

Anniston, Alabama

November 5, 2019

The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, met in Regular Session in Room B of the Anniston City Meeting Center in the City of Anniston, Alabama, on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at approximately 5:33 o'clock p.m.

Chris Collins, Fire Chief, prayed the Invocation.

Chris Collins, Fire Chief, 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.

Steven Folks, City Manager, was present.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the October 17, 2019 Called Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris, and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the October 17, 2019 minutes were approved.

Council Member Harris made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the October 22, 2019 Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris, and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the October 22, 2019 minutes were approved.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adopt the agenda with the removal of items (B) Resolution over-ruling objections to the abatement of identified nuisances. Group 2019-05 Grass, Debris. And Vehicles, (C) Motion to amend the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual Section Paid Time Off, (F) Motion to accept and implement the City staff's recommendation for recapture and reallocation of 2016-2019 CDBG and HOME funds previously allocated to the Anniston Housing Authority from the consent agenda as standalone(s). The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins, and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris, and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the amended agenda was adopted.

Mayor Draper recognized the Civil Rights Trail committee, which is group that will be working with the Council, Dr. Satcher, and other stakeholders to enhance the civil rights trail:

- General Jackson (Council Member Jenkins)
- Nathaniel Davis (Council Member Reddick)
- Gail McCulloch (Council Member Little)
- Ellen Bass (Council Member Harris)
- Anginette English (Mayor Draper)

Mayor Draper read the following addresses for the record: 2108 Cobb Ave, 2620 McCoy Ave, 2619 McCoy Ave, 2614 McCoy Ave, 1821 Noble St, 345 Lenlock, 520 Rosewood Ave, 2912 McKleroy Ave, 3009 Moore Ave, 1424 McCall Dr., 909 West 17<sup>th</sup>, and 1814 Walnut Ave.

Mayor Draper opened a public hearing to receive comments regarding over-ruling objections to the abatement of identified nuisances. Group 2019-05 Grass/Debris/Vehicles.

Debbie Johnson, 1814 Walnut, addressed the council on issues with dealing with the house.

Tana Bryant, Code Enforcement, addressed the council on behalf of Denette Woods for 345 Lenlock and stated she has contacted the City to sign a contract and get the issue resolved.

Mayor Draper closed the public hearing to receive comments regarding over-ruling objections to the abatement of identified nuisances. Group 2019-05 Grass/Debris/Vehicles.

Council Member Reddick left the council chambers.

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 (19-R-199)
- (b) Motion to authorize a one-time allocation of \$5,000.00 to the Complete Count Committee from FY2020.
- (c) Motion to award the bid for work jeans, tee shirts, jackets, and coveralls for Public Works and PARC employees to Tangibles at the stated prices in attached Fact Sheet

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

Council Member Reddick returned to the Council Chambers.

Mayor Draper made a motion to approve a Lounge Retail Liquor for Flint E. Conner d/b/a Happy Hour Comedy Club located in the city limits at 1201 US Hwy 431 N, Ste. 4. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, and Draper; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Little and Harris. The motion carried.

Mayor Draper made a motion to amend the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual Section Paid Time Off. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Harris, and Draper; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Little. The motion carried.

Mayor Draper made a motion to accept and implement the City staff's recommendation for recapture and reallocation of 2016-2019 CDBG and HOME funds previously allocated to the Anniston Housing Authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris.

Council Member Little stated that about \$500,000.00 would be coming back will be reallocated to do several different things along with the other \$500,000.00 that the city has. He stated that it was stated in the back that the City has too much money and they cannot spend it all, he stated he does not think

so. He stated that they can spend it all on legitimate projects and doing things that will help the people in need in Ward 2 and 3 and parts of Ward 1. He stated that is speed humps and bumps, a sewer, putting rooftops on houses, repairing floors, electrical, plumbing, demolish some structures, street improvements, paving, water lines, and several different things. He stated that he thanks staff for their recommendation but staff did not knock on any doors and get elected.

Council Member Reddick stated he does not know why the consultant said they did not talk about a down payment assistance program. He stated that he wants specifics, either bring up the previous down payment assistance program for the council to review or let the consultant make a recommendation to the council. He stated that he dislikes being ignored and that he is dissatisfied with the CDBG firm the city is using.

Council Member Little stated that he had asked about putting the 108 proposal together to go towards the senior center and bring them from out in the forest to civilization. He stated that more people will utilize the space. He stated that they need to build something for the seniors. He stated that this council likes to defer to staff but they are not the elected body.

