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Anniston, Alabama

October 2, 2018

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 Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at approximately 5:32 o'clock p.m.

Jack Draper, Mayor, prayed the Invocation.

Jack Draper, Mayor, 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.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of September 18, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Little; 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 September 18, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Little; 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 Harris made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of September 25, 2018 Special Called Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; 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 September 25, 2018 Special Called Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; 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 approve the agenda; The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; 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.

Mayor Draper presented the following proclamation to Second Chance staff and volunteers:

(Domestic Violence Month)

Erika Tolson, 409 South Allen Ave, addressed the council on the violence affecting the children in the community. Asking the council to implement a curfew to keep the kids off the street. We have to do something to save our kids.

Mayor Draper opened a public hearing to receive public comments regarding an Application for Permit to Conduct Bingo Games in Calhoun County, Alabama for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189.

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Barbara Gain, Treasurer at the Elks Lodge #189, stated that she was there to answer any questions anyone might have.

Mayor Draper closed the public hearing to receive public comments regarding an Application for Permit to Conduct Bingo Games in Calhoun County, Alabama for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189.

Mayor Draper opened a public hearing to receive public comments to amend the zoning ordinance of the City of Anniston, Alabama, as adopted by Ordinance No. 16-O-10 (the "Anniston Zoning Ordinance") to repeal this prohibition against bars and taverns within an area of the Urban Core District.

Anne Crossley, representing the Wet Whistle, 1001 Noble Street, requested that the council be aware of the empty buildings around the city, when all they are trying to do is fill one of those buildings with a viable business to produce revenue for the city.

Robert Curtis, 1016 Noble Street, trying to open a lounge called the Parliament and would like the Council's assistance.

Monica Emory, General Manager at Effina's downtown, is in favor of the Wet Whistle. We should be grateful that people want to open business in the city.

Anne Welch, Chairman of the Planning Commission, 109 Shannon Lane, read a letter constructed by the Planning Commission on the concentration of bars and taverns.

Jamie Smith, on behalf of the Wet Whistle, we are just trying to open up a business, provide revenue and jobs for people. We are trying to build up the city not tear it down.

Steven Catsin, 1106 10th Ave Jacksonville, does not see any retail business coming and addressing the council.

Erika Tolson, 409 South Allen Ave, stated that the city has enough bars and that it would not be good for the children.

Kent Keys, own 2 buildings downtown and the current zoning ordinance has hindered him from renting his property. We need to send a message that downtown is open for business.

Chris Patterson, General Manager at Smoking Moose, does not see many businesses coming into Anniston.

Jamie Jordan, 1288 Brown Bridge Rd Piedmont Al, attorney that represents the Wet Whistle; made a purposeful decision to not have her practice in Anniston because of the empty buildings, bypass, and people not wanting to come to Anniston.

Zack Thrasher, 7751 Ala Hwy 9, started that we have to doing something about the City of Anniston.

Mayor Draper made a motion to approve the consent agenda:

- (a) Resolution authorizing reimbursements to city officials for expenses incurred while traveling away from the City.
- (b) Resolution declaring a reported condition to be a public nuisance. Group 2018-04 Vehicles and Debris

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- (c) Resolution declaring a reported condition to be a public nuisance. Group 2018-06 Grass and Debris
- (d) Motion to approve an application for permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County, Alabama for Anniston Elks Lodge #189 located at 1019 S. Noble Street
- (e) Motion to approve the bid for the purchase of work jeans at \$25.50-\$27.50 each, t-shirts at \$11.00-\$14.00 each, and jackets at \$56.00 each for Public Works and PARD employees to Tangibles
- (f) Motion to approve the bid for the purchase of one (1) One Ton Dully 4x4 Super Crew Cab Chassis for Public Works to Sunny King Ford in the amount of \$30,780.00.
- (g) Motion to approve the bid to replace the Carver Community Center Sewer Service Line to Dewberry Plumbing in the amount of \$28,300.00 through the CDBG Program
- (h) Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Bike Sharing Services with VeoRide, Inc.,

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.

Mayor Draper made a motion to read Ordinance 18-O-15, An Ordinance Amending Anniston Zoning Ordinance Section 22: Permitted Use Table (1st Reading), by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Little, 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.

Jay Johnson, City Manager, introduced and read by title only Ordinance 18-O-15, An Ordinance Amending Anniston Zoning Ordinance Section 22: Permitted Use Table (1st Reading).

Mayor Draper made a motion to approve a Special Events Retail alcohol license application for the City of Anniston d/b/a Berman Museum Boos Bash located at 920 Museum Drive on October 27, 2018. 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; abstentions: Council Member Little, nays: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Draper made a motion to approve a Non-Profit Tax Exempt alcohol license application for 2nd chance inc., d/b/a 2nd Chance 30 Year Anniversary Gala at 800 Museum Drive on October 6, 2018. . 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; abstentions: Council Member Little, nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Harris wanted to thank the Anniston Housing Authority, Sunny McNaham, Chief Denham for conducting town hall meeting at Constantine.

Council Member Little stated that the shooting was atrocious and wrong. The police cannot help if the community will not tell what they see.

Council Member Reddick stated that there is no reason the Anniston is considered the most violent in the state. Asked the city manager to provide a plan to council to address and reduce the per capital violence in the city with the current resources.

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Council Member Jenkins stated that we all have responsibility of solving the problem of crime within the City.

Mayor Draper stated that we need to help the police to fix the violence problem in the city. This is a community issue. We have to do something and do something now. Thanked everyone for coming out and addressing the council on issues within the City that is important to them.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss matters of pending litigation and they will not return to discuss what was discussed in executive session. Council Member Jenkins' second to said motion, the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at approximately 6:23 o'clock p.m.