City of Sylacauga City Council Agenda March 5th, 2024

1. Called meeting to order at 4:26 p.m. by Council President, Tiffany Nix.

2. Roll Call:

Councilmembers present included – Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Nate Brewer, Laura Barlow-Heath, and Lee Perryman. Councilmembers absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk-Treasurer Alexandra Lambert were also present.

- 3. Invocation was provided by Councilmember Fowler prior to the work session.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- 5. Report from Mayor Heigl:

Mayor Heigl provided an update on potential funding for Police Department vehicles and a digital fingerprint scanner. He informed the council that he had met with former Alabama Secretary of State John Merrill, who now works for the engineering firm Waggoner. According to Heigl, the contract for the federal funds had to be signed by March 22nd, with a \$50,000 fee due at signing. Additionally, Mayor Heigl introduced Judy Green, the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum director, who expressed gratitude to the council, Mayor, and others who had offered support and assistance regarding flooding issues at the museum.

6. Adopt Agenda:

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to adopt the agenda was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

7. Approve minutes of the regular work session held February 22nd, 2024:

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

8. Approve minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 22nd, 2024:

A motion by Councilmember Perryman, second by Councilmember Barlow-Heath to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

9. Action that is necessary to approve Ordinance No. 2264-24 to sell real estate property located at 562 West 4th Street from the City of Sylacauga to the Talladega/Clay/Randolph Child Care Corp.

A motion by Councilmember Perryman, second by Councilmember Brewer to approve Ordinance No. 2264-24 to sell real estate property located at 562 West 4th Street from the City of Sylacauga to the Talladega/Clay/Randolph Child Care Corp was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve Resolution No. 33-2024 for an extension for William Davis to vacate property located at 317 West Third Street till April 29th, 2024.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve Resolution No. 33-2024 for an extension for William Davis to vacate property located at 317 West Third St till April 29th, 2024 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

11. Action that is necessary to approve Resolution No. 34-2024 to award the bid received from Johns and Kirksey, Inc. (Tuscaloosa, AL) in the amount of \$178,300.00 for reroofing and waterproofing of Isabel Anderson Comer Museum and Arts Center. (*Project expenses paid through capital funding. Original projected estimate was \$250,000.00.*)

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve Resolution No. 34-2024 to award the bid received from Johns and Kirksey, Inc. (Tuscaloosa, AL) in the amount of \$178,300.00 for reroofing and waterproofing of Isabel Anderson Comer Museum and Arts Center was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

12. Action that is necessary to approve Resolution No. 35-2024 amending Resolution No. 65-2023 authorizing an increase to apartment complexes using Green For Life (GFL) waste collection and disposal services provided in the City of Sylacauga effective October 1st, 2023. (Resolution No. 65-2023 originally only increased residential (.96) ninety-six cents.)

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve Resolution No. 35-2024 amending Resolution No. 65-2023 authorizing an increase to apartment complexes using Green For Life (GFL) waste collection and disposal services provided in the City of Sylacauga effective October 1st, 2023 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

13. Action that is necessary to approve Resolution 36-2024 amending Resolution No. 35-2024 authorizing a 3% annual consumer price index increase to residential and apartment complexes using Green For Life (GFL) waste collection and disposal services provided in the City of Sylacauga effective April 1st, 2024.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve Resolution 36-2024 amending Resolution No. 35-2024 authorizing a 3% annual consumer price index increase to residential and apartment complexes using Green For Life (GFL) waste collection and disposal services provided in the City of Sylacauga effective April 1st, 2024 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

14. Action that is necessary to approve a refund for garbage fees for resident Jimmy Brown, 33 Hickory Village in the amount of \$525.80. (Resident was billed by Sylacauga Utility Board since August 2021.)

A motion by Councilmember Barlow-Heath, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve a refund for garbage fees for resident Jimmy Brown, 33 Hickory Village in the amount of \$525.80 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

15. Action that is necessary to approve request from Mayor Heigl to change current budgeting and all associated records to reflect a name change from Administrative and General to Administration and Finance. (No change to funding; department name change only.)