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

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, introduced and presented Resolution 19-R-200:

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-R-200**

**ADMENDING CITY TRAVEL POLICY**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, adopted a City Travel Policy on May 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama desires to amend said policy;

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

Section 1. Section 2 of the City of Anniston's Travel Policy shall be amended to include the following:

"Travel by Anniston City Council is limited to events where the City derives specific benefits. Travel should be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the City effectively and economically, and incurred expenses should be prudent, reasonable, and necessary."

Section 2. Section 10 of the City of Anniston's Travel Policy shall be amended to include the following:

"Council members are limited to travel expenditures appropriated by each council member's line-item budget per fiscal year, and individual credit cards will automatically be cut off when this figure is reached."

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA

Jack Draper, Mayor

Jay W. Jenkins, Council Member

Millie Harris, Council Member

Council Member Harris made a motion for passage and adoption of Resolution 19-R-200, Amending City Travel Policy. The motion was seconded by Council Jenkins.

Council Member Little stated that this is trying to restrict his and Council Member Reddick's travel. He stated that they are the two blacks on the council and three whites are trying to travel a little bit but they have the Chamber of Commerce, County Commission, and other groups traveling for them to make their particular areas better. He stated that unless him and Council Member Reddick travel economic development is not happening for them. He stated that they have people angry because they are fighting to improve their community. He stated that the City Attorney is getting illegal health insurance and illegal dental, \$12,000.00 a month, plus \$240.00/hour if he does some other legal things and when Cleo Thomas was in position, he made \$70,000.00 a year with \$150.00 an hour and the Anniston Star wrote about him like he had three tails and five nose. He stated that the code says you have to be working 30 hours a week for a city employee and according to that agreement the city manager had hired a law firm, the council manager act does not allow the city manager to hire a law firm but the city attorney and that's it.

Council Member Harris stated that she will give the other side to this, the council has a fiscal responsibility to stay within the budget, when they have council members knowingly going on trips here and there, going thousands of dollars above their line item purposefully. She stated that is irresponsible and not in accordance to what they are here for. She stated that they are here to represent the taxpayers, not to be irresponsible. She stated that it is illegal to go above your line item budget particularly when you know they are doing it.

Council Member Reddick stated that what is going on is the devil. He stated that they are starting to see some progress in Wards 2 and 3, they are finally able to get things done. He stated that this is a time of prophecy and God is doing something in this City right now. He stated that the travel policy already says that are only to spend money on things that are prudent to the growth and development of the City. He stated that the problem is they do not want to see Wards 2 and 3 grow. He stated they do not want to see poor people grow, and that it is not about race. He stated that they do not want to see your council members that represent these poor people go out there and do something with the money they have to be impactful on their wards.

Mayor Draper stated that this does not decrease in any way the amount of money a council member can spend, in the previous budget the council increased the line item budget for travel for greater than they have in the last fiscal year. He stated that it is irresponsible to suggest that the council members from Ward 1 and 4 or the Mayor do not want part of the City to grow. He stated that that is part of their problem. He stated that this racial rhetoric continues to hold them back and he truly believes they are all, hopefully, trying to do what is best for this City.

Council Member Little stated that he agrees with the Mayor and hopes they can get pass this and they will see at the next council meeting when they bring out the business development forward for a mini

market in West Anniston and South Anniston, the purchasing of a building with CDBG funds and some of his capital improvement funds. He stated that people on this council got \$157,000.00 for their building. He stated that he asked the City Manager and Staff to see when the Council voted to legally give them about another additional \$120,000.00 after the downtown redevelopment authority awarded them \$23,000.00 and the letter from someone stated that they needed more money than that. He stated that you will not see the minutes where the council approved it and if they did they did so illegally because of what the state law says.

Council Member Harris stated that they should take these comments and delve into what is being said because it is very misleading. She stated that it is disappointing for certain individuals to claim to be men of God, who are not telling the truth. She stated that she challenges everyone to delve into this and go beyond what they are hearing during this meeting. She stated that is unfair, it is wrong, it is misleading, and it is untrue.

Council Member Reddick stated that it is okay because they did not travel anywhere.

Council Member Jenkins stated that he wanted to set the record straight. He stated the last two budget cycles; it has been him who has found additional monies for economic development in West and South Anniston. He stated that he hears all the time that it is crumbs but it is a start. He stated that he resents Council Member Reddick's statement that Wards 1 and 4 are going to survive on their own and they do not care what happens to Wards 2 and 3. He stated that is absolutely and patently untrue and his record clearly reflects that he has worked for Wards 2 and 3 as hard as he has worked for Wards 1 and 4. He stated that he believes he was elected by Ward 1 to serve the entire City and his intention is to serve the entire city. He stated that if they cannot see beyond their Ward line then you should not be sitting up there.

And on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Harris and Draper; nays: Council Member Reddick and Little. The motion carried and Resolution 19-R-200 was passed and adopted.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, introduced Resolution 19-R-201:

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-R-201**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Anniston as follows:

Section 1. That Jack Draper, Mayor of the City of Anniston be and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered for and in the name of the City of Anniston to execute an Employment Agreement for the City Manager of the City of Anniston, a copy of which has been reviewed by the Council.

Section 2. That Skyler Bass, City Clerk of the City of Anniston be and she is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's execution of said agreement and to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA

Jack Draper, Mayor

Jay W. Jenkins, Council Member

David E. Reddick, Council Member

Benjamin L. Little, Council Member

Millie Harris, Council Member

Council Member Jenkins made a motion for passage and adoption of Resolution 19-R-201. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick.

Council Member Little asked what is in the agreement. He stated that the annual base salary is \$130,000.00, and signing bonus of \$500.00. He stated that nothing is against Mr. Folks, but the City agreed that they would advertise every position. He stated that the citizens deserve to have the City Manager sit before them, for them to ask questions about certain things within the City to hear what he or she is going to say how they solve certain things. He stated that that is the basic and fundamental thing that the citizens deserve to hear and the Council deserves to ask. He stated that they should follow what they said they would do. He stated that the council already violated the ordinance with appointments to the Hospital board. He stated that they need to go through a process of hiring that is conducive and letting everyone hear what is coming out of the individuals mouth.

Council Member Jenkins stated that he understands Council Member Little's comment regarding the idea that they should post these jobs for anyone to apply. He stated that the city manager's position is unique and is the only position that the council hires, everyone else is hired by the city manager. He stated that he agrees there should be an interview process and he would challenge them to say that there has been an interview process; this man had been serving as interim for four months, in addition to serving as the Parks and Recreation Director and the city as a whole for 24 years. He stated that if they do not know who this man is by now, they will never know who he is. He stated that they know him to be a good man and a fair man, and it is no need to go through that process when they know what they got and they have something that works.

Mayor Draper stated that he appreciates Council Member Jenkins' comment and that there is no better person for the City of Anniston right now than Steven Folks. He stated that he is proud that he is their City Manager and that he agreed to be the City Manager.

Council Member Harris stated that she wanted to reiterate what Council Member Jenkins and Mayor Draper stated and that she had a meeting with Mr. Folks and he answered all of her questions and she was convinced that after that meeting that this man knows exactly what he is doing.

Council Member Little stated that it is about fairness, it is about a process, and it is about procedures. He stated that the council will use this as a stepping stone for something else. He stated that Mr. Folks has not sat in front of them and said anything about how he is going to do something. He stated that there are people out there who have worked hard and went to school to put themselves in a position for them to do what they need him to do.

And on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Harris, and Draper; nays: Council Member Little. The motion carried and Resolution 19-R-201 was passed and adopted.

Mayor Draper read the following addresses for the record: 2108 Cobb Ave, 2620 McCoy Ave, 2619 McCoy Ave, 2614 McCoy Ave, 1821 Noble St, 345 Lenlock, 520 Rosewood Ave, 2912 McKleroy Ave, 3009 Moore Ave, 1424 McCall Dr., 909 West 17th, and 1814 Walnut Ave.

### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-R-202**

#### **A RESOLUTION OVER-RULING OBJECTIONS TO THE ABATEMENT OF IDENTIFIED NUISANCES**

WHEREAS, Act 1995-375, Section 2, Amended by Act 2004-256 and codified as Sections 45-8- 172, et seq. of the Code of Alabama, 1975, defines public nuisances and authorizes the City to order or otherwise accomplish the removal of such nuisances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anniston has identified herein a specific list of such nuisances and the appropriate remedies to abate each nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anniston has notified the property owners or other parties that may be held responsible and has held a public hearing to consider objections to the proposed remedy as required by law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama that all objections and protests to the nuisance remedies identified in Exhibit "A" attached is hereby over-ruled and the recommended remedies are ordered to be applied to abate the nuisances according to the procedures and processes in Section 34.3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Anniston, Alabama.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this the 5th day of November, 2019.

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/ Benjamin L. Little, Council Member

By:/s/ Millie Harris, Council Member

Mayor Draper made a motion for passage and adoption of Resolution 19-R-202, A Resolution Over-ruling Objections to the Abatement of Identified Nuisances. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins.

Mayor Draper made a motion to amend the Resolution to remove 345 Lenlock and 1814 Walnut Ave from the addresses. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins and on call of the roll, the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Harris, and Draper; nays: Council Member Reddick and Little. The motion carried and Resolution 19-R-202 was amended.

