

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
1705 MAIN STREET
DAPHNE, AL
6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present Council President Robin LeJeune called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tommie Conaway, Robin LeJeune, Pat Rudicell, Ron Scott, Angie Phillips, Doug Goodlin and Joel Coleman

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Jay Ross, City Attorney; Kelli Reid, Finance Director; Jeremy Sasser, Public Works Director; Joey Holasz, Fire Department; Ange Baggett, Marketing and Recreation Director; Conrad Bates, IT Director; Chief Carpenter, Police Department; Betsy Schneider, Director of Operations; Adrienne Jones, Planning Director; Ashley Campbell, Environmental Programs; and Troy Strunk, Director of City Development.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Councilman Ron Scott.

PRESENTATION: Casey Williams and Liz Thomson gave an update the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce and the upcoming Jubilee Festival.

PRESENTATION: Lynne Holloway presented on the Eastern Shore Children's Business Fair.

PUBLIC HEARING: Jeremy Sasser presented on the annexation petition of Corte Road, a portion of Austin Road and the realignment of Austin Road.

Public hearing opened at 6:50pm. Closed at 6:51pm

PUBLIC HEARING: Adrienne Jones presented on the revision of the official City of Daphne Zoning Map.

Public hearing opened at 6:52pm. Public hearing closed at 6:53pm.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the August 17, 2020 regular meeting were approved.

3. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said minutes from the August 17, 2020 meeting are in the packet. She said the Treasurer's Report was \$17,536,058 – Unrestricted Fund Balance; \$27,956,166 – Total Cash Balance; Sales Tax for June 2020 - \$1,842,001; Lodging Tax for June 2020 - \$95,024.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conway to recommend to Council to include \$360/month in the FY2021 Budget for the Bayfront Street decorative Street lights monthly electric cost. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the August Building Inspection Reports are in the packet. He reviewed the comparison report. He said the next meeting is September 14, 2020 at 5:15pm.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is September 14, 2020 at 4:30pm.

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D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the Committee met that afternoon. She said the next meeting is October 5th at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is October 5th at 5:30pm.

4. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said there is no meeting in September.

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the Downtown Redevelopment Authority will meet on September 17th at 5:30pm.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Rudicell said the next meeting September 9th at 11:30am. He said the Board will discuss options for the DISC project.

D. Library Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the Board will meet on Thursday, September 10th.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Scott said the minutes from the June 25th meeting and the report from the August 27th are in the packet. He said the next meeting is September 24th at 5:00pm.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is September 9th at 6:30pm.

G. Utility Board

Councilman LeJeune discussed the recent spillage. He said the next meeting is September 30th.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haygood said he sent an email to the Council today regarding the Tennis Center and Lott Park. He said there was \$300,000 set aside in the budget and he said all bids received were higher than the budgeted amount. He asked that the Council consider taking action to either accept or reject the bids.

He thanked Public Works Director, Jeremy Sasser, for his almost 3 years of service to the City.

6. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney said there were several items to discuss that require Executive Session. He said the topics include items such as threatened or pending litigation. He said if it was the will of the Council that they could enter into Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

7. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

No report from Fire Department or Police Department.

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MOTION by Councilman Rudicell to respectfully request that the Mayor defer the filling of any current or future Department Head or Director vacancies to the pending Mayor-elect. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin. Discussion was had amongst Council and Mayor. Mayor Haygood said he will take the motion into consideration.

Aye – Conaway, Rudicell, Goodlin, Scott, LeJeune, Phillips.

