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Anniston, Alabama
December 10, 2013

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, December 10, 2013, at approximately 6:05 o'clock p.m.

Chief Tony Taylor, Fire Department, prayed the Invocation.

Chief Tony Taylor, Fire Department, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Brian Johnson, City Manager, was present.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Council Member Selase made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of November 21, 2013. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes of November 21, 2013. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Reddick made a motion to add to the agenda a motion to appropriate \$5,000.00 to the Anniston High School to attend the Citrus Bowl and to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

The Council recognized the South Highland Youth Football Team (12 and under) and Coaches as the 2013 Northeast Alabama's Youth Football League Champions.

Mayor Stewart announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments why grass lots declared public nuisances should not be ordered abated at the following locations: 1300 Haven Street, 913 and 906 Claxton Street, 0 Claxton Street #20, 1615 and 1619 Gurnee Avenue, 2109 McKleroy Avenue, 1624, 1616, 1605 and 1609 Moore Avenue, 0 Grant Avenue #68.001, 131 South Allen Avenue, 312 B Street, 112 South Leighton Avenue, 1230 West 17th Street, 317 Pyle Avenue, 0 South Christine Avenue #1.001, 827 South Christine Avenue, 121 S. Allen Avenue, 108 S. Leighton Avenue, 0 Old Wilmer Avenue #3, 2908 Wilmer Avenue, 403 W. 31st Street, 3017 and 2931 Walnut Avenue, 0 Walnut Avenue #66.001, 2625 and 2929

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Walnut Avenue, 3021 Moore Avenue, 0 W. 27th Street #24.001, 818 W. 17th Street, 0 White Avenue #46, 1228, 1220, and 1216 White Avenue, 1202 Crawford Avenue, 1512 Kelley Avenue, 911, 909 and 907 W. 15th Street, 0 Kelley Avenue #51, 1506 Dooley Avenue, 720-730 Cooper Short Street, 1536 Moore Avenue, 916 West 16th Street and 913 West 15th Street; declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council concerning why said grass lots declared public nuisances should not be ordered abated.

No one addressed the Council concerning why said grass lots declared public nuisances should not be ordered abated.

Mayor Stewart declared the public hearing to receive comments why grass lots declared public nuisances should not be ordered abated at the following locations: 1300 Haven Street, 913 and 906 Claxton Street, 0 Claxton Street #20, 1615 and 1619 Gurnee Avenue, 2109 McKleroy Avenue, 1624, 1616, 1605 and 1609 Moore Avenue, 0 Grant Avenue #68.001, 131 South Allen Avenue, 312 B Street, 112 South Leighton Avenue, 1230 West 17th Street, 317 Pyle Avenue, 0 South Christine Avenue #1.001, 827 South Christine Avenue, 121 S. Allen Avenue, 108 S. Leighton Avenue, 0 Old Wilmer Avenue #3, 2908 Wilmer Avenue, 403 W. 31st Street, 3017 and 2931 Walnut Avenue, 0 Walnut Avenue #66.001, 2625 and 2929 Walnut Avenue, 3021 Moore Avenue, 0 W. 27th Street #24.001, 818 W. 17th Street, 0 White Avenue #46, 1228, 1220, and 1216 White Avenue, 1202 Crawford Avenue, 1512 Kelley Avenue, 911, 909 and 907 W. 15th Street, 0 Kelley Avenue #51, 1506 Dooley Avenue, 720-730 Cooper Short Street, 1536 Moore Avenue, 916 West 16th Street and 913 West 15th Street closed.

Mayor Stewart announced that was the time for the public hearing regarding a renewal application for a permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189 located at 1019 South Noble Street, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said renewal application for a permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189 located at 1019 South Noble Street.

No one addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said renewal application for a permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189 located at 1019 South Noble Street.

Mayor Stewart declared the public hearing regarding a renewal application for a permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189 located at 1019 South Noble Street closed.

Mayor Stewart announced that was the time for the public hearing regarding a Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue.

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Joel Laird, attorney representing I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions, addressed the Council in favor of said Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue.

Mayor Stewart asked if anyone else wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue.

No one else addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue.

Mayor Stewart declared the public hearing regarding a Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue closed.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items (a) authorizing reimbursements to City officials for expenses incurred while traveling away from the city and (b) approving a retail beer (off premises only) application for Lisa Hudgins d/b/a 431 Gasoline located at 3801 U.S. Hwy. 431 North. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Reddick introduced and read Ordinance Number 13-O-25 as follows:

(13-O-25, amending Section 2.2 (2) and (4) of the Code of ordinances of the City of Anniston, Alabama setting the regular meetings of the Council)

Council Member Reddick made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 13-O-25 as introduced and read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried. Unanimous consent of the Council having been granted for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 13-O-25 as introduced and read, Council Member Jenkins made a motion for the passage and adoption of Ordinance Number 13-O-25 as introduced and read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 13-O-25 was passed and adopted.

Council Member Reddick introduced and read Resolution Number 13-R-245 as follows:

(13-R-245, over-ruling objections to the abatement of identified nuisances; Group 27)

Council Member Reddick made a motion for the passage and adoption of Resolution Number 13-R-245 as introduced and read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Selase; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick,

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Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution Number 13-R-245 was passed and adopted.

Council Member Selase introduced and read Resolution Number 13-R-246 as follows:

(13-R-246, authorizing and directing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with ACP Greene and Associates LLC)

Council Member Selase made a motion for the passage and adoption of Resolution Number 13-R-246 as introduced and read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris.

Brian Johnson, City Manager, stated they were amending to strategic plan contract up to \$19,000.00 to get them through to the end of this project. He stated there are a number of unforeseen expenses that have occurred or will occur before the project is done.

On call of the roll on Council Member Selase's motion for the passage and adoption of Resolution Number 13-R-246 as introduced and read and Council Member Harris' second to said motion roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Reddick. The motion carried and Resolution Number 13-R-246 was passed and adopted.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve an application for a permit to conduct bingo games in Calhoun County for the BPOE Elks Lodge #189. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Reddick made a motion to approve a Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I application for I20 HD Lounge LLC d/b/a Ambitions located at 1800 South Quintard Avenue. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Stewart made a motion to approve an appropriation of \$5,000.00 to go to the Anniston High School Marching Band to help defray the cost of their upcoming trip to perform in conjunction with the Citrus Bowl. The motion was seconded by Council Member Selase; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried.

Jennifer Maddox, Rocky Hollow Neighborhood Association, addressed the Council concerning problems in their neighborhood with gunshots being fired on multiple occasions.

Mayor Stewart stated he felt it was time to look at forming a task force concerning crime.

Council Member Jenkins stated that he appreciated the work of Rocky Hollow Neighborhood Association and he was in favor of dedicating the resources to solve the crime issues in their neighborhood and all over the city.

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Council Member Reddick stated he felt Nelson Mandela was a great man and example of how to make the best of what life sends you.

Council Member Selase stated that the Rocky Hollow Neighborhood Association had the full support of the Council. He stated many of the perpetrators of crime do not have an education and that was a problem they could all work toward solving.

Council Member Harris stated that the Rocky Hollow Neighborhood Association had the full support of the Council. She stated there would be a rededication of the bypass on December 19.

There being no further business to come before the meeting at that time Council Member Selase made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Selase, Harris and Stewart; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:51 o'clock p.m.