



**CITY OF FLORENCE  
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL  
JULY 19, 2016**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Alabama, was held in the City Hall Auditorium in Florence at 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, July 19, 2016. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Councilmember Edwards gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert M. Leyde, City Clerk, performed the roll call and noted that six Councilmembers were present and a quorum was present with the following members of the City Council in attendance: Dave Smith, William D. Jordan, Hermon T. Graham, Blake Edwards, Barry Morris and Andrew Betterton.

**AGENDA**

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**July 19, 2016**

**5:00 P.M.**

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1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
  2. Invocation - Councilmember Edwards
  3. Pledge of Allegiance
  4. Roll Call - President Jordan
  5. Approval of Agenda
  6. Message from Mayor
  7. Reports of Department Heads
  8. Reports of Standing Committees
  9. Public Hearings: None
  10. Business from floor pertaining to items on the consent and regular agenda (5-minute time limit).
  11. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Florence City Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request. Please call 256-760-6400 for questions on Consent Agenda items prior to the Council meeting.

- (a) Approval of minutes of the July 5, 2016, meeting.
- (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.

- (c) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Gillespie Construction, LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials and other incidentals necessary for Galvanized Water Replacement - Phase II, in the amount of \$1,484,100.00, to be paid from the remaining 2011 Warrant Funds, with the balance being paid from the department's working capital, sponsored by Mike Doyle.
- (d) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with PROS LLC, to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to pressure steam clean the west stands, concession area and entry aisles of the west stands at Braly Municipal Stadium, in the amount of \$14,771.50, to be split 50/50 between the Florence City School System and the University of North Alabama, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Mike O'Steen Contractors, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary to make renovations to the City Hall Auditorium Restrooms, in the amount of \$1,794.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #266-41810 - Building Maintenance, sponsored by Gary Williamson.
- (f) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Independent Computer Services, Inc., for support in the installation and use of certain data processing products, in the amount of \$1,500.00 for a prepaid block of Blended Service, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #903 - General Ledger/FERC, sponsored by Steve Price.
- (g) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Hugh L. Coffee, for professional tactical combatant casualty care training for the Florence Police Department, in the amount of \$1,000.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #283-42100, sponsored by Ron Tyler.
- (h) Resolution authorizing the City to file a grant application and enter into an agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for aid in the financing of a Section 5310 transportation assistance project, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.
- (I) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.

12. Regular Agenda:

- (a) Ordinance to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way use agreement to Southern Light, LLC, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a fiber-optic transmission line within certain public rights-of-way within the City of Florence, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.

13. General Business:

- (a) Board Openings within the next 90 days or less:

<u>Board</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Beautification	Vacancy		
Tourism Board (Joint)	Vacancy		
Hospital Board	Thelma Robinson	07/01/86	06/25/16
Housing/Const	Adam Burchell	06/19/12	09/30/15
	Jack Reid	09/06/05	09/30/15
	William Wynne (alt)	09/06/05	09/30/15
	Thomas Pigg (alt)	09/06/05	09/30/15
Parks & Rec	Mike Williams	12/01/09	10/30/14
Port Authority Darlene Ballard (Joint)		08/02/11	07/21/16
SCOPE 310	Josh Webster	08/21/12	07/21/15
	Reginald Owens	04/01/14	07/21/16
	Vacancy		

14. Business from the public (5-minute time limit).

15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).

Council member Graham  
Council member Morris  
Council member Edwards  
Council member Betterton  
Council member Smith  
Council member Jordan

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the agenda. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

**Message from the Mayor:** None

**Report of Department Heads:** None

**Report of Standing Committee:** None

**Public Hearing:** None

**Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent or Regular Agenda:** None

**Consent Agenda:**

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items. Councilmember Betterton moved for approval of the ordinances and resolutions as follow, to-wit:

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way use agreement to Southern Light, LLC, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a fiber-optic transmission line within certain public rights-of-way within the City of Florence, sponsored by Mayor Haddock. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Smith moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

Councilmember Betterton moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion.

**Discussion:**

President Jordan made comments in support of the proposed resolution. President Jordan stated that the proposed ordinance gives Southern Lighting LLC permission to install fiber optic lines in the City's rights-of-way. President Jordan further stated that approval for the placement of the lines will be handled in our Engineering Department.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith  
William D. Jordan  
Hermon T. Graham  
Barry Morris  
Blake Edwards  
Andrew Betterton

Noes: None

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President Jordan noted that Ms. Darlene Ballard(joint appointment) will be approved at the next meeting. President Jordan further noted that Lauderdale County recently approved Ms. Ballard's appointment. President Jordan stated that the Council is currently accepting applications for a vacancy on the Florence/Lauderdale Tourism Board.

**Business from the Public (5-minute time limit):**

Mr. Bill Smoak, 2424 Roberts Lane, appeared and made comments regarding the proposed Animal Shelter. Mr. Smoak stated that he had recently visited the proposed Animal Shelter site and saw that a number of trees must be removed before construction can begin. Mr. Smoak made comments regarding the Attorney General's ruling that the City could not purchase the property due to the fact that Bill Musgrove, City Attorney, will receive profits from the sale. Mr. Smoak questioned the cost of preparing the new property for the Animal Shelter.

Ms. Winford Luhrs, 1226 North Wood Avenue, appeared and made comments regarding the need for a sign at the entrance of the Senior Center.

**Council Reports and Comments:**

Councilmember Graham noted that the District 3 Community meeting will be held on July 28 at the Broadway Recreation Center. Councilmember Graham congratulated the 12 U Boys All-Stars for winning the Regional Tournament and advancing to the World Series in Maryland.

Councilmember Morris stated that he did not have knowledge of the ruling from the Attorney General's Office regarding the purchase of property for the proposed Animal Shelter.

Councilmember Edwards reminded everyone that next week is “W. C. Handy” week.

Councilmember Edwards encouraged everyone to come out and participate in the festivities and to stay hydrated because of the extremely hot temperatures.

Councilmember Betterton had no comments.

Councilmember Smith invited everyone to come out to the opening ceremonies for the “W. C. Handy” festival on Sunday.

President Jordan had no comments.

Councilmember Morris presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK