

**ALEXANDER CITY, CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023  
4:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Alexander City held a work session on Monday, April 17, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Complex, 281 James D. Nabors Drive, Alexander City, AL 35010.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Colvin. The opening prayer was led by Councilor Tapley and Councilor Chris Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilor E. Brown was recorded as being absent. Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Finance Director; Police Captain D. Alford; Fire Chief R. McAlister; Deputy Fire Chief Spears; Lieutenant Todd Sassano; Lieutenant Zach Baty; David Hogan, Wastewater Superintendent; Lynn Miller, Water Superintendent; Kasey Kaschak, Parks Director; Chris Hardy, Gas Superintendent; Caleb Shaw, Sewer Department; Police Captain McKinney; Police Captain Alford; Amanda Thomas, Community Development Director; Kathy Railey, Human Resources Director; Stephanie J. Southerland, City Clerk. There was no media present.

Councilor Eric Brown arrived at 4:33 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**

1. Stephanie Southerland presented the current format for the city's Boards and Committees on the city website, and a proposed change to the layout. Handouts were given to each council member detailing each of the Boards, how they're set up, and the appointments. She addressed the Recreation Advisory Board and the Beautification Board, which have not been current for many years, and if there is a need to fulfill, or rescind those particular Boards.
2. Fire Chief McAlister addressed the proposal to separate the EMS from the Fire Department due to the lack of employee retention as a result of the number of non-emergency transports being carried out. This would allow for more Fire training within the Fire Department.
3. David Hogan addressed agenda item #9, requesting a personnel change for two (2) employees, and the need for employee retention.
4. Amanda Thomas gave an update on all of the ongoing projects within the city, the proposed Strategic Plan, PLL, CDBG, and FEMA progress.
5. Chris Hardy reported that the city was denied a grant that had been applied, for but plans to re-apply next fiscal year.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilor Tapley made a motion to adjourn, Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved (6-0). There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m

**APPROVED:**



Stephanie J. Southerland

**City Clerk**



Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, President

**Alexander City, City Council**