A motion by Councilmember Fowler, second by Councilmember Brewer to approve request from Mayor Heigl to change current budgeting and all associated records to reflect a name change from Administrative and General to Administration and Finance was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

16. Action that is necessary to approve training expenses for Business License Clerk Ericka Doby and City Clerk - Treasurer Alexandra Lambert to attend The University of Alabama's Certified Municipal Revenue Officers 300 Level Training course online from October 16-18, 2024. Registration fee is \$235.00 per person. Total estimated expenses for Doby and Lambert are \$470.00.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve training expenses for Business License Clerk Ericka Doby and City Clerk - Treasurer Alexandra Lambert to attend The University of Alabama's Certified Municipal Revenue Officers 300 Level Training course online from October 16-18, 2024. Registration fee is \$235.00 per person. Total estimated expenses for Doby and Lambert are \$470.00 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

17. Action that is necessary to approve the Administration and Finance office to apply for the John G. Burton Endowment Scholarship for City Clerk – Treasurer Alexandra Lambert to attend the Municipal Clerk's Spring Institute online from April 17-19, 2024. This scholarship would cover the registration fee to attend online in the amount of \$265.00.

A motion by Councilmember Fowler, second by Councilmember Brewer to approve the Administration and Finance office to apply for the John G. Burton Endowment Scholarship for City Clerk—Treasurer Alexandra Lambert to attend the Municipal Clerk's Spring Institute online from April 17-19, 2024. This scholarship would cover the registration fee to attend online in the amount of \$265.00 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

18. Action that is necessary to approve the Administration and Finance office to apply for the John G. Burton Endowment Scholarship for Business License Clerk Ericka Doby to attend the Alabama Municipal Revenue Officers Association 200 Level Training Institute online from April 10-12, 2024. This scholarship would cover the registration fee to attend online in the amount of \$235.00.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve the Administration and Finance office to apply for the John G. Burton Endowment Scholarship for Business License Clerk Ericka Doby to attend the Alabama Municipal Revenue Officers Association 200 Level Training Institute online from April 10-12, 2024. This scholarship would cover the registration fee to attend online in the amount of \$235.00 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

19. Action that is necessary to approve the appointment of Nicole Brown to the Nuisance and Abatement Board - District 3 for the remaining term that runs concurrent with council members. (Ken Brewer and Frankie Thompson resigned from District 3, February 2024.)

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve the appointment of Nicole Brown to the Nuisance and Abatement Board - District 3 for the remaining term that runs concurrent with council members was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

20. Action that is necessary to approve Fiscal Year 2024 Accounts Payable invoices in the amount of \$122,249.09.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve Fiscal Year 2024 Accounts Payable invoices in the amount of \$122,249.09 was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

21. Action that is necessary to approve February payroll in the amount of \$527,490.83.

A motion by Councilmember Perryman, second by Councilmember Fowler to approve February payroll in the amount of \$527,490.83 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

22. Amend agenda to include approval of Assistance to Firefighter's Grant.

A motion by Councilmember Barlow-Heath, second by Councilmember Fowler to amend the agenda to include approval of Assistance to Firefighter's Grant was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

23. Action that is necessary to approve Fire Chief Nate Osgood to apply for the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant for new thermal imaging cameras. Total cost if awarded is \$4,183.67. Grant requires a 5% city match and a 5% grant writer fee, with the grant closing on March 8th, 2024.

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Perryman to approve Fire Chief Nate Osgood to apply for the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant for new thermal imaging cameras was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Navs None.

- 24. Time for anyone to address the City Council no action to be taken at this meeting: No comments.
- 25. Having no further business to discuss:

A motion by Councilmember Brewer, second by Councilmember Fowler to adjourn was carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas Barlow-Heath, Perryman, Fowler, Nix, Brewer; Nays None.

(Time of adjournment: 4:40.)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL March 19th, 2024

CERTIFICATION

I, ALEXANDRA LAMBERT, as City Clerk-Treasurer of the CITY OF SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA, do hereby certify that the foregoing document constitutes a true and correct permanent record of the action taken during a regular meeting of the City Council held March 5th, 2024.

Alexandra Lambert City Clerk-Treasurer

City of Sylacauga