

# **Regular Council Meeting Agenda**

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers of Municipal Complex
Monday, May 20, 2024 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Council President Colvin

**Opening Prayer:** Held in Work Session

Pledge of Allegiance: Held in Work Session

**Roll Call:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** May 6, 2024 Regular Meeting & Special Called Meeting

May 9, 2024 Special Called Meeting

**Approval of Agenda:** May 20, 2024

**Reports from Council on Standing Committees:** 

Finance Committee: Council President Colvin Public Safety Committee: Councilor Eric Brown

**Utilities Committee: Councilor Keel** 

Parks and Recreation: Councilor Chris Brown

Public Works Committee: Council President Pro Tempore Hardy

**Buildings and Properties: Councilor Tapley** 

## **Reports from Special Committees:**

# CENTRAL ALABAMA CRIME STOPPERS TO AWARD 2023 CRIME STOPPERS OFFICER OF THE YEAR

**Public Hearing:** City Council District Line revision

**Condemnation of Properties** 

Report on Status of City Finances: Romy Stamps, Finance Director

**Proclamation:** National Public Works Week

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** 

**1. RESOLUTION:** To Appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Alexander City Board of Education. (Sponsored By: Council President Colvin)

**2. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Goodwyn Mills Cawood for Architectural Services in Grant Application. (Sponsored By: Mayor Baird)

- **3. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Execute and Enter into a Loan Agreement with Central State Bank for Refinancing the Alexander City Municipal Complex. (Sponsored By: Council President Colvin)
- **4. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Hill Petroleum, Inc. for Right of Way work Located at 3620 US Highway 280. (Sponsored By: Council President Pro Tempore Hardy)
- **5. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Apply for a FY 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program for Sidewalk Extensions. (Sponsored By: Mayor Baird)

<b>6. RESOLUTION:</b> To Declare Multiple Properties a Nuisance and Abate Through Removal of Structures. (Sponsored By: Councilor Tapley)
Public Comments (3 minutes per speaker):
Comments from the Mayor:
Comments from the Finance Director:
Comments from the City Clerk:
Comments from the Council:
Executive Session:
Adjournment:

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 3, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.



# **Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

281 James D. Nabors Drive Council Chambers of Municipal Complex Monday, May 6, 2024 --- 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, May 6, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. All councilors were recorded as being present.

Individuals present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Finance Director; Piper Barnett, Administrative Assistant; Police Captain McKinney; Brittany Shores, Mayor's office; Sasha Stewart, Purchasing Agent; Drew Meacham, Public Works Director; Amanda Thomas, Community Development Director; Christy Clayton, IT department; Aaron Gortney, Code Enforcement Officer; Jay Taylor, Building official. Others present included: Mrs. Keel, Minister Alice Hall, Teresa Moten, Sandra Fuller, Jim & Louse Duffy and others. The media was represented by the Outlook.

Councilor Keel stated that agenda item #1 is a required annual report.

Sasha reported that there were three (3) bidders with Pennsylvania Transformer Technology being the lowest responsible bidder.

Jay Taylor, building official, reported that agenda item #3 addresses multiple properties that are in need of condemnation and is requesting a public hearing to address each of these properties.

**CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:** Council President Colvin called the Council Meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. on Monday, May 6, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex.

Minister Alice Hall led the invocation. Councilor Tapley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Work Session and Regular City Council meeting April 15, 2024. Councilor Tapley made a motion to approve the minutes as written, and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, the minutes were adopted (6-0).

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Regular City Council meeting May 6, 2024. Councilor Tapley made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. The agenda was approved (6-0).

## **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Council President Colvin** reported that the Finance and Revenue departments are doing a great job.

**Councilor Eric Brown** reported that the Fire and Police departments have job openings.

**Councilor Keel** stated that all utilities are being provided and serviced.

**Councilor Chris Brown** reported that the golf course is financially ahead of this time last year. Youth cheerleading is open for registration as well as swimming lessons and you can sign up at acpr.recdesk.com. Thanks to the water department for assisting in getting the city pool ready for the summer. Airport construction on the apron has started and will be completed in phases with phase 1B to begin Thursday, May 9.

**Council President Pro Tempore Hardy** thanked the brush crew for picking up debris throughout the city in a timely manner.

**Councilor Tapley** reported that the library will be holding drawing classes May  $8^{th}$  and  $15^{th}$  and encouraged registration.

**Council President Colvin** called a Public Hearing for May 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. to discuss council district line revisions. Public comment is requested.

