

Pre-Council Meeting Summary

1 Court Square Council Chambers of Criminal Justice Building Monday, April 6, 2020 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Council President

Opening Prayer: Councilwoman Colvin

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Eric Brown

Approval of Minutes: March 12, 2020 Work Session Minutes

March 16, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Approval of Agenda: April 6, 2020

Public Hearing: None

Reports from Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Chairperson Funderburk Public Safety Committee: Chairperson Tapley **Utilities Committee: Chairperson Chris Brown**

Parks and Recreation Committee: Chairperson Hardy Public Works Committee: Chairperson John "Eric" Brown Buildings and Properties Committee: Chairperson Colvin

Proclamations: None

Reports from Special Committees: None

Report on Status of City Finances: February 2020

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Resolution 20-50: A Resolution to Temporarily Waive Utility Late Payment Penalties, Nonpayment Penalty Fees, and/or

Other Related Charges Due to COVID-19

Deliberation: None

1. Resolution 20-51: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute Any and All Documents to Purchase Property Located Near HWY 63 North

Deliberation:

Al Jones stated that the City has been in negotiations for 2 to 3 years concerning this property. 7 of the 9 houses in this area are in a flood plain. This keeps the homes or anyone living in them from receiving help from public safety when it is flooded.

Council Hardy asked if this is necessary to purchase now.

Al Jones, stated the resolution for tonight has been updated to be a contract of purchase. It is an essential function of the governing body.

2. Resolution 20-52: A Resolution to Amend the FY20 Budget and to Authorize the Mayor to Purchase an Aqua Guard Bar Screen for Sugar Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant

Deliberation:

Lynn Miller stated we are looking into the future for preventative maintenance. Over the years we have used plastic teeth and they break. Every 5 to 7 years we have to replace them. This would allow the City to filter more waste from the system.

3. Resolution 20-53: A Resolution to Enable the Mayor to Impose a Curfew for the City of Alexander City Concerning COVID-19.

Deliberation:

Mayor stated that the purpose of the curfew is to stop the large crowds from gathering and to say at home to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Councilwoman Colvin stated that this virus grows exponentially. People need to realize this is a real threat. Chief Turner stated that the fine could be up to \$500.00.



Regular Council Meeting Summary

1 Court Square Council Chambers of Criminal Justice Building Monday, April 6, 2020 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Council President

Roll Call of Attendees:

Tapley: Present Colvin: Present

Hardy: Present (Conference Call)

E. Brown: Present (Conference Call)

C. Brown: Present (Conference Call)

Funderburk: Present

Opening Prayer: Councilwoman Colvin

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Eric Brown

Approval of Minutes: March 12, 2020 Work Session Minutes

March 16, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: Tapley	Motion to approve March 12th and 16 th sets of minutes as written					
Second: Colvin						
Discussion: None						
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: Y	E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y

Approval of Agenda: April 6, 2020

Motion: Tapley	Motion to amend the agenda to include a resolution to set a curfew and to approve the amended agenda					
Second: Colvin						
Discussion: None						
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: Y	E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y

Public Hearing: None

Reports from Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Chairperson Funderburk: No Report

Public Safety Committee: Chairperson Tapley:

I appreciate what the Fire and Police are doing, reiterated about the police department about needing

face masks and donations. Anything will help. Utilities Committee: Chairperson Chris Brown: No Report

Parks and Recreation Committee: Chairperson Hardy: No Report Public Works Committee: Chairperson John "Eric" Brown: No Report Buildings and Properties Committee: Chairperson Colvin: No Report

Proclamations: None

Reports from Special Committees: None

Report on Status of City Finances: February 2020

Sandy Stanbrough, informed the Council of the February 2020 finances.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. Resolution 20-50: A Resolution to Temporarily Waive Utility Late Payment Penalties, Nonpayment Penalty Fees, and/or Other Related Charges Due to COVID-19

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Motion: Tapley	Motion to a	Motion to approve the resolution as written					
Second: Colvin							
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Discussion: None							
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: Y	E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y	

2. Resolution 20-51: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute Any and All Documents to Purchase Property Located Near HWY 63 North

Motion: Tapley	Motion to	approve the	resolution as written		
Second: Colvin					
Discussion: None					
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: abstained E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y

3. Resolution 20-52: A Resolution to Amend the FY20 Budget and to Authorize the Mayor to Purchase an Aqua Guard Bar Screen for Sugar Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant

Motion: Tapley	Motion to approve the resolution as written					
Second: Colvin						
Discussion:	Councilman Tapley thanked Lynn for what he is doing. Councilman Eric Brown thanked Lynn for the great job					
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: Y	E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y

4. Resolution 20-53: A Resolution to Enable the mayor to Impose a Curfew for the City of Alexander City Concerning COVID-19

Motion: Colvin	Motion to approve the resolution							
Second: Tapley								
Discussion:	City Clerk explained there would be fine up to \$500.00 Council Tapley appreciates the Mayor doing this. Council President Funderburk agrees.							
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y Colvin: Y Hardy: Y E. Brown: Y C. Brown: Y Funderburk: Y							

Comments from the Mayor:

Thank you to all the city employees during this time. We have closed all city buildings to the public. The drive through has been a success. We have staggered our employees to minimize exposure to them. We had some complaints about too many people being in big stores. Chief Turner and Deputy Chief visited each store to ask them to abide by the current orders. We had people complaining about Wind Creek. I contacted the Governor's office and got a response. The park personnel are doing monitoring the occupancy. They have closed the beaches and playgrounds. Thank you to the City Council for the curfew. I will be on the Kenny Dean Show and meeting with the Outlook once per week to give an update on what are doing concerning COVID-19.

Comments from the Finance Director:

No Comments

Comments from the City Clerk:

We are all in this together, cities across this state and our nation. I ask for your patience and trust during this time.

Comments from the Council:

Tapley: Thank you to the Mayor for what you are doing. Thank you to City employees and everyone in the medical field. This is why I ask for raises for the police and fire. Please continue to pray for our city. Please shop local. Pray for our nation and Rev. Hunter's family. This has hit home and we need to obey the curfew.

Colvin: Thank you to everyone for continuing to pray for police, fire, and healthcare workers. COVID-19 is a real threat. Please stay away from each other now so we can come together later. Losing Rev. Hunter hurts. Please check on your elderly. Thank you for everything and please do what we are asking.

Hardy: Thank you to the Mayor for displaying strong leadership during this time. Thank you to our first responders. Thank you for Councilwoman Colvin for what you do. I ask the small businesses to please hold on. We need everyone's cooperation.

- E. Brown: I will keep it brief because I agree with everything being said. Thank you to everyone.
- C. Brown: I will keep it short too. Pray for our state, city, and country.

Funderburk: Thank you to Mayor Spraggins for the proactive measures. Please obey the curfew.

Adjournment:

Motion: Tapley	Motion to a	adjourn				
Second: Colvin						
Discussion: None						
Roll Call Vote:	Tapley: Y	Colvin: Y	Hardy: Y	E. Brown: Y	C. Brown: Y	Funderburk: Y

Time Adjourned: 6:14 p.m. CST