



**MINUTES NO. 2025-24-RG  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OF MADISON, ALABAMA  
December 22, 2025**

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 22, 2025, 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 6:01 p.m. by Council President Maura Wroblewski.

Madison Police Chaplain Robin Cramer provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Maura 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	Absent
Council District No. 5 Alice Lessmann	Absent
Council District No. 6 Erica White	Present
Council District No. 7 Kenneth Jackson	Present

City Officials in attendance were: City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas, Records Coordinator Adam Smedley, City Attorney Megan Zingarelli, Information Technology Director Chris White, Information Technology Support Technician Garrett Gillott, Police Chief John Gandy, City Engineer Michael Johnson, Finance Director David Lawing, Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren, Parks and Recreation Program Superintendent Stephanie Elmore, and Building Department Director Kipp Richerzhagen.

Public Attendance registered: Margi Daly, Christina Hearne

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA**

City Attorney Megan Zingarelli requested the following amendments to be added to the agenda:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-421:** Under Planning department reports, the item was added to the agenda.

With no more amendments to the agenda, Council President Wroblewski approved the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MINUTES NO. 2025-08-WS DATED DECEMBER 3, 2025**

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Minutes No. 2025-08-WS. Council Member White seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**MINUTES NO. 2025-23-RG DATED DECEMBER 8, 2025**

Council Member Jackson moved to approve Minutes No. 2025-23-RG. Council Member Bier seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

**MADISON VISIONARY PARTNERS ANNUAL UPDATE - CHRISTINA HEARNE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The Executive Director of Madison Visionary Partners, Christina Hearne shared a presentation highlighting community projects and notable events from the past year. Madison Visionary Partners projects included the expansion and renovation of Kid's Kingdom to all for more inclusion and accessibility; leading the fundraising efforts for Madison's community center; hosting the third annual Madison Visionary Awards, honoring outstanding community individuals; and distributed grants. Madison Visionary Partners also launched service weekends, lead the Madison Mural Trail, helped revitalize Downtown Madison, and launched the Gather Madison Event.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:citycouncil@madisonal.gov).*

**MARGI DALY (DISTRICT 6)**

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

- Wished the Council, Mayor, and all in attendance a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- Thanked everyone in the city for their hard work.

**CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

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

General Operating account	\$1,293,244.65
Special General Operating Account	\$365.24
ADEM Storm Drainage	\$629.00
½ Cent Capital Replacement	\$191,000.00
Gasoline Tax & Petroleum Inspection fees	\$45,253.90
Street Repair and Maintenance	\$1871.97
Subdivision Cash Bonds	\$25,265.25
Library Building Fund	\$6,153.59
Venue Maintenance	\$175,124.13

Regular and periodic bills to be paid:

**Resolution No. 2025-335-R:** Approving an Annual Appropriation Agreement with The Enrichment Center for FY26 (\$25,000 to be paid from General Operating account)

**Resolution No. 2025-336-R:** Approving an Annual Appropriation Agreement with Wellstone, Inc for FY26 (\$45,000 to be paid from General Operating account)

**Resolution No. 2025-337-R:** Approving an Annual Appropriation Agreement with the Land Trust of North Alabama for FY26 (\$10,000 to be paid from General Operating account)

**Resolution No. 2025-338-R:** Approving an Annual Appropriation Agreement with Madison Visionary Partners for FY26 (\$55,000 to be paid from General Operating account)

**Resolution No. 2025-339-R:** Approving an Annual Appropriation Agreement with KTECH, a Workforce Initiative of The Kids to Love Foundation, for FY26 (\$5,000 to be paid from General Operating account)

**Resolution No. 2025-410-R:** Authorizing the renewal of the Microsoft Licensing Agreement with SHI for a one-year term (\$79,633.05 to be paid from IT Department budget)

**Resolution No. 2025-418-R:** Acceptance of insurance settlement from Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation for Claim No. 064729 on an incident which occurred on August 28, 2025, to a Public Works vehicle (\$5,507.22 [less a \$1,000 deductible] to be deposited into General Operating account)

Acceptance of donations from: S. Kollman in the amount of \$200, and P. Nichols in the amount of \$40 for Senior Center programs (to be deposited into the Senior Center Donations account)

Acceptance of donation from: DGore for Madison Senior Center Programming in the amount of \$40.00

Acceptance of donation from: KTran for Madison Senior Center Programming in the amount of \$100.00

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	Absent
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Absent
Council Member Erica White	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

## **PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

### **MAYOR RANAE BARTLETT:**

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

- Recognized a former Bob Jones student who helped select the new site for the new Eli Lilly site.
- Attended the Redstone Update and luncheon and received information from General Whiting from Space Command.

- Attended the Space Command sign unveiling on Redstone Arsenal followed by a roundtable discussion with Congressional and military leaders.
- Discussed that Space Command personnel are looking for the community to provide high quality healthcare, schools, jobs, and infrastructure.
- Attended Cub Scout meeting for Pack 7083 and discussed Highway 72 and other questions.
- Visited with Limestone County Sheriff, Joshua McGloin and toured their jail expansion and renovation.
- Shared an update on the train alert update.
- Thanked IT Department, particularly Chris and Garrett, for their assistance.

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 MAURA WROBLEWSKI**

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

- Informed about the Library Yappy Hour Info Dump on Saturday, December 27, 2025, at Madison Library.

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 DAVID BIER**

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

- Wished everyone Happy Holidays.
- Thanked the Council, Mayor, and staff for their hard work.
- Recognized Christina Hearne and Madison Visionary Partners for their contributions.

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 BILLIE GOODSON**

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

- Recognized the Christmas parade and the work that went into making that event happen.

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 MICHAEL MCKAY**

Absent

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 ALICE LESSMANN**

Absent

**COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 ERICA WHITE**

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

- Shared information about the T-Shirt Pop-Up event at the Madison Senior Center on December 23, 2025.

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year.

### **COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 KENNETH JACKSON**

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

- Relayed that the Madison Arts Alliance is searching for a new board member to serve as Vice president of the Board and spearhead sponsorship recruitment and grant writing.
- Recognized and thanked members of the public who have been active in meetings and who have been communicating with the council thus far.

### **BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF BRENDA BUSCHMANN TO SEAT 4 OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS WITH A TERM EXPIRATION OF DECEMBER 31, 2028**

Council Member White nominated Brenda Buschmann for a reappointment. There being no further nominations, Ms. Buschmann was reappointed by acclamation.

### **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. 2025-385-R: AUTHORIZING THE ASSESSMENTS OF WEED LIENS (21 MORNINGSIDE DRIVE FOR \$778.30; 102 WINDY WAY DRIVE FOR \$578.89; 108 CLAYTOR LANE FOR \$578.30; 108 TUMBLEWEED DRIVE FOR \$603.30; 110 SUNNYFIELD DRIVE FOR \$578.30; 111 DARTFORD DRIVE FOR \$578.30; 112 MARKUM LANE FOR \$578.30; 118 CRESENT CIRCLE FOR \$478.30; 120 CRESENT CIRCLE FOR \$553.30; 125 FREEDOM WAY FOR \$1078.30; 126 CREEKROCK DRIVE FOR \$578.30; 131 HIGH COACH WAY FOR \$678.89; 133 LEWIS LANE FOR \$578.30; 180 DUSTY TRAIL FOR \$678.30; 190 SHELTON ROAD FOR \$2078.30; 315 MAPLEWOOD DRIVE FOR \$553.30; 316 MAPLEWOOD DRIVE FOR \$578.30; 323 PENSION ROW FOR \$578.30; 798 SEINA VISTA DRIVE FOR \$678.89; 1100 PRINCETON DRIVE FOR \$1378.30)**

Council President Wroblewski informed Council that the resolution deals with the assessment of weed liens, that reports had been previously sent to the owners, and added that everything is in order for Council action. Council President Wroblewski invited any owners of or representatives for said properties to speak first. There being none, Council Wroblewski opened the floor for public comments regarding this request. Margi Daly commented that she

had researched a few of the properties and found that they had taxes due. She speculated about foreclosure on the property and the financial state of the owners. She suggested that, rather than add the names of owners to a list, it would be nice if neighbors came together to help with yardwork. Council President Wroblewski concurred with Margi's points about being good stewards of the neighborhood, mentioned Madison's Wellness Check Service through the Police Department. She then closed the floor and entertained a motion from Council.

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-385-R. Council Member White seconded. Council Member Bier commented in agreement with Ms. Daly that he, too, had investigated a few of the properties, discovered that one specifically in District Two was purchased by investors out of foreclosure, and noted that the needs of upkeep are falling on the city. He expounded by saying it's good to look for opportunities to help in those situations. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

### **ENGINEERING**

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2025-407-R: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HALLIBURTON SURVEYING & MAPPING, INC. FOR A TOPOGRAPHIC AND RIGHT OF WAY SURVEY OF THE AREA ON THE EAST SIDE OF HUGHES ROAD BETWEEN LYNBROOK AND OAKLAND TRACE ON PROJECT 26-006 A | HUGHES SIDEWALKS AT DISCOVERY MIDDLE SCHOOL (NOT TO EXCEED \$9,300.00 TO BE PAID FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)**

Council Member Bier moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-407-R. Council Member White seconded. Council Member Jackson then asked if, according to the comprehensive plan to widen Hughes Road from three to five lanes from East View Road to Highway 72, this section of proposed sidewalk eventually have to be removed to accommodate said expansion. City Engineer Michael Johnson explained that the widening project will occur in several phases and while it is a possibility, there is no conceptual design for that phase currently, nor is there a definitive answer to that question as of this time. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO 2025-408: APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO STATE AND FEDERAL STANDARDS FOR THE PREVENTION OF FLOOD DAMAGE (FIRST READING)**

This is a first reading.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-412-R: AWARDING BID NO. 2025-023-ITB FOR THE PROVISION OF STREET SWEEPING SERVICES TO SWEEPING CORPORATION OF AMERICA, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$64,965.00 PER YEAR FOR UP TO THREE YEARS (TO BE PAID FROM STORMWATER USER FEE)**

Council Member Bier moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-412-R. Council Member Goodson seconded. Council President Wroblewski stressed the importance of Council communicating with their constituents about the street sweeping services to their best of their abilities in order to increase the effectiveness of the service as provided. 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	Absent
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Absent
Council Member Erica White	Aye
Council Member Kenneth Jackson	Aye

Motion carried.