## **REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**PUBLIC HEARING: None** 

**REPORT ON STATUS OF CITY FINANCES:** Romy presented three options (as attached) for refinancing the Municipal Complex. She would like to see this presented at the next City Council meeting.

**PROCLAMATION:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Execute the 2024 Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Report for the Sugar Creek Waste Water and Coley Creek Treatment Facilities. (Sponsored By: Councilor Keel) RESOLUTION **BOOK 2024 - 38** 

Councilor Tapley made a motion to adopt the resolution as written. Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, the resolution was adopted with the following roll call vote:

YEAS: TAPLEY, HARDY, E. BROWN, COLVIN, C. BROWN, KEEL 6
NAYS: ONNE O

ABSTAINED: NONE O
ABSENT: NONE O

**2. RESOLUTION:** To Award Bid No. 24-13 to Pennsylvania Transformer Technology, Inc. for Two (2) 3-PH Power Transformers 15/20/25 MVA at a Cost not to Exceed \$1,533,898.00. (Sponsored By: Councilor Keel) **RESOLUTION BOOK 2024 - 39** 

Councilor Tapley made a motion to adopt the resolution as written. Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. Councilor Tapley commended Sasha for her efforts in bidding out these items and getting the best price. There being no further discussion, the resolution was adopted with the following roll call vote:

YEAS: TAPLEY, HARDY, E. BROWN, COLVIN, C. BROWN, KEEL 6
NAYS: NONE O
ABSTAINED: NONE O
ABSENT: NONE

**3. RESOLUTION:** To Set a Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2024 Condemnation Proposals. (Sponsored By: Mayor Baird) **RESOLUTION BOOK 2024 - 40** 

Councilor Tapley made a motion to adopt the resolution as written. Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. Councilor Tapley thanked Jay Taylor and Aaron Gortney for their work in identifying these properties. There being no further discussion, the resolution was adopted with the following roll call vote:

YEAS: TAPLEY, HARDY, E. BROWN, COLVIN, C. BROWN, KEEL 6
NAYS: NONE O
ABSTAINED: NONE O
NONE O

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

**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR:** Thanks to Amanda for her efforts in the condemnation process. Please pray for Dana Fuller as she did not receive good reports on her recent biopsy.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR:** None

**COMMENTS FROM THE CITY CLERK:** There will be a Special Called Meeting Thursday, May 9 at 4:30 p.m. for interviews for a vacancy on the Board of Education. Our next Work Session and City Council meetings will be held Monday, May 20, 2024 at 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. Happy Birthday tomorrow to Councilor Tapley.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

Councilor Tapley thanked everyone for coming and further asked for prayers for Dana.

Council President Pro Tempore Hardy thanked everyone for their attendance. He commended the mayor and Finance department on the refinance deals that have been presented.

Councilor Eric Brown thanked everyone for coming out and gave a brief update from the Tourism Board and encouraged everyone to check out <a href="https://www.explorelakemartin.com">www.explorelakemartin.com</a>.

Councilor Chris Brown thanked everyone for coming out.

Councilor Keel thanked everyone for coming out and those watching live. He asked for prayers for Dana and her family and all of those that are sick and shut in.

Council President Colvin thanked everyone for coming out and being involved. She asked for continued prayers for the governmental body and the city staff. She asked for prayers for Dana.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the council, Councilor Tapley made a motion to adjourn, and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. All were in favor (6-o). The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

### **APPROVED:**

Audrey "Buffy" Colvin	Stephanie J. Southerland
Council President	City Clerk

#### METHOD OF DELIVERY:

The draft minutes were e-mailed to the mayor, city council members and the city attorney on May 10, 2024 for review.

## **OTHER:**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Sign in sheet
- 3. Municipal Complex Refinance options



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Monday, May 6, 2024 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Council President Colvin

**Opening Prayer:** Minister Alice Hall

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilor Tapley

**Roll Call:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** April 15, 2024 Work Session

April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting

**Approval of Agenda:** May 6, 2024

**Reports from Council on Standing Committees:** 

Finance Committee: Council President Colvin Public Safety Committee: Councilor Eric Brown

**Utilities Committee: Councilor Keel** 

Parks and Recreation: Councilor Chris Brown

Public Works Committee: Council President Pro Tempore Hardy

**Buildings and Properties: Councilor Tapley** 

We will be holding a Public Hearing here in the City Council chambers on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss district line revisions and accept any public input.

