



**MINUTES NO. 2026-12-RG
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MADISON, ALABAMA
June 22, 2026**

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 22, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Madison Municipal Complex, Madison, Alabama. Noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Maura Wroblewski.

Pastor Eugene Folks provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Wroblewski.

ELECTED GOVERNING OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Ranae Bartlett	Present
Council District No. 1 Maura Wroblewski	Present
Council District No. 2 David Bier	Present
Council District No. 3 Billie Goodson	Present
Council District No. 4 Michael McKay	Present
Council District No. 5 Alice Lessmann	Present
Council District No. 6 Erica White	Absent
Council District No. 7 Kenneth Jackson	Present

City Officials in attendance were: City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Kerri Sulyma, City Attorney Megan Zingarelli, Assistant Attorney Shelby Morris, Information Technology Director Chris White, Information Technology Support Technician Toby Jenkins, Police Chief Johnny Gandy, Director of Building Kipp Richerzhagen, Director of Human Resources Kelly Bracci, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred, Director of Operations and Communications Amanda Jarrett, and Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren.

Public Attendance registered: Richard George, Hanu Karlapalem, Scott Harbour, Eugene Folks Jr, Margi Daly, Madison Ohlsen, Michael Parker, Eric Keniuk, Jonathan Draper, Leslie Kelley, Gary Kent, Rod Matthews, Brian Davis, Sonya Roberts, Joe Mullins, Scott Motz, Richard Chandler, Shannon Hoff, Opie Balch, Amber Barnes, Nathan Koesner, Kyle Baker, Brianna Stephenson, Crain Stephenson, Naomi Nunes, Neil Cook and Ryan Oliver

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

City Attorney Megan Zingarelli had the following update and/or change listed below: Madison Police Department Presentation and Awards items A and B will be moved to a later agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES NO. 2026-11-RG, DATED JUNE 8, 2026

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Minutes No. 2026-11-RG. Council Member Lessmann seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Public Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker. Anyone who wanted to sign up prior to the Council meeting were able to contact the City Clerk at cityclerk@madisonal.gov or text the word "**Comment**" to 938-200-8560. Anyone who wanted to submit a presentation to the City Council were able to email it to the City Clerk by noon last Friday. Those who could not attend the meeting in person and wanted to email their written comments were advised to do so no later than noon this date via email to citycouncil@madisonal.gov.*

ROD MATTHEWS (DISTRICT 3)

Mr. Matthews appeared before Council and Mayor Bartlett to inform the public on the following items:

- Consumer Survey ending June 23rd, sponsored by Mainstreet Madison

MARGI DALY (DISTRICT 6)

Ms. Daly appeared before Council and Mayor Bartlett to voice her concerns on the following item:

Resolution No 2026-227-R appointing Board of Directors of the Redevelopment Authority.

CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Bier stated the committee met this afternoon and had a very good meeting. Council Member Bier said that he is proud of the hard work from the finance committee. Council Member Bier moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Finance Committee report as follows:

General Operating account	\$2,044,498.95
Gasoline Tax & Petroleum Inspection fees	\$43,584.29
TVA Tax	\$8,993.13
Library Building Fund	\$6,344.26
Venue Maintenance	\$4,760.48

Regular and periodic bills to be paid

- A. Resolution No. 2026-221-R:** Declaring surplus and authorizing the disposal of obsolete personal property formerly used by the Facilities and Grounds Department pursuant to Section 16-108 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Madison
- B. Resolution No. 2026-228-R:** Authorizing the acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$3,500 from the Ruth & Lyle Taylor Endowment Fund 2026 to be used for Mayor's Youth Council program expenses (to be deposited into Budget Line Item 10-130-000-2765-00)
- C. Resolution No. 2026-229-R:** Acceptance of insurance settlement from Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation for Claim No. 065706MT caused by a collision involving a police vehicle which occurred on April 02, 2026 (\$19,390.19 [less \$1,000 deductible] to be deposited into General Operating account)
- D. Resolution No. 2026-230-R:** Acceptance of insurance settlement from Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation for Claim No. 065848 caused by a collision involving a city vehicle which occurred on April 30, 2026 (\$2,115.72 [less \$1000 deductible] to be deposited into General Operating account)
- E.** Acceptance of appropriation from District 2 Madison County Commissioner Steve Haraway to be used towards Animal Shelter Camera System and Network Cable Upgrades in the amount of \$40,000 (to be deposited into Police Donations checking account)
- F.** Acceptance of \$1000 donation from GRAMI (Getting Real About Mental Illness) to provide additional funds for Crisis Intervention Team training and materials (to be deposited into Madison Police Department Donations account).

