



**MINUTES NO. 2024-20-RG
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MADISON, ALABAMA
October 28, 2024**

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday October 28, 2024, 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 6:10 p.m. by Council President Ranae Bartlett.

Pastor Matthew Griffin from River Valley Church provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ranae Bartlett.

ELECTED GOVERNING OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Paul Finley	Present
Council District No. 1 Maura Wroblewski	Present
Council District No. 2 Connie Spears	Present
Council District No. 3 Teddy Powell	Present
Council District No. 4 Greg Shaw	Present
Council District No. 5 Ranae Bartlett	Present
Council District No. 6 Karen Denzine	Present
Council District No. 7 John Seifert	Present

City Officials in attendance were: City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Kerri Sulyma, Assistant City Attorney Tim McFalls, Information Technology Tech Coordinator Toby Jenkins, Information Technology Support Specialist Michelle Parker, Police Chief Johnny Gandy, Fire Chief David Bailey, City Engineer Michael Johnson, Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren, Director of Facilities & Grounds Gerald Smith, Deputy Revenue Officer Ivon Williams

Public Attendance registered: Margi Daly, Jocelyn Broer, Kenneth Jackson, Jennifer Coe, Terry Johnson, Mark Anderson, Pam Benedict

REORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

City Clerk Lisa Thomas opened the floor for nominations for Council President. Council Member Shaw nominated Council Member Seifert. With no other nominations, the nominations were closed, and Council Member Seifert was appointed President by acclamation.

Council President Seifert opened the floor for nominations for President Pro Temp. Council Member Spears nominated Council Member Bartlett. With no other nominations, the

nominations were closed, and Council Member Bartlett was appointed President Pro Temp by acclamation.

Council President Seifert opened the floor for appointment for the Finance Chair. Council President Seifert appointed and nominated Council Member Spears. With no other nominations, the nominations were closed, and Council Member Spears was appointed by acclamation as the Chair of the Finance Committee.

In addition, Council President Seifert appointed Council Member Powell and Council Member Shaw to the Finance Committee. With no other nominations, the nominations were closed, and Council Member Powell and Council Member Shaw along with Council Member Spears were appointed to the Finance Committee.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

Assistant City Attorney, Tim McFalls added an addition to the Council President line of business:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-357-R: AUTHORIZING THE VIDEO RECORDING AND PUBLISHING OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2024, CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Assistant City Attorney Tim McFalls added an addition to the Planning Department line of business:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-355-R: AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GILBERT, MCLAUGHLIN, CASELLA ARCHITECTS FOR TOYOTA FIELD CLUBHOUSE & LOCKER ROOM IMPROVEMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES NO. 2024-19-RG DATED OCTOBER 14, 2024

Council Member Shaw moved to approve Minutes No. 2024-19-RG. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

PRESENTATION OF 25-YEAR PIN TO LIEUTENANT GREG DEES BY POLICE CHIEF JOHNNY GANDY.

Police Chief Johnny Gandy presented Lieutenant Greg Dees with a 25-Year Pin. Police Chief Gandy said he wanted to recognize and honor the 25-Years Lieutenant Dees has served. Chief Gandy stated that the Department is the success that it is due to Lieutenant Dees' dedication. A round of applause was given.

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.

MARGI DALY (DISTRICT 6)

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

- Approval of liability insurance from 4 million to 15 million
- Hiring of Consultants
- Trash Panda Stadium revenue
- Trash Panda Stadium costs
- Feels Taxpayers are being taking advantage of

CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Shaw moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Finance Committee report as follows:

General Operating account	\$2,070,200.65
Gasoline Tax & Petroleum Inspection fees	\$10,159.60
Street Repair & Maintenance	\$863.64
CIP Bond Accounts	\$3,014,840.91
Library Building Fund	\$79,513.58
Water Distribution & Storage	\$1,100.00
Venue Maintenance	\$11,895.00
Regular and periodic bills to be paid	

Resolution No. 2024-344-R: Approval of services with Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation for City Property and Liability Insurance Coverage (payable from the General Services Account)

Resolution No. 2024-345-R: Authorizing an agreement with CivicPlus for Municipal Code of Ordinances subscription services (\$5,520.00 to be paid from City Clerk Department budget)

Resolution No. 2024-346-R: Acceptance of settlement from Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation on Claim No. 062650 for damage to a 2012 Dodge Charger Police vehicle (\$4,428.49, after \$500 deductible, to be deposited into General Operating account)

Resolution No. 2024-348-R: Ratifying a lease agreement with Canon Financial Services for the lease of a Canon copier at the Community Center located at 1329 Browns Ferry Road (\$579.70 to be paid from Recreation Department budget)

Resolution No. 2024-351-R: Authorizing a Contractor Agreement with Trav-Ad Signs for mounting hardware for installation of banners in Town Madison (\$891 to be paid from Planning Department budget)

Resolution No. 2024-352-R: providing for the disposition of personal property of negligible value formerly used by the Parks and Recreation Department (truck, soccer goals, playground equipment, picnic tables, etc.) via online auction through Govdeals pursuant to Section 16-108 of the City of Madison Code of Ordinances.

Authorization of Payment to Morell Engineering, Inc. in the Amount of \$20,316.18 for CE&I work on Project 22-002 Madison Blvd Resurfacing and Signalization (Invoice 28119, PO 2024-1143) (to be paid from Fund 38)

Acceptance of a check from Madison Street Festival in the amount of \$1,093.93 for the usage of MARS buses (to be deposited into the Recreation Department Salary Account)

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

Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

MAYOR PAUL FINLEY:

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

- Congratulations to the School Board and Community on the Groundbreaking for Limestone County School being held on Tuesday October 29 at 9:00am

- Celebrate Madison held on Thursday October 24th was a successful and exciting evening
- Building Department Head, Dustin Riddle, is celebrating his retirement after working with the city for 25 years. A huge Thank you to Dustin.

• **COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 MAURA WROBLEWSKI**

No new business

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 CONNIE SPEARS

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

- Thanked Chamber Ambassadors, Chamber Members, Volunteers, Sponsors, and those who had Business tents and booths who helped pull off Celebrate Madison. It was very well done and enjoyed by all.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 TEDDY POWELL

No new business

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 GREG SHAW

No new business

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 RANAE BARTLETT

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-342-R: AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR A SANTA FOR THE POLAR EXPRESS CHRISTMAS EVENT (\$250 TO BE PAID FROM THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-342-R. Council Member Denzine seconded. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye

Motion carried.

- Happy Retirement to Building Department Head, Dustin Riddle
- Congratulations to Madison City Schools and to the National Merit Semi-Finalists. There are 38 National Merit Semi-Finalists this year. A Luncheon was held in their honor.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 KAREN DENZINE

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

- Thank you to Building Department Head, Dustin Riddle for all he has done for our city
- Thank you to Lieutenant Greg Dees for his service to the community
- Thank you to all for being such a great community
- Thank you to everyone who helped make the Madison Street Festival so wonderful
- A special Thank you to the Police Department & Public Works Department for all they did to make the Madison Street Festival a success

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 JOHN SEIFERT

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-357-R: AUTHORIZING THE VIDEO RECORDING AND PUBLISHING OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2024, CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Council Member Shaw moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-357-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

- Congratulations to Building Department Head, Dustin Riddle on his Retirement
- Congratulations to Lieutenant Greg Dees on 25 Years with the Police Department
- We have much to be Thankful for in our city

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-140-R: ASCERTAINING, FIXING, AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT TO BE CHARGED AS A WEED LIEN FOR THE VACANT LOT AT 0 BRADLEY STREET (ASSESSMENT FEE OF \$3,970.25)

Council President Seifert presented the Resolution. Council President Seifert asked if there were any Representatives for 0 Bradley Street present. Being none, Council President Seifert opened the floor for public comments regarding this request. There being none, he then closed the floor and entertained a motion from Council. Council Member Shaw moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-140-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-343-R: REQUEST FOR A RESTAURANT RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FROM B & B COUNTY LINE ROAD LLC., DOING BUSINESS AS BEIGNETS & BREW, FOR THEIR LOCATION AT 12120 COUNTY LINE ROAD SUITE C, MADISON, AL 35756.

Deputy Revenue Officer Ivon Williams informed the Council that this is a new location and added that everything is in order for Council action. Council President Seifert opened the floor for public comments regarding this request. Margi Daly asked for clarification if the business is a coffee shop or a restaurant. With no further public comment, he then closed the floor and entertained a motion from Council. Council Member Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-343-R. Council Member Spears seconded. Deputy Revenue Officer Ivon Williams clarified that the location will be a restaurant. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ENGINEERING

RESOLUTION NO 2024-339-R: AUTHORIZATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH OHM ADVISORS ON PROJECT NO. 23-011 (BALCH & GOOCH ROUNDABOUT) FOR DESIGN OF ADDITIONAL SIDEWALK ALONG BALCH ROAD (AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,500, TO BE PAID FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Shaw moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-339-R. Council Member Spears seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-349-R: AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO CONTRACT WITH MILLER & MILLER FOR PROJECT NO. 20-008 | BROWNSFERRY ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT TO INCLUDE FULL WIDTH ROADWAY, STABILIZATION, AND CULVERT UNDERCUT (\$74,933.00 TO BE PAID FROM 2019 GAS TAX FUND ACCOUNT)

Council Member Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-349-R. Council Member Shaw seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-350-R: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH IVALDI ENGINEERING, PLLC, FOR PROJECT NO. 25-003 | POWELL ROAD AND BURGREN ROAD INTERSECTION TRAFFIC SIGNAL (\$65,895.00 TO BE PAID FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-350-R. Council Member Shaw seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye

Council Member Karen Denzine

Aye

Motion carried.

PLANNING

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-355-R: AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GILBERT, MCLAUGHLIN, CASELLA ARCHITECTS FOR TOYOTA FIELD CLUBHOUSE & LOCKER ROOM IMPROVEMENTS

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-355-R. Council Member Shaw seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Nay
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Nay
Council Member Karen Denzine	Nay

Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss Council Member Spears moved to adjourn. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw	Aye
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Minutes No. 2024-20-RG, dated October 28th, 2024, read, approved and adopted this 28th day of October 2024.

Council Member Maura Wroblewski
District One

Council Member Connie Spears
District Two

Council Member Teddy Powell
District Three

Council Member Greg Shaw
District Four

Council Member Ranae Bartlett
District Five

Council Member Karen Denzine
District Six

Council Member John Seifert
District Seven

Concur:

Paul Finley, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa D. Thomas
City Clerk-Treasurer

Lori Spaulding
Recording Secretary