**Reports from Special Committees:** 

Public Hearing: None

Report on Status of City Finances: Discussion of Municipal Complex financing options

**Proclamation:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** 

**1. RESOLUTION:** To Authorize the Mayor to Execute the 2024 Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Report for the Sugar Creek Waste Water and Coley Creek Treatment Facilities. (Sponsored By: Councilor Keel)

- **2. RESOLUTION:** To Award Bid No. 24-13 to Pennsylvania Transformer Technology, Inc. for Two (2) 3-PH Power Transformers 15/20/25 MVA at a Cost not to Exceed \$1,533,898.00. (Sponsored By: Councilor Keel)
- **3. RESOLUTION:** To Set a Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2024 Condemnation Proposals. (Sponsored By: Mayor Baird)

**Public Comments (3 minutes per speaker):** Please step to the podium and state your name and address for the record.

**Comments from the Mayor:** 

**Comments from the Finance Director:** 

**Comments from the City Clerk:** 

**Comments from the Council:** 

**Executive Session:** 

**Adjournment:** 

We will have a Special Called meeting Thursday, May 9 for BOE interviews

The next Work Session and City Council meetings are scheduled for Monday, May 20th, 2024 at 4:30 and 5:30 p.m.



# **Special Meeting Minutes**

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex
Monday, May 6, 2024 --- Meeting at 4:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING:** Council President Colvin called the Special Called Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 6, 2024, in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex. Councilor Eric Brown was recorded as being absent.

Councilor Eric Brown arrived at 4:38.

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Finance Director; Police Captain McKinney, Piper Barnett, Administrative Assistant, Brett Pritchard and Dr. Chantè Ruffin.

### **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**

1. Board of Education Interview: Molly Davenport

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Council President Colvin made a motion to adjourn, and Councilor Chris Brown seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 4:40.

Audrey "Buffy" Colvin	Stephanie J. Southerland
Council President	City Clerk

**METHOD OF DELIVERY:** The draft minutes were emailed to the Mayor, City Council and city attorney for review on Friday, May 10, 2024.

**OTHER:** The agenda was posted to the City's website and the bulletin boards located at the Municipal Complex on April 22, 2024.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Agenda

**APPROVED:** 

2. Waiver of Notice

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** None



# **Special Meeting Minutes**

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex
Thursday, May 9, 2024 --- Meeting at 4:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING:** Council President Colvin called the Special Called Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2024, in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex. Councilor Eric Brown was recorded as being absent.

Councilor Eric Brown arrived at 4:39.

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Police Lieutenant Spivey, Kevin Speaks, and Teresa Moten. The media was represented by the Outlook.

## **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**

<b>Board of Education Interview</b>	·:
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- 1. Alexis Flowers
- 2. Kimberly Carter
- 3. Christopher Graham

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilor Tapley made a motion to adjourn, and Councilor Chris Brown seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:38.