Council Member Reddick stated that they have never done this before but it is not a bad thing. He stated that now they have to remember to try and remove stuff when over the last 50 years, when someone has come up to the podium that item stayed.

Council Member Little stated that at 1814 he sent Mr. Folks several addresses that are in far worse shape than that one and he has put in West of 905 Benny Ray Street and other properties to be cut and cleaned, and that has been over 2 years ago. He stated that there is a property on here east of 29<sup>th</sup> street, so something is going on in code. He stated that Council Member Reddick is right; normally when someone stands up they do not do any amendments. He stated the city attorney is the Parliamentarian and he is suppose to make sure things are done right but he is thumping on the pad at \$12,000.00 a month with illegal health and dental insurance.

And on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris, and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution 19-R-202 was passed and adopted.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, read and introduced Ordinance 19-O-13, An Ordinance amending Section 4.31 of the code of Ordinances Governing the Registration of Dogs and Cats (2nd Reading):

### **ORDINANCE NO. 19-O-13**

#### **AMENDING SECTION 4.31 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING REGISTRATION OF DOGS AND CATS**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the City of Anniston, Alabama as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 4, Article II, Section 4.31 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Anniston, Alabama, 1981 is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 4.31. Registration; Fees.

(a) Registration of Dogs and Cats. The owner or person in charge of a dog or cat that is more than four (4) months of age and resides in the city or its police jurisdiction shall register the dog or cat with the City of Anniston or its authorized agent. The owner or person in charge shall provide to the registrar the following:

- (1) The name, sex, breed, color, age, gender and other identifying characteristics of the dog or cat;
- (2) The name and address of the owner, person in charge, and/or residence of the dog or cat; and
- (3) Valid proof that the dog or cat has been inoculated against rabies in accordance with state and local law.

(b) License for Dogs and Cats. The owner or person in charge of a dog or cat that is required to be registered, as set forth above in Subsection (a), shall obtain either an annual or lifetime license for each dog or cat from the City of Anniston or its authorized agent. The annual license shall be effective for 365 days from the date of issuance and must be renewed each year before its expiration during the lifetime of the dog or cat. The lifetime license shall only be issued for a dog or cat that has been spayed or neutered, and it shall be effective for the life of the dog or cat. No license shall be issued without proof that the dog or cat has received a valid rabies vaccination.

(c) Annual and Lifetime License Fees.

(1) The owner or person in charge shall pay a fee to the City of Anniston for each annual or lifetime license, in the amounts set forth below, which is to be charged to offset the costs of the registration, licensing and control of dogs and cats within the City and its police jurisdiction.

License Type Sterilization Amount

Annual License Fee Spayed or Neutered \$7.00

Annual License Fee Un-Spayed or Un-Neutered \$30.00

Lifetime License Fee Spayed or Neutered \$25.00

(2) In order to obtain an annual license or lifetime license for a dog or cat that has been spayed or neutered, the owner or person in charge shall provide proof of sterilization by letter or certificate signed by licensed veterinarian and identifying the dog or cat by name, description, breed, color, age, gender, and owner or person in charge. Alternatively, the owner or person in charge may submit the dog or cat to physical examination by the City's animal control officer for the purpose of verifying its sterilization.

(3) The owner or person in charge may submit a letter or certificate from a licensed veterinarian stating that a dog or cat should not be sterilized, either because it is less than six (6) months old or for other legitimate health reasons. In such cases, the owner or person in charge may obtain an annual license by payment of the fee in the amount charged for sterilized dogs or cats.

(4) The owner or person in charge of a dog or cat that has been spayed or neutered may provide proof that he or she has an annual income of no more than \$25,000.00 or that he or she is a recipient of Medicaid, Social Security Disability or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. In such case, the owner or person in charge shall receive a lifetime license for the sterilized dog or cat without paying the license fee.

(5) In the event that the owner or person in charge renews an annual license for a dog or cat more than 30 days after the expiration of the license, he or shall pay a \$5.00 late fee in addition to the annual license fee.

(d) Authorized Agents. The City Manager, upon recommendation of the City's animal control officer and Finance Director, may authorize a licensed veterinarian or other appropriate agent to register, license and/or collect license fees for dogs and cats in accordance with this Section. Any such authorized agent shall provide a bond, in such form or amount as the Finance Director deems appropriate, to ensure the agent's collection and payment of all fees owed to the City. The Finance Director may pay the cost of the bond from the City's treasury. The City Manager may agree to pay such authorized agents an administrative fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the fees collected, or \$1.00 for each license purchased, whichever is greater. It shall be unlawful for any person, entity or organization to represent himself, herself, or itself as an authorized agent of the City without a written agreement with the City Manager conferring such authority and including the agent's promise to pay the City all amounts owed under the agency agreement.

