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Anniston, Alabama  
April 3, 2017

The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Anniston, Alabama, on Monday, April 3, 2017, at approximately 5:30 o'clock p.m.

Kent Davis, City Manager, prayed the Invocation.

Kent Davis, City Manager, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Draper called the meeting to order. On call of the roll the following Council Members were found to be present: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; absent: none. A quorum was present and the meeting opened for the transaction of business.

Kent Davis, City Manager, was present.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of March 20, 2017. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Reddick made a motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2017. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Little made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Nathan Young addressed the Council and stated many of the pedestrian crossing signals were not operational along Quintard Avenue.

Sean McClellan, 1518 McDaniel Avenue, addressed the Council and stated he was concerned with what had occurred at the soccer game and stated that Council Member Jenkins as a representative of the City should not have made the statements he had made.

Glen Ray, president of the local NAACP, addressed the Council and stated that Council Member Jenkins was apologizing too much for his comments and he needed to show he could represent all the people in the city.

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Ed Moore III, Justice and Civil Rights, Inc., addressed the Council and stated they would be hosting an educational seminar on hate crimes next week and stated the Assistant U.S. Attorney would be speaking at the seminar.

Alice Ware Ray, 3521 Knollwood Drive, addressed the Council and stated Council Member Jenkins had taken an oath to represent all the people in the city and stated he was an embarrassment.

Debbie Frost, bartender, addressed the Council and stated the City would lose revenue if they made the bars close at 2:00 a.m. She stated the bars would lose business, also.

Renee Kirby, 312 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, bartender, addressed the Council and stated the City would lose tax revenues if they made the bars close at 2:00 a.m. She stated they had a service to make sure the bar patrons had access to transportation to get home.

Jack Stovall, The Office, addressed the Council and stated much of their business was after 2:00 a.m. He stated they could not afford to lose 50% of their business.

Khalil Miller, local artist, addressed the Council and stated he had been in an altercation at a local pool hall and had been thrown out of the place. He stated they were supposed to go to court in two weeks.

Tonya Fantroy, 1809 Duncan Avenue, addressed the Council and asked why Council Member Jenkins was still on the Council. She asked how they could get him off the Council. She stated his apologies mean nothing. She stated he was a racist.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

- (a) Resolution authorizing reimbursements to city officials for expenses incurred while traveling away from the City. (Resolution No. 17-R-29)
- (b) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Anniston and Bantam Strategy Group. (Resolution No. 17-R-30)
- (c) Motion that the bid in the total amount of \$42,857.00 by Cooper Chevrolet for two Chevrolet Impalas for the Police Department be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Kent Davis, City Manager, introduced and read Resolution Number 17-R-31 as follows:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 17-R-31

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE TO PASS  
A RESOLUTION NAMING THE MAYOR W. GENE STEDHAM BRIDGE

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Whereas, W. Gene Stedham served the City of Anniston as a Council Member from 1973 to 1976, and

Whereas, W. Gene Stedham served the City of Anniston as Mayor from 1996 to 2000, and

Whereas, W. Gene Stedham's tireless efforts as a Parks and Recreation Board Member and as a Council Member helped to obtain grants to build community centers in the city, and

Whereas, under Mayor Stedham's leadership the current Coldwater Mountain Bike Trails property was annexed into the corporate limits of Anniston, and

Whereas, W. Gene Stedham as Mayor was instrumental in the annexation of the former Fort McClellan into the corporate limits of Anniston and the acquisition of properties on the former fort for public benefit, and

Whereas, the Anniston Industrial Park and Greenbrier Industrial Park, along with most of the businesses located within them, were brought into reality through W. Gene Stedham's efforts as Mayor, and

Whereas, W. Gene Stedham encouraged citizens to be involved in their community to the area grow and progress.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, as follows:

The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama does hereby petition the Alabama Legislature to pass a resolution naming the U.S. Highway 431 overpass bridge crossing over Alabama Highway 21 the "Mayor W. Gene Stedham Bridge."

PASSED and ADOPTED this 3rd day of April, 2017.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ANNISTON, ALABAMA

By: /s/ Jack Draper, Mayor

By: /s/ Jay W. Jenkins, Council Member

By: /s/ David E. Reddick, Council Member

By: /s/ Ben Little, Council Member

By: /s/ Millie Harris, Council Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

Council Member Jenkins made a motion for the passage and adoption of Resolution Number 17-R-31 as introduced and read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Little.

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Council Member Reddick stated he could not vote for this resolution. He stated that Mayor Stedham had helped to pass a resolution to cut funding to the Anniston School system.

Mayor Draper stated he felt the passage of this resolution was both proper and fitting.

On call of the roll on Council Member Jenkins's motion for the passage and adoption of Resolution Number 17-R-31 as introduced and read and Council Member Little's second to said motion the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: Council Member Reddick. The motion carried and Resolution Number 17-R-31 was passed and adopted.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve a Special Events Retail license application for Knox Concert Series – d/b/a Event Concessions Inc., for Knox Outdoors to be held on Noble Street between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Streets. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Harris and Draper; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Little. The motion carried.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve a Special Events Retail license application for Garfrerick Farms Inc., - Donoho School Fundraiser for special events to be held at the Longleaf Botanical Gardens, 920 Museum Drive. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Harris and Draper; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Little. The motion carried.

Council Member Harris stated she hoped everyone would come out for the Sunny King Criterium and Nobel Street Festival this weekend. She thanked the families hosting cyclist this week.

Council Member Little thanked everyone who had attended the meeting. He stated he had been and soccer game also and had heard some comments. He stated he would be holding a meeting at City Hall concerning the budgeting process. He stated he was currently going through the budget line by line.

Council Member Reddick thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He stated it was a mistake to impose a 2:00 a.m. closing time on the bars. He stated he was proud of the everyone on the soccer team. He stated the people and the businesses decided who was on this Council.

Mayor Draper thanked the Parks and recreation Department for doing a great job with putting together fine events for Spring Break last week. He thanked the City staff for their work in preparing for the Noble Street Festival, the Sunny King Criterium and the McClellan Road Race this weekend.

There being no further business to come before the meeting at that time Council Member Harris made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members

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Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:11 o'clock p.m.