

City Hall  
Fayette, Alabama  
October 8, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on October 8, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Pro Tempore Eddy Campbell, Councilmembers Virettia L. Whiteside, Tommy Williams and Aliska Hughes-Monroe. Also present were City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, Fire Chief Shannon Taylor, City Attorney Dale Lawrence and Junior Mayor Sean White. Mayor Rod Northam and Councilmember Jerry Nichols were absent.

The opening prayer was given by Bro. Kelcey Hale.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bro. Kelcey Hale.

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell announced a quorum was present and the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 24, 2024 and the work session held on September 24, 2024, be approved. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Williams it was unanimously approved.

#### RESOLUTION 2024-14

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell presented Resolution 2024-14 to the Council for their consideration. Resolution 2024-14 is as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-14**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ALABAMA FOR SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS**

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***BE IT RESOLVED***, by the City of Fayette as follows:

That the City enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation relating to a project for:

**Sidewalk improvements along 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. NE from Columbus St. E., to 1<sup>st</sup> St. NE and along 1<sup>st</sup> St. NE from Temple Ave. N to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. NE; Project # TAPNU-TA25(907); CPMS Ref# 100079543 and 100079544.**

Which agreement is before this Council, and that the agreement be executed in the name of the City, by the Mayor for and on its behalf and that it be attested by the City Clerk and the official seal of the City be affixed thereto.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City.

DONE this the 8th day of October 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Councilmember Whiteside moved the Council adopt Resolution 2024-14. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

#### 2025 TAP GRANT CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

Mr. Luke Porter presented the proposed 2025 TAP Grant Construction Agreement to the Council for their approval. He stated it was a \$1,000,000.00 grant with the City providing a 20% match. Councilmember Whiteside moved the Council approve and enter into the agreement as presented. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, it was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Danny Jenkins presented the police report for September 2024. The report was as follows: 26 incidents investigated; 5 accidents; 31 traffic citations; 21 traffic warnings and 36 arrests.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor presented the fire report for September 2024. The Fire Department received 14 calls.

GAS BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell presented a request from the Fayette Gas Board for the reappointment of Ms. Carmen Poe Moore and Mrs. Vicki Lawrence to another term on the Gas Board. Councilmember Whiteside moved the Council reappoint Ms. Carmen Poe and Mrs. Vicki Lawrence to the Fayette Gas Board. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the following vote was taken:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell, Councilmembers Whiteside and Hughes-Monroe  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Williams

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell stated the motion passed. Councilmember Williams said he abstained because his wife was an employee of the Gas Board.

ORDINANCE 2024-05

Mayor Pro Tempore said Ordinance 2024-05 had been proposed at a previous Council meeting and asked the Council to consider its adoption. Ordinance 2024-05 is as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05**

**AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING THAT THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF THE FAYETTE MAY SEND AND ACCEPT ELECTRONIC RECORDS AND ELECTORNIC SIGNATURES TO AND FROM OTHER PERSONS AND OTHERWISE CREATE, GENERATE, COMMUNICATE, STORE, PROCESS, USE AND RELY UPON ELECTRONIC RECORDS AND ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES PROVIDED AUTHORIZATION IS RECEIVED FROM THE CITY COUNCIL AND CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND CRITERIA ARE MET**

**BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTE, ALABAMA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** That pursuant to §8-1A-18(2) of the Code of Alabama, the Council hereby determines that the several Departments of the City of Fayette may institute a policy concerning the sending and accepting of electronic records and electronic signatures to and from persons and otherwise create, generate, communicate, store, process, use and rely upon electronic records and electronic signatures PROVIDED the Council approves and authorizes the departmental policy by resolution duly adopted by the Council and the proposed departmental policy contains the requirement that prior to an employee of the City applying their electronic signature, the employee-signer must have wet signature approval from their supervisor or department head.

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance shall be effective as of September 30, 2024.  
Adopted this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of October 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Council adopt Ordinance 2024-05. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Whiteside, the same was unanimously adopted.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell said a request had been received to declare three sets of old Park & Recreation bleachers as surplus property. Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved to declare the bleachers as surplus property. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

PARADE PERMIT

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell presented a request for a parade permit for the Veteran's Christmas Tree Lighting to be held on November 11, 2024. Councilmember Whiteside moved to grant the permit as presented. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, the same was unanimously approved.

ORDINANCE 2024-06

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell presented Ordinance 2024-06 to the Council for its consideration. Ordinance 2024-06 is as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-06  
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A LONGEVITY INCENTIVE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES  
PURSUANT TO §11-43-7 OF THE CODE OF ALABAMA,**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTE, ALABAMA, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Pursuant to §11-43-7, of the Code of Alabama, 1975, the City Council, as a part of the salaries and wages of City employees, hereby establishes a longevity incentive to be paid in one annual payment on the third Thursday in December. Said longevity incentive shall be as follows:

1. Each employee shall receive \$500.00 plus \$50.00 for each year up to twenty-five (25) years, that he or she has been an employee of the City.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon its publication as prescribed by law. ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this the \_\_\_\_\_ of October, 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Councilmember Whiteside moved the Council give unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 2024-06. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, it was unanimously approved.

Councilmember Whiteside moved the Council adopt Ordinance 2024-06. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, the same was unanimously adopted.

APPROVAL OF CITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Whiteside moved the City's financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL COURT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Municipal Court financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF PARK & RECREATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Whiteside moved the Park & Recreation financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

REPORT OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell reported Mrs. Celeste Kennard had been hired as the new Court Clerk and Magistrate.

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell said the FCHS Homecoming Parade will be held on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Pro Tempore Campbell said the 60's and 70's Multi-Year Reunion will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup>.