Nay - Coleman

MOTION CARRIED.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

MOTION by Councilman Coleman to approve the 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 – Retail Table Wine (Orr Premises Only) to Mosleys Fine Meats Inc located at 699 US Highway 98, Daphne, Alabama. Seconded by Councilman Rudicell.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the Winged Foot Block Party on October 10, 2020 from 12:00pm – 7:00pm located at 8456 Mackie Lane, Daphne, Alabama. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the Eastern Shore Children's Business Fair on October 24, 2020 from 9:00am – 2:00pm to be located at Centennial Park. Seconded by Councilman Coleman. Councilwoman Phillips asked how large the event will be. Councilman Rudicell said Centennial Park is a good place to accommodate the amount of people.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Coleman to approve the Apollo's Mystic Ladies Mardi Gras parade on February 5, 2021 from 6:45pm – 8:30pm. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 19, 2020 for the John and Deborah Kim Zoning Amendment located Southwest corner of Pollard Road and County Road 64. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Coleman to approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 19, 2020 for the ODRG 2019, L.L.C. Zoning Amendment located Southwest of Van Avenue and Main Street. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED. Councilman Scott abstained.

City Clerk said the August 25th election was canvassed on September 1st. She said the runoff election is October 6th.

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Participation opened at 7:18pm.

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Steve Olen, 437 Village Drive, said as an incoming member of the City Council he supports the motion to respectfully request the Mayor defer hiring any Directors or Department Heads. He said he has full confidence that none of the Council have done anything unethical and said the Mayor should apologize before the meeting ends.

Victoria Phelps, Lake Forest, thanked Public Works for everything that has been completed with the road paving plan. She said things were accomplished because of Jeremy Sasser.

Public Participation closed at 7:23pm.

10. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

A. RESOLUTIONS:

2020-45 – Resolution in Support of the D’Olive Bay Forever Wild Nomination

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Resolution 2020-45. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to adopt Resolution 2020-45. Seconded by Councilman Coleman. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES:

B. 2nd READ ORDINANCES:

2020-26 –Modify the Boundary of the Jubilee Farms Planned Unit Development Located Southeast of Austin Road and Alabama Highway 181

2020-27 – Re-Zone Property Located South of County Road 54 and West of Avalon Subdivision Phase 3 of Forestar “USA” Real Estate Group, Inc.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Ordinances 2020-26 and 2020-27. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway. Councilman Coleman abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2020-26. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin. Councilman Coleman abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2020-27. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips. Councilman Coleman abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

C. 1ST READ ORDINANCES:

2020-28 – Revision of the Official City of Daphne Zoning Map

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2020-29 – Additional Appropriation: Legal Fees – WPNVA, LLC - \$35,000

2020-30 – Annexation of Property Contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the City of Daphne – Corte Road, a Portion of Austin Road and the Realignment of Austin Road

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Haygood said Mr. Olen is a smart man, but not sure he knows all the ins and outs. He said if what he heard is not correct, he will issue an apology. He asked the Clerk's office to hold onto the recording.

Councilwoman Conaway thanked Jeremy Sasser for his service to the City.

Councilman Goodlin thanked Jeremy Sasser for his work.

Councilman Scott thanked Jeremy Sasser for his work in the City.

Councilwoman Phillips thanked Mr. Sasser for all his work in the City of Daphne.

Councilman Rudicell thanked Jeremy Sasser for his work and his individual attention for District 2.

Councilman Coleman thanked Jeremy Sasser and wished him well. He congratulated Coach King on the big win.

Councilman LeJeune thanked Steve Olen for giving his thoughts. He said the Council has done a great job. He thanked Jeremy Sasser and all the department heads.

City Attorney certified that the Council should enter into an Executive Session concerning matters of the threatened and pending litigation as well as the potential buying and selling of real property. He said it should take 30 minutes. He said there should be no reason the Council should have to come out of Executive Session to vote and recommended they adjourn the meeting to enter into Executive Session.

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to enter into executive session. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
City Clerk called roll.**

Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Coleman	Aye
Councilman Goodlin	Aye
Councilman Scott	Aye
Councilman Rudicell	Aye
Councilwoman Phillips	Aye
Councilman LeJeune	Aye
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.	

12. ADJOURN:

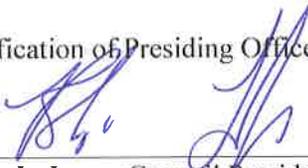
THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:33PM.

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Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, CMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,



Robin LeJeune, Council President