

Anniston, Alabama

April 18, 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, April 18, 2023, at approximately 5:30 o'clock p.m.

Ciara Smith, Council Member, prayed the Invocation.

Ciara Smith, Council Member, 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 Jenkins made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the April 4, 2023 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Roberts and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Roberts, Harris and Draper; abstain: Council Member Smith; nays: none. The motion carried and the April 4, 2023 regular meeting minutes were approved.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adopt the agenda with the removal of item (c) under the consent agenda, (c) A Resolution appointing members to the Main Street Board to be taken up at the next meeting. 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 amended agenda was adopted.

Mayor Draper opened a public hearing to receive public comments regarding a Special Events Retail Liquor application for St. Michael's Medical Clinic d/b/a That's The Spirit on Friday, April 28, 2023 within the corporate limits at the Longleaf Botanical Gardens Event Center, 920 Museum Drive. No one spoke. Mayor Draper closed the public hearing to receive public comments regarding a Special Events Retail Liquor application for St. Michael's Medical Clinic d/b/a That's The Spirit on Friday, April 28, 2023 within the corporate limits at the Longleaf Botanical Gardens Event Center, 920 Museum Drive.

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-18)
- (b) Resolution appointing members to the Anniston-Calhoun County Library Board (23-R-19)
- (c) Resolution declaring personal property as surplus and authorizing the disposal of said property (23-R-20)
- (d) Motion to approve a Special Events Retail Liquor application for St. Michael's Medical Clinic d/b/a That's The Spirit on Friday, April 28, 2023 at the Longleaf Botanical Gardens Event Center, 920 Museum Drive within the corporate limits.

- (e) Motion to approve a Special Events Retail application for City of Anniston d/b/a Noble Street Festival on Saturday, May 6, 2023 within the corporate limits on Noble Street
- (f) Motion to approve Change Order No. 002 increase in the amount of \$29,451.60 to the Noble Street Park Project

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 approved.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve bid for FAA ARFF Training Facility Phase I, Site Preparations and Infrastructure to Hurst Construction, LLC with a base bid total of \$1,376,067.00. 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.

Council Member Roberts stated that he is tired; and things that have previously been invading other areas of the country are knocking at Anniston's door. He stated that it is almost daily, or weekly that they hear of somebody shooting or some young kid being shot. He stated that there is nothing for the council to do but he pleads with the parents. He asks parents to please take control back over their children's lives. He stated that if they continue at this pace, we will have a generation that won't get old, but they will just get cold.

Mayor Draper made a motion to convene an executive session to discuss preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governmental body is in competition with private individuals or entities or other governmental body is willing to offer or accept when considering the purchase, sale, exchange, lease, or market value of real property; and to discuss with the City's attorneys the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated or imminently likely to be litigated if the governmental body pursues a proposed course of action. 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 the meeting convened into executive session at approximately 5:37 p.m.