Section 2. This ordinance shall have force and effect in the police jurisdiction of the City of Anniston, and it shall take effect immediately upon the expiration of the thirtieth day following its passage, adoption and publication as required by law.

Section 3. Upon its passage and adoption, the City Clerk is ordered and directed to publish this ordinance in The Anniston Star, a newspaper of general circulation published within the City of Anniston, Alabama. The City Clerk is further directed to submit a copy of this ordinance and proof of publication and 30-day notice of its applicability within the police jurisdiction to the Alabama Department of Revenue for posting on the Atlas Alabama state website in accordance with Ala. Code § 11-40-10.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA

By:/s/ Jack Draper, Mayor

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

By:/s/ Millie Harris, Council Member

Council Member Harris made a motion for passage and adoption of Ordinance 19-O-13. The motion was seconded by Mayor Draper.

Council Member Harris stated that they have studied this issue extensively and have traveled to Huntsville, Alabama and looked at what other states and cities are doing to alleviate this horrible problem with stray animals. She stated that this is based on research of programs that have actually worked and will not happen overnight but it is a start.

Council Member Reddick made a motion to reduce the Annual License fee from \$30.00 to \$20.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Little and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Reddick and Little; nays: Council Member Jenkins, Harris, and Draper. The motion failed.

Council Member Reddick stated that Council Member Harris would have had his support on this if they had reduced the annual cost. He stated that the City has more pet owners than stray animals. He stated that in the previous work session he asked that the amount be reduced to \$20.00 and Council Member Little asked to raise the amount to \$30.00 for the record.

Council Member Little stated that the only thing that bothers him is that the ordinance states at the City Manager's discretion, at the Finance Director's discretion, it is too many discretions. He stated that the City should set whatever they are going to set, and an ordinance should be clear without having to read someone else's mind.

And on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: Council Member Jenkins, Harris, and Draper; nays: Council Member Reddick and Little. The motion passed and Ordinance 19-O-13 was adopted.

Council Member Jenkins left the council chambers.

Arvetta Levingston, 831 Pecan wood Dr. and Lavetta Davis, 4123 South Berry Lane, addressed the council on a proposal to revitalize 15<sup>th</sup> street and West Anniston.

Richard Jackson, 2317 Noble Street, addressed the council on the disconnect between the council and how they should follow the rules and regulations they have set. He stated that there is a park in West

Anniston, Lincoln Park, that is just sitting out there and is being neglected for the last 20 years and it needs to be brought back up to standards.

Glen Ray, 3514 Dale Hollow Road, addressed the Council that maybe they can get on track one day. He stated that he has been helping a young lady that was trying to be railroaded for a DUI. He stated that if someone would have threaten the mayor he would not be out on a \$500.00 bond like the man who threaten Council Member Little.

Jada Myles, 2130 Gurnee Ave, addressed the council on the city manager position and following procedures. She stated that the council does not get along and the city will not prosper if they cannot get along.

Ralph Bradford, addressed the council on receiving information on what the plans are for city hall that should be within the city limits. He stated that the council manager form of government has never been pre-cleared by the Department of Justice and have yet to receive a response. He stated that there needs to be fairness in the distribution of funds to all Wards.

Council Member Reddick stated that the Anniston Police Department is hosting a toy drive until December 18, 2019, those toys will go toward Christmas presents for the youth. He stated that this past Saturday they held the first annual Jamaican-Me Run 5k to support Anniston High School and Wiggins track teams. He wanted to recognize Officer McGraw and McMichael on leading the 5k.

Council Member Little stated that he will recommend the council give about \$3,000.00 toward support of the track teams. He stated that he asked for a copy of the docket for February and March for the person Mr. Ray was talking about, someone has gone and manipulated some documents. He stated that they owe it to the citizens to get to it squared away. He stated on the 12<sup>th</sup> Council Member Harris is putting on a meeting in Golden Springs to talk about the de-annexation. He stated that everyone is talking about re-election but they have a duty to focus on right now.

Council Member Harris asked that everyone please join them on Monday November 11, 2019 at 11:00 at Centennial Park to honor the Veterans who gave all for us to be here.

Mayor Draper thanked everyone for their participation in the work session and the meeting. He asked that they research.

There being no further business to come before the council at that time Mayor Draper made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll, the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper nays: none; absent: Council Member Jenkins. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:12 o'clock p.m.