

**City Council Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2019
Jacksonville, Alabama**

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for the Regular Council Meeting on December 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room at the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive, Jacksonville, Alabama. Council President Sandra Fox Sudduth called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following Council Members were present: Jerry Parris, Terry Wilson, Tony Taylor, and Coty Galloway. 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 Taylor, to approve the Minutes from the November 12, 2019 Regular Work Session and Regular Council Meeting and the November 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President Sudduth announced the motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Council President asked if there were any additions or amendments to the Agenda. City Administrator stated there were 3:

MAIN AGENDA:

- Add Item 10a:** *Consider action to approve ½ day, 4 hours of Holiday Pay for all General Fund and Water Works Gas & Sewer Board employees on Tuesday, December 31, 2019.*
- Ammend Item 16:** *Consider action to enter into an Executive Session under the provisions of Section 36-25A-7(a)(3) to discuss with their attorney the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation.*
- Add Item 16a:** *Consider action to schedule a hearing for Monday, December 23, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the possible revocation of the City of Jacksonville Business License of Shedrick Ridley, D/B/A Brother's Bar, located at 206 Pelham Road, South, Jacksonville, Alabama, 36265, originally approved on July 8, 2019.*

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Wilson, 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.

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

AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT WITH JMCM CONSULTING.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Authorization Agreement with JMCM Consulting for preparation and application for the assistance to Firefighter Grant Program, per attached. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

FIRE TRAINING FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ANNISTON.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Fire Training Facility Use Agreement with the City of Anniston, per attached. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

HOLIDAY PAY ON DECEMBER 31, 2019, ½ DAY, 4 HOURS.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Taylor to approve ½ day, 4 hours Holiday pay for all General Fund and Water Works Gas & Sewer Board employees on Tuesday, December 31, 2019. Upon vote of 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:

Other Personnel Items

1. RESIGNATION:
 - a. Austin Taylor, Firefighter, effective immediately.
2. RETIREMENT NOTIFICATION:
 - a. Gwen Rollins, Library Specialist, effective January 1, 2020.

Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR GENERAL ITEMS. The Council President asked for comments concerning general items. There was one:

1. Rick Cheyne @ 604 11th St. Stated he has lived in the City since 1959. He wanted to applaud Chief Wood for JPD's quick response to the incident at Brother's Bar. As a

resident of the City he has a great concern to the safety of our citizens. Requests that the Council revokes the Business License of Brother's Bar if this type of entertainment continues. He wants the City to be a safe place for himself, his kids and his grandkids.

COUNCIL MEMBER REMARKS. The Council President asked for comments. There were two (2).

1. Council Member Taylor stated in reference to the Brother's Bar incident, that running toward the danger is what Public Safety Officers do and they do not always get the recognition they deserve and he apologizes for that. He appreciates ALL that the Public Safety people do in our City.
2. Council President Sudduth stated that we have a fine Public Safety group in Jacksonville, and she is proud to live in the City and to work with them.

MAYOR'S REPORT.

- **GO EAGLES!**: Congratulations to Jacksonville High School Eagles for going to state. This is for all involved, from the team, the coaches, the cheerleaders, the band, everybody. We had three (3) schools out of seven (7) from our county go to state, with two (2) of them winning.
- **CHRISTMAS LIGHTING ON THE SQUARE:** Thank you to Council President Sudduth for organizing the Lighting on the Square. It was a good way to start off the Christmas season. We were honored to have President Killingsworth with us to do the count down.
- **HOLIDAYS:** City Offices will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24-25, 2019 and will close at 12:00 p.m. (noon) on December 31st and remain closed January 1, 2019. Thank you to the Council for giving us the extra half day on December 31, 2019.

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

CONSIDER ACTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to enter 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 option for pending litigation.

Upon roll call vote, the following were recorded: Sandra Sudduth, Jerry Parris, Terry Wilson, Tony Taylor, and Coty Galloway all present. Also present for the Executive Session were Mayor Smith, City Administrator Grant, and Attorney Richard Rhea. Council President announced the motion carried.

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Council entered into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. and Council President stated that the Council will reconvene in about thirty (30) minutes.

Council Meeting reconvened at 8:01 p.m.

SCHEDULE HEARING REGARDING BROTHER'S BAR.

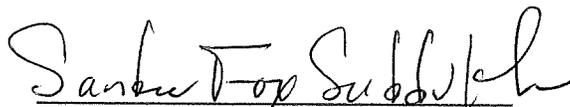
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ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adjourn the meeting. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

ATTEST:



Brenda Sandoval
City Clerk



Sandra Fox Sudduth
Council President