

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
August 26, 2025

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 6:00 o'clock, p.m. on August 26, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Rod Northam, Councilmembers Steve Herring, Eddy Campbell, Tommy Williams, Aliska Hughes-Monroe and Jerry Nichols. Also present were City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, Junior City Council Mayor Sean White and City Attorney Dale Lawrence.

The opening prayer was given by Mr. Brad Cox.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Asher Cox.

Mayor Northam announced a quorum was present and the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Nichols moved the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 12, 2025, be approved. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Williams, it was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Mayor Northam said he had received a request from Police Chief Danny Jenkins to promote Corporal Jordan Roberts and Corporal Landon Miller to Sergeant which would result in an increase in their hourly rate of pay. Councilmember Nichols moved the Council approve the promotion of Corporal Jordan Roberts and Corporal Landon Miller to Sergeant and to increase their hourly rate of pay from Grade 2, Step 5 to Grade 3, Step 4. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

HIRING OF PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mayor Northam said that Police Chief Danny Jenkins had recommended that Mr. Jeff Mordecai be hired as a part-time police officer to serve as code enforcement officer. Mayor Northam said based on Chief Jenkins's recommendation he would hire Mr. Mordecai as a part-time police officer upon obtaining the consent of the Council. Councilmember Nichols moved the Council consent to the Mayor hiring Mr. Jeff Mordecai as a part-time police officer. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, it was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2025-15

Mayor Northam presented Resolution 2025-15 to the Council for their consideration. Resolution 2025-15 is as follows:

RESOLUTION 2025-15 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING TRANSPORTATION PLAN PURSUANT TO THE REBUILD ALABAMA ACT (ACT 2019-2)

WHEREAS, the 2019 Alabama Legislature has passed an HB2 to levy an additional excise tax on gasoline and diesel fuel; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Fayette is to receive a portion of said tax based on the ratio of population of each municipality to the total population of all municipalities of the state; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Fayette pledges to keep this money in a separate fund and expend it only for the maintenance, improvement, replacement and construction of roads as mandated by the law passed; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Fayette shall adopt an annual transportation plan no later than August 31 for the next fiscal year – 2026- based on an estimate of revenues;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Fayette estimates that its anticipated allocation from the Rebuild Alabama Act fund for the Fiscal Year 2026 will be approximately \$100,000.00 to be used for street maintenance, improvement, replacement and construction of roads within the City of Fayette, with the increasing allocations for each fiscal year thereafter.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Fayette, Alabama, on this 26th day of August, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Council adopt Resolution 2025-15. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Mayor Northam informed the Council that there were some matters the Council need to act on concerning the City's involvement in the Opioid litigation.

First, Mayor Northam said the Council needed to authorize its counsel in the litigation, Riley & Jackson, to vote on behalf of the City in the Purdue Pharma L.P.'s bankruptcy plan. Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Council authorize Riley & Jackson to vote on the City's behalf in the Purdue Pharma, L.P.'s bankruptcy plan. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Herring, it was unanimously approved.

Second, Mayor Northam said the Council needed to approve the City's participation in the secondary opioid manufacturer settlements and allocation agreement. Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Council approve the City's participation in the secondary opioid manufacturer settlements and allocation plan and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreements and plans on behalf of the City. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

Third, Mayor Northam said the Council needed to authorize him to sign on behalf of the City the secondary opioid manufacturers combined subdivision and release form. Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the Council authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the City the secondary opioid manufacturers combined subdivision and release form. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

Fourth, Mayor Northam said the Council needed to approve the City's participation in the Governmental Entity and Shareholder Direct Settlement Agreement concerning Purdue Pharma. Councilmember Campbell moved the Council approve the City's participation in the Governmental Entity and Shareholder Direct Settlement Agreement concerning Purdue Pharma and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, the same was unanimously approved.

REQUEST TO APPROVE REPAIR EXPENSES

Mayor Northam presented the Council with certain repair expenses for their approval. He said as to the respective departmental budgets for the Police Department and the Civic Center they did not have an overrun and were operating within their budgets; however, there had been an overrun in the line item concerning repairs in both their budgets.

Mayor Northam said the air conditioner unit in one of the police cars (Unit 2157) needed to be replaced at a cost of \$1,448.09. Councilmember Nichols moved the Council approve this repair. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

Mayor Northam said the head gasket on one of the police cars (Unit 6991) needed to be replaced at a cost of \$3,501.25. After a general discussion, no action was taken to give the Mayor time to see if the engine should be replaced instead.

Mayor Northam stated the gutters on the northside and southside of the Civic Center needed to be replaced at a cost of \$4,466.00. Councilmember Williams moved the Council approve the replacement of the gutters. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, the same was unanimously approved.

CANVASSING OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS

Mayor Northam announced the Council would meet on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at City Hall to canvass the election results.

FINANCIALS

Mayor Northam reviewed with the Council the City financials, Municipal Court financials, Park & Recreation financials, Airport financials, Transportation financials and Waste Water financials.

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor Northam informed the Council of these upcoming events:

Labor Day Holiday -September 1st

Canvassing of Election Results – September 2nd at 12:00 p.m.

Comprehensive Plan public hearing before the Planning Commission- September 9th at 5:30 p.m.

Comprehensive Plan public hearing before the City Council - September 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Skilled Trades Training – starts September 15th.

Fayette County Fair - October 1st-5th

Frog Level Festival - October 3rd & 4th.

FCHS Homecoming – October 3rd

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon the motion to adjourn being made by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe and seconded by Councilmember Nichols, it was unanimously approved.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk