



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pelham Senior Center

March 21, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Proper notice of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Pelham City Council was given in advance of such public meeting and the notice remained posted throughout the scheduled meeting.

Date: March 21, 2022
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Pelham Senior Center
Present: Council President Maurice Mercer
Councilmember David Coram
Councilmember Larry Palmer
Councilmember Rick Wash
Councilmember Mildred Lanier
Mayor Gary Waters

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Coram led tonight's invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Palmer.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The city clerk/treasurer recorded all elected officials were in attendance and a quorum was present. City Manager Gretchen DiFante and City Attorney Josh Arnold were in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda is presented by the Council President at the beginning of a council meeting. Items presented on the consent agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial, are organized apart from the rest of the agenda and are adopted by general consent and vote by the city council without debate. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Removed items may be considered either immediately after the consent agenda is approved or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Council President and City Council.

1. Approval of the March 21, 2022 City Council Agenda
2. Approval of the March 7, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of non-budgeted expenses from restricted fund account(s): None
4. **Resolution 2022-03-21-01** for consideration to accept the lone bid for the purchase of five (5) 2021 Dodge Chargers from Stivers Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram
5. **Resolution 2022-03-21-02** for consideration to enter into a real estate purchase agreement for property located at 1904 Montgomery Highway, Pelham, Alabama 35124
6. **Resolution 2022-03-21-03** for consideration to approve procedures for the waiving of various delinquent sales, use and business license penalties due the city
7. **Resolution 2022-03-21-04** for consideration to approve a professional services agreement with EEFS Company, PC to provide surveying and engineering design work for three additional parking spaces and an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant sidewalk in front of the Pelham Police & Court Building

- 8. **Resolution 2022-03-21-05** for consideration to approve a proposal from Hixon Consultants, Inc. to perform an envelope assessment of Pelham Fire Station No. 1
- 9. **Resolution 2022-03-21-06** for consideration to approve a public works contract with Temperature Pro Birmingham for the replacement of all six (6) existing HVAC units at the Pelham Racquet Club
- 10. **Resolution 2022-03-21-07** for consideration to adopt the 2022 Shelby County Multi-Jurisdictional, Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Council President Mercer stated the complete text of each resolution is available at Pelham City Hall and online at www.pelhamalabama.gov.

Councilmember Coram moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented by Council President Mercer. Councilmember Lanier seconded the motion.

Council President Mercer asked the city clerk/treasurer for a roll call vote. The vote to adopt said Consent Agenda was recorded as follows:

Maurice Mercer, Council President	<u>Yes</u>
David Coram, Council Member	<u>Yes</u>
Larry Palmer, Council Member	<u>Yes</u>
Rick Wash, Council Member	<u>Yes</u>
Mildred Lanier, Council Member	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the council president declared the same passed and adopted.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

Councilmember Coram moved to recess the city council meeting in order to hold a public hearing for which proper notice had been given. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lanier and approved unanimously by voice vote of those members present. The council meeting recessed at 7:04 p.m.

Council President Mercer explained the purpose of the public hearing was to consider an amendment to the zone district boundaries of the City of Pelham changing the present zoning M-1 (Light Industrial District) to B-2 (General Business District) for property located 2774-2788 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, Alabama 35124. The applicant is the Pelham Commercial Development Authority.

Council President Mercer announced the public hearing was in session regarding the amending of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Pelham as noted in proposed Ordinance No. 135-249. He further stated the city council would now hear comments both for and against the consideration to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Pelham.

Speaking in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance:

- Roberto Rodriquez, 2116 Aaron Road, Pelham, Alabama 35124, Vice Chairman of the Pelham Commercial Development Authority, spoke in favor of the rezoning.
- Director of Development Services & Public Works Andre` Bittas spoke in favor of the rezoning. He stated the rezoning is consistent with Plan Pelham and the Pelham Comprehensive Plan.

Speaking against amending the Zoning Ordinance:

- None

Council President Mercer called the March 21, 2022 City Council Meeting back to order at 7:06 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Mayor Waters announced to the city council having appointed Joey Pitts to the Administrative Official position on the Pelham Planning Commission with the term of office expiring on November 3, 2025.

PROCLAMATION(S) BY THE MAYOR AND OTHERS – None

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Gretchen DiFante made her comments during tonight's work session.