## **APPROVED:**

Audrey "Buffy" Colvin	Stephanie J. Southerland
Council President	City Clerk

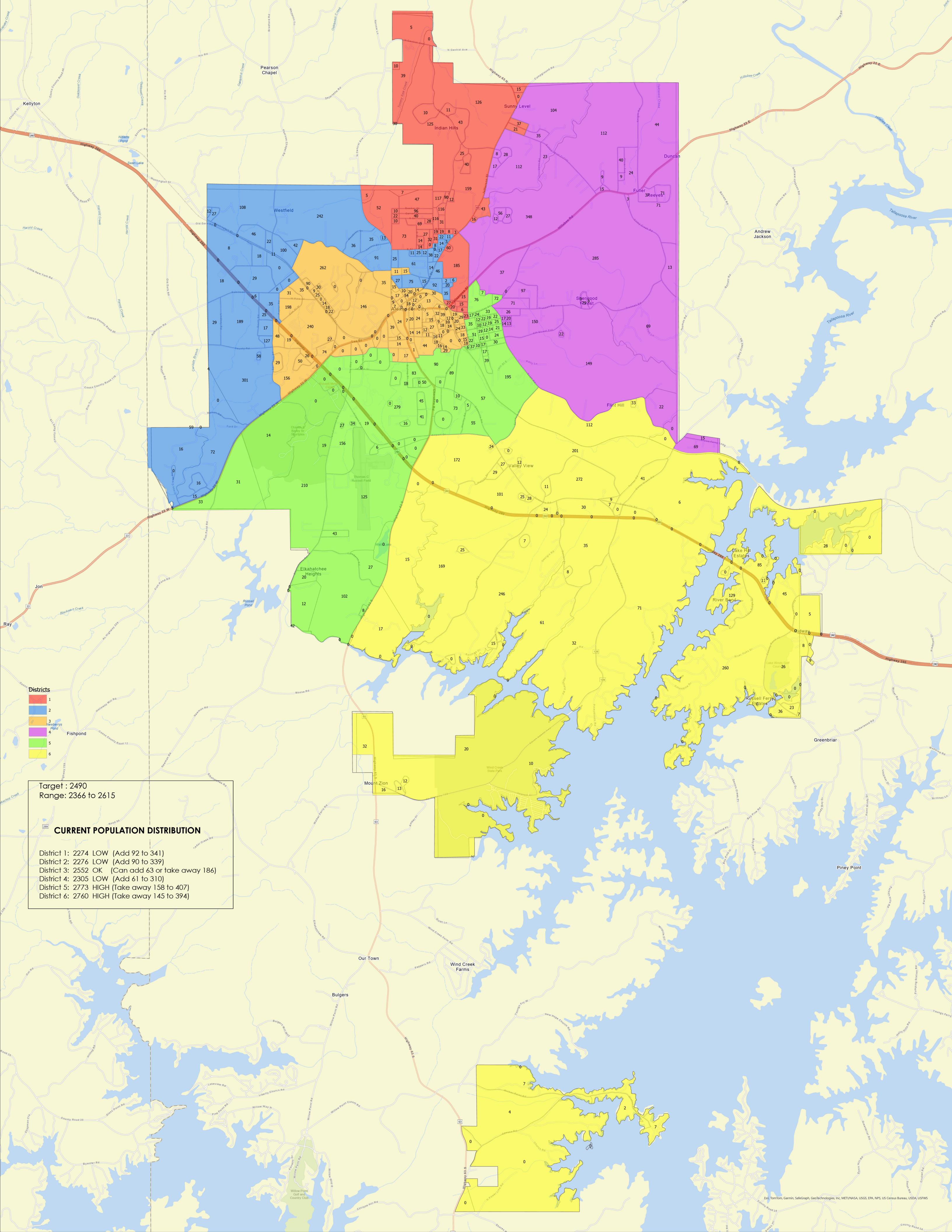
**METHOD OF DELIVERY:** The draft minutes were emailed to the Mayor, City Council and city attorney for review on Friday, May 10, 2024.

**OTHER:** The agenda was posted to the City's website and the bulletin boards located at the Municipal Complex on April 29, 2024.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Waiver of Notice

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: None**



Curtis "Woody" Baird Mayor Stephanie J. Southerland City Clerk Romy Stamps Finance Director



CITY COUNCIL
Audrey "Buffy" Colvin
Council President
Scott Hardy
President Pro Tempore
Bobby L. Tapley
John Eric Brown
Chris Brown
Jimmy Keel

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May 8, 2024

Alex City Outlook Managing Editor 548 Cherokee Road Alexander City, Alabama 35010

To Whom It May Concern:

The City is currently in the strategic planning phase of developing a new comprehensive plan. The City has hosted numerous community meetings with the hope of gaining a better understanding of what the citizens of Alexander City want for their community. Our strategic planners and City staff have picked up on a common theme -- our citizens want to see their neighborhoods flourish and become a safe place for growing families.

The City fully supports the citizens' desires to enhance our neighborhoods and promote an increased sense of community pride. As a result, the City has started the condemnation process for properties that have received complaints from neighbors and other citizens. Our citizens have stated that they feel as though these properties are decreasing property values, increasing the potential for criminal activity, and deterring potential residents from certain areas of town.

The City's goal in beginning the condemnation process is not to enforce upkeep, rather, it is to ensure that our citizens concerns are being taken seriously. This process allows our Planning and Development Department to assist with enhancement and growth within the City

We want our citizens to know that the City is listening and doing its best to help foster a safe, healthy, and vibrant community.

Below is a list of the current properties that have been identified as condemned. Property owners have the right to appeal to the City Council on May 20, 2024 at 5:30 PM.

