautification Board Appointments**

Appointing 3 members to Place A of the Alabaster Beautification Board with a terms expiring December 1, 2026. (Resolution 021224 Mayoral Beautification Board Appointments) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**14. Declaring Items within Various Departments as Surplus**

Declaring surplus items within various departments within the City of Alabaster. (Resolution 021224-B Declaring Items within Various Departments as Surplus) Item added to Monday's agenda.

**15. Executive Session Relating to Preliminary Negotiations Involving Matters of Trade or Commerce**

Alabama Code Title § 36-25A-7 (7) To discuss preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governmental body is in competition with private individuals or entities or other governmental bodies in Alabama or in other states or

foreign nations or to discuss matters or information of the character defined or described in the Alabama Trade Secrets Act. Provided, however, that prior to such discussions a person involved in the recruitment or retention effort or who has personal knowledge that the discussion will involve matter or information of the character defined or described in the Alabama Trade Secrets Act advises the governmental body in writing or by oral declaration entered into the minutes that the discussions would have a detrimental effect upon the competitive position of a party to the negotiations or upon the location, retention, expansion, or upgrading of a public employee or business entity in the area served by the governmental body if disclosed outside of an executive session, or would disclose information protected by the Alabama Trade Secrets Act.

Council President Sophie Martin announced that the Council would not reconvene following the Executive Session and City Attorney Jeff Brumlow stated that the reason for the Executive Session was authorized.

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 5 Cole, 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. Council entered the executive session at 7:54 PM.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Council Member - Ward 4 Farrell, Seconded by Council Member - Ward 7 Pate. Council exited the Executive Session and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

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**J. Mark Frey, City Clerk**

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**Sophie Martin, Council President**