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY – None

REQUEST(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Don Bristow was scheduled to address the city council regarding property located at 3446 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, AL 35124. Mr. Bristow called Monday afternoon and informed the city clerk/treasurer he would need to reschedule at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2022-03-21-08** for consideration to adopt the City of Pelham 2022 Compensation Pay Plan was introduced by Council President Mercer.

Councilmember Wash moved to adopt Resolution 2022-03-21-08 and Councilmember Coram seconded the motion.

Councilmember Wash thanked Human Resources Director Tracy Hill and her staff for developing the new compensation plan. He said it was a long time overdue and a good thing for the city. Councilmember Lanier and Council President Mercer echoed the comments of Councilmember Wash.

There being no further discussion, the motion to adopt Resolution 2022-03-21-08 passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present and the council president declared the same passed and adopted.

2. **Ordinance No. 135-249** an amendment to the zone district boundaries of the City of Pelham changing the present zoning M-1 (Light Industrial District) to B-2 (General Business District) for property located 2774-2788 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, Alabama 35124 was introduced and read in its entirety by Council President Mercer as a **First Reading**.

Applicant: Pelham Commercial Development Authority

He stated a complete text of Ordinance No. 135-249 is available at Pelham City Hall and online at www.pelhamalabama.gov.

Council President Mercer announced this Ordinance will likely be considered by the city council at a future city council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Individuals wishing to address the City Council may after being recognized approach the podium and state their name and physical address prior to making their comments in a respectful manner.

- Phillip Bahakel, candidate for Shelby County District Judge Place 1, addressed the city council.
- Jody Tallie, candidate for Shelby County District Judge Place 1, addressed the city council.
- Donna Beaulieu, candidate for Shelby County Circuit Judge Place 1, addressed the city council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Coram thanked Librarian Mary Campbell, staff and the Library Guild for another successful Taste of Pelham event at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena.

Councilmember Palmer echoed Councilmember Coram's comments. He asked everyone to be weather aware over the next several days.

Councilmember Wash echoed Councilmember Coram's comments regarding the Taste of Pelham. He thanked Interim Parks & Recreation Director Hal Brown and his staff for a successful "Paws in the Park" event on Sunday.

Councilmember Lanier thanked the candidates who interviewed for the Cooperative District and Pelham Board of Education positions. She thanked Communications Manager Ainsley Allison and staff for a fantastic *Pathways* magazine.

Council President Mercer echoed the comments of Councilmember Lanier. He thanked the judicial candidates for addressing the city council tonight. He thanked Librarian Mary Campbell, staff and the Library Guild for another successful Taste of Pelham. He thanked Interim Parks & Recreation Director Hal Brown and his staff for all the activities they have planned. Also, thanked Communications Manager Ainsley Allison and staff for the new *Pathways* magazine.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. ProTec Recycling and the City of Pelham will host a spring shred and e-recycling event on Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon. It will take place in front of City Hall, 3162 Pelham Parkway. Additional, details about shredding and e-recycling are available on the city's website, www.pelhamalabama.gov.
2. Bulk Collection and Large Yard Debris
 - There are no longer two bulk collection days per year. Instead, you can request a pickup of bulk trash and large piles of organic yard debris anytime.
 - Heavy trash items, such as mattresses, carpet and appliances should be placed prior to scheduling the pickup. You can call Amwaste at [205.788.1400](tel:205.788.1400) or [request your pickup via our Request Tracker on the city website](#). Bulk trash items will be collected within two business days.
 - Large organic yard debris pickup must be scheduled and will be collected within ten business days from the time of your request. Large organic yard debris is vegetative waste, yard waste, limbs, shrubs, bagged grass clippings GREATER than the two cubic yards collected beside the cart on the first service day of the week. If your materials are not picked up within ten business days following your request, please call 205.788.1400 or report through Request Tracker on the city's website at www.pelhamalabama.gov.
 - Tree limbs cannot exceed six feet in length.
 - Landscaping and/or construction debris should be removed by the contractor performing the service. Only homeowner-generated materials should be scheduled for pickup by Amwaste.
3. Shelby County will host a Free Landfill Day at the Shelby County Landfill located at 401 Landfill Road on Highway 70 between Columbiana and Calera on Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. All participants must be unloaded and exited from the landfill by 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Coram moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Lanier seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of March 2022.



Tom Seale, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer



Maurice Mercer, President of the Council