Regards

Curtis "Woody" Baird

Mayor, City of Alexander City

## **FY 2024 Condemned Properties**

- 1027 Hillabee Street
- 140 Booker Street
- 1405 Roosevelt Drive
- 406 Booker Street
- 403 Booker Street
- 2044 Washington Street
- 1515 Spring Street
- 987 Spring Hill Road
- 955 Coley Street
- 828 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 2208 6<sup>th</sup> Street Extension
- 2765 Old Dark Road (2 residential structures)
- 2797 Washington Street



# National Public Works Week Proclamation

May  $19^{th} - 25^{th}$ , 2024

# "Advancing Quality of Life For All"

**WHEREAS**, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of Alexander City; and,

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in Alexander City to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and,

WHEREAS, the year 2024 marks the 64th annual National Public Works Week, "Advancing Quality of Life for All", sponsored by the American Public Works Association be it now,

**RESOLVED**, I, Woody Baird, Mayor, do hereby designate the week  $May 19^{th} - 25^{th}$ , 2024, as National Public Works Week. I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing quality of life for all.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal of the City of Alexander City, Alabama, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024.

Voody" Baird

To Appoint to the Board of Education
WHEREAS, there will be a vacancy on the Board of Education on May 31, 2024 due to
the term expiration of Kevin Speaks; and
WHEREAS, Section 16-11-3, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended requires the City
Council to appoint members of the Board of Education; and
WHEREAS, the vacancy was announced at its regular meeting held on April 1, 2024;
and
WHEREAS, applications were accepted through March 31, 2023 and there were four (4)
applicants interested in being interviewed.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alexander
City, Alabama, that is hereby appointed to fill said vacancy effective June 1, 2024,
and said term shall expire on May 31, 2029, or until a successor is duly qualified and appointed.
ADOPTED THIS 20 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2024.
By: Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, President Alexander City Council
AUTHENTICATED THIS 20 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2024.
By: Stephanie J. Southerland City Clerk APPROVED:
By: Curtis "Woody" Baird Mayor
Yeas:
Nays:

To Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Goodwyn Mills Cawood

for Architectural Services in Grant Application

WHEREAS, the City of Alexander City, Alabama (hereinafter referred to as the LOCAL

GOVERNMENT) plans to apply for funding for projects eligible for grant programs

administered by the State of Alabama and other relevant funding opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT must solicit architectural professional

services in connection with these grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT will enter into an agreement for architectural

professional services during application preparation and, should the application be funded,

contract negotiations for architectural professional services with the firm whose proposal

receives the highest total points as rated by a selection committee designated by the LOCAL

GOVERNMENT; and

WHEREAS, Goodwyn Mills Cawood (GMC) received the highest total points as rated

by said

selection committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT does

hereby authorize the mayor to enter into an agreement with GMC for architectural professional

services during application preparation. Should the grant application be funded, contract

negotiations with this firm will commence upon authorization by a separate resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LOCAL GOVERNMENT reserves the right to

utilize the architectural services of GMC for calendar years 2024 through 2026 and to negotiate

a contract with said firm should any applications submitted during that period be funded.

ADOPTED THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY, 2024.

By: Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, President

Alexander City Council

AUTHENTICATED THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY, 2024.

By Stephanie J. Southerland

**By:** Stephanie J. Southerland, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

By: Curtis "Woody" Baird,

Mayor

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To Authorize the Mayor to Execute and Enter into a Loan Agreement with Central State Bank for Refinancing the Alexander City Municipal Complex

**WHEREAS**, Central State Bank has proposed a refinance loan agreement for the Municipal Complex, as shown in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, the amount to be refinance is \$7,760,000.00; and

WHEREAS, said fees will be paid from the Municipal Complex budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of Alexander City authorizes the mayor to sign any and all documents related to refinancing the \$7,760,000.00 loan with Central State Bank.

ADOPTED THIS 20 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY,	2024.
By: Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, President	
Alexander City Council	
AUTHENTICATED THIS 20 <sup>TH</sup> DAY (	OF MAY, 2024.
<b>By:</b> Stephanie J. Southerland City Clerk	
APPROVED:	
By: Curtis "Woody" Baird, Mayor	

Yeas:

Nays:

**RESOLUTION BOOK 2024 -**

To Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Hill Petroleum, Inc. for Right Of Way Work Located at 3620 US Highway 280

WHEREAS, the City of Alexander City, Alabama and Hill Petroleum have agreed to work collectively on a project to improve an existing right of way (ROW) at the Marathon gas station, a business located at 3620 US Highway 280 in Alexander City and owned by Hill Petroleum, Inc. Said ROW is in a condition of disarray and deterioration and in need of repair and/or replacing; and

**WHEREAS**, the city has agreed to provide the equipment/labor for demolishing and/or removing the debris of the existing asphalt on subject ROW; and

WHEREAS, Hill Petroleum, Inc., has agreed to complete the rebuilding and repaving of subject ROW and the City has agreed to contribute and pay to Hill Petroleum, Inc., monies in the amount of \$2,044.44 toward the cost of the paving materials and concrete work. Upon completion, the project will be beneficial to the City of Alexander City and the citizens who reside or own a business in the area of the Project.

