

**City Council Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2021
Jacksonville, Alabama**

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for a Council Meeting on January 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom meeting. Council President Tony K. Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following Council Members were present: Coty Galloway, Andrew Green, Sherry Laster, and Terry Wilson. Mayor Johnny L. Smith, City Administrator Albertha Grant, City Attorney Richard Rhea, and City Clerk Brenda Sandoval were present.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the Minutes from the January 11, 2021 Regular Work Session and Council Meeting. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

City Administrator noted there were amendments to the Agenda as follows:

Main Agenda:

Add:

Item 8a: Consider action to begin holding City Council Work Sessions and Meetings back at the Public Safety Complex beginning their next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. respectively, with the exception that the meetings will be closed to the public until further notice.

Item 12a: Consider action to accept the resignation of Kolby Burgess as Firefighter/Paramedic, effective February 5, 2021.

Item 12b: Consider action to approve the New Job Description for Police Lieutenant, Range 23, per the attached and request the Civil Service Board's approval of same.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. The Council President asked for comments concerning current Agenda items. There was none.

RESUMING CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS AND MEETINGS AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, to approve holding City Council Work Sessions and Meetings at the Public Safety Complex beginning at their next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. respectively, with the exception that the meetings will be closed to the public until further notice. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A PORTION OF SECTION 24-68 (ACCESSORY STRUCTURES OR USES) AND A PORTION OF SECTION 24-500 (FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES).

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, to schedule a Public Hearing regarding an Ordinance amending a portion of Section 24-68 (Accessory Structures or Uses) and a portion of Section 24-500 (Fences, Walls, and Hedges) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, for March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

RESOLUTION APPROVING A USDA LOAN RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 100' MID-MOUNT FIRETRUCK AND EQUIPMENT.

A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve a resolution approving a USDA Loan Resolution for the purchase of a 100' mid-mount firetruck and equipment. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

BID REPORT AND RESOLUTION FOR BID NO. 21-03, PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to accept the Bid Report for Bid No. 21-03, Purchase of Equipment for the Fire Department and approve a Resolution to award Bid No. 21-03, Purchase of Equipment for the Fire Department to MES (Mechanical Emergency Services), in the amount of \$15,222.00. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

RESIGNATION OF RIVER R. DEVOE AS POLICE OFFICER. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to accept the resignation of River R. Devoe as Police Officer, effective February 2, 2021. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

RESIGNATION OF KOLBY BURGESS AS FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to accept the resignation of Kolby Burgess as Firefighter/Paramedic, effective February 5, 2021. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

NEW JOB DESCRIPTION FOR POLICE LIEUTENANT. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the new job description for Police Lieutenant, Range 23, per the attached and request the Civil Service Board's approval of same. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

CONSOLIDATED ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the following:

PURCHASES OVER \$5,000.00.

1. UTILITY MAINTENANCE.

- a. \$44,817.00 to S. J. Patterson Co., for gas installation at JSU Merrill Hall (to be reimbursed by Doster Construction).
- b. \$6,384.51 to Neal's Measurement Service Inc., for gas installation at JSU Merrill Hall (to be reimbursed by Doster Construction).
- c. \$5,125.00 to Empire Pipe & Supply for 2" meter vault at new Starbucks location (to be reimbursed by contractor).

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR GENERAL ITEMS. The Council President asked for comments concerning general items. There was none.

COUNCIL MEMBER REMARKS. The Council President asked for comments. There were two.

- Council Member Wilson thanked the Mayor for working so hard in keeping the City employees safe during this time by thinking ahead and making tough decisions.
- Council Member Taylor thanked Mrs. Grant, Tim Smith and all the working pieces behind the Zoom meetings scene.

MAYOR'S REPORT.

- Expressed what great employees the City has and what a great job they have done this past year with all of the obstacles.
- Informed the Council of the delivering of the new Firetrucks. Expressed what a great sight it was to see. This is a great asset to the City.

OTHER BUSINESS. The Council President asked if there was any other business. There was none.

CONSIDER ACTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adjourn into an Executive Session

under the Provisions of the Code of Alabama, Section 36-25A-7(a)(3) to discuss with their attorney the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated or imminently likely to be litigated and Section 36-25A-7(a)(6) to discuss the consideration the governmental body is willing to offer or accept when considering the purchase, sale, exchange, lease, or market value of real property. Upon roll call vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council President Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Green, Council Member Wilson, and Council Member Laster; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

ATTEST:



Brenda Sandoval
City Clerk

Tony K. Taylor
Council President

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