



## Regular Minutes of the City Council

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281 James D. Nabors Drive  
Council Chambers of Municipal Complex  
Monday, September 19, 2022 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING:** Council President Colvin called the Pre-Council Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Councilman Tapley, Councilman Hardy, Councilman Eric Brown, Councilman Chris Brown, and Councilman Keel were present.

Absent: None

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Amanda Thomas, Scotty Price, Miles Hamlett, Jan Jones, Stacey Jeffcoat, Brittany Shores, Piper Barnett, and others.

During the Pre-Council Meeting, department heads discussed several agenda items:

Al Jones, Community Development Director, discussed selling property that the city kept near Samlip with the intent to widen the road through the Airport Industrial Park. The city has decided not to widen the road and doesn't need the property. Ronnie Tharp is interested in buying the land because his property is adjacent to the it.

Stacey Jeffcoat with Main Street Alexander City discussed an event on October 8<sup>th</sup> and Christmas downtown on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:** Council President Colvin called the Council Meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Councilman Tapley, Councilman Hardy, Councilman Eric Brown, Councilman Chris Brown, and Councilman Keel were present.

Absent: None

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Amanda Thomas, Scotty Price, Miles Hamlett, Jan Jones, Stacey Jeffcoat, Brittany Shores, Piper Barnett, Adam Wade, Rashunsky McKinney, Durrell Alford and others.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Carried over from Work Session

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Carried over from Work Session

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** September 12, 2022, Regular Meeting

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott Hardy. There being no discussion, the minutes were approved with the following vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: September 19, 2022**

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve the agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott Hardy. There being no discussion, the agenda was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN, AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Finance: The city's accounts are looking better than they were this time last year.

Public Safety: The police and fire departments have positions open.

Utilities: The Light Department continues to trim and work on ROW maintenance. We also currently have Asplundh assisting with tree trimming. 2 Job Openings for the groundman position. The Water Department is preparing to do two 8" fire taps, clean up the yard, and preparing for inventory. Installing several new water services.

Parks and Recreation: The Cooper Rec center has been hosting Volleyball Tournaments. Year to date, there have been 25,607 rounds of golf at the golf course.

Public Works: Public works is currently exploring in-depth the feasibility of implementing a city-wide fleet management program through City Works. Jerry Wilson, GIS manager, is heading up the project and we are optimistic it can significantly improve the city's fleet tracking and maintenance standards.

Buildings and Properties: The library is holding a Medicare workshop. The library is hoping to open a coffee shop in the future.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

1. Planning Commission: Recommendation to set a public hearing to rezone multiple properties on Airport Drive for Monday, October 3, 2022

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

1. Set a Public Hearing: Hear public comments concerning the city selling the Bud Porch property for Monday, October 3, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

**REPORT ON STATUS OF CITY FINANCES:**

1. Romy Stamps presented the Bank Statement Balances ending on August 31, 2022.

**PROCLAMATION:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. First Reading: Ordinance 2022-27: An Ordinance to Declare Property No Longer Needed for Public Use and Convey said Property to Ronnie Tharp

Councilman Tapley made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration for Ordinance 2022-27 Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the motion was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-27 as written. Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the ordinance was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

2. Resolution 22-95: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Lease Agreement with Altec Capital for a 2023 Freightliner M2-106 Altec Bucket AA55MH

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve Resolution 22-95 as written. Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

3. Resolution 22-96: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Contract with the Tallapoosa County Sheriff's Department to House City Inmates

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve Resolution 22-96 as written. Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

4. Request: A Request to Approve the BBQ Blues and Brews Event

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve the request as written. Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the request was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker):**

1. Alicia Body complimented Jason Locke, Bo, and the Sewer Department for their quick and thorough response to an issue at her home.
2. Katrina Blanchard expressed her wish for a park designed for children with special needs to be built where the Imagination Station once stood.

**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR:**

1. Our finances have turned a corner but we need to build up our reserve funds.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR:** None

**COMMENTS FROM THE CITY CLERK:**

1. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 3, 2022.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

Tapley: Thank you. Please give to the Imagination Station fund so we can rebuild.

Hardy: Thank you for coming out. Great news continues. Appreciate everyone's commitment.

Eric Brown: Thank you for coming out. Thank you for the positive comments. Thank you to the city's staff and Mayor.

Chris Brown: Echo about employees and Mayor. Go Wildcats!

Keel: Appreciate everyone coming out.

Colvin: Thank you to our teachers and everyone please support our teachers. Continue to Pray for our school system.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Scott Hardy made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bobby Tapley. The meeting adjourned (6-0) at 6:14 p.m.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

  
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Presiding Officer

  
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City Clerk

**METHOD OF DELIVERY:** The draft minutes were emailed and printed for the Council to review on Monday, October 17, 2022.

**OTHER:** The agenda was posted to the City's website and the bulletin boards that are located at the Municipal Complex.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Agenda

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** None