## 1. Project:

Hill Petroleum and the City agree to partner and collaborate to repair and/or replace an existing right of way into the parking lot of the Marathon gas station, a private business owned by Hill Petroleum Inc., and located at 3620 US Highway 280 in Alexander City. Subject property has an entrance onto the property off of Airport Road. The project will consist of the city demolishing and removing the existing asphalt on the subject ROW and Hill Petroleum will repave the ROW with concrete.

## 2. Scope and Timeframe of Work:

The City and/or its employees, agents or contractors shall perform the following work: demolishing and removing the existing asphalt of the subject ROW.

Hill Petroleum, its employees, agents and/or contractors shall perform the following work: rebuilding subject ROW with concrete and repaving subject ROW.

Hill Petroleum agrees to complete rebuilding and repaving of subject ROW within a reasonable time in an effort to minimize the disruption of the daily use of subject ROW by the citizens of Alexander City.

## 3. Hold Harmless:

Hill Petroleum agrees to release and hold harmless any and all damages to subject ROW as a result of the City's work on said ROW except for any damages caused by negligence or willful misconduct/wantonness.

## 4. No Guarantees:

Hill Petroleum understands and acknowledges that the City **does not** guarantee the outcome of the rebuilding and repaving of said ROW. Hill Petroleum holds the City, its employees, agents and/or contractors harmless if the work does not alleviate the present issues at the location of the work.

## 5. Notice and Communication:

Both parties agree to maintain open communication regarding the work to be performed, the schedule, and any potential issues that may arise during the project.

## 6. Governing Law:

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Alabama.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of Alexander City, Alabama does hereby authorize the mayor to enter into an agreement with Hill Petroleum, Inc., shown as Attachment A, for asphalt work on the right-of-way at 3620 US Highway 280.

<b>By:</b> Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, Pres Alexander City Council	sident
AUTHENTICATED THIS 20	TH DAY OF MAY, 2024.
<b>By:</b> Stephanie J. Southerland, City Clerk	
APPROVED:	
<b>By:</b> Curtis "Woody" Baird, Mayor	
Yeas:	

To Authorize the Mayor to Apply for a FY 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program for Sidewalk Extensions

WHEREAS, the City of Alexander City (city) would like to apply for a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) grant that would allow them to extend the current sidewalks surrounding the Municipal Complex to include the preliminary path of Central Boulevard, and Joseph Street to Russell Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) set an 80/20 match; and

WHEREAS, the city is requesting a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00; and WHEREAS, if said grant is awarded, the city would be required to pay \$200,000.00 plus, any overages.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Alexander City, Alabama hereby authorizes the mayor to apply for the FY 2025 TAP grant for sidewalk extensions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Alexander City that the mayor is hereby authorized to sign any contract or agreements as part of this grant award.

ADOPTED THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2024.

By: Audrey "Buffy" Colvin, President
Alexander City Council

AUTHENTICATED THIS 20 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2024.			
<b>By:</b> Stephanie J. Southerland City Clerk			
APPROVED:			
By: Curtis "Woody" Baird			
Mayor			
Yeas:			
Navs:			



## **ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Local Transportation Bureau** 

1409 Coliseum Blvd., Montgomery, Alabama 36110-2060 Phone: (334) 242-6206 FAX: (334) 353-6530 Internet: http://www.dot.state.al.us



Kay Ivey Governor

John R. Cooper Transportation Director

April 19, 2024

# MEMORANDUM 2024- 8

TO:

Alabama Mayors

Alabama County Commissions

Metropolitan Planning Organizations Regional Planning Organizations

**ALDOT Area Local Transportation Engineers** 

COPY:

Mr. Clay McBrien, P.E., Assistant Chief Engineer, Policy & Planning

Mr. Tim Heisler, Transportation Engineer, FHWA

FROM:

Bradley B. Lindsey, P.E., Local Transportation Bureau Chief

RE: FY 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Call for Applications

The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) is soliciting applications for the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) for FY 2025.

All applications must be submitted electronically no later than 5:00 pm on May 31, 2024.

New this year, applications should be sent in through https://aldot.submittable.com/submit.

Please refer to the FY 2025 Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Guidelines and the FY 2025 Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Application for details about the program and the application submittal process. The guidelines and the application can both be found on the ALDOT website, <a href="https://www.dot.state.al.us/programs/TAP.html">https://www.dot.state.al.us/programs/TAP.html</a>.

The current deadline for application submittals and the subsequent announcement of project selections will allow sponsors to receive a notice of award before the start of the upcoming fiscal year. This will allow sponsors an opportunity to program the required matching funds into their upcoming fiscal year's operating budgets.

If you should have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact this office at 334-242-6020 or your ALDOT Area Local Transportation Engineer.

## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



## FY 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Guidelines

This document contains information regarding the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP). Prospective project sponsors are encouraged to thoroughly review this document, as well as the FY 2025 TA Set Aside Program Application.

### A. ELIGIBLE ENTITIES:

- 1. Local governments
- 2. Regional transportation authorities
- 3. Transit agencies
- 4. Natural resource or public land agencies
- 5. School districts
- 6. Tribal governments
- 7. Nonprofit entities responsible for the administration of local transportation safety programs
- 8. Other local or regional governmental entities with the responsibility for, or oversight of, transportation or recreational trails

Eligibility of applicants will be determined by ALDOT with the concurrence of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

### **B. PROJECT ELIGIBILITY:**

- 1. Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, senior adults, and individuals with disabilities.
- Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation. These can include sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting, safety-related infrastructure, as well as projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
- 3. Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other nonmotorized transportation users.

- 4. Construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas.
- 5. Community improvement activities, which include:
  - a. The inventory/control/removal of outdoor advertising.
  - b. Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities.
  - c. Vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve safety, prevent against invasive species, and provide erosion control.
  - d. Archaeological activities relating to impacts from implementation of a transportation project.
- 6. Environmental mitigation activities, which include:
  - a. Storm water management, control, and water pollution prevention or abatement related to highway construction or due to highway runoff.
  - b. Reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality or to restore and maintain connectivity among terrestrial or aquatic habitats.

Eligibility of proposed project activities will be determined by ALDOT with the concurrence of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

## C. COMPETITIVE SELECTION

TA Set-aside funds are awarded through an ALDOT administered competitive selection process. It should be noted that while certain types of projects are technically eligible, not all types of projects have the same level of priority in the competitive selection process.

The purpose and intent of this program is to provide new "Transportation Alternatives" to communities, as well as enhance existing non-motorized transportation infrastructure. All eligible applications will be evaluated on how the proposed project improvements advance the intent of the program.

The following areas are considered in the competitive selection process:

- Promotes Safety
  - Reduces/Improves Conflict Points
  - Provides Separation for Non-Motorized Travel
- Increases Local Transportation Options
  - Improves Public Travel Experience
  - Promotes Mobility
  - Encourages Multimodal Options
  - Meets the Needs of Non-Motorized Users

- Provides Community Enhancements
  - Improves Usability of Existing Facilities
  - Improves Access to Quality of Life Enhancements
  - Provides Access to Community Amenities
  - Connects Activity Centers
  - Connectivity to Essential Services
  - Improves Public Health/Physical Activity
- Local Commitment
  - Sponsor and/or MPO Resolution
  - Public Involvement and Community Support
  - Part of a Larger Comprehensive Plan
  - Project Manager Identified with Qualifications
  - Readiness and Deliverability of Project
  - Addresses Challenges and Obstacles
  - TAP Project Delivery History
- Environmental Justice
  - ADA Compliance
  - Provides and/or Enhances Services for Individuals with Disabilities
  - Improves Transportation Options in Underserved and Underrepresented Communities
  - Mitigates Transportation Environmental Effects
  - Reduces Automobile Dependence as a Barrier to Opportunity

#### D. PROJECT FUNDING:

TA Set-Aside funds are allocated into two separate categories.

- 1. Fifty percent of the TA Set-aside funds are sub allocated to areas based on their relative share of the total State 2010 Census. They are awarded to sponsors based on the geographical funding limitations described below.
  - a. Funds sub allocated to areas with populations over 200,000 (awarded and administered by the respective MPOs).

The policies and procedures described in this memorandum only apply to those sub allocations awarded and administered by ALDOT. The MPOs may establish their own respective policies, procedures, and competitive selection criteria for funds sub allocated to areas with populations over 200,000. Sponsors located within the metropolitan planning jurisdictions of the Birmingham, Huntsville, Mobile or Montgomery MPOs should contact their respective MPO for specific program details.

b. Funds sub allocated to areas with populations of 50,000 to 200,000 (awarded and administered by ALDOT).

