

Anniston, Alabama

February 21, 2023

The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, met in Regular Session in Room B at the Anniston City Meeting Center in the City of Anniston, Alabama, on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at approximately 5:30 o'clock p.m.

Vickie Folks, Pastor of Mission Church of God by Faith, prayed the Invocation.

Vickie Folks, Pastor of Mission Church of God by Faith, 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, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; absent: none. A quorum was present and the meeting opened for the transaction of business.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Steven Folks, City Manager, was present.

Council Member Harris made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the February 7, 2023 regular meeting minutes were approved.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adopt the agenda with the additions of item (h) A Resolution authorizing the City of Anniston to join the State of Alabama and other local governments as participants in current opioid settlements to the consent agenda; and a standalone Resolution endorsing RMC's letter of intention to form an Affiliation Agreement with UAB Health System. The motion was seconded by Council Member Roberts and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the agenda was adopted.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adopt the consent agenda:

- (a) Resolution authorizing reimbursements to city officials for expenses incurred while traveling away from the city (23-R-7)
- (b) Resolution to appoint a member to the Zoning Board of Adjustments (23-R-8)
- (c) Resolution appointing members to the Technical Codes Board of Adjustment and Appeals (23-R-9)
- (d) Motion to amend the Pay and Classification Plan to include a job description for Airport Facilities and Maintenance Manager
- (e) Motion to approve bid for re-roofing of Berman Museum to Garner & Associates in the amount of \$238,600.00
- (f) Motion to approve bid for re-roofing and repairs for Cane Creek Clubhouse to Alabama Roofing & Sheet Metal in the amount of \$543,4000.00
- (g) Motion to approve \$33,000.00 to the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama to replace destroyed Korean War Memorial in Centennial Park with funds from general funds as follows:

\$25,000.00 reimbursable from insurance settlement and \$8,000.00 from Reserve (contingency) line item

- (h) Resolution authorizing the City of Anniston to join the State of Alabama and other local governments as participants in current opioid settlements (23-R-10)

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

Mayor Draper read the ordinance amending Sec. 12.52(a) of The Code of Ordinances Governing Household Refuse Collection Service Fee (1<sup>st</sup> Reading):

ORDINANCE NO. 23-O-1

AMENDING SEC. 12.52(a) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING HOUSEHOLD REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE FEE

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

Section 1. Chapter 12, Article III, Section 12.52, Subsection (a) of "The Code of the City of Anniston, Alabama, 1981" is hereby amended, restated, and enacted in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 12.52. - Collection fee and due dates.

(a) The fee charged for curbside collection service for each residential unit shall be the amount set forth in the annual fee schedule adopted by resolution of the Council.

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Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication one (1) time in The Anniston Star, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Anniston, Alabama. The City Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be published one time in said newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this the 21st day of February, 2023.

Council Member Smith made a motion for unanimous consent for immediate consideration. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Draper made a motion for passage and adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and Ordinance 23-O-1 was passed and adopted.

Mayor Draper read the ordinance amending Sec. 6.2.3 of the Code of Ordinances Governing Members of the Technical Code Board of Adjustment and Appeals (1<sup>st</sup> Reading):

ORDINANCE NO. 23-O-2

AMENDING SEC. 6.2.3 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING MEMBERS OF THE TECHNICAL CODE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS

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

Section 1. Chapter 6, Article II, Section 6.2.3 of “The Code of the City of Anniston, Alabama, 1981” is hereby amended, restated, and enacted in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 6.2.3. – Members and term limits.

Members of the board shall have the following term limits:

(1) Board members shall serve initially for the following terms: two (2) for a five-year term; two (2) for a four-year term; one (1) for a three-year term; one (1) for a two-year term; and, one (1) for a one-year term. Thereafter, each member of the board shall serve a five (5) year term running from the expiration of the initial term. A board member shall continue to serve after the expiration of the member’s term until either the member is re-appointed or a successor is appointed for the remainder of the five (5) year term.

(2) The chief building official of the city shall serve as an ex-officio member of the board and shall provide technical assistance to the board but shall not have a vote in matters presented before the board.

(3) In addition to the seven (7) regular members, the city manager shall appoint two

(2) supernumerary members who shall serve on the board at the call of the chairman only in the absence or recusal of regular members. The supernumerary members shall possess a business license and actively practice within the city one or more of the trades specified in Sec. 6.2.2. Each supernumerary member shall serve a two-year term or until a successor is appointed.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023.

Council Member Smith made a motion for unanimous consent for immediate consideration. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Draper made a motion for passage and adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and Ordinance 23-O-2 was passed and adopted.

Mayor Draper introduced the Resolution endorsing RMC’s letter of intention to form an Affiliation Agreement with UAB Health System.

Mayor Draper made a motion for passage and adoption of the Resolution endorsing RMC’s letter of intention to form an Affiliation Agreement with UAB Health System. The motion was seconded by

Council Member Harris and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the resolution was passed and adopted.

Mayor Draper left the council chambers at approximately 5:43 p.m.

Bud Turner, 4708 Amber wood Lane, addressed the council on parking issue concerns downtown near the county courthouse.

Glen Ray, 3514 Dale Hollow Road, addressed the council and thanked Chief Bowles for all he does but he stated that they have need to have officers do what is right because it effects people in the long run.

Richard Jackson, 2317 Noble Street, addressed the council that the city has the Downtown Development Authority Reimbursement Program but the boundaries need to be expanded for a couple of blocks north and south. He stated this would allow people to get some help. He stated NAACP is sponsoring a Black History Program Talent Show on February 25, 2023 at Carver Community Center from 6-9 p.m.

Council Member Jenkins had no comment.

Council Member Roberts asked everyone to pray for the City of Anniston. He stated that there are a lot of rumblings about different things that the council cannot control. He stated that it seems like violence is picking up in certain areas.

Council Member Harris stated that it can easily get lost in the shuffle, everything they are doing within the City. She stated that in the work session, they heard about tons of park projects, street projects, help for the homeless, arts & entertainment district, board of adjustments for appeals as a form of checks and balances for code enforcement, Coldwater trailhead, hiring an airport manager, RMC and UAB connection, and the opioid lawsuit. She stated that there a lot of positive things going on in Anniston.

Council Member Smith stated that she will go over everything Judge Turner had given them regarding parking concerns downtown. She stated that she connected Ms. Hill with the Water Works and Sewer Board to address the flooding issue and she will follow up with them.

There being no further business to come before the council at that time Council Member Smith made a motion that 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 Jenkins, Roberts, Smith, and Harris; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 o'clock p.m.