

Anniston, Alabama

November 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, November 21, 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.

David Arnett, Public Works Director, was present.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Council Member Smith made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the November 7, 2023 regular 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 November 7, 2023 regular meeting minutes were approved.

Mayor Draper made a motion to adopt the agenda. 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.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve a Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and Retail Table Wine (Office Premises Only) for Circle K Stores Inc., d/b/a Circle K Store 2709324 located at 1443 Lenlock Lane within the police jurisdiction. 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.

Council Member Harris made a motion to reject the bid opened on Monday, November 13, 2023 seeking competitive bids for Unit Price Concrete Supplier. 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.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to reject the bid for Anniston Fire Station #4 reroofing to seek alternate funding sources and address any guidelines required for those sources. 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.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the bid for the remodel of the Anniston Historic Courthouse (new City Hall) to Bradshaw and Pitts in the amount of \$6,131,000.00. 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.

Mayor Draper introduced the Ordinance declaring surplus real property and authorizing conveyance of the same. (1st Reading)

Council Member Smith made a motion to read the ordinance by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris.

Mayor Draper opened a public hearing to receive public comments on reading the ordinance by title only. No One Spoke. Mayor Draper closed the public hearing on receiving public comments on reading the ordinance by title only.

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 Jenkins made a motion for unanimous consent for immediate consideration of the ordinance declaring surplus real property and authorizing conveyance of the same. 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 of the ordinance declaring surplus real property and authorizing conveyance of the same. 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 ordinance was passed and adopted. (23-0-9)

Bryan Newell, 4104 Melanie Drive Moody AL, addressed the city council on his campaign for Congress, Alabama 3rd District.

Council Member Jenkins congratulated Bradshaw & Pitts on the award of the new city hall remodel bid. He stated that it is important to point out a good amount of their subcontractors are all from Anniston. He stated that this facility will serve the City of Anniston for the next 100 years.

Linda Peters with the Calhoun County Veteran's Organization stated that they have put on the Veteran's Day Parade for a long time. She thanked the city for all their assistance. She stated that there were 3 WW2 veterans at this event.

Council Smith wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Harris wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Draper stated that he is excited the motion that was approved the new City Hall remodel to Bradshaw & Pitts. He stated that everyone is looking forward to moving back downtown. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and Holiday Season.

There being no further business to come before the council at that time Mayor Draper 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, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:44 o'clock p.m.