- c. Funds sub allocated to areas with populations of 5,000 to 50,000 (awarded and administered by ALDOT).
- d. Funds sub allocated to areas with populations of 5,000 or fewer (awarded and administered by ALDOT)

Fifty percent of the TA Set-aside funds are sub allocated to any area of the state. Any sponsor located in the State, regardless of population (including MPOs), may submit applications for consideration in this sub allocation. Any area of the State funds are awarded and administered by ALDOT

- 2. The Federal share for TA Set-Aside projects is generally 80%, with the sponsor providing the remaining 20% in matching funds.
- 3. The TA set-aside Program is a "cost reimbursement program", not a "grant". After the sponsor is issued a notice to proceed, the sponsor must pay 100% of the project expenses and request reimbursement for 80% of eligible expenditures from ALDOT. Therefore, the project sponsor must have the fiscal, managerial, and engineering capabilities to manage a project consistent with federal and state requirements. Furthermore, the Sponsor is responsible for any environmental assessments and permitting which may be required. Invoices may not be submitted more often than monthly.
- 4. Due to the limited amount of funding available, only one application can be submitted by an eligible sponsor per fiscal year. If the submitted application is part of a past or future phased construction, please indicate that within the application and include a master plan of all the anticipated phases.
- 5. Sponsors that currently have an active TAP project will not be eligible to submit another application for funding consideration until the awarded project has been submitted to ALDOT for authorization.
- 6. The total amount of Federal participating funding for a particular project (or project phase if part of a large multi-phased project) application is limited to \$1,000,000 (\$800,000 Federal and \$200,000 sponsor match). The total project estimated costs may exceed the \$1,000,000 limit, but any amounts in excess of the limit will be the responsibility of the sponsor and should be shown as such.
- 7. TA funds are federal funds administered through the Federal Highway Administration. All applicable Federal regulations apply. Failure to follow Federal regulations may result in the rescission of Federal funds from the Sponsor.
- 8. The sponsor is responsible for compliance with all Federal and State design regulations applicable for the project type (i.e. AASHTO Guide for Bicycle Facilities, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, USDOT regulations, Architectural Guidelines, etc.).
- 9. Any cost incurred relating to this project which is determined to not be an eligible activity will be borne and paid for by the sponsor.

To Declare Multiple Properties a Nuisance and Abate Through Removal of Structures **WHEREAS**, the International Property Maintenance Code, 2021 edition, Section 111, in accordance with Section §45-37A-251, Code of Alabama 1975 (as amended) provides procedures to control and abate the nuisance created by unsafe structures or parts of buildings and structures, party walls, foundations, abandoned or unused swimming pools, or abandoned wells

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to provisions of said Code, the City's Building Official has determined that unsafe structures are located at the addresses set out herein; and

or cisterns within the city limits of Alexander City; and

WHEREAS, the addresses listed are to the extent that it constitutes a serious threat to the general public health, safety and welfare of the City of Alexander City and are a public nuisance(s); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexander City desires to declare the property to be a public nuisance and to order the abatement of such public nuisance(s) through the removal of the unsafe structures.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Alexander City, Alabama, that:

- 1. The Recitals above are true, correct, approved and included herein as if fully set forth.
- 2. The City of Alexander City declares the unsafe structures at the following addresses

1027 Hillabee St.

140 Booker St.

1405 Roosevelt Dr.

406 Booker St.

403 Booker St.

2044 Washington St.

1515 Spring St.

987 Springhill Rd.

955 Coley St.

828 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue

2208 6th St. Extension

2765 Old Dark Rd. (2 structures)

2797 Washington (Depending on cost)

are a public nuisance and their abatement is hereby ordered.

- 3. Upon adoption of this resolution, the Planning and Development department will publish a request for proposals for removal of structures on the above listed addresses.
- 4. Upon receipt of all proposals, the City Council of Alexander City will award the bid and demolition will commence and all costs will be taken before the City Council of the City of Alexander City in order to set a lien on said property.
- 5. The mayor and staff shall have the full authority to do those things, perform those functions, make such decisions, and to sign necessary documentation in order to carry out and fully complete the actions so authorized herein.
- 6. The provisions of this resolution are severable if any part of this resolution is determined by a court of law to be invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, such determination shall not affect any other part of this resolution.