Council Member Goodson seconded. The roll call vote to approve the Consent Agenda was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

MAYOR RANAE BARTLETT:

Mayor Bartlett reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Spoke at The Homebuilder Scholarship Dinner that helps provide funds for scholarships.
- Thanked the Mayors Youth Council, which was funded through a grant that was just approved. She hopes that this will help inspire the youth to engage in the local government.
- Thanked members of the public for being so caring and thoughtful.
- Reminder of The Children's Parade, related to the America's 250th celebration at Homeplace Park, ending with a free concert.
- Ribbon cutting at the new locker rooms at Toyota Field

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 MAURA WROBLEWSKI

Council Member Wroblewski reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

No new business

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 DAVID BIER

Council Member Bier reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Huge shout-out to the joint work session last week between Mary Beth with Planning and the Board of Education discussing the growth policy and the Board of Education needs.
- Topic of STR and timing including multiple work sessions for months
- Appreciated all the emails and phone call received pertaining to the STR

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 BILLIE GOODSON

Council Member Goodson reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Commend downtown for pulling off a great event on the first Third Thursday of this year and a shout out to Rod and Brenda for trying to get more surveys done.
- Train Derailment Exercise that included 120 people, along with 10 agencies participating.
- Resources available to our community through our EMA, including weather updates.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 MICHAEL MCKAY

Council Member McKay reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Shared he does have office hours at City Hall this week, 3:30 to 4:30 on Wednesday, 24th in Conference Room 130. All are invited.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 ALICE LESSMANN

Council Member Lessmann reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Enjoyed attending the Huntsville Hospital Foundation Luncheon with the Emerald Society and celebrating Sara Jone's retirement.
- Asked for survey feedback on what the public wants to see come to downtown and what they like about downtown.
- Madison Chamber accepting vendor applications for Celebrate Madison.
- Thanked everyone for all the calls and emails received on the STR topic.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 ERICA WHITE

ABSENT

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 KENNETH JACKSON

Council Member Jackson reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Beautification and Tree Board meeting June 23rd at 6:00pm at Madison Meeting Hall in Room 105.
- Art Reception put on by the Madison Arts Alliance at the library for the work of Sean Donahue.

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

A. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-227-R:

Council Member Bier moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-227-R. Council Member Lessmann seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Speakers and public hearing applicants who wanted to address agenda items listed under this section of the agenda were instructed to reserve their comments for the public hearing. Before or during the Council Meeting they were asked to sign up for the public hearing at which they wanted to address Council by texting the word "COMMENT" to the City's automated SMS system at 938-200-8560 or by filling out a card available in the vestibule or from the City Clerk. The project initiator, applicant, owner or agent of the business or property that is the subject of the hearing was allowed to speak for 15 minutes. Residents within the noticed area of the subject property, as well as all other members of the public, were allowed to speak for 5 minutes.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-168: ZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY MADISON LAND RESOURCES, LLC, CONSISTING OF 35.6 ACRES AND LOCATED WEST OF HARDIMAN ROAD AND SOUTH OF MADISON BRANCH BOULEVARD, R-1C (SINGLE FAMILY CONSERVATION) UPON ANNEXATION (FIRST READING 5/11/2026)

Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren informed Council that the applicant has asked to withdraw the application for Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-168 due to the hearing being advertised. Motion to postpone indefinitely recommended. Council Member Goodson moved to approve and Council Member Jackson seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye

Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent

Motion Carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-173 AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADISON (FIRST READING 5/11/2026)

Council Member Bier moved to approve and Council Member Goodson seconded. This item has been considered by the planning commission and they were unanimously supporting the recommended action. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-175 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW SHORT-TERM RENTALS (FIRST READING 5/26/2026)

Council Member Bier moved to approve and Council Member McKay seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Nay
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Nay

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-201 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS CONCERNING SHORT-TERM RENTALS (FIRST READING 05/26/2026)

Council Member Bier moved to approve and Council Member Goodson seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Nay
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

BUILDING

A. PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-210: AMENDING ARTICLE V, SECTION 8-101 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MADISON RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY FEES (FIRST READING 06/08/2026)

Second Reading for Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-210. Motion for Council Member Goodson Second for Council Member Lessmann. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

FACILITIES AND GROUNDS

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-223-R: AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH NOLA | VAN PEURSEM FOR ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY, INCREASING THE ARCHITECTURAL FEE TO \$46,284 (TO BE PAID FROM FACILITIES & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-223-R. Council Member Bier seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion Carried

HUMAN RESOURCES

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-208-R: APPROVAL OF NEW ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST POSITION FOR THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Council Member Lessmann moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-208-R. Council Member Goodson seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-217: APPROVING ADDITION OF CHAPTER 15 TO THE CITY OF MADISON PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE COMPUTER AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE USE POLICIES (FIRST READING)

This is a First Reading only.

PLANNING

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2026-169: AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO POLICY 3 ENTITLED "SERVICE CATEGORIES AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS" OF THE CITY OF MADISON PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (FIRST READING)

Not a public hearing. Applicant has asked to withdraw. Motion to postpone indefinitely. Council Member Goodson moved to approve Council Member Jackson seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent

Motion Carried

POLICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-224-R: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THISGEN911 FOR A NO-COST CLOUD-BASED SKILLS ASSESSMENT PLATFORM FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER RECRUITMENT AND EVALUATION.

Resolution No. 2026-224-R used to assess people that would be dispatchers at no cost. Council Member Bier moved to approve, Council Member Jackson seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-220-R: AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION FOR GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,776.24 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED'S), WITH NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED.

Resolution No. 2026-220-R is part of a plan that has been worked on for a while providing all first responders with an AED to carry in each car. Right now, supervisors are the primary carriers. Council Member Goodson moved to approve. Seconded from Council Member Jackson.

The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye
Council President Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent

Motion Carried.

RECREATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-225-R: AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VALERIE HARP AND JOSHUA HARP DREAM VACATIONS, D/B/A VACATIONS BY VAL TRAVEL GROUP

Updating the agreement for services that are at the Community Center that provides to Senior trips. Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-225-R. Council Member Lessmann seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-226-R: EXEMPTING PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF HEARING INSTRUMENTS FROM THE CITY OF MADISON'S SALES AND USE TAX:

Resolution No. 2026-226-R exempts hearing aids from the city of Madison Sales and Use tax. The city has already exempted hearing aids from the sales tax. The Department of Revenue requires the City of Madison to update the resolution to insure that it is properly reflected on the website. This will be effective until 2029. Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution 2026-226-R. Council Member Lessmann seconded. The vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Michael McKay	Aye
Council Member Erica White	Absent
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss Council Member Goodson moved to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Minutes No. 2026-12-RG, dated June 22, 2026, read, approved and adopted this 13th day of July 2026.

Council Member Maura Wroblewski
District One

Council Member David Bier
District Two

Council Member Billie Goodson
District Three

Council Member Michael McKay
District Four

Council Member Alice Lessmann
District Five

Council Member Erica White
District Six

Council Member Kenneth Jackson
District Seven

Concur:

Ranae Bartlett, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa D. Thomas
City Clerk-Treasurer

Kristi Brackett
Recording Secretary