**LEGAL**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2025-413: AUTHORIZING THE WATER & WASTEWATER BOARD OF THE CITY OF MADISON, DOING BUSINESS AS MADISON UTILITIES, TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY (FIRST READING)**

This is a first reading.

**PLANNING**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2025-409: VACATION OF UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT LOCATED WITHIN 157 SHALEROCK DRIVE, LOT 97 OF MOORE'S CREEK PHASE 3 SUBDIVISION (FIRST READING)**

This is a first reading.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-421: ASSENTING TO THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8094 HIGHWAY 72 WEST INTO THE CITY OF MADISON (FIRST READING)**

This is a first reading.

**POLICE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-403-R: AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF THREE 2026 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR AWD UTILITY-T191L FROM STIVERS FORD LINCOLN THROUGH THE STATE BID LIST (\$44,466 PER VEHICLE/\$133,398 TOTAL TO BE PAID FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET)**

Council Member Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-403-R. Council Member White seconded. Council Member Bier inquired as to the total cost of equipping a police cruiser. Police Chief John Gandy clarified that the subsequent resolutions would also be included in the total sum of a fully equipped police cruiser. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-404-R: AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF THREE LIGHTS AND SIRENS OUTFITTING PACKAGES FROM HAYNES EMERGENCY LIGHTING THROUGH THE STATE BID LIST (\$14,857.30 PER VEHICLE/\$44,571.90 TOTAL TO BE PAID FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET)**

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-404-R. 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	Absent
Council Member Alice Lessmann	Absent
Council Member Erica White	Aye

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-405-R: AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF THREE DASH CAMERAS FROM AXON ENTERPRISE, INC., THROUGH THE STATE BID LIST (\$46,602 TO BE PAID FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET)**

Police Chief John Gandy explained that the cameras in question were not simple dash cameras, but specialized equipment with multifunctional usage specialized for law enforcement purposes.

Council Member Bier moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-405-R. Council Member White seconded. Council President Wroblewski asked about Flock Cameras and their presence in Police cars. Chief Police John Gandy clarified that Flock Cameras are something completely different than the items discussed in the resolution. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-414-R: AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH POWER DMS FOR DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES (\$4,697.09 THROUGH FY 26, \$45,623.69 FOR FY 27, TO BE PAID FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET)**

Police Chief John Gandy explained that Madison Police Department is already using Power DMS for some services, but would use this new agreement to move over records from another service, IE Pro. He explained that this resolution would allow the department to house records such as disciplinary, injury, coaching, and performance reports under one service— Power DMS. He continued by expressing how the information would be simplified, stored externally, and streamlined, reducing the need for extraneous services and providers.

Council Member Bier moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-414-R. Council Member White seconded. Council Member Bier asked about document management and retention policies under the current software management. Police Chief John Gandy explained that, in the matter of document management, it becomes about policies that the State requires. Kalia, a program currently used, does not meet requirements. The new program, however, will help track State requirements for document retention. Council Member Goodson confirmed that, by switching completely to Power DMS, the Police Department would have no need to license the other service. Police Chief John Gandy confirmed this, verifying that the department would no longer have to pay for those services. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**RECREATION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-396-R: AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH TRIPMASTER SOFTWARE FOR MARS AND MADISON SENIOR CENTER TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ONE-TIME FEE OF \$7,845.00 AND THEN BILLED MONTHLY \$1,465.00 FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET).**

Council Member Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-396-R. Council Member Goodson seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-415-R: AWARDING BID NO. 2025-022-ITB FOR THE PALMER PARK LOWER QUAD LED LIGHTING PROJECT TO BIG RIVER ELECTRIC, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000 (TO BE PAID FROM FUND 38)**

Council Member Goodson moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-415-R. Council Member White seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-416-R: AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH CAN PLAY ADAPTED PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL NEEDS ADAPTIVE SPORTS PROGRAMS (\$1,000 TO BE PAID FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET)**

Council Member White moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-416-R. Council Member Bier seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Erica White	Aye
Council Member David Bier	Aye
Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Billie Goodson	Aye

Council Member Michael McKay  
Council Member Alice Lessmann  
Council Member Kenneth Jackson

Absent  
Absent  
Aye

Motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss Council President Wroblewski moved to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Minutes No. 2025-24-RG, dated December 22, 2025, read, approved and adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

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Council Member Maura Wroblewski  
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Council Member David Bier  
District Two

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Council Member Billie Goodson  
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Council Member Michael McKay  
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Council Member Alice Lessmann  
District Five

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Council Member Erica White  
District Six

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Council Member Kenneth Jackson  
District Seven

Concur:

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Ranae Bartlett, Mayor

Attest:

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Lisa D. Thomas  
City Clerk-Treasurer

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Adam Smedley